

The Weekly British Colonist and Chronicle.

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The Standing Orders.

At an early period in the session the Legislative Assembly passed a resolution to permit the suspension of the Standing Orders at the pleasure of a bare majority of the members present, and the system thus inaugurated has been greatly abused by the members. Votes and bills have been hurried through without any regard to Parliamentary rules or usage, and the utmost confusion has at times resulted from the hasty manner in which measures were taken up and decided. The resolution empowering the Governor to make his own arrangements with the California Steam Navigation Company was hurried through by means of this rule, and many other important measures, which might have been differently decided had the members been compelled by the Standing Orders to reflect for four-and-twenty hours. Perhaps the most outrageous act perpetrated by virtue of the resolution was the passage of an iniquitous measure known as the Nanaimo Incorporation Bill, which was passed through the Committee of the Whole, and reported to the House; after many of the members had retired, the rules were suspended and the bill passed a third reading. The action of a majority in suspending the rules, the other day, upon the non-confidence resolutions, was also a flagrant breach of faith, and one that has aroused the indignation of the members that yesterday a resolution requiring a two-thirds vote of all the members present before the rules can be suspended, was brought forward and carried. The system of passing a measure one day by the vote of a full House and on the very next day allowing five members to reverse the action of the day previous by simply suspending the rules, was monstrous, and many of the evils under which we are now suffering have sprung from this very cause.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Thursday, August 3.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY.—The Walla Walla Statesman of the 20th July contains the following:—On Saturday last, the authorities were notified that the body of a man had been found hanging on a tree by the side of the Walla Walla river, about five miles from town. This was the first report. On further inquiry, a still more horrible state of affairs was disclosed. It seems that about a month since the deceased attempted to outrage the person of a young girl whose parents live not very far distant from the scene of hanging. As we are informed he failed, to accomplish his purpose, and no effort was made to bring him to trial on the serious charge to which he laid himself liable. Subsequently he was employed by Jesse Drumheller, Esq., as a farm hand, and whilst at work for this gentleman, a party consisting of four or five men came and took him away, stating at the time that he was "charged with attempting to commit a rape." After his removal, nothing further was seen or known of the man until his remains were found as above described. From all the circumstances, it would seem that the party who took the man away from Drumheller's were the men who hung him. After the hanging it seems that his executors never returned, and the body was allowed to hang until it rotted off at the neck. O P Lacy, Justice of the Peace, who held the inquest, states that he found the body on the ground and the head and neck hanging to the tree. A more ghastly sight can scarcely be imagined. The remains were identified by the clothing as those of the man who was taken away from Mr Drumheller's. No further facts of importance were elicited. We have been unable to ascertain the man's name, and this notwithstanding he was known to a number of residents of the country and accompanied Capt. Mullan on one of his expeditions. The following is the verdict of the coroner's jury: "That the deceased came to his death by hanging by the neck, by persons to the jury unknown; that he was a native of Ireland, aged about 35 years." The body was buried where found, the condition of the remains being such as to render their removal impossible.

THE COLLEGIATE SCHOOL reopens on Monday next with considerably increased accommodation. The old school room in which for six years the school has been carried on has been enlarged, and now measures 50 feet by 26, besides which two class rooms have been added measuring respectively 35 feet by 16 and 22 feet by 14.

Big Bend.—We have been permitted to make the following extracts from a private letter, dated Seymour, July 19th, which states: "Macnamara is Deputy Sheriff for the District of Columbia. The Discovery Company, on French Creek, washed up 25 ounces on Saturday. Trails all open again; packing 15 cents. Shuswap flour has a chance now, but does not rise in price. Beef is 20 cents on the creeks; large stocks going forward. George Cole, of New Westminster, and others, struck a good prospect at the bottom of a shaft on Glencoe Flat about three-fourths of a mile up French Creek. Smith & Lerner are opening up their trail, which was blocked up with fallen timber. Exceedingly hot weather, Columbia rising in consequence, Shuswap lowering. Steamer Marten draws more water than was expected. Mr Bissett and Capt. Moffatt have gone to French Creek to open the establishment there, the Company are doing the banking for us here. Great place for swimming here, at Seymour everybody bathes in front of the town. Major Robertson skedaddle from here on a hired male, yet unpaid for, and an agent (Carter) of the Silver Company arrived here a day after, looking for him."

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.—The thirtieth yearly general meeting of the proprietors of this Bank was held in London, on the 5th June, last. The report of the Directors to 30th December, 1865, was highly satisfactory; after making ample deductions for income tax, bad debts, &c., the net profits for the year showed an excess of £5,307 10 over the amount earned in 1864; while the present business of the Bank was steadily, and satisfactorily increasing, notwithstanding the financial crisis. The Directors add:—As already stated, the net profit for the year 1865, amounts to £77,877. 6s. 3d. This enables the Directors to pay, in addition to the usual half-yearly dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, a bonus of 1 per cent. This will leave the sum of £78,777. 6s. 3d. to be carried to the rest, which, including that addition, amounted on 30th December, 1865, as per annexed statement, to £140,471. 5s. 4d., or, deducting the bonus now declared—say £10,000—to £130,471. 5s. 4d.

A LEGISLATIVE COMEDY.—As it is well known, there is "no love lost" between the honorable junior member of Assembly for Victoria City, and the hon. member for Salt Spring Island; hence, when one rises to address the chair, it is amusing to notice the contemptuous manner in which his opinions are treated by the other. The junior member for the city invariably leaves his seat and retires into the Speaker's room, where he remains until his antagonist has sat down, when he returns to his desk. And the member for Salt Spring, whenever the junior member for the City rises to speak, claps his hat on his head, and keeps it there until his honorable antagonist has concluded his remarks, when he removes it, and remains uncovered while any other gentleman may be addressing the House. This little comedy has been played for sometimes, and its almost daily occurrence creates a great deal of merriment among the members and the spectators.

THE FENIAN RAID.—The following is a telegram lately sent from the Canadian Capital: "In the Canadian Parliament, yesterday (June 22d). Mr Galt moved for the indemnification of the Government, by the United States, for the expenses incurred during the recent Fenian troubles. Several members of the Government party advocated the move, when Mr Chambers, of Brockville, obtained the floor and spoke against it. He said that Canada could not support troops to resist the United States. A thousand Fenians was a different matter from 35,000,000 of Americans. He also called for an investigation of the conduct of the commanders of the Provincial troops during the trouble, and denounced the management of the volunteers, as a blunder. Mr Chambers was continually interrupted and hissed; the uproar becoming so great at times as to drown his remarks. He was replied to by Mr D'Arcy McGee, and the motion of Mr Galt was adopted.

GOING HOME.—Dr Brown, the well known botanist and naturalist, who has been prosecuting his researches for several years past in these colonies and the adjoining territories, will leave for England by the next steamer. We shall be very sorry to part with the Doctor, not alone for the selfish reason that he is good for numerous interesting news items, so long as he remains in the country; but because the Colony will lose a valuable man, who has done more towards exploring its unknown regions, unfolding its natural resources, and drawing attention to the latent wealth of the Island, than any other man in it; and because society will lose an affable and intelligent gentleman.

LIBERAL.—Governor Kennedy yesterday contributed \$25 towards sending the congratulatory message to England, with promise of more if wanted. Sir James Douglas also gave \$10; and the whole amount required was raised within a few minutes, by the exertions of Messrs Turner, Jos Wilson and E R Thomas, who acted as a self-constituted committee. Even in these dull times our citizens show a commendable willingness to come forward when occasion requires.

GERMANIA BALL.—The ball given by the Germania Sing Verein, in their hall on Government street, on Tuesday evening, was a highly agreeable, and successful affair; delighted at the glorious intelligence, that the past 24 hours had conveyed to them, our German friends entered into the enjoyment of the hour with a spirit which soon became infectious, and was shared in by all present. The music provided by Messrs Palmer and Sandrie was good, and the arrangements for the entertainment of the guests were complete. A great raid was made upon the cooling beverages dispensed in the waiting room by the proprietors of the "Gem" saloon.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT.—Mr E T Coleman will proceed across the Straits to-day for the purpose of again attempting to ascend Mount Baker. Mr Coleman will be accompanied by Governor Pickering, of Washington Territory; Judge Darwin of the U. S. Circuit Court, and Mr Eldridge, Speaker of the Washington Territory House of Assembly. The last named gentleman has resided for many years at Whatcom, Bellingham Bay, and is well acquainted with the Indians; from whom he anticipates there will be little trouble experienced in procuring permission to attempt the ascent.

FROM NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Alexandra arrived last evening from Fraser River, bringing the Cariboo express and about 40 passengers, among whom were Messrs Huskinson and Farron from Cariboo, who left Williams Creek on the 24th ult.; also, Messrs Cory and Lawson, who brought down the following treasure, viz: For the Bank of British North America, \$158,300; for the Bank of British Columbia, \$102,000. The news from the mines continues to be most encouraging.

THE CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE.—The additional tariff for transmitting the Mayor's message to the Lord Mayor of London did not prevent its going forward, the additional \$75 having been raised yesterday forenoon.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.—Re John Copland Bankruptcy annulled a deed of arrangement having been made with creditors to pay in full. J. J. Macready and Malcolm Munro were adjudicated bankrupts.

MACHINERY AND BOILERS.—The steamer Isabel was brought under the Hudson Bay Company's shears yesterday to receive her machinery and boilers.

The custom receipts at New Westminster last week reached \$1880 43. Passengers entered, 27.

The Russian bark Prince Menschikoff, will sail to-morrow for Sitka. She has a full cargo.

The Fideliter reached Portland on Monday morning.

Miners on Lillooet River are making from \$2 50 to \$3 per day.

The Colville train of 136 horses and 131 bales of furs has reached Fort Hope.

A SELECT COMMITTEE of the Legislative Council sat yesterday.

CARIBOO MINING NEWS.

WILLIAM CREEK, July 30th.—A blast put into the quartz reef near William Creek, showed gold visible to the naked eye in nearly every piece.

WILLIAM CREEK. The Bradley Co's still yields on an average from 25 to 30 dollars a day to the hand. The Hyack Co's washed up last week from a portion of their ground sluice 100 ounces. The Tontine Co's washed up on Thursday, 41 ounces out of the ground sluice; one piece weighed eight ounces and contained but little dross. The Lillooet Co's on Wednesday washed up out of a few buckets of dirt 159 dollars. The California Tunnel Co's washed up for the week 68 ounces. It is reported that the Aurora Co's have struck another back channel which prospects well. The Cameron Co's had 86 ounces for the week. The Forest Rose Co's washed up 50 ounces for the week. The Prairie Flower Co's cleaned up for the week 137 ounces.

LOWEE CREEK. The Heron Co's washed up for the week 100 ounces, being the result of the work of one man picking. 22 dollars to the pan was obtained out of the gravel last Saturday. The Short Bend Co's are taking out good pay.

STOUT'S CULCH. High-low-Jack co's continue to average from \$14 to \$16 a day, to the hand. The Jenkins co's washed up for the past two weeks \$1270.

A MINING BOARD. In response to a petition of the miners of Cariboo, an election of twelve members to constitute a Mining Board, will take place on Tuesday, 31st July. The following is a list of the candidates nominated for election to serve as a Mining Board: Independent Candidates—Jas. MacLaren, Geo. Duff, J. S. Thompson, P. McLaren, John Bruce, Henry Colter, James Anderson, and Angus Hardie, S. A. Anderson, and Hugh Gilmore. Miners' Candidates—Capt. Bell, Henry Coulter, Geo. Shaw, Capt. Ferry, Henry Griddle, Dr. Foster, James Anderson, Samuel Pierce, J. H. Wright, James Williams, Robt. Munro, and Robt. Brown.

CANYON CREEK. Great confidence continues to be felt at Queenstown respecting the richness of the diggings found on this creek. Two boats left last Friday morning, containing twelve or fifteen men, some of whom came from below. A pack train with provisions had also started for the mines, a subscription having been raised to defray the expense of cutting a trail.

Idaho.

The following articles we clip from the Owyhee Avalanche of the 7th: THE MURDER OF JAMES PERRY.

One week ago last Wednesday, James Perry started from Mayflower ledge—Quick-silver District—with pack animals loaded with ore for mill tests, and was shot and shockingly mutilated about five miles southeast from here, near the head of Sinker Creek. His friends became alarmed last Saturday, and made search without any discovery till Thursday of this week, when the body was found and buried near the place of his massacre. Mr Perry was a native of New York, subsequently a resident of Michigan, then two years in Washoe and a pioneer in Owyhee. He was a sober, industrious and highly respected and useful citizen, and an indefatigable prospector. His brother, Uriah Perry, is here and in his deep affliction has the condolence of all those who enjoyed the acquaintance of his departed brother. If such repetitions of the slaughter of good men do not stir up those in authority to provide means for killing the red devils—all other appeals are useless.

DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED.

A man named Sanford was shot in the evening of the 3d at the head of Reynolds' Creek. A party of four were on their way from Sacramento, Cal., to Montana. During the night their stock was fired into by Indians. Two men were sleeping in the wagon and two out. Those out fired at the savages, and one went to the front end of the wagon to get in, and being asked who he was and failing to reply, was shot by a party in the wagon. The ball struck his nose, passed through his mouth and down through his chin and lodged near the collar bone. He may recover, but it is doubtful. His partners forsook him and left him almost penniless on the County or charities of the citizens. He will probably add another to the long list of martyrs—though not direct—"Lo-the-poor-Indians."

RICH GOLD SPECIMENS.

While peeping round for items we saw what was called ore from a quartz ledge—and pure ore it is surely. Saw several flakes as thick as common glass, of bright yellow gold. Some of them were two inches long by one side. It came from the Leonora ledge, Alturas Co. There is only one seam of this pure stuff. The ledge is said to be well defined and seven feet wide and all the ore worth \$60 per ton. We also were shown some specimens of silver ore from the Atlanta ledge, in the same district. It looks very rich and is from a big vein.

GATHERING THEM IN.—The United States seem determined to possess all the anglo-rebel navy. The Georgia was captured at sea; the Florida was taken in the harbor of Bahia and sunk near Newport News; the Sea King, or Shenandoah, was given up at Liverpool; the Sumter, was also given up; the Chickamauga, was raised at Wilmington; the Tallahassee has also been given up in England, and the Reppahannock will have to be disposed of in the same way. There may be a few more yet to be taken possession of, but already nearly all the vessels which had been in the rebel service during the war, and which had not been captured or destroyed at the cessation of hostilities, have been handed over to the United States Government. If the sympathizing Englishmen who supplied these vessels have been paid, it may be well; if they have not been paid, it is well also.

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