

LADY OF 88 MEETS WITH VERY PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Mrs. Trueman, mother of Mrs. Hector Caldwell, of Larras Lee, had the grave misfortune on Sunday, to meet with a serious and very painful accident. The old lady, who is 88 years of age, had just walked out on to the veranah at the home of her daughter, with whom she resides, and was stooping down to pat their little dog when she suddenly fell, presumably owing to a rush of blood to the head. As a result of the fall Mrs. Trueman broke a bone in the hip. She was brought into the hospital by the Orange District Ambulance. On inquiry this morning we learned the patient was as comfortable as could be expected, although suffering a good deal of pain. She might not be able to leave her bed for about three months.

Tune in ! The third Test match begins this Friday.

The annual convention of the Western Baptist Association has

Western Baptist Association has been held at Manildra on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, beginning with a tea, welcome and public meeting on Tuesday. Fuller details will be given next issue.

Mrs. Jeannette Ashton has recently been appointed head mistress of the Stratford School for Girls, at Lawson, Blue Mountains. Before marriage Mrs. Ashton was Miss Netta Byrne, the youngest daughter of a former well-known Molong family. Mrs. Ashton was chosen for this important position partly because of her career at Normanhurst College, Ashfield, where for five years she held the position of senior mistress, and partly because of her training in the Education Department, where she was the Jones medallist. Nothing would give her greater pleasure than to have some of the children from the Molong district at Stratford School for Girls, where they would be happy, well instructed, and well cared for.

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staggering Federal Budget. The Customs tariff is to be increased on films, petrol (by 3d gallon), tobacco, newsprint (by £1 ton). The income tax rates are to be increased. There is to be a sales tax of 2½ per cent. Postage on letters is to be 2d. Mr. Scullin, the Treasurer (Mr. Theodore having resigned the portfolio) says the additional taxation will yield an extra £12,000,000. Provided, of course, we don't collapse under the burden. The Commonwealth has to raise £30,000,000 a year to meet war charges.