only one Legislative Chamber at that time — the nominee — and the elected members sat together. This was thirteen years before responsible government. I must have then been a very small boy to have been able to ride a horse. At that time the land that my father occupied was closely covered with heavy timber, and it was a slow and costly process to clear the land for agriculture. The timbered land where I used to herd the stock had no grass on it, so the cattle had to subsist on the leaves of the trees and vines. On the cleared land there was good clover paddocks, but those were reserved for the milking cows, as dairying was our chief source of income.

(Ed. note: For “Rodger” read “Roger”).

BRIGHTON BEACH:

The “Brighton” Hotel, licensed in the early 1850’s, stood on the opposite corner to the present Drill Hall in Harbour Street and the beach took its name from the hotel. When Wollongong began developing closer to the railway from 1887, the shipping trade declined and with it went the thirsty sailors and travellers who comprised the “Brighton’s” clientele. The licence was surrendered in 1919.

As a footnote, the present Tattersall’s Hotel, near the railway station, was originally licensed as the Terminus.

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