

1880 - 1889

Pynsent

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1880

1881

January 1881

February 1881

March 1881

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1956): Friday 11th March 1881

COUNTY COURT: (Before His Honour Judge Cope.) £20 and under £50: Smith v. Anderson, Braham v. Corris, Brearley v. Costs, Thistlewaite v. Greenwood, Leonard v. Harris, Anthoness v. Simmons, Kay v. Wimpole, Wilson v. Kennedy, Enticott v. Levdon, Munro v. Anderson. Kimpton v. Perdrix, Heller v. Clancy, Pavey and another v. Spence, Hart v. Egan, Leonard v. Crawford, Rundall v. Palten, Nathan v. Miller, Stephens v. Adams, Pynsent v. Butterworth etc.

[GROxxxx Hennock]

April 1881

May 1881

June 1881

July 1881

August 1881

September 1881

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1956): Thursday 8th September 1881

Cleared Out: Sept 7th: Ringarooma, S.S., H W U Chatfield, for New Zealand ports via Hobart Passengers –cabin: Mr. and Mrs. Walter and child, Mr. and Mrs. Foulden, Mrs. Oxley and family (two), Mrs. S. Boll, Miss F. Carroll, Miss Baldwin, Miss M. E. Pynsent, Miss Yarbrongh, Miss E. Simpson, Miss Mary Stack, Dr Collins, Colonel Western, Captain E. M. Smith, Messrs KcIvor, G. Thorne, jun, Nutting, Alfred Tounson, Palk, W. Rattray, R. Cleeton, J. Clark, Empson, R. G. Bachelder, S. L. Bell, W. Palmer, Galbraith, J. B. Gordon, Galbraith, W. Bradd, H. G. A. Wright, G. Allan, John Smith, W. Houston, W. Fraser, Gray, F. White, J. Hatch , and 35 In the steerage: McMeckan, Blackwood, and Co, agents.

[GRO0667 Hennock]

October 1881

November 1881

December 1881

1882

January 1882

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1957): Saturday 7th January 1882

Miss L. Pynsent is urgently requested to call at Mr. Newman's, Jeweller, Elizabeth Street:

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February 1882

March 1882

April 1882

May 1882

June 1882

July 1882

Australian Town and Country Journal (NSW: 1870-1907): Saturday 1st July 1882

Arrivals: June 25th: Ly-ee-Moon, steamer, 1202 tons, Captain G. Tait, from Melbourne, June 23, Passengers-Mesdames J. Bryer, McAllam, Misses O'Keefe, Duncan, Finlay (2) Messrs. F. G. Collins, J. D. Ridley, F. Hunt, Pynsant, J. G. Smallman, H. Sturt; Burdekin, M. L. Baker, Stone, Masters Burdekin, Finlay (2), and 24 in the steerage. A.S.N. Co., agents:

[GROxxxx Hennock]

August 1882

September 1882

October 1882

November 1882

December 1882

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1884

January 1884

February 1884

March 1884

April 1884

May 1884

The Daily Telegraph (Sydney, NSW: 1870 – 1930): Saturday 10th May 1884

Overland Passenger Trams: Albury: Friday, Passengers for ... Sydney by the ordinary train: ... (*includes*) ... J. Pynsent ...

[GROxxxx Hennock]

June 1884

July 1884

August 1884

September 1884

October 1884

November 1884

December 1884

1885

January 1885

February 1885

March 1885

April 1885

May 1885

June 1885

July 1885

Australian Town and Country Journal (NSW: 1870-1907): Saturday 11th July 1885

Arrivals 5th July: Te Anau, steamer, 1,850 tons, Captain A. Kennedy, from Melbourne, Hobart, and New Zealand ports. Passengers – Dr. and Mrs. McCluire and family (6), Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lister Kaye, Mr. and Mrs. Pynsent, Misses Tuttle, Kennedy, Stansfield, Ewing, Carnegie (2), Mrs. W. Davis and child, Mrs. Knight, Colonel P. A. Carnegie and Indian servant, Colonel Reader, Captain Fox, Messers. G. H. Anderson, Hunter, Carlow-Smith, A. L. Hawkins, A. Gordon, Farquhar, Lloyd. A. Clayton, Stophena, P. S. Butler, Shuttleworth, E. M. C. Harrison, H. S. Fox, Bonsfield, Empson, J. H. Grainger, Godfrey, Knight, and 25 in the steerage. Union S.S. Co., agents.

[see also the Sydney Mail and New South Wales Advertiser: Saturday 11th July 1885 and Evening News: Monday 6th July 1885]

[GRO1214 Hennock]

August 1885

Sydney Mail and New South Wales Advertiser (NSW: 1871-1885): Saturday 22nd August 1885

Society: ...

His Excellency the Governor entertained Colonel Bingham Captain Milward, and Captain Bunbury, the newly arrived officers of the Royal Artillery, at dinner on the 13th. The party included Major-General Richardson, C.B., Colonel Roberts, C.M.G., the Hon. Sir Alex. Stuart, K.C.M.G., the Hon. W. B. Dalley, the Hon. F. A. Wright, and Mr. C. P. Pynsent.

[GRO1214 Hennock]

September 1885

October 1885

November 1885

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Saturday 21st November 1885

Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between John Gibbon and the undersigned carrying on business as dairymen, at George Street, Redfern under the firm or style of “The Railway Milk Company,” was on the first day of October 1885 dissolved by mutual consent: Dated this 19th day of November, 1885: Joseph Pynsent:

[GRO1198 Hennock]

December 1885

1886

January 1886

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Thursday 28th January 1886

Marriages: PYNSENT-GARLAND: - January 19, at St. Peter's Church, by the Rev. T. B. Tress, Joseph Pynsent, eldest son of the late Burton Pynsent, merchant, of Bristol and Melbourne, to Nellie, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Garland, of Hobart.

[GRO1198 Hennock] [GRO1194 Hennock]

February 1886

Sydney Mail and New South Wales Advertiser (NSW: 1871-1885): Saturday 6th February 1886

Marriages: Pynsent – Garland: January 19th, at St. Peter’s Church, by the Rev. T. B. Tess, Joseph the elder son of the late Burton Pynsent, merchant, of Bristol and Melbourne, to Nellie, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Garland, of Hobart.

[see also Sydney Morning Herald: Thursday 28th January 1886]

[GRO1198 Hennock] [GRO1683 Hennock] [GRO01194 Hennock]

March 1886

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Monday 1st March 1886

DISTRICT COURT: Monday March 1st: Undefended cases will be taken at 10 a.m., after which the following cases under £10: Causes. Traynor and another v. Lambert, Morris and another v. O'Donovan, Hamilton v. Dyson, Asprey v. Duncan; Murphy v. Lorkin, Hogan v. Harper, Corry v. Becker, Solomon v. Hevers. Walnman v. Geary, Judd v. Murphy, Booth v. Lassen, McCall v. McQuade, Lery v. Paton, Howes v. Cooper, Lonergan and another v. Smith, Parker v. Niewman, Jay v. Cary, Hillsden v. Horton, Golledge v. Hamilton, Davis v. Lineker, Parry v. Deacon, Phillips v. Osmond, Barlow v. Bundell. Phillips v. Bayliss, Gamon v. Baker, Kavanagh v. Joel, Sindell v. Harper and wife, Farr v. Harris and wife, Fletcher v. Merry, Hines v. Kerin, Michael v. Phelps, Gibson v. Pynsent, Lovell v. Merrie, Hammond v. McWhinnie and others, Nightingale and others v. Troeder, Pemberton v. Roberts, Borough of Balmain v. Nicholls, Sconian v. Bonnor, Wright and another v. Poulton, Inglis v. Sherd.

[see also The Sydney Morning Herald: Thursday 3rd June 1886]

[GROxxxx Hennock]

April 1886

May 1886

South Australian Register (Adelaide, SA: 1839 – 1900): Thursday 6th May 1886

Marriages: Scott – Good: On the 30th April, at the Parish Church, Port Augusta, by the Rev. Henry Mason, Abraham Pynsent, third son of Thomas Pynsent Scott, to Beatrice Jane, eldest daughter of Frederick Williams Good.

[See also several other newspapers and other days]

South Australian Register (Adelaide, SA.: 1839-1900): Monday 17th May 1886

Marriages: Scott – Good: On the 30th April, at the Parish Church, Port Augusta, by the Rev. Henry Mason, Abraham Pynsent, third son of Thomas Pynsent Scott, to Beatrice Jane, elder daughter of Frederick William Good: ...

June 1886

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Tuesday 8th June 1886

In Memoriam: Blake: In sad remembrance of my dear little nephew, Walter Henry, youngest and beloved son of James and Mary Blake, died at Kiama June 7th, 1884 after a painful illness, aged 11 months. "Our darling is an angel now": Inserted by N. Pynsent:

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[GRO1683 Hennock]

July 1886

August 1886

September 1886

October 1886

The Daily Telegraph (Sydney, NSW: 1870 – 1930): Thursday 14th October 1886

Overland Passenger Traffic: Albury: Wednesday: ... Passengers for ... Melbourne by ordinary train: ... includes ... Mr. A. Pynsent ...

[GROxxxx Hennock]

November 1886

December 1886

South Australian Register (Adelaide, SA: 1839 – 1800): Monday 6th December 1886

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between John Francis Davey, Robert Bishop Farrar, and Abraham Pynsent Scott carrying on business as "Davey, Farrar, & Scott," auctioneers and stock and commission agents at Laura, Clare, Jamestown, Port Augusta and Adelaide has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to the partnership must be paid at one at the offices at Laura or Adelaide and all debts due by the said partnership will be paid forthwith at Laura. Dated at Adelaide this sixth day of November 1886: [signed] John Francis Davey, Robert Bishop Farrar, Abraham P. Scott.

[see also and in other newspapers and on other days]

1887

January 1887

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1957): Tuesday 18th January 1887

Alleged Outrage on a Girl at Hotham: Five Young Men Arrested: Five young men named respectively Alfred Pyncent, Michael Cullanan, Charles Laurence, Walter Williamson, and Thomas Daniel were arrested by the Hotham police yesterday on a charge of criminally assaulting a young girl, about 17 years of age, named Helen Walkerden. The girl, who resides at Carlton, stated that one of the prisoners, who drives a milk cart, assaulted her in Prince's Oval Carlton, on Saturday night, and afterwards the five prisoners and others assaulted her at Curzon Street, Hotham. Most of the prisoners are employed by Mr. Kerr, milkman of Hotham, as drivers of his milk delivery carts. They will be brought before the Hotham Court today, when a remand will be asked for.

[see similar Geelong Advertiser (Vic.: 1859-1924): Wednesday 19th January 1887]

[GRO1289 Hennock]

The Riverine Herald (Echuca, Vic.: Moama, N.S.W.: 1869 – 1954, 1998 – 2002): Wednesday 19th January 1887

At the Hotham court this morning five youths, Alfred Pyncent, Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Thomas Daniel and Walter Williamson, charged with a criminal assault upon a girl named Selina Walkerden were brought up and remanded until Monday.

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1957): Wednesday 19th January 1887

Proceedings at the Hotham Court: Five of the young men, namely, Alfred Pyncent, Charles Lawrence, Michael Callanan, Thomas Daniel, and Walter Williamson, were brought before the Hotham Court yesterday on the charge of criminally assaulting Helena Walkenden, on the 15th inst. The Bench was occupied by Dr. Heath (chairman), Messrs. McBride, and Fitzgerald, J.P.'s. On the charge being read, Constable McGlone said a remand would be asked for as the police were not prepared to go on with the case. He stated that two of the prisoners were arrested on warrant, and the others on a sworn information. Mr. A. J. D. Daly, who appeared for the prisoners, said no objection would be offered to a remand if bail were allowed.

The Chairman said the charge was a very serious one, and bail would be refused. The evidence of the prosecutrix was then taken. she said she knew all the prisoners, and that she met Pyncent in Lygon Street, Carlton, on Saturday, at half-past 7 p m. She accompanied him to the Carlton Oval. They sat down on a seat. Pyncent afterwards asked her to sit under a tree. She at first refused to go, but eventually consented, Pyncent committed an assault upon her. Later the same night another girl came and took her for a

walk. She did not know where she was going until they reached Mr. Kerr's dairy in Curzon Street, Hotham, where the prisoners were. She and her companion were taken by the prisoners into a building, and she (the prosecutrix) was kept there, the door being locked until Sunday afternoon.

The girl who went with her got out of the place, but she did not know how or at what time. In answer to a question, the witness said all the prisoners had assaulted her. At this stage a remand was granted till January 24. Bail was refused:

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. 1855-1918): Wednesday 19th January 1887

The so-called Hotham outrage was under investigation this morning at the local police court, when Alfred Pynsent, 19 years, Michael Callanan, 17 years, Thomas Daniel, 21 years, Charles Laurence, 18 years, and Walter Williamson, 15 years, were charged with criminally assaulting Helena Walkerden on the 15th inst. The girl's evidence only was taken and according to it, she accompanied Pynsent to the Carlton Oval on Saturday night and was there assaulted by him. She afterwards went with another to Kerr's dairy, where the prisoners were employed, and was kept forcibly until Sunday, her companion having escaped. During her stay each of the prisoners assaulted her. The prisoners were remanded until Monday next; bail being refused.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

[see also Mount Alexander Mail (Vic: 1854 – 1917): Wednesday 19th January 1887]

Wagga Wagga Advertiser (NSW: 1875 – 1910): Thursday 20th January 1887:

Alleged Outrage on a Girl at Hotham, Melbourne: ... (Tuesday's Argus) ... Five young men, named respectively Alfred Pynsent, Michael Cullanan ... (*continues*) ... (Wednesday's Argus) ... Further enquiries into the circumstances surrounding the alleged outrage at Hotham do not tend to strengthen the story of the girl, Helen Walkenden ... (*continues*) ...

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Albury Banner and Wodonga Express (NSW: 1881 – 1938): Friday 21st January 1887

Alleged Outrage on a Girl in Melbourne: Seven Young Men Arrested: Five young men, named respectively ... (*continues*) ...

Riverine Herald (Echuca, Vic.: Moama, NSW: 1869-1954): Thursday 20th January 1887

Alleged Outrage at Hotham: Seven Youths Implicated: At the Hotham court on Tuesday, five youths, named Alfred Pyncent (nineteen); Michael Calanan (seventeen); Charles

Lawrence (eighteen); Thomas Daniel (twenty-one), and Walter Williamson (fifteen), were charged with having criminally assaulted Helena Walkenden, a girl seventeen years of age, on the 25th inst. It appeared that on Saturday afternoon the prisoner Pyncent who is a milk driver employed at Kerr's dairy in Curzon Street, and is in the habit of serving the girl's parents, who live in Carlton, with milk, took the girl out for a walk to Prince's Oval, where it is alleged he criminally assaulted her and then left.

Afterwards, she and another girl named Lottie went to Kerr's dairy, in Curzon Street, Hotham, where Pyncent and a number of other milk drivers sleep and was there, she alleges, forced inside and criminally assaulted by seven youths in turn. The girl, on being placed in the witness box, stated that she became acquainted with Pyncent through his delivering milk at her parents' house. On Saturday night she went out for a walk with him to the Prince's Oval, where they sat down on a seat. He afterwards asked her to sit on the grass, and on her declining, he forced her down and criminally assaulted her. She afterwards went to the milk depot to make inquiries about Pyncent and was then forced inside and criminally assaulted by seven youths in turn and kept there until they chose to release her.

She then gave information to the police, and warrants were obtained for the five prisoners, who were shortly afterwards arrested by Constables Fitzpatrick and Evans and lodged in the watchhouse. The prisoners alleged that the girl entered the place on her own accord, and that no force was used. On the application of the police, they were all remanded until Monday next, the 24th inst., when it is expected that the evidence will be ready.

After the accused had been remanded, the two other young men, named George King, twenty-two and Frederick Leo, for whom warrants had also been issued, were interrogated by Constables Fitzpatrick, Holland and Evans, and were brought before Mr. R. C. Barrett, J.P., who remanded them until the same date as the others. The girl Lottie, who went to Curzon Street with Walkenden has not yet put in an appearance, but no doubt she will be called as a witness: Telegraph. [GRO1289 Hennock]

Traralgon Record (Traralgon, Vic.: 1886-1932): Friday 21st January 1887

The Alleged Hotham Outrage: Seven Youths Accused: The Girl "Lottie" Not to be Found:

Very little has transpired since Wednesday to throw any light on the circumstances attending the alleged outrage at Hotham, and so far, nothing has been ascertained to confirm the evidence supplied by the girl Walkenden as to each of the seven young men having criminally assaulted and detained her in Curzon Street from Saturday to Sunday. The police have made the most searching enquiry as to the whereabouts of the girl "Lottie," whom Walkenden stated accompanied her to the cottages off Curzon Street, where the accused lived, and where the capital offence is alleged to have been committed. The police believe "Lottie" to be a myth, and very serious doubts are entertained of the statements by the prosecutrix. A contemporary states "That the girl remained away from

home all night and on being found next day by her brother wandering in the streets of Hotham she complained that she had been outraged."

The brother's statement is that when he met his sister, she made no such complaint, nor did she do so on reaching home. It was only when she was questioned by her mother as to her reason for remaining out all Saturday night, and as to her whereabouts on the night in question, that the girl stated the curious story of the outrage she had been subjected to. The two youths who were arrested on Wednesday, were named George King, and Frederick Lee. The seven accused will be brought up at the Hotham Police Court on Monday next at 9 a.m. They persist in asserting their innocence.

MILK CARTERS INTERVIEWED: Upon inquiry at a later hour, it was found that the girl Walkenden had been under examination by Sergeant Corbett at the police court, and her statements reduced to brief. These are very unsatisfactory, and her own admissions throw grave doubts as to the veracity of her story. We understand that three solicitors have been engaged by the accused youths, and a quantity of rebutting evidence will be offered on her behalf.

The dairy where the accused youths are employed is a large one, Mr. R. M. Kerr employing 20 hands. Of these 14 are carters. The employees sleep in three cottages adjacent to each other. An average of five in a cottage and two in a room. The cottage where the offence is alleged to have been committed was occupied by Pyncent, King, Lee, and another man not implicated. A number of milk carters, upon being interviewed this morning, stated that they saw the girl Walkenden several times on Sunday as well as Saturday. On Sunday evening she came to the premises asking for Pyncent, who told her he would kick her out if she did not go. Another carter asserts that on Sunday afternoon she purchased fruit and brought it to the place and gave it to the lads. These witnesses also stated that the youths on Saturday night turned her out of the room occupied by accused, and told her to clear out, and that she then went into another room and got into bed with a man who was occupying the apartment, saying she would have to sleep somewhere, as she could not get home that night.

The cook employed at the dairy states that she saw the prosecutrix come to the premises on Sunday forenoon and again at 4 p.m., but on each occasion she asked for Pyncent. Mr. Kerr, the proprietor, complains of the inconvenience of so many hands being locked up on the word of such a character. The accused had been in his employment for some time and were trustworthy young men.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Kerang Times and Swan Hill Gazette (Vic.: 1877-1889): Friday 21st January 1887

Alleged Outrage on a Girl at Hotham: Five Young Men Arrested: Five young men were arrested by the Hotham police on Monday on a charge of criminally assaulting a young girl, about 17 years of age, named Helen Walkerden. The girl, who resides at Carlton, stated that one of the prisoners, who drives a milk cart, assaulted her in Prince's-Oval,

Carlton on Saturday night, and afterwards the five prisoners and others assaulted her at the milk depot in Hotham. Most of the prisoners are employed by Mr. Kerr, milkman, of Hotham, as drivers of his delivery carts. Their names are as follows: - Alfred Pyncent, Victorian, 19, milk carter, Roman Catholic; Michael Callanan, Victorian, 17, milk carter, Roman Catholic - Charles Lawrence, 18, Sydney, milk carter, Church of England; Thomas Daniel, English, 21, milk carter, Wesleyan; and Walter Williamson, 15, milk carter, Presbyterian. The youths assert that the girl entered their room of her own free will. The police do not regard the affair in a very serious light and are inclined to the belief that the girl's story is exaggerated. The prisoners will appear at the Hotham Police Court, and a remand will be applied for by the police.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Daily Telegraph (Launceston, Tas.: 1883-1928): Monday 24th January 1887

The Alleged Outrage at Hotham: Five of the young men, namely, Alfred Pyncent, Charles Lawrence, Michael Callanan, Thomas Daniel, and Walter Williamson, were brought before the Hotham Court on Tuesday on the charge of criminally assaulting Helena Walkenden on the 15th inst.. The Bench was occupied by Dr. Heath (chairman), Messrs. McBride and Fitzgerald, J.s'.P. On the charge being read, Constable McGlone said a remand would be asked for as the police were not prepared to go on with the case.

He stated that two of the prisoners were arrested on warrant, and the others on a sworn information. Mr. A. J. D. Daly, who appeared for the prisoners, said no objection would be offered to a remand if bail were allowed. The Chairman said the charge was a very serious one, and bail would be refused. The evidence of the prosecutrix was then taken. She said she knew all the prisoners, and that she met Pyncent in Lygon Street, Carlton, on Saturday at half-past 7 p.m. She accompanied him to the Carlton Oval. They sat down on a seat. Pyncent after wards asked her to sit under a tree. She at first refused to go but eventually consented. Pyncent committed an assault upon her.

Later the same night another girl came and took her for a walk. She did not know where she was going until they reached Mr. Kerr's dairy, in Curzon Street, Hotham, where the prisoners were. She and her companion were taken by the prisoners into a building, and she (the prosecutrix) was kept there, the door being locked until Sunday afternoon. The girl who went with her got out of the place, but she did not know how or at what time. In answer to a question, the witness said all the prisoners had assaulted her.

At this stage a remand was granted till January 24. Bail was refused. Further inquiries into the circumstances surrounding the alleged outrage at Hotham do not tend to strengthen the story of the girl, Helena Walkenden, that a capital offence had been committed upon her. The girl, who is not more than 17 years of age, is the daughter of a bricklayer living at Carlton. She is employed in domestic service and is in the habit of going home to sleep at night. It appears that she became acquainted with a milk carter named Alfred Pyncent, employed by the Glenroy Daily, which served her parents with

milk. On Saturday the girl met Pyncent by appointment and walked with him to Prince's Oval.

After he left her, she asked a girl named 'Lottie' to show her where he lived. The two girls thereupon went to the cottages off Curzon Street, which are occupied by the whole of the milk carters of the Glenroy Dairy, where it is alleged that the offence was committed. The girl remained away from home all night, and on being found next day by her brother wandering in the streets of Hotham, she complained that she had been outraged. The chief improbability of this allegation is that if the girl had screamed or made any noise in resisting, she would have been heard by the neighbors, as the street is not only a narrow one, but the neighborhood is very thickly populated. It has also transpired that the medical evidence does not sustain the account the girl gives of the violence she received.

On the information being laid, Sergeant Corbett had seven youths whom the girl pointed out arrested. The accused were found at their lodgings during meal hours. None of them made any attempt to escape or appeared to regard the charge in a serious light. Two of them alleged that the girl had been a consenting party to any ill-usage to which she had been subjected. The police have not yet succeeded in tracing the girl 'Lottie,' whose description has been furnished.

[see similar Wagga Wagga Advertiser (NSW: 1875-1910): Thursday 20th January 1887 and South Australian Weekly Chronicle (Adelaide, SA: 1881-1889): Saturday 29th January 1887]

[GRO1289 Hennock]

The Herald (Melbourne, Vic.: 1861 – 1954): Tuesday 25th January 1887

Hotham Outrage: Discharge of the Accused: The hearing against Alfred Pynsent, Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Walter Williamson, Thomas Daniel, George King and

Frederick Lee, of assaulting Helena Walkenden, was continued at the Hotham Police

Court this afternoon. Sergeant Corbett said the girl told him an extraordinary story as to having been assaulted by 21 young men. He otherwise corroborated the evidence of Constable Fitz-Patrick. To Mr. Gillott: He believed the girl had committed wilful and corrupt perjury, and he would not believe her on her oath.

Mr. Gaunson addressed the Court, contending that there was no case to justify a committal. Mr. Gillott also submitted that there was no case against Callanan. He commented severely on the inconsistencies of the girl's statement and said it would be putting the country to an enormous and unnecessary expense to commit the accused for trial. The Chairman intimated that some of the magistrates desired to retire and consult. They were absent only a few minutes. The Chairman (Dr. Lloyd) said the case was a very painful and demoralising one. The Bench had carefully considered the evidence and were

unanimously of opinion that the most objectionable part of the case consisted of the filthy-animal reprehensible and culpable conduct of the young men.

There was no doubt that impropriety took place, more or less, with all of them, but the Bench was of opinion that from the first it was with the girl's consent. They were sorry to say that the case was not an isolated one, and that the community was not free from the offences which had been committed in New South Wales. They thought that the girl being of not strong intellect gave her consent not being aware of the serious nature of the occurrence. The evidence was weak and unreliable, and it would be ridiculous to put the country to the expense of prosecuting the defendants. The regret of the Bench was that they had not the power to inflict summary punishment on them which would be a lesson to the coming generation, it was a disgraceful thing that with fine reserves, good payment, and other blessings young men should descend to such Sensual filthy and degrading indulgence. The defendants are discharged. The seven defendants were then discharged and were received with some demonstration by their friends outside.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Bendigo Advertiser (Vic.: 1855-1918): Tuesday 25th January 1887

Melbourne: ... At the Hotham Court to-day, seven young men, Alfred Pyncent, Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Walter Williamson, Thomas Daniel, George King, and Frederick Lee, were presented, charged with the commission of a capital assault upon Helena Walkinden, a girl not yet seventeen years of age. Mr. Gaunson appeared for the defense of all but Callanan, who was defended by Mr. Gillott, and Inspector Daly prosecuted. The case of the prosecutrix was that she met Pyncent by appointment on Saturday night week, and went into Prince's Park, when he outraged her; that she subsequently went to Kerr's dairy in Hotham when she was detained against her will all night and part of Sunday, and assaulted by each of the prisoners. She admitted having returned to the dairy three times on Sunday but accounted for this by stating she was dazed and did not know what she was doing.

The defense was that the girl was a consenting party and had refused to leave the men's rooms when requested to do so. The medical evidence was unfavorable to the girl's statements, and the mysterious girl "Lottie" and the prosecutrix's brother did not strengthen the case for the prosecution when giving evidence.

In announcing his decision, the chairman of the bench, Dr. Lloyd said the case was a painful one. They believed improprieties had taken place, but from the first with the girl's consent, and they thought that the girl, not being of strong intellect, readily gave her consent, not being aware of the serious nature of the consequence. It was a disgraceful thing that young men should descend to such sensual, filthy, and degrading indulgence. The seven defendants were then discharged.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

[see also Hamilton Spectator (Vic.: 1870 – 1918): Tuesday 25th January 1887]

Wagga Wagga Advertiser (NSW: 1875-1910): Thursday 27th January 1887

The Alleged Outrage at Hotham: At the Hotham Court yesterday (says Tuesday's Argus) before a bench of 10 magistrates, of whom Dr. Lloyd was chairman, Alfred Pyncent} Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Thomas Daniel, Walter Williamson, George King, and Frederick Lee were charged with criminally assaulting Helena Walkenden, a girl of 17 years of age. Inspector Daly prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, Mr. D. Gaunson and Mr. Gillott defended the prisoners, whose ages ranged from 18 to 22 years. They are all employed at the Glenroy dairy in Purcell Street, Hotham.

The girl stated that she made Pyncent's acquaintance while he was serving milk at the house of her father, who is a bricklayer residing in Carlton. On Saturday, the 15th instant, she went to walk with him in Prince's-Oval having told her mother that she would return late from her employment, as her mistress wanted her to do some extra work. Pyncent assaulted her. She afterwards went to the lodgings, near the dairy, of Pyncent and the other prisoners. She was shown the way there by a woman named "Lottie," whom she met near the Horsemarket Hotel. The prisoners-detained her in the house against her will until next day, when she was found in the street by her brother and taken home. She then complained to her mother of the conduct of the prisoners and stated that they had assaulted her whilst she was in the house.

In cross-examination it was elicited that the girl had been in the Carlton Refuge for running away from home and she admitted that she had not gone home on the Saturday night in question because she was afraid her mother would "hammer" her. She left the prisoners' lodgings three times during the Sunday before her brother found her, and she, returned there each time, once taking with her some nuts and fruit, which she gave to one of the prisoners.

She was ordered away by Pyncent, The woman "Lottie" was called by the police and contradicted the girl in the most essential feature of her story. Dr. A. Shields, Government medical officer and Mr. C. R. Blackett, acting analytical chemist, had failed to obtain any evidence criminating the prisoners, and Plain clothes Constable Fitzpatrick deposed that she had given different and inconsistent accounts of what had happened to her. Sergeant Corbett, in corroborating the last witness, said he would not believe the girl on oath, and in his opinion she ought to be punished for wilful and corrupt perjury. Messrs. Gaunson and Gillott addressed the bench, contending that they ought not for a moment to entertain such a trumped-up charge, as there was no possibility of the accused being convicted if they were committed for trial.

The magistrates retired to consider, their decision, and after a short deliberation, Dr. Lloyd said that the case was a very painful and demoralising one, manifesting as it did in most revolting depravity on the part of the prisoners, whose conduct had been most vile and detestable. There was no doubt whatever that all the prisoners had acted so disgracefully as to entitle them to summary punishment if the Bench had power to inflict

it, but they could not be convicted "of the crime with which they were charged". Yet the offence of which they had been guilty was an abomination nearly as outrageous as that which had recently brought four young men to the gallows in Sydney, but in the case before the Court the prisoners were saved by the fact that in the opinion of the Court the girl had been a consenting party. It was a reproach to the colonies - which had the fairest climate and the most favourable conditions for the working class - that such offences should be so common. That a body of young men should wallow in filth and sensuality, as the prisoners had done, was enough to fill right-minded people with loathing. At the same time, it would be folly to commit the country to the expense of indicting the accused by sending, them, to trial and they would therefore be discharged. The decision of the Court was received with much satisfaction by a large crowd of young people of the larrikin class, who had assembled round the closed doors of the court while the case was being heard.

[see similar *The Argus*: Tuesday 25th January 1887 and *Kerang Times and Swan Hill Gazette* (Vic.: 1877-1889): Friday 28th January 1887]

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Kerang Times and Swan Hill Gazette (Vic.: 1877 – 1889): Friday 28th January 1889

The Alleged Outrage at Hotham: The Prisoners Discharged: Severe Strictures Passed by the Bench: At the Hotham Court on Monday, before a bench of 10 magistrates, of whom Dr. Lloyd was chairman, Alfred Pyncent, Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Thomas Daniel, Walter Williamson, George King and Frederick Lee were charged with criminally assaulting Helena Walkenden, a girl of 17 years of age. The girl stated that on the 15th inst., she went to walk with Pyncent, when he, in Prince's-Oval, assaulted her.

She afterwards went to the lodgings of Pyncent and the other prisoners and was detained in the house against her will until next day. In cross-examination it was elicited that the girl left the prisoners' lodgings three times during the Sunday before her brother found her, and she returned there each time, once taking with her some nuts and fruit which she gave to one of the prisoners. She was ordered away by Pyncent. Dr. A. Shields, Government medical officer, and Mr. C. R. Blackett, acting analytical chemist, had failed to discover any evidence criminating the prisoners.

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a consenting party. It would be folly to commit the country to the expense of indicting the accused by sending them to trial, and they would therefore be discharged - Argus.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

The Express and Telegraph (Adelaide, SA: 1867 – 1922): Friday 28th January 1887

Further enquiries into the circumstances surrounding the alleged outrage at Hotham (says the Melbourne Argus of January 19) do not tend to strengthen the story of the girl, Helena Walkenden, that a capital offence had been committed upon her. The girl, who is not more than 17 years of age, is the daughter of a bricklayer, living at Carlton. She is employed in domestic service and is in the habit of going home to sleep at night. It appears that she became acquainted with a milk carter named Alfred Pyncent, employed by the Glenroy Dairy, which served her parents with milk. On Saturday the girl met Pyncent by appointment and walked with him to Prince's Oval. After he left her, she asked a girl named Lottie to show her where he lived. The two girls thereupon went to the cottages off Curzon Street, which are occupied by the whole of the milk carters of the Glenroy Dairy, where it is alleged that the offence was committed. The girl remained away from home all night, and on being found next day by her brother wandering in the streets of Hotham, she complained that she had been outraged.

The chief improbability of this allegation is that if the girl had screamed or made any noise in resisting she would have been heard by the neighbors, as the street is not only a narrow one, but the neighborhood is very thickly populated, It has also transpired that the medical evidence does not sustain the account the girl gives of the violence she received. On the information being laid Sergeant Corbett had seven youths whom the girl pointed out arrested: The accused were found at their lodgings during meal hours. None of them made any attempt to escape or appear to regard the charge in a serious light. Two of them alleged that the girl had been a consenting party to any ill usage to which she had been subjected; The names of the prisoners, whose ages range from 15 to 22 years, areas follow: - Alfred Pyncent, Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Thomas Daniel, Walter Williamson, George King, and Frederick Lee. The first five were arrested on Monday, and the two latter early on Tuesday morning. The police have not yet succeeded in tracing the girl "Lottie," whose description has been furnished.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

Daily Telegraph (Launceston, Tas.: 1883-1928): Saturday 29th January 1887

The Alleged Outrage at Hotham (From the Melbourne Daily Telegraph): At the Hotham Court on Monday, before Messrs. Lloyd, Heath, McBride, Fitzgerald, Wilson, Buncle, Fogarty, and Henderson, seven respectable - looking youths, named Alfred Pyncent, Michael Callanan, Charles Lawrence, Walter Williamson, Thomas Daniel, George King, and Frederick Lee were charged, on remand, with criminally assaulting a girl named Helena Walkenden on the 15th inst. Mr. Gaunson appeared for all the prisoners, excepting Callanan, who was defended by Mr. Gillott. The prisoners were all well dressed, and

exchanged remarks with each other in the dock, which was hardly large enough for all of them.

The prosecutrix, who is not at all prepossessing, stated that on last Saturday week she was in the service of a Mrs. Murray, and used to go home at night to her parents' house, in Cardigan Street, Carlton. She knew the prisoner Alfred Pyncent, or 'Sydney Bob,' who was in the habit of serving her parents with milk. He came on Saturday evening about 6 o'clock, and made an appointment to meet her at 7.30, near St. Jude's Church, Lygon Street. On leaving Mrs. Murray's she met Pyncent, who took her to Prince's Oval, North Carlton, where he threw her down and criminally assaulted her. Prosecutrix fainted. When she recovered, Pyncent walked with her to the University gates, where he left her. She said to him, 'If my mother knows you have done this to me I shall be killed.'

Subsequently she was outraged by several of the prisoners in a house in Purcell Street. She said she went back after wards to the house and took fruit to the prisoners. In cross-examination by Mr. Gaunson, the prosecutrix admitted having been placed in the Carlton Refuge by her mother in 1885 in consequence of her running away from home. She had never seen 'Lottie' before. She was frightened to go home after the assault at Prince's Oval, as she was afraid her mother would beat her. She did not recollect being in the room of a man named Tait, or asking Williamson to come to her. She remembered going back to the dairy three times altogether.

Dr. Andrew Shields stated that he examined the prosecutrix on the 17th instant, and there were no marks or signs of violence about her. Her clothing was unusually dirty. Nancy Walkenden, the mother of the prosecutrix, said her daughter would be 17 in May. On questioning her when she came home, she complained of having been outraged first by Pyncent in the Park, and afterwards by the other prisoners at Kerr's Dairy. Constable Fitzpatrick deposed to arresting the prisoners. Pyncent and Callanan admitted having acted improperly with the prosecutrix, with her consent. Lawrence denied the charge, and Williamson did not say anything. Lee stated that the prosecutrix had been frequently ordered away from the dairy, but would not go in fact, they could not get rid of her.

Messrs. Gaunson and Gillott having addressed the Bench and contended that there was no case against the prisoners, and that it was useless sending them for trial, the Magistrates retired, and on returning the chairman (Dr. Lloyd) announced that the prisoners were discharged, as the prosecutrix had been a consenting' party. They, however, considered the evidence disclosed a most shocking state of depravity both on the part of the unfortunate girl, who seemed to be half silly, and also of the prisoners, whose conduct had been foul, filthy, and disgraceful.

[GRO1289 Hennock]

February 1887

Launceston Examiner (Tas.: 1842-1887): Tuesday 1st February 1887

... The charge of capital assault preferred by the young girl Helen Walkenden against seven young milk carters, named Alfred Pyncent, Michael Callahan, C. Lawrence, Walter Williamson, Thomas Daniel, George King, and Frederick Lee, has completely broken down, and the accused have been discharged. The girl admitted in effect that she had been a consenting party to all the acts of the youths in question. It was also shown that she had been in the refuge and generally bore rather an "easy" reputation.

[GRO1289 Hennock].

[see also The Tasmanian (Launceston, Tas.: 1881 – 1895): Saturday 5th February 1887]

March 1887

April 1887

South Australian Register (Adelaide, SA: 1839 – 1900): Wednesday 13th April 1887

Meetings of Creditors: A meeting of the creditors of Mr. Abraham Pynsent Scott, of Port Augusta, mercantile clerk, was held at the office of Messrs. Nicholson & Hawker on Tuesday, April 12. The balance sheet showed: Assets, £775; liabilities £1,474 – deficiency, £698. It was resolved that the estate should be assigned to the Hon. Henry Scott. ... (*continues*) ...

[see also other newspapers]

Evening Journal (Adelaide, SA: Adelaide, SA: 1869 – 1912): Saturday 16th April 1887

Assignments: ... Abraham Pynsent Scott, of Port Augusta, mercantile clerk ...

[see related in other papers and on other days]

Adelaide Observer (SA: 1843-1904): Saturday 16th April 1887

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May 1887

June 1887

Adelaide Observer (SA: 1843-1904): Saturday 18th June 1887

Death: On the 13th June, at Port Augusta, Abraham Pinsent, fourth son of Thomas Pinsent and Catherine Scott, of Mitcham, aged 29 years:

[similar entry as Abraham Pynsent Scott]

**The Port Augusta Dispatch, Newcastle and Flinders Chronicle (SA: 188 – 1916):
Tuesday 14th June 1887**

Death: Scott – On June 13, at Port Augusta, Abraham Pynsent Scott, aged 29 years: ... *(also)* ... The Late Mr. A. P. Scott: Yesterday great regret and considerable surprise were felt when it was known that Mr. Abraham Pynsent Scott, late of the firm of Davey, Farrar and Scott, was dead. It was of course known that Mr. Scott had been ill for some time, being affected by the malarial fever which has this season been so prevalent in Port Augusta and its environs; but nothing serious was generally apprehended from such a cause to a young and hale man. Mr. Scott was laid up altogether about a month and was almost convalescent when he prematurely exposed himself to the exceedingly changeable weather of last week and caught cold, congestion of the lungs following, which, in his weak state, proved fatal.

The deceased gentleman was only 29 years of age and had been married little more than a year. He was the son of Mr. T. P. Scott, of Mitcham, and a nephew of the Hon. Henry Scott, M.L.C. He was very well known and liked in the North, having come to Port Augusta first about 9 years ago as a clerk in the office of Gooch and Scott; he subsequently left the town, but returned about three years ago and managed the local auctioneering and agency business of Davey, Farrar & Scott. He was returned unopposed as Town Councillor for First Ward in December 1885, and retained his seat in the Council till July 1886, when, having removed to Adelaide, he resigned. Since his return to Port Augusta a few months back, Mr. Scott was appointed a member of the Hospital Board. Great regret is felt and expressed at the sudden and early death of so young, widely known, and respected a citizen, and much sympathy for his widow. The funeral takes place tomorrow, the place of interment being the; Port Augusta Cemetery.

The Daily Telegraph (Sydney, NSW: 1883 – 1930): Saturday 3rd September 1887

Overland Passenger Traffic: ... Albury, Saturday Morning: For Sydney by Express:
Friday: ... *(list includes)* ... A. T. Pyncent ...

[GRO1289 Hennock]

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The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Tuesday 8th May 1888

Mr. B. Lee, D.S.M., presided in the Charge Division of the WATER, POLICE COURT: Charles Johnston, 19, and Alfred Coulter, 18, were charged with stealing a carter's whip, value 2s. 6d, the property of Joseph Pynsent. They were also charged with having a brown mare, a cart, and a set of harness in their possession, reasonably suspected of being stolen property. The accused being found guilty, were sentenced to three months' imprisonment on the first charge and were remanded for seven days on the other.

[GRO1198 Hennock]

June 1888

July 1888

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Friday 6th July 1888

Overland Passenger Traffic: Albury: Thursday: For Melbourne: ... (*includes*) ... J. Pynsont ...

[GRO1198 Hennock]

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Tuesday 10th July 1888

Overland Passenger Traffic: Albury: Monday: For Sydney (by express): H. K. Williams, L. B. Henderson, H. F. Easton, J. Pynsent, W. J. Allen, M.L.A., W. Wynne, J. M. House. James Allison (Sydney), Avener, J. Campbell Dr. J. H. Webb and 2 children, Mrs. Jones, R. Wren, Mrs. D. Moyle, Colonel Pollard, Mrs. Clapp and 2 Misses Clapp, etc.
[GRO1198 Hennock]

August 1888

September 1888

Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Friday 21st September 1888

Summons: Stray Cattle: The following persons were fined for allowing their cattle to stray in public thoroughfares: William Stephenson, 7s 6d; Joseph Pynsent, 7s 6d; Patrick Donellan, 7s 6d ...

[GRO1198 Hennock]

October 1888

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Saturday 20th October 1888

Overland Passenger Traffic: ...

For Melbourne (by ordinary on Friday): ... (*includes*) ... J. Pynsent (Bondi) ...

[GRO1198 Hennock]

November 1888

December 1888

Western Star and Roma Advertiser (Toowoomba, Qld: 1875-1948): Saturday 22nd December 1888

The Poverty of Public Men: ... Walpole was deeply in debt when he retired from office. Pitt's case is full of a peculiar pathos. Sir William Pynsent left him an unexpected legacy of £3000 a year, but it is noticed that 'as if to balance this favour of fortune,' his old enemy the gout returned to him immediately afterwards. This was in 1765, and thirty years afterwards he was over his head and ears in debt. ...

[and other newspapers]

1889

January 1889

February 1889

Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Thursday 28th February 1889

Water: ... Small Debts: ... Verdicts for the plaintiff were given in the following cases: ...
Pynsent v. Keen, £1 16s 7d ...

[GRO1198 Hennock]

March 1889

April 1889

Australian Town and Country Journal (Sydney, NSW: 1879-1907): Saturday 6th April 1889

Missing Friends: ... Hunt: - Fred Hunt, late of Cooktown. If this should meet his eye, Joe Pynsent would like to hear from him. Francis Street, Bondi, Sydney.

[GRO1198 Hennock]

Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Saturday 20th April 1889

Wanted to Buy: Chaffcutter, in good order, cheap, Pynsent, South Devon Dairy, Bondi.

[GRO1198 Hennock]

May 1889

Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Monday 13th May 1889

Wanted: young, healthy fowls or ducks, cheap: Pynsent, Francis Street, Bondi

[GRO1198 Hennock]

June 1889

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954): Wednesday 12th June 1889

Strayed from Bondi, three weeks ago, red and white calf, 7 months old, unbranded, good condition: reward: Pynsent, South Devon Dairy, Bondi:

[GRO1198 Hennock]

July 1889

Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Saturday 27th July 1889

At Bondi: The heavy rain has caused a great deal of damage in the Bondi district: Joseph Pynsent, of the South Devon Dairy, had a crop of barley entirely destroyed, it being covered with about 4ft of water. While Mr. Pynsent was proceeding along O'Brien-street, on his early morning round, he was capsized, his cart sinking through the collapse of about four square feet of the road. South Head-road has also sustained considerable damage, many portions of it being washed away.

[GRO1198 Hennock]

September 1889

Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Wednesday 11th September 1889

For Sale: Pekin Duck Eggs: Pynsent's South Devon Dairy: Frances Street, Bondi:

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Evening News (Sydney, NSW: 1869-1931): Thursday 19th September 1889

Pekin Duck Eggs for Sale: guaranteed fertile: Pynsent's South Devon Dairy Frances Street, Bondi.

[GRO1198 Hennock]

November 1889

December 1889

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1880-1889: Total 875 (predominantly Pynsent Street):

1880 (8), 1881 (1), 1882 (120), 1883 (138), 1884 (174), 1885 (64), 1886 (96), 1887 (31), 1888 (72), 1889 (171):

