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We have received a copy of the Victoria (Vancouver Island) Colonist of the 31st Jan., containing a long report of a meeting held in that city to promote a union of the colony with the Deminion. Several meetings with the same object had been held before with the same result—namely, a unanimous resolution in favor of the entry of Vancouver Island into the Canadian Union. The general feeling of the whole country appears to be friendly to this scheme, notwithstanding the attempts of a few American settlers and United States citizens in California and other places to make the world believe our fellow subjects on the Pacific coast were desirous of annexation. The people of the Island, as well as the inhabitants of British Columbia. have long been looking forward to a union with Canada, and are now more anxious than with Canada, and are now more anxious than ever to cast in their lot with the British Provinces of the East. It is very singular and greatly to be regretted that the Governor of Vancouver Island has, so far, neglected to take the steps recommended by the Legislature or Legislative Council of that colony to secure its admission into our Union. We believe there was a unanimous vote in favor believe there was a unanimous vote in favor of overtures being made to the Dominion Government and Parliament with this object; but, strange to say, the will of the people in this matter appears to have been, hitherto, completely disregarded by the Governor. What his reasons could have been for conduct which certainly wears the air of unconstitutionality, it is hard to say. But one thing is certain—that he has succeeded in reducing the colony to a state of discontent, and its affairs to a state of disorder which is anything but beneficial to the people and British interests in North America. Enough harm has been done in this direction; let the mischief cease at once. Whatever may be the luke-warmness of the Governor and other influen-tial parties as regards union with Canada however hostile they may be to the pro-ject—it is the duty of the Federal Cabinet and Legislature to do all in their power to gratify the wishes of the Islanders in this matter. There should be no delay either; for it would be both unwise and unbrotherly to keep friends on the Pacific coast too long knocking for admission into the Union. The importance to the Dominion, in a moral and material point of view, of extending its bound aries to the Pacific Ocean through the admission into the Federation of most willing and friendly colonies could scarcely be over-estimated. Let us be up and doing in this work, for we have no time to lose. An additional reason for activity is the uneasiness the Californians are exhibiting with reference to the scheme of union with Canada. Those citizens of the Republic are hankering after the Pacific colonies, their State Legislature having agreed to preambles and resolutions a few days ago setting forth the desirability or necessity of the United States adopting mes sures for the transfer of Vancouver Island and other British territory in the vicinity to the Republic.

Saturday, April 18th A NEW SCARE IN WASHINGTON .- Washington would not be Washington if it did not have a sensation for each particular day. For this-St. Partrick's day-it is all agog made upon the Capital by Mosby and a thousand men in buckram, and troops have a strong gnard has been placed at each end of Long Bridge, while Stanton's body guard ly reinforced. The impression begins to gain ground that the Secretary, suspended reinstated, removed; whatever be his status, is slightly panicky. He has regularly camped in the War Department, and has not left it night or day since Ad Interim Thomas laid seige to bim. His solitary confinement seems to have had an effect upon his spirits for he sees an enemy in every bush and his net terror, Mosby, has the faintest idea Anson Burlingame and the Chinese Emguerilla chief quietly at his home in Warin the Ocunty Court at which he practices. Shrewd lookers-on express the opinion that the Secretary's alarm is only simulated, that he may have a pretext to introduce a mili-tary force into Washington to meet the contingencies of impeachment. He distrusts the present meek attitude of the President, and sees plots in the unnatural quiet that he preserves.—Cor. S. F. Bulletin.

THEATRE ROYAL .- The efficient company whose expected visit to this town we have already announced, arrived by the Active vesterday afternoon, and make their first appearance on Monday night. The sensational but still beautiful play of Fanchon the Oricket has been wisely we think selected for the opening piece. It is in every respect truly what it has been represented, a pure embodiment of all the loftiest virtues of which of our natures are capable, and if Miss Stone only does justice to herself, and perform here as we know personally she has performed elsewhere, we have no doubt of the delight it will give. There is something very charming in Miss Stone's impersonation of Fanchon, and we shall be much surprised if her dancing and singing do not satisfy the fastidious. We can personally vouch for the professional reputation of the San Francisco troupe, and are quite certain those with local honors" will not be below the standard of theirs. Mr Marsh has certainly never had a company of such general talent at his command before. The box-office will be open to-day at 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. for securing seats. as reduced the orige of his

the Colony from \$1 to 50 come for single

did steamship Oriflamme, Captain Charles Winsor, reached her wharf at Esquimalt at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, in three days and eighteen hours, from San Francisco. She brought 66 passengers and a large freight, a part of which is designed for Forts Tongas and Wrangel in Alaska, at which points the United States Government is about to establish garrisons. The Oriflamme will sail for Steilacoom and San Juan to-day, and after taking in the soldiers and munitions of war, will proceed to Tongas and Wrangel. She will be absent from this port about 20 days, and upon her return will proceed to San Francisco via Portland. On Columbia river, on Thursday noon, the Oriv ffamme passed the steamship Active bound for Victoria, and reached here hours ahead of her. Among the passengers are several old Victorians, who have returned to "wander forth no more." handsones sad snames

The most shameful neglect has occurred in the delivery, or rather non-delivery of the mails from the East and England, vesterday. The two arrivals from below brought a few overland naners and letters that came overland via United States, but the mails per steamer which arrived at San Francisco on the 2nd inst. are non est. Instead of a dozen and a half of mail bags only five or six came to hand. Few business letters or newspapers were received, and the disappointment is naturally very great. Where does the fault lie? Who is responsible? Whose duty is it at San Francisco to see the bags on board? And do we pay \$1,000 a trip whether we get the mails or they are left behind? There has been shameful, inexcusable negligence on the part of somebody. Whether the fault lies at the door of the San Francisco post office, the British Consulate, or the steamship agents, is what the public, who are severe sufferers, have a right to know.

THE STORY of Mr Dickens' cruel neglect of his si-ter-in-law living in Chicago, which originated in one of the journals of this city, is now denied. The Chicago Times says the lady has along been living in comfortable circumstances, a fact of which Mr. Dickens was well aware, notwithstanding which he recently generously presented her with the sum of \$5,000. Another story connected with this lady, and in which the name of Mr Murdoch the actor was mixed up, is also denounced as a falsehood. The story was to the effect that Mr. Murdoch was about to give a series of readings in Chicago for the lady in question. The story was as unjust toward Mr Murdoch as it was meant to be cruel toward Mr. Dickens, and it is not to be wondered at, therefore, that the friends of the first named gentleman should hasten to brand it as a fafsehood.

SCHMEIDBERG DISCHARGED .- It would not do to allow the Casarovitch case to pass away without having anything at all said about it. The last item is the discharge of Maximilian Schmeidberg, who has been in custody for nearly two weeks for contempt, in failing to execute a bill of sale for the ship Casarovitch, in compliance with an order of been pouring into town for two or three days. Court. He was yesterday morning discharged by the Supreme Court, on the ground that the bill of sale, having been executed by a around the War Department has been strong. Commissioner, in compliance with a subsequent order of Court, the cause of Schmeldberg's incarceration had ceased to exist, and that, although his counsel was served with notice to execute the bill of sale, yet Schmildberg himself was not so served, and that he did not personally refuse to execute such bill. - S F Call and y goiver

BANQUET TO THE CHINESE EMBASSY .- ATrangements are being made by the merchants stampedes at shadows. There is not the and prominent citizens of San Francisco for slightest evidence visible to the public that a grand complimentary banquet to Hon. of disturbing his peace, while all reports and bassy. The affair will be worthy of San all the probabilities concur in locating the Francisco and the distinguished recipients of their hospitalities. It is appounced that renton, intent upon winning some \$200 case His Excellency Governor Haight will preside at the banquet, and Hon. Eugene Casserly and other distinguished citizens will be among the speakers. Due notice will be given when the arrangements are all completed, and the time and place decided upon.

> ARRIVAL OF THE ACTIVE. The steamship Active, Capt. Floyd, 13 days from San Francisco via Portland, reached here at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She brought about 30 passengers, a moderate freight, and a miserable apology for a mail. It is the intention of the California, Oregon and Mexico Steamship Co. to keep this boat on the route between here and Portland during the summer months, connecting with the San Francisco steamers at Portland.

OPFNING OF THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT Parliament reopened March 12th. Owing to the small number of members present, it sat only fifteen minutes and adjourned until next day. The measures that will engage the attention of the House are most important, including a financial policy, a revision of the tariff, the militia and the intercolonial railway. It is reported that the licences, this session, to American fishermen, will be advanced from \$1 to \$2 per tons

TREASURE ARRIVED .- \$80,000 in gold coin arrived by the Active yesterday. \$50,000 for the Bank of British Columbia, and \$30-000 for Wells, Pargo & Co.

the road from the Legislative Council his quoine,

according to the manifest, is one of the largest we have ever known to come from San Francisco to this port at one shipment, and must reach at least \$100,000. Comparatively few goods were for ports in Washington Territory the bulk being marked Victoria, New Westminster, Yale and Cariboo. The Active, additions could be made. The Secretary from Portland, brought a cargo valued at

WE ARE glad to perceive the chain-gang, support of the Department be placed in the recently employed on the croquet ground at Estimates, and to ask that the Town Council Government House, engaged in cleaning up be authorized to levy a special rate for the the public streets, which all must admit were purpose. Sec'y Holden's resignation was in a very sad condition. We sincerely trust there will be no interruption offered Dickson said he knew that he only expressed until the work is thoroughly done. We und the unanimous feeling of the Board in deeply derstand the macadamizing of the streets will regretting the retirement of Mr Holden, who be commenced immediately.

IT is now asserted that the G. S. Wright will run as an opposition boat between this port and Portland, and that Kamm & Tarbell have bought the Antelope at San Francisco with the intention of placing her on the Sound is its filly poise area

THE steamer Enterprise left for New Westminster at 12 o'clock yesterday. Owing than he, he hoped the Board would act at to the non-arrival of the Active up to the once by electing his successor. President hour of the departure of the Enterprise, no Dickson said if need be ne would call a special English mail was forwarded to New West- meeting. The Board refused to elect another

DISAPPOINTMENT.-The Panama steamer with the English and Canadian mails, which ailed, although overdue there.

from Soda Creek, vesterday announces that on the route between Portland and this port, the steamer Enterprise on the Upper Fraser connecting with the steamers for San Fran- money. Or is it intended to ask the will resume her trip to Quesnelmouth to- cisco. She will visit Nanaimo each trip and Colonial Government to guarantee res

THE birth of a son to the Crown Princess of Prussia increases the number of Queen Victoria's grandchildren to 12, viz, : Princess Royal, 5: Princess of Wales, 3: Princess Alice of Hess, 3; Prince Helena, 1.

POLICE COURT.-The assault case Ball and Bryant, caused by violently breaking into a workshop, was disposed of yesterday, each party being fined \$10.

OPENING NIGHT.-Messrs Keyser and Lowin the Albambra building this evening. The place is stocked with the choicest brands of vet be realized. cigars and tobaccos received per steamer yes-

WE are indebeted to Mr. C. A. Shively. purser of the steamer Active, and Mr Turner, Wells, Fargo & Co., Messenger, for important favors.

Tuesday, April 21st. THEATRE ROYAL .- Last night Miss Stone scenes in which she moved the heart of the audience and drew tears from its eyes. The shadow dance, perhaps the choice scene of the piece, was performed with great taste altogether, Miss Stone's first appearance amongst us may be considered a decided success, and we have no doubt of her becoming quite popular. At the close she was rapturously called before the curtain and greeted with a welcome peculiar to the inhabitants of Victoria Mr Stone personated the character of Didier. a simpleton and twin-brother of Landry (Mr Caine), in a most creditable manner. He cossesses considerable originality, and appears to have a thorough and correct conception of the part. We liked Mr Caine as some of the early vegetables were cut down. Landry. He has a fine voice, and throws much pathos into the finer passages. The most beautiful scenes of the evening was that in which the soft rays of a calcium light were thrown upon the stage to repre-Dance" with marked success. Miss M. Field's fine personation of the role of Old Fadet formed a subject of approbation, and was frequently applauded. The new com-Messrs Marsh. To-morrow evening the "Pearl of Savoy" will be performed. We advise our readers to see this truly meritorious comyany in their favorite pieces.

WE are glad to hear that a movement is on foot to put a stop to the indiscriminate slaughter of game during the breeding season, and that a society is being formed to carry into effect the provisions of the game laws. In a few days at farthest their organization will be sufficiently complete to enable them to publish their prospectus, and we hope that all lovers of true sport will join in so laudable an undertaking.

RESERVE.-The Government has reserved until the 31st of December next, for the uses of the Royal Columbia Anthricite Coal Mining Company (Limited), 20,000 acres of land, adjoining the Queen Charlotte Coal Company's land, on Queen Charlotte Island. We hope steps will now be taken to test the value of the seam recently discovered on the ground thus reserved.

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Book of Canada " from this office will confer

a layor by returning the same.

BOARD OF FIRE DELEGATES .- At the last meeting of this body a communication was read from Chief Engineer Kelly, recommend. ing the construction of additional cisterns for the use of the Department. The Board recognized the necessity, but resolved that in consequence of the shortness of funds no was instructed to communicate with the Government and request that a sum for the read by Delegate James Gillon. President had filled the office of Secretary so very efficiently for so long a term, and he hoped until Secretary Holden was definitely certain Mr Holden replied that probably he would Board, and although no one regretted it more disbursement without fixed charge. Secretary so long as there was a chance to retain Mr Holden in that effice.

THE ACTIVE sailed vesterday at 11 o'clock left New York on the 21st March, had not for Nanaimo, where she will take in 300 reached San Francisco when the Oriflamme tons of coal for the use of the Company's with the balance? steamships running to Portland. It is the Then again, do the Council propose to THE UPPER RIVER STEAMER .- A despatch intention of the company to keep the Active carry away a cargo of coals, it being the infor Portland on Thursday morning, at 8 o'clock. To var to sade and the

It is very gratifying to learn the increased business of the Nanaimo Coal Company with the port of San Francisco. From the 1st of January to the 30th of April of the current year, they have shipped to that market 18 .-000 tons of coal, an amount far in excess of any previous date. The hope we have enberg will open their handsome eigar store expressed of our possessing the principal control of the coal market of California may

> covered with earth, near Harris's pond yesterday, by a boy who raised an alarm that a were sent to the spot, but found no signs of human remains. The articles were probably deprived of his liberty, had just succeeded in the proceeds of a burglary.

Stone's Fanchon was a fine impersonation of Portland. It is thought she will come direct lying on his agility, succeeded in reaching in down length Grant od od

IN ORDER to meet the means of all classes, we are requested to state that Mr Harnett has reduced the price of his Pamphlet on and spirit and universally admired. Taken the Colony from \$1 to 50 cents for single

patients from catching cold, and recovery is ghastly wounds, knocking out one eye and

THE dead body of a white man, in an advanced state of decomposition has been found near Glides' farm, Metchosin. inquest will be holden to-day.

FROST.—The last two mornings a heavy white frost was observed on the ground and

THE LAST OF THE MORAL WAX-WORKS. New York is to lose her Barnum. What police were not, as usual, on the spot. kind of a New York it will be without a Barnum's Museum we shall shortly see: but we can scarcely accustom ourselves to sent the soft rays of the moon, and in the the bare thought of such a state of exislight of which Mrs Stone gave the "Shadow tence. How trying, therefore, will be the reality! The confidence which everybody felt that our ancient repository of wax works, the temple of the moral drama and the home of the Happy Family would pany was ably assisted by Mrs Fowlis, Mrs rise again from its ashes, yea, though it should be ninety and nine times destroyed most unearthly songs, sometimes of love, by fire, was almost sublime. And had sometimes of anger.

But he is well-known and a strict watch faith, with his own lips, when, looking on the ruins of his last managerie cook shop, he declared that it couldn't "fetch him off his pins!" But now Barnum announces that he is done with museums -that he is satisfied that museums, with moral wax works, gorillas, giraffes and fat women, are a good property to let alone. So it is said he will retire to Connectiont. an onew goods needs

> Royal Artillery.—Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—A serjeant in the Royal Artillery writes, on December 12th, 1862, from Poonamattee. Madras Presidency, that his right leg, from the ankle to the calf, was a quagmire of disease and corruption that he was on the hospital roll for twelve months without any investment. twelve months without any improvement in his case; that he, as a forlorn hope, resolved to try Holloway's eilebrated Ointment and Pills. These soon gave ease, expelled the bad humours from the limb, healed the apparently incurable sore, and restored him to sound health. Soldiers and sailors are earnestly recommended to have re course to these invaluable medicaments for curing

The Patent Slip.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:-It appears that the City Council have resolved to bor, row \$35,000 for the purpose of constructing a Patent Slip. It would have been well if the City Council before taking this step had ascertained the wishes of the public in the matter. So far as I can learn, the genera feeling is as decidedly in favor of a slip being built as it is adverse to the Corporation having anything to do with it.

There are certain matters which lie more or less clearly within the jurisdiction of a Civic Corporation, as control of highways. footpaths, bridges, regulation of ferries and markets &c .- matters in which the right. safety or convenience of citizens are concerned; but, one step beyond and where can the limit be fixed? If a patent slip, why not a foundry, that iron ships may be more that, although they must receive the com- easily repaired than at present; Then why munication, the Board would not act upon it not a corporation ship-yard, to utilize our spars and timber, and a corporation meat of the period of his departure from the city. market, bakery or tannery. A very few leave Victoria before the next meeting of the no doubt the Council would undertake the hundred thousand dollars would suffice, and

> But, apart from the general question and the undesirability of allowing the Corporation to involve us in debt in order to carry out a speculative undertaking, there is the obection that the sum to be borrowed exceeds, by fifty percent, the highest estimate for a slip capable of taking up any vessel likely to enter this harbour. What is to be done

borrow on the credit of the city, and if so, at what rate do they expect to obtain the payment, and so hold the farmers of Comox. tention of the Company to make a depot for and the population from Westminster to ecal at Portland. The Active will sail hence Cariboo responsible for what would benefit none of them.

Hoping that our city fathers may see the errors of their ways, and reconsider the whole question, I am

HORRIBLE MURDER IN MOBILE.

The Victim is Mangled by the Teeth of his Munderer.

The citizens of Mobile, on February 28th, were thrown into a state of wild excitement by the report of the death, under horrible circumstances, of Herr Mawking Burd, by a DISCOVERY.—A woman's dress, a pillow desperate character well known in that city and some other iktas were discovered partly as Thomas Katte. Mr Burd, who fell a victim to the horrible crime, was a rising artist, in the prime of life, and a native of this country, where he had acquired a nata dead body was interred there. The police ural taste for music, which he was improving

making his escape from prison by climbing through the iron bars, and finding himself and her troupe made their first appearance before a large and intelligent audience. Miss

THE steamship Pacific sails from San through the iron bars, and finding himself on a gallery some twelve feet from the ground, determined to risk the leap, and reafety a neighboring yard, where, unfortunately, an old enemy of his family, Thomas Katte, was in the habit of watching him and feasting in imagination upon his misfortune It seems that his desire to come in direct contact with his intended victim had often prompted his assassin to wish Mr Burd were

at liberty and left alone to his vengeance. Just at the moment when the doomed vice THE measles are prevalent in town just on him tiger-like, and having no weapon, now. Care should be taken to keep the severing the carotid artery in such a fright-ful manner that the victim expired almost

> But what is still more horrible, to relate, Mr Katte, not satisfied with that crime. actually turned cannibal, and commenced biting and tearing away at the bloody remains. A neighbour, attracted to the spot by the fall, rushed in, at least in time to save the remains of the victim from furnishing a bloody repast to the murberer. Katte offered no resistance, but jumped over a wall. and from roof succeeded in escaping. The

Yet the murderer is well-known. He is supposed to be a native of Mobile, of rather soft and prepossessing appearance, but whose eyes, habitually half closed, heep constant watch around him, and when excited by passion, glare like those of a tiger. He wears, and always wore a full suit of black, showing but very little white around the neck, and has been noted in the neighborhood for his thieving proponsities, prowling at night in yards and kitchens, and often

will be kept for him, and the citizens of Mobile will turn out to hunt down the murderer and make him expiate the crime which has cast a gloom over a whole community.

PIMPLES, BLOTCHES,

and roughness of the skin generally arise from deprayed or vitiated humors. Bristol's Sarsaparilla is the best of all known purifiers of the blood and humors. This unfailing detergent neutralizes the poison, and occasional doses of Bristol's Sugarcoated Pills, taken at same time. purge out the unhealthy secretions, insuring a nooth, white, soft skin.

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The Limitation of

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before the Council se carefully remodeled features, and left in fails to challenge or noxious provision, revi the debts of the unfort of six years over him ed altogether; and th one of the limitation l in which the debt was tuted. This is a wise could be no justice or debt over a man in thi collection was barred country he emigrated vision, as it stood, stul Limitation of Foreign 1860 is repealed, pro prejudice any rights or acquired under that a are to be held and con repeal had taken pla future, in case of action against any person resi the party sued has only piration of the Limit country in which the d as a bar to the suit, an ends. Evidence, howe tion is demanded, bu printed copy of the for to be taken in our Cou evidence of that expire debtor, if legally libers debtedness, will have proving the fact. Th stands altered and a and just; and in its as foreign laws of the sam out full and perfect jus who may hereafter be suits. We presume so taken during the week ment, Saving and Lo The only objection we against the necessity or measure is that the comm so sma l depressed no one to save, no one invest. Such an object easily disposed of. If societies are useful and and populous commun can deny that fact) the sity be the same in poor munities. What differ in the benefit derived vidual, whether he i tage the small saving come or the profuse s one-whether the inve fifty or five thousand the year? The princi throughout the worl perhaps, be stated wit the occasion for such greater amongst poor amongst rich and popt ties. In the latter a m less opportunities of in ings or surplus, which enjoy in the former by eties such as we are cause the inducemen invest can be offere means to the same exte a home from mortgag farm for final settle obtain furniture to be ing, to secure a certain age, are all matters of ance in life, and yet the wonderfully aided t whole world during years by the means Societies: This Colony place for their establish their happiest effected felt. People unacqual progress of San Fran years have no idea of which she is indebted t and Loan Society for t and beautiful homes po middle and lower class have been created have existed by any of yet how humble and d origin of this corporation owns one of the best city and controls a pair tal of \$1,000,000. It plished in a few year efforts of one man. resource been availab hour of need during the scores of families, now forever, would never to pelled to leave. The things in life we only