fines, fees and forfeitures, and n. Besides there would be a fixcapita subsidy paid out of the ue of the Dominion to our Goy. Vith respect to revenue and shall speak more fully in a fu-

of our local legislation would be cipally to establishing the civil itizens, limiting and fixing the aties of our officers, framing the f our Civil Courts and the pron, passing land, mining and we, regulating and establishing tions of a benevolent or reformer, and providing for the conkeeping in repair of roads and and for revenue to meet our

letter, Mr Editor, I brought unv exclusive powers of the Dominent, and in this letter I have e exclusive powers that would by our local legislature, in case nember of the Dominion of e respective paul sive power t class of "terms and condiold have to be incorporated into be passed by the Senate and Canada and our Legislative re Her Majesty could make an cil for our admission into the

A. DECOSMOS.

ary Superstition in War-ckshire, England.

, at Warwick assizes, beice Keating, John Davis. nerly residing at Stratford was charged with having ounded one Jane Ward, with her grievous bodily harm. adduced by the prosecution extraordinary instance of nd belief in witchcraft. It at the prisoner, with his the time of his arrest, had n Sheep street, Stratford-and they had labored under that the prosecutrix, who adjoining house, bad be-In spite of the efforts of contrary, they persisted in and frequently narrated, circumstantiality, visits, en paid them in the night rits Some of see they I the dw

chied upon inney, on one violently upon the ground. ner up into the air, and perreated so great a stir in the e police were called in to inmatter, and although they he accumulated dust around ne sofa in proof that no such lave happened, the prisoner y declared their firm belief had been there, and the only the spell was to draw blood dy of the prosecutrix, who d of having bewitched them. vo afterwards the prisoner he house occupied by Jane omplainant, and inflicted a h in her cheek. He inflicted fan inch in width and two nches deep. When he saw wing down her face, he exhere, you old witch, I can do you now." At the station aswer to the charge, "Serve e can do no more for me drawn first blood." He was and evidence was adduced to be a respectable, indussober man. The learned was most deplorable to see ound guilty of the commisious an offence. Had it not excellent character he had would certainly have been penal servitude. As it was, eive a sentence of 18 calenwith hard labor.

FUL AND ACCOMPLISHED COUNTESS.

Cuba, in a letter to a friend in says: "In buying the FLORIDA be sure to get the Murray & Lantried various others, but found rior in every way."

rue that unprincipled men have his great perfume. Therefore always ask for the Florida Water he sole proprietors, Lanman &

es and Running Ears

lications of scrofulous blood and poison must be neutralized and ie system, if you hope to be cured. lost. Take Bristol's Sarsaparills will not disappoint you. Rely e them freely, as directed, and in every vestige of the disease will

tino liw od dpider so: gether. Re-has ' mase on sir The Weekly British Galanist AND CHRONICLE.

Tuesday, February 11 1868.

We have thought it our duty, of late, to direct the attention of our readers at home and abroad to the improved condition of the Colony in general. Taking an extended development of brightening on all sides, it is a fooligh our mineral wealth, as the means of spirit to predict a continuance of the judging correctly the character of the storm, however ruinous that storm may impetus which will be given thereby have been. We would not create fallato all other branches of industry, com- cions hopes, for that would insult our merce, trade and agriculture, we are misfortunes and mock our sufferings. But glad to receive cheering news each we sincerely see numberless reasons to be mail from Cariboo, notwithstanding hopeful, and therefore desire to excite the the intense severity of the winter sea. son we have so far experienced. Con- turn from the material to the political fidence is wealth, because it vitalizes labor. The moment peop'e became convinced that California-in spite of in all that better days and better things those innumerable and terrible physi- are in store for the people who have been cal difficulties which at one time almost paralysed her people—was a foolish and impracticable scheme of Angood country, they immediately took nexation has exploded to give place to courage, redoubled their energy, put down all croakers, and, by improving and progress suggests, and which, when and extending labor, brought into existence a thousand elements of productive wealth which hitherto had remained dormant because apparently too insignificant to touch. E-pecially is this observable in her agricultural and quartz resources, and it is important to us just now to read the result. We take the figures from 'Langley's Pacific Coast Directory,' which many of our people possess, so that they can see for themselves the correctness of our statement. In 1860 we know the crisis of that country was only really passed, and confidence in its future fully restored. In 1865, a short period delay, the time when British Columbia in a nation's life, we find she had 4,055,690 acres under fence, which fed 185,033 horses; 983,886 sheep; 500,-000 cattle; 212,100 hogs; (the value of the three latter slaughtered in that vear being \$6,000,000;), and 1,504,680 acres under cultivation, which

rich but hitherto idle acres between Lillooet and the Upper Shuswap. The hour before daylight, it is said, is always the darkest; and in our experience with mankind, when the mind and heart have been crushed by sudden or continued misfortune, we have always found it most difficult to exterminate the last recollection of that misfortune. Yet when the horizon is same feeling in others. Again, if we world in which we live, we find the same hope and same confidence so patient and loyal in their wrongs. The another that the God of man's liberty accomplished, destroys irresponsible Government forever, and by a centralization of power and a continued chain of communication to and through her possessions will bring England into the very centre of the world, which, while it will give new life, vigor, and power to the one, will be equally advantageous to the other. The centre of that communication, the most important of all, we possess, and with this and the capacity and capability of our country understood by all people, official mismanagement, opposition, and wrong may do what they please for a little short hour, but they cannot avert, they cannot will vindicate herself and become one of of the most important possessions of our parent land, and the great highway of the commerce of the whole world

> Tuesday, Feb 4 Supreme Court.

sively for their English, American and Colonial trade. The London Times says of the same establishment :- "The Bonded Warehouses recently erected by Messrs. lone of Whiskey." and west his waived it

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE-The third popular entertainment will take place on Monday next. February 10th, at the rooms of the lostitute. The programme, a full and interesting one, will be submitted a few dava hence. Several gentlemen who have not hitherto appeared, have kindly consented to take part in the solos, duetts, glees, &c. The addresses, readings, recitations, &c., will be rendered by popular members of the Insti-

New Sidewalk .- The government has at last had a new sidewalk laid in front of the Postoffice and Custombouse. This is both sensible and humane, the state of the old walk being dangerous alike to life and limb. Speaking of sidewaiks, why is not the town messenger instructed to report all defective sidewalks to the Corporation? He passes numerous holes daily and it surely should be his business, if anybody's, to see that they are stonged up.

GONE HOME-Among the passengers fo England by the steamer Del Norte was Mi Etheridge of the Hudson Bay Company Mr Etheridge has passed much time in the Colony, and having traveled over a considerable portion of the mainland and made nimself intimately acquainted with its respeak a good word for us in London.

A CHANGE .- After thirty two days nost delightful weather, the wind shifted vesterday to the southeast and the state of the tmosphere last night betokened a general thaw and break-up. The change is welcome. Clear, frosty days are all very well antfeit of even that description of weather,

double the size of their present very extens 15 cents for 8 cents worth. This is not the sive premises, in order to mature more exten- fault of the tradesmen-it is the currency,

The poor man with the family cannot get good and fair wages owing to competition for food and life, and so gets hit on both sides of the head at once. With what benevolent Dunnville & Co., Belfast, will contain about feelings must be look upon an outlay of money Two Millions Seventy-Nine Thousand Gal- for highly respectable Government officials who do nothing, and extract their large salaries from the very intestines of a mans lite. J. T. B.,

A man with a family.

Confederation -- The Late Meeting.

EDITOR COLONIET .- Confederation will before long be an accomplished fact. That consummation is inevitable, and I think for this Colony highly desirable. There is an old book which saye: "Prove all things, and hold fast that which is good; that injunction is full of wisdom: it says, that every man should think for himself, and not allow another man to think for him, and it is because I think for myself that I have arrived at the above conclusion, and not because Confederation is supported, and urged upon this community by Mr DeCosmos. I have differred in opinion upon many occasions with to this Colony, and particularly to this community; but that fact or that opinion is no reason why I should oppose a measure which sources and capabilities, is well qualified to the event of Confederation expect to obtain derstood that the majority of those of time arrives it is the business of this cum- speculators. By seven o'clock 500 men for a time; but there is such a thing as a the people have the right of selection. There nue, the inevitable police being pres-

THE IRISH WHISKEY TRADE-The London tom dollar, and wants many things. He has thinking, earnest men, possessed of a wisdom Telegraph says:—"The celebrated firm of to buy some article of which the retail price and genius to enable them to grapple with Dunville & Co., Belfast—the largest holders is 8 cents per ib; he wants a bit's worth, and control the destiny of nations; a menta I of whiskey in the world-are about to ex- tenders one quarter piece, and receives in capacity as far exceeding the bar-room polis tend their Bonded Warehouses to more than change a ten-cent piece or bit-thus paying tician as the sun at noon-day exceeds in brile liancy the most radiant star that glitters. And however unworthy the occasion Mr Bull's oration proved to be, it was elequence itself compared to the torrent of petty spite and personal abuse indulged in by Mr Young. When age and experience come before us, unaccompanied by wisdom, it only excites our commisseration; but when that age and experience is not only without wisdom, but is accompanied by all the maliganity inherent in a malevolent nature, it excites not only our commisseration, but it merits our contempt. Had Mr Bull or Mr Young given us one single argument against Confederation, except the fact that Mr De-Cosmos supports it, they should both have escaped the censure of

SNIKTAW.

The Dickens Ticket Sale--Line Formed ovoile befere Daybreak.

The sale of tickets for the second course of Charles Dicken's Readings. says the New York Tribune of Decem ber 12th, commenced at Steinway Hall yesterday merning. The throng, however, commenced to gather at 10½ o'clock on Tuesday evening, two individuals ensconcing themselves beneath the portico of the Hall immediately after the conclusion of Tuesday's Readthat gentleman. I thought long ago, and I ing. Before midnight these were jointhink still, that some of the measures which ed by seven others, and at the cheerhave become law principally through his ful hour of one o'clock yesterday instrumentality have proved deeply injurious morning 150 ticket purchasers were enjoying, not the 'midnight and moens light and music' which Emerson writes of, but midnight and moonlight and cigars. Two o'clock brought some ad-I believe to be good, merely because Mr De ditions, of a not altogether unconvivial Cosmos happens to be of the same opinion. character. By 8 o'clock the line ex-Mr DeCosmos and others may or may not in tended east to Irving Place. It is unsome official position; if so, when the proper who formed it were in the pay of munity to reject Mr DeCosmos, and send a and boys were in line -- more than suffibetter man if they can find one, and if they cient to purchase the entire number of better man if they can find one, and if they can't find a better man why should he not be from the box office along Fourteenth sent to Ottawa? Some one must represent street to Irving Place, thence to Fif-Victoria in the Dominica Parliament, and teenth steet, and west to Fourth Aveare few residents in this community except ent, in the picturesqueness of brass the venerable Monitor, who would totally and blue. The order of sale for first day of itseelf good, merely be- was that the front row be first disposed of, then the second, until the grand floor was sold, the first and second balconies following in order. Yesterday, to defeat the speculators, Mr Dolby ordered the sale to begin with the seate in the rear of the hall. Perhaps it is this arrangement that has brought snainst the first sellers the charge of sening seats promiscuously in the body of the hall, and favoring those whom they recognised—speculators—for the most part. Be this as it may, however, at nine o'clock the doors were appearant, they followed the parallel. sold; the first and second balconies following find ourselves unable to stand upright, a load queue and the usual ejection by the police. that is slowly but surely crushing us to the in one or two instances places in the line earth, and before another twelve months have sold for \$24, and 'turns' sold at all prices The Confederation Allowance.

Editor Colonist:—Figures, they say,

prevent that result. So long as we retain

sold for \$24, and furne' sold at all prices between \$15 and \$3. Two women resolutely kept their place in the line, with that endurance for which the feminine nature is so distinguished. Speculators, either in spite, or because of Mr Dolby's precaution, bought many tickets and flaunted them in the ap-

obliged to work now; but he looks forward duty and the A merchant's profit on the duty, finest vintage, it is inexpressibly annoying to But I tell you, what you call good fortune and thus the poor man has to pay not only be compelled to partake of a banquet of table has been their ruin, and the necessity of lathe duty on the goods he requires but two beer, enriched as it was with table beer wit, boring has been your salvation. It has been profits besides—a cort of compound interest such as the mover of the amendment upon that which has made you what you have been, perfectly discressing w design of compound interest that occasion favored as with. Upon such an occasion the bar-room politician should through want of work, is 'down on his bot-

Cement Mills, | Crown; out of rock taken altogether only av-

Now, turning to our own condition the solemn act of administration already ex and the example set us by other people, passing as we are, step by step, through the bitter ordeal of California, we do not think it extravagant decision of the Courts in America, he would to predicate a proportionate pros- like an investigation of the letters and papers perity amongst ourselves, now that of the deceased now in the custody of the our crisis is passed and confidence in Official Administrator to be made, and would the future of the Colony restored therefore grant a further adjournment of the throughout all classes. Nor are we application to enable Mr Walkem, on the without material evidence though part of the Crown, to furnish the Court with still in a limited degree compared with what we have previously stated, of our restoration to prosperity. The placer Tuesday, 11th February. mines, notwithstanding many drawbacks, have more than realized ex- rect attention to the performance to be given pectations last year, while much new by the Victoria Dramatic Club to-night for gold and silver equal to those of of the Sielers of St. Ann consist in the edulegitimate as any in the world, has supported by the money received from board-

ills, the machinery of land, appeared for the Offic ministrator, ne cost \$5,900,000, and which, and Mr Ring, instructed by Mr Pearkes, for placed under mild restraint for a few hours the American Consul.

Mr Ring read two affidavits in support of eraging \$15 a ton, realise \$11,250,000 his client's application, and Mr Walkem read a year. This is, without question, a five affidavits and produced several exhibits statement of progress without parallel, in support of the claim of the Crown, and perhaps, in the world; yet it is liter- objected to any change being made in the ally true, and illustrates exactly what letters of administration already issued, as no we mean in saying that confidence is sufficient proof had been adduced by the wealth because it vitalizes labor, other side to warrant the Court in altering

His Lordship stated that as by the comity of nations the decision in regard to the domicile by the Court here would affect the might afford.

The further hearing was therefore fixed for

BENEFIT OF THE ORPHANS. - We again di torritory of a valuable character has the benefit of the Orphacs under the care of been opened; quartz veins containing the Sisters of St. Ann. The secular duties California and Washoe, have been cation of young ladies, visiting the sick and proved to exist; copper, in a form as taking care of orphan girls. The latter are been found for the first time; and, are able to pay. There are at the present best of all, it has been demonstrated time 32 orphans, from about the age of four we can produce all the flour and meat to twelve years, maintained and educated by we require. The first and last step the Sieters, and only for two of them is any towards a restoration of confidence, support received from outside sources, and credit and prosperity is taken when even that support is very uncertain. In conwe become self-sustaining in the neces sequence of so many families leaving the saries of life, and that step we have number of boarders and paying day scholars taken. Last year, we find, the Upper lie may easily conceive that it is with Fraser alone produced about 1000 tons great difficulty that the Sisters are able to of wheat, equal to 10,000 barrels of maintain the little orphans who have been flour, which is equal to the consump- thrown upon their care. We are pleased to tion of Cariboo and adjacent districts. learn that the Amaleurs, in deference to the Tous flour is cheaper and more plen-tiful in the upper country than during any will be opened at seven, and the performance previous winter. This will give imperus will commence at half past seven, precisely to labor in a variety of ways, and surely, A lew wood sears remain untaken, and my to labor in a variety of ways, and surely, be secured at the box-office from 12 to 3 though it may be gradually, enable miners to day.

to prove the auriferous richness of the Pown Again The wires went down yes intermediate country lying between Lyi- terday and we are without an expected news ton and Quesnellemouth, and fill up the report in consequence.

Mr. Fowler has succeeded Mr. Theakstone as Clerk of the Police Court.

the following answer :- 901, 10 10.000, be entitled to? \$2 967."

ENQUIRER.

Tariff and Currency.

EDITOR COLONIST, - A wail from a poor man with a family will, I am sure, be heard by you and published. TARIFF, I believe, means a duty or charge upon goods entering into a port. Thus A, a merchant, or commission agent, receives goods, and before clearing from the Custom House has to pay duty. The retail merchant wishes to purchase these goods. A, the merchant, having paid the duty in hard cash, adds the amount to the invoice of his goods, and so obtains of course his fair profit from the retail merchant. The poor man with a large family necessarily

won't lie, but those who use them, I fear, our present system of Government it is folly often do. Mr C B Young having at last to expect any material reduction of taxation, discovered a copy of the "British North and the revenue required by Government Sey-American Act" in the Canadian Year Book, but not having brains enough to understand Columbia is as necessary to Canada to enable it, treats the readers of the Sunday News to her to become a nation, as our admission as a may judge from the fact that at a quarter-"macerated" financial statement, in which member of that Confederation is necessary past eight o'clock on Tuesday evening, specuhe puts the following question and furnishes for our political salvation. Whether our lators were selling tickets at fifty cents immediate acceptance upon the terms apiece. "Now if New Brunswick, with 302,950 we propose would pay Canada is not LABOR AND LUCK .- The mere fact that inhabitants, is allowed \$50,000 per annum, the question, though I think it pays a very you are obliged to labor is not a misfortune. The mere fact that your labor produces slow how much would British Columbia, with poor compliment to the judgment, sagacity poor compliment to the judgment, sagacity results is not a misfortune. The thing that and patriotism of the statesmen of Canada, you desire as an alleviation would be the If Mr Young's mode of estimating the men who are founding a nation, men who greatest curse to you. Do not be ashamed amount of subsidy that would be allowed aim to shape that nation's destiny, to suppose of that place where God has shut you up.

British Columbia under Cenfederation for for a moment that they would stand and God has put your tasks upon you, and rethe expenses of its legislation be correct, I higgle like some petty pediar over a few essential manliness of your nature. It is to would ask him to explain, by the same rule, thousand dollars. We are supposed to know consist in the active use of those forces which why the Province of Quebec, with four what we want; let us ask for admission upon God has endowed you with, wherever his times the population of New Brunswick, is the terms we desire; if these terms are re- providence has put you. And if he has withonly allowed \$70,000 for the same purposes? fused let us at least know the grounds of re-I think Mr Young had better confine his fusal. It is poor philosophy when a man if you are faithful that in some way they objection to the scheme" to "general terms," wants bread, to sit down, fold his hands and will be made up to you. Do not be ashamuntil he has had more time to "analyze," unless his object is to confirm the verity of the
asking, to sit down and starve because his

rescatory sentence is his letter in the News prefatory sentence in his letter in the News. friend across the way may possibly refuse not you do not lose manhood, or courage, him a loaf of bread if he requests it. Yet or honesty, or simplicity or truthfulness, such was the philosophy taught by the stick to them—they are half your life. I such was the philosophy taught by the think if you were to go from man to man, in leaders of the minority at the meeting of all the ordinary channels of life, you would Wednesday evening. One word about that meeting-a meeting called for the purpose of hour when they made their secret complaints, devising some means of enabling this colony who did not labor under the impression that to become an integral part of the Dominion dition, it was a condition of misfortune that of Canada; in fact to lend our assistance at they were obliged to exert themselves. the birth of a nation; a nation that within a very few years will fly her own flag, and long before fifty years her navy will unfurl long before fifty years her navy will unfurl long better time." Ah, yes that better that flag on every sea. If ever the occasion time is the fock a paradise of laziness. He is imperatively required the most grave and earnest inquiry it was the meeting of Wed, to the time when he will not be under the nesday evening; and when one goes there at the invitation of the Mayor, conscious of were not born to work, and who are useless being entitled, upon such an occasion, to and worse than neeless in society and lavery properly, his profit upon the original bave nothing set before us but a wine of the ments that, instead of having their good for-