

FATALITY AT BROOKLYN

The men engaged in erecting the new building for the Western and Murray Districts Bacon Co. at Brooklyn journey to and from the job in large vans. Last Friday evening one of these vans broke down at the dip near the intersection of Geelong and Somerville roads. The passengers continued their journey on foot, and when a second van overtook them they endeavoured to clamber aboard. James McDonald, aged 55 years, a married man, living at 7 Eliza-street, Burnley, caught hold of a canvas blind, which gave way. He fell heavily, and the van passed over him, inflicting such severe injuries that he died on the way to the Melbourne Hospital.

It has been said that after the accident McDonald's companions drove off, leaving the injured man lying alone. This is absolutely unwarranted. When it was seen how gravely the man was hurt it was deemed advisable to secure an ambulance rather than place him in the van, which would have aggravated his condition. This course was undoubtedly the wiser one.

Miss Jessie Tomkins, a pupil of Miss M. Smith, was a successful entrant at the recent musical examinations, securing a pass for piano playing and theory.

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The president (Mr. McClacken) presided over a large attendance of members. Two new members were elected to membership. It was decided to introduce a sports fund into the society, and to finance the scheme a levy of 3d. per member will be struck. By this means it is anticipated the sporting side of the society will be still further improved. The syllabus item was a discussion on the One Big Union, and some very good arguments were brought forward for and against the proposal. As this is the item to be debated against Ascot Vale, a very strong side must be selected. The adjudicator, G. Lannigan, in summing up, was unable to separate P. McClacken and J. Grundy for first place. On account of the Irish race convention no meeting will be held next Monday night.