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P NORTHBRN VIRGINIA, May 14, 1864. mmanding takes great to the army the series the favor of God, hase by our arms. rmy's force threatening a has been routed by ven back to the Poto-heir train and a number

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LETTER FROM COMOX.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.]

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST,-DRAR SIR :-

ar little sottlement is once more clothed in the bright colors of antare, and is as protty a

THE BAT, with its green banks, gently sloping to the woods, fringed with sweet briar and young maple, forms perhaps as beautiful a land-scape as the eye ever rested on.

THE CROPS

piece as any one could wish for. The gr fields, spotted with buttercups and clo have a lovely appearance, while in s

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therefore, withhold any further remarks uctil our legislative aspirants have had full oppor-THE WEEKLY COLONIST. Innity of expressing their sentiments. s furnished to Subscribers for \$6 a year; 54 for six months; 52 50 for three months; payablein advance;

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THE NOMINATION. To-day, at 11 o'clock, in the Old Fort Yard, corner of Fort and Government streets, the sheriff will be present to receive the nominations for the vacant seat for the city. Let every elector who can possibly at-tend, be present to hear the views of the three candidates on the great questions which now agitate the public mind. The results of the next session will be of vital importance to the future well-being of the colony, and it is highly essential that a man of sound principles, and above all thoroughly honest, should be elected at the present juncture. opmonensurate with the offence. But the fact is, this Colonial Government has no Indian policy. I contend that on the lowest ground alone, viz., that of expense, the colony cannot afford to ignore its Indian population. In one way or another they will compel you to pay attention to them. Hitherto what has been done for them has been a mistake. Look, for instance, at the reserve running from Cowichan Bay on each side of the Quamichan and Kokesailah rivers to a distance of four miles, comprising 3,250 acres of rich, deep alluvial soil. The Indians have a few potato pathes—not 100 acres of this reserve under coltivation. Of what use is this vast tract to them—promises of payment made and never

COWICHAN AND ITS INDIANS.

them? I do not desire to see it taken from them—promises of payment made and never fulfilled. Here is good grazing land—some of the best in the colony—but no one allowed to pre-empt. "It is reserve" says the polite official. Yes, at present it is a useless reserve—out of all proportion to the number of Iadians, and I have ro doubt that word "reserve" includes many thousands of actes of land in Vancouver Island that would be of infinite benefit to the solony. Touching the efforts that are being made to ohristianize those To THE EDITOR OF THE BRITISH COLONIST, A recent visit to Cowichan has enabled me A recent visit to Cowichao has shabled me to make many observations, and collect a number of facts bearing on the condition, numerical strength, and disposition, of the aboriginals in that district. Notward a por-tion of these to you for publication, believing that, at the present time, they will be found both interesting and useful. The distance

tendity discovered by a stight glance at the map. With a fair wind, about lour hours pleasant sail along the coast, in one of the hitle stoops that ply between here and that place, will bring the voyager abreast of Cow-ichan point, a piece of land projecting from the island, close to "Salt Spring." Bunning from this point, in a westerly direction, for about three miles—varying in width from one to two miles—bounded by hill and mountain, from 100 to 1,000 feet in height, the eye is pleased to discover the extensive sheet of water known as Cowichan bay. In season it abounds with fish—is covered with wild fowl; and if man could live on fish, fowl, clams, Bees. Item is not a first second in the product of the second in the second interest of the second i

Emigration to the Federal States

Emigration to the Federal States. In the Federal House of Representatives on Thursday fast the bill previously reported by Mr. Washburne, of Illinois, from the Select Committee, to encourage immigration, was passed. It provides for the appointment of a Commissioner of Immigration, who shall not be a Bureau officer, but shall be subjects to the Secretary of State. The second section provides that contracts may be made for the passage of emigrants upon the pledge of their wages for repayment, which shall be a lien on any stand they may acquire after arrival in the country. The third section provides that the Secretary of the Treasury may reduce the tonnage duties on American vessels bringing emigrants. The fourth section declares that no emigrant The fourth section declares that no emigrant availing himself of the provisions of this act shall be liable to military duty, during the present war. The fifth section provides for the establishment of an office of emigration, in New York City, to be filled by a Sintendent, who may make contrasts to intendent who may make contrasts to

Indians was beld, Jands, or in the furnishing of any transportation directly or indirectly. &c. The sum of \$25,000 is appropriated. carry the foregoing provisions into effect.

> FAST DRIFTING TOWARD WAR .- The news from Europe by the Persia is of deep signifi-cance. Following close in the track of the Austro-Prussian squadron, which was making its way toward the Baltic. a British frigate; its way toward the ballic. a British Irigate, under command of Sir L. McClintock, had set sail, it is said, as the first of a British fleet which will oppose the entrance of the German men-of-war into the Sound. The D Eaglish press almost without exception, is ditional pressure being brought to bear apony of Denmark. The step thus tardily taken, or about to be taken (as is alleged) by the Brit-ish Government, has almost the effect of a declaration of war; it is an act of direct hostility tawards one of the belligerents, and it in that character it will be halled with de-light by the whole nation, with but one ex-ception—that exception the most important that could be named. The Queen no longer takes sides secretly with the German des-poilers. The most inveterate and astate of the prime movers in the invasion of Denmark.

and bon-educating one bandred Indian children. This educating one bandred Indian children. This inderstand is to be conducted by three Sisters of Charity. from them; The building will cost upwards of \$1,000, refulfilled; and the Bishop thinks that in time this esand of the empire toward the reigning sovereign. This Another crisis also appears to be fast ap-arity, proaching.—New Fork Times, 19th.

GENERAL GRANT-The Dalles Mo

says that General Grant for several made his home in Oregon, and is well a

alor of this army, with ty God, has thus far army of the enemy, and y losses. The eyes and ymen are turned to you their prayers attend you te. Encouraged by the vouchsafed to us, and eat interests that depend very man resolve to en-l, until, by the assistance 1 God, the enemy shall peace secured to our emulate the valor of ave fallen; and remem you whether they shall It is in your power, the last great effort of the independence of d earn the lasting love ur countrymen and the

R. E. LEE, General.

DA.-Capt. Bartlett, the el, which lay for some nalt harbor, hes written c Tribune, stating that nant of the British Crown ngs of humanity" that rt charges, although this s vessel was in distress. mends all ship-masters wasend in preference to get supplies and men. Chronicle " lokalitums" ch, although his past atlanguage have been so st " bull" was about the se over head,' and yes-Tolmie say that perhaps d to erect a grand "mai-den Point. We would ary to stick to his mother age of la Belle France is for him.

A man named James ought up in the Police tharged with supplying On its appearing that he g a drop too much with on house, the magistrate ne of \$10.

N VIRGINIA .- The superiavalry in Virginia during is partially due to the Spencer repeating rifle, ines formerly used by our pon is a breech-loader patented in 1860. An dier can discharge the lve seconds, and seven d in less than half the am and cap the muzzle-t is claimed that this rifle wo thousand yards, and of one hundred and fifty a ball through thirteen This terrible weapon was lect by a portion of our rg, and by Wilder's brigrmy during the advance rebel cavalry are unable storm of bullets from

they managed to get so much, they ex-ned, "Oh, konaway white man Victoria t in order. icke maish whisky copa Siwashes !" Yours truly, C. R. B. ave a person who is conversant with the history of the Colony from its early struggles in 1858, and who is undoubtedly a man of considerable general knowledge; Mt. Young, however, has the very serious draw-

ear to have been on

back of estimating his abilities by a guage that would be much too large for any man on the Pacific coast. When the House got rid of Mr. Cary, the members rejoiced that one of the greatest stumbling-blocks to its harmonious working was removed ; but let Mr.

Young enter its portals, and farewell to an thing but wrangling and personalities. When readers will perhaps better understand the natural failing with which Mr. Young is af-

LETTER FROM THE SOUND. FROM A REGULAR CORRESPONDENT. PORT ANGELOS, W. T., July 2, 1864. EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST, -'SIR :-- I send ou the following

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SHIPPING ITEMS. The bark N. S. Perkins arrived June 26th 5 days from the Sandwich Islands. Ship Victor, on 29th, 24 days from Sar Francisco.

Ship Germania, on 30th, 20 days from San thing but wrangling and personalities. When Francisco; gone to lead at Utaalady with we apply the term "cantankerous," our lumber and spars, bound for Cork.

FALSE REPORTS. flicted, and which makes him, in a great de-EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST: SIR, -Allow me

gree, unfit for a calm, deliberative assembly. Mr. Cruickshank is, perhaps, not so well known as Mr. Young, having arrived in the also of Marriner v. Il-trail, chief of the Tailaka colony, at comparatively speaking, a recent tribe.

period. He is, however, a mercantile gen-tleman, and thoroughly conversant with the interests of Victoria. The popular view of the Hudson's Bay Company question, as well as that of union with British Columbia, has met with his warm espousal. As an edur met with his warm espousal. As an edu-Victoria.

cated gentleman, with nothing but a laudable 2. These "high-handed" proceedings did cated gentleman, with nothing but a laudable ambition to forward the interests of the colony in which his own interests are at stake, he is certainly entitled to the consideration of his fellow-citizens. While he will prove a work-ing member, superior, we believe, to any of the other candidates in the field, he is also blessed with an amiability of disposition, and a refinement of manners, that may tend to lessen rather than increase those acceptities which lower so much the dignity of the Le-gislatures of young countries

Yours truly, HT. MARRINER. gislatures of young countries.

The third candidate, Mr. Alston, is a Government official. When we have said this,

vernment official. When we have said this, we have said enough to make his chances infinitesimally small; not because there is anything peculiarly immoral or degrading MESSES SEARDY & MOORE. Pharmaceutical Chemists. Government street

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beautiful spot that these Indians occupy. I now give the numbers of these Cowiehan tribes, but the reader must bear in mind that (which in their sober moments they speak of at least two-thirds are from home on fishing, and other expeditions and will not return Cowichan as at Victoria, although you canbefore September. The table below shows not escape from the feeling, notwithstanding their numbers when all at home : all their eivility and smiles, that there is a Men. Wom'n. Child'n. Total. 60 135 essers, I'urs, 50 820

In obtaining the above figures, I had many prejudices and other difficulties to encounter. prejudices and other difficulties to encounter. In the outset I was told that the experiment had been tried before, both by entreaty and force, and had failed. Nothing daunted, I applied myself to the work, and so far as hu-man endeavor and ingenuity fould avail me, I determined that nothing should stand be-tween me and success. I established an ef-fectual check against mistake and imposition, and can yough for the accuracy of the pum-

for occupying so much space. JOHN ARMOUP. and can vouch for the accuracy of the numbers here given. On mentioning to a gentle-man who had resided long in this district, the result of this portion of my labers, he told me that they had been accustomed to consider that the Indians could muster 1,000 fighting

belief that the white man had not kept omises—had not dealt fairly and hou-with them. They cannot understand

Somenon tribe, and truly it is pleasant and

men in the Cowichan district. The paucity of children, especially in the Samenos tribe, is owing to the prevalence of dysentry which carried off numbers during he last winter.

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the last winter. Now, what has been done for these Indians.¹ How are they ruled? What conduct is to be expected from them? What is the general feeling towards white men? I ask these of gentlemen to dine with him, Hen. Lee, in a fit of extravagance, ordered a sumptuous repast of cabbage and middling. The dinner was served, and behold, a great pile of cabquestions not as one having any sentimental sympathy with Indian character. It is worse than useless to talk of abstract rights. ter worse than useless to talk of abstract rights. The history of civilization tells as that where-he ever the foot of the white man is planted with a purpose that it never recedes. Happily, the policy of the British Government is one of kindness and forbearance, but resolute firm-ness, towards inferior races and iribes. With a noble Christian sympathy the public sends out Ministers to preach to them a Gospel of love and mercy—leaving to others who are not of that high and holy calling te advocate a doctrine of revenge, of extermination, and a " hanging on the spot." Well, these Indians must be cared for, as must be ruled. They have rights; violations to of the law must be treated with a punishment

Fort sticot, Victoria. | Mouses.

among whom we name Dr. Craig, J. J. M. Custing, Charles McAuliff, and a nu of others whose names do not now occur to of others whose names do not now occur to us. His old companions in arms remember him as a kindly, genial companion, a good soldier, but not particularly brillians. It is an old saying that "no man is a hero with his valet," and so with Grant; his early asall their eivility and smiles, that there is a large substratum of treachery. What abuses they have to complain of (and they have some) let them be rectified. Pupish them swiftly for any misdeeds. Let them see that sociates and friends find it difficult to under stand how it is that he has become so great." a man. Cassius had the same difficulty with an honest and strong hand holds the sword Cazar, and so it is likely to continue to the end of time-intimate friends are the last to of punishment, and the blow will seldom have to be delivered. For the safety of setdiscover the points which fix the attention of tlers, for the advancement of the interests o the world, and give to their possessor a claim this colony, a thorough investigation should to rank among the great ones of the earth. take place of Indian grievances, and a care-ful inquiry be made of the utility of so-called

REMARKABLE MIRAGE .- On Sunday even Indian reserves. I did intend to say something of the white ing two gentlemen walking on Beacon Hill saw a large ship, with all sail set, suddenly population, of the Cowichan coal mine and appear near Race Rocks. So distinctly ther things, but I have now only to apologise was she presented that even the bellying of the sails in the fresh evening breeze wed

was visible. As they gazed, however, she suddenly disappeared. Last evening, while the same gentlemen were walking near GEN. LEE AT TABLE .- A Richmond correspondent of the Mobile Register, in a recent Castle Cary, one of them remarked, " Where

castle Cary, one of them remarked, in here is our ship to aight?" turning round with the words, when lo ! she again appeared, stand-ing majestically along near the light-house, under a spread of canvas. A moment after, on looking for her from a higher point of view, she had again vanished ! This is one criminal, in the present straitened condition of the country. His ordinary dinner consists of a base net with. The illusion is caused by the refraction of the rays of light under certain. peculiar atmospheric conditions, but there must be a real object somewhere to cause the image; so that probably these gentlement have only been favored with a premature view of the Royal Charlie, now so anxiously looked for.

Sir Robert Walpole was fond of playing billiards, at which his friend, Mr. Monsey, excelled him. "How happens it, Monsey," said Sir Robert, " that nobody beats me at billiards or contradicts me but you ??! " The solution is easy," answered Monsey, "I want neither places or money from you; perhaps if I did I should be as great a bungler at billiarms as you are.'. on dees not mean an avant

1/4 It is remarkable that you are always forgetting my name," said a quasi-acquainted of ance named Flint, "Why," said Quilp, " its is a confounded hard name to remember." . this

letter, tells the following anecdote of the Bayard of the South:-In Gen. Lee's tent meat is eaten but twice a week; the General not allowing it oftener, because he believes indulgence in meat to be criminal, in the present straitened condition of

Victoria, July 4, 1864.