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arry out their plans tion that effectually ans quite put in the ardened and cultivaong white men, who ish us by the revelampleteness of their detection. It seems to be guilty of the rerdered man's effects. murderer, was to be e to his own nature. y Indian in our land h of time that has e murder was done. been no difficulty in couser or his friends cles, said to have been leceasea, into the pos-ndemned, even by such ns as (with our ideffiestigate a thing of the us even detecting a e transaction. Altoge-s to me to be so much to doubt the guilt of e, that I cannot but ould be wrong, very him thus prematurely s in the hunting fields e beyond the setting

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AND CHRONICLE.

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## d Ought to be Done.

his city has placed in our tter which points out so and ought to be done To y a portion, at least, of leaving the mother connent, that we cannot refrain ur columns ; strentis

OKESHIRE, May 1, 1869. \* \* \* \* I write the present condition of te Island. There is this is country a most unusual niry, as well as emigration mbers going ob, and F. as ion, amofrequently plied out this Colony and that. exceeding great pleasure is stream somewhat towards ts adjoined Territory L 20 those who leave our to the States, not at all nost part, they have any ublican institutions often Bat there is a great de-liable information respect-of the Dominion; whilit States are to them almost Besides which, when one om a neighborheod have Pittsburg, Pa., or to Li-, their letters are read to , and others follow like a o doubt the vast di would deter many ; yet suitable means were em-and a couple of thousand nists on your unoccupied nore might be done for the e provinces if a proper

rtain employment\_if it

Weekly British Colonist.

WE have frequently attempted to and fatiguing ; from Sacramento to Elko impress our readers, first, with 400 miles per Oeutral Pacific Railroad the fact that they live in a country thence per stage about 120 miles to this nnequalled for climate and fertility : place. Stage riding is an acquired tastethat they have a large surface, covering exhaustless mines of valuable minthis lovely spot. On the railroad there erals; that the fisheries are exceptionally prolific, and that in these they possess all that heart could desire for present comfort, and of the railroad, thus I had no rest for three inture wealth. That, instead of listen nights. On the mountains the scenery is ing to the discontented growlings of very grand, the trains sometimes travelling indolent people who decry all countries on the verge of precipices over 1500 feet and institutions that do not enable high, making one feel as if he would like to them to live in idleness, we should unite lay hold of something. There are three towes comprised in this district : Hamilton, in defining the best mode of turning Treasure City and Shermantown. This is our advantages to account ; by which the largest and most pleasant to live in. means we should not only enrich our-

selves, but we should also enable hun-15,000, but not increasing very rapidly, as dreds of honest, industrious people to men are leaving disgusted as fast as others obtain profitable employment, and ulcome. We are living here at an an altitude timate independence. We have before of 9000 feet above the sea level (Treasure City is 10,000) consequently the sir is very shown in what we principally differ light. I find that I tire much sooner here from our neighbours on the other side of the Sound. The mere fact that the scarce, but not so bad as in Treasure country, the institutions, or the subject City, where they have to pay 60 cents per in question, whatever it may be, begailon. Baths are consequently a luxury;

longs to them, is a sufficient guarantee they cost here \$1 50. The houses are of of its perfection. Every citizen of the very slight material-thin scantling mostly-United States is so accustomed to some canvass only with wooden uprights; one or two of them are of stone, as there praising everything connected with certainly is no scarcity of this kind of buildthat country that it becomes a second ing material. Choice lumber is \$400 per nature; and he speaks with such an 1000 feet , coarse, \$200. The rate for crushair of conviction that strangers are ening is \$50 per ton, but will soon be dows to tirely misled, or feel inclined to be \$25, when more mills are in operation. The irritable, which would be equally an owners of the Eberhardt, California, Virerror. There is another peculiarity ginia and some few other claims will doubtwith our cousins; they are of an exless make fabulous fortunes. Next year this tremely speculative character ; everys country will be better than it is now. There are some few fimiliar faces at White Pine thing is treated as a venture ; hence. On the road, at Elko, I saw Laumeister, when they are overtaken by ill-luck. Reinbart, Jake Marks and Harry Harvey. they never feel the depression which In this town : Fred. Pearkes, Stronach, Poaffects our community so heavily, but, cock, Capt. Kirk, Foucault, Welch the casting all care behind them, they try brewer, J. M. Robertson, [Assayer, ] Gladwin, another turn of the wheel of fortune. and others whom I only know by their faces. or recommence life, if available funds Kady Gambitz keeps a coffee saloon at

instice to myself, stop here as long as I can

hey will grow grey waiting.

Yours, very sincerely,

him to-day. He said he was coming down Amongst us there is too much want of self adaptation to circumstances, and here to go in with Stronach in the suction business; he looks well, but laboring in the keen regard for the main chance this visevard has reduced him about 20 that characterizes our cousins. They ounds in weight. I had a long walk toare always ready to help a man who day (Sunday) with -----. It was my first "out." We visited the Eberhardt claim, 4 they think possesses intelligence sufficient to help himself. We have been miles distant, sang "God save the Queen" on the bighest peak in the immediate neighled into the foregoing by the communication of a correspondent, in Califor- borhood and came back quite satisfied and

White Pine. EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM A VICTORIAN AN HAMILTON, DATED 16th MAY, 1869.

\* \* \* The journey here, although of course novel to me, was very disagreeable it made me very sick, so much so, that'I feel ike walking back to Elko, if I ever leave bor. The latter should have the mails by were no sleeping cars, and no berths to be the Continental, which arrived at Portland a had on the Secremento boats on account of short time before she left. We tender our people going up to celebrate the completion best thanks to Parser Tarbell for files of late Gas. Dix as the finad Holserage

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE OF SAN FRANCISCO. We are favored with a report of the last predit on the officers. From the accounts we learn that the exhibition of last year was a decided success, owing no doubt to the The population of the lot must be over liberality and public spirit of the citizens of the Bay City, and there is every prospect of the exhibition for this year being far ahead of any previous season. We recommend our

when in British Columbia. Water is

treats that indicates more distinctly than all others the progress of a community in taste and refinement, is offered to our citizens on the 15th inst., as will be seen by the advertisement. If, as we h pe and trust, the weather will be propitious, we shall have one of the prettiest sights to be seen anywhere on the Pacific Coast.

> PUBLICATIONS .- By this mail we have received the North British Review, published by Messrs. Leonard Scott & Co; and sold by ] Hibben & Co., of this city. It contains, as usual, several well-written articles, among which we may instance a most interesting paper on the Hudson Bay Company, well worthy of perusal; and an excellent article on the Reconstruction of Germany.

four closely printed pages. we that

THE FLORAL FETE .- One of those rate

THE Highland costumes for children are going out of fashion in London. Of late there has been a run on naval costumes, and it is not an unusual thing to meet a fiveyear-old boatswain in the walk, whistle and are scarce, with perfect equanimity. Treasure City. Backus is also there ; I met all complete, accompanied by his nurse, who drags a perambulator ipto which the hardy sailor is put when he wants to sleep.

> THE GREAT SCOTTISH VOCALIST .- Mr Ketnedy, is creating quite a sensation in Galiotnia, and has engagements so far in advance that he will be unable to visit this city be-fore the middle of next month. He is said to be superior to all his predecessors in Scottish song and anecdote.

nia, which we publish to-day; he very tired. There is a theatrical company here HAZY -The thick and soltry state of the atmosphere the past day or two indicate a in the consideration of matters bearing laving in the smallest theatre I ever saw judging from the exterior, for I have not return of the toggy, smoky period upon the committal of a crime like that for which that poor fellow yesterday been inside. The Pixley sisters are at Sher- last summer; and extensive fires in the forests mantown, about 4 miles distant, and are on the American side. A little rain would was doomed to an ignominious death. coming on here. Marsh is, I hear, at Vir- do a power of good, just now. In the selection of a jury methinks inginia City. I hope he may come on here.

FROM PORTLAND,-The steamer George S. | the country. Now there is a class in your axe used, that a left-handed person Wright, Capt. Langdon, arrived at 12:30 this city who seem to thick that the Govern-morning from Portland via San Juan, where ment officials ought to come and pat them on she landed 15 soldiers for the American garri- the backs and patronise them so that they son. She brings the following passengers: \_\_\_\_\_ could make a good, easy living without Capt. Nickerson, J. P. Kiblinger, Mrs. J. soiling their hands. People ought to be P. Kiblinger, Miss M. Kiblinger, Miss E. more independent and go to work and carry Kiblinger, and 4 children, J. Crawford, J. out improvements themselves and not wait Hurd, Capt. Miller, Mrs. Miller, Miss Miller, for Government, You want some energetic. David Hatch, J. D. Locy, John Binge; and public-splrited men to build, for instance. general cargo of merchandise for Victoria a public market which is very much wanted and Paget Sound. She passed the Gussie there ; to lay on a supply of good pure Telfair, on Thursday night, off Grey's Har- water through every street, and in private streets plant shade trees. I have thought the Colony might support an Agricultural College somewhere a few miles from town where boys could get a good, plain English education and a knowledge of agriculture. It mitted is taken into consideration, and could, I think, be made self-supporting in a the consequently ample opportunity few years by proper management, and from Industrial Exhibition in connection with the it the manager might be empowered to give above excellent institution: The report is out seeds or plants to anyone who might very carefully compiled and reflects, much apply for them to experiment with or acclimatize, for there are many articles that might be produced in the country which are not thought of now; most all nut trees would flourisb. Mulberry trees and, I think, silk-

worms would do well. It would have a tendency to settle up the country, which is the foundation of prosperity. Let some of your citizens to follow the example. The brochure is beautifully got up and comprises ninetybuilt and numberless other things too numerous to mention. By industry they would aise their own produce and chief necessiies of life and have some to sell and so keep the money at home instead of sending it all farmer so good a chance as in British Colnmhia. The Press might do much to settle

> A day or two ago I saw a piece taken rom the British Columbian, of your city, sentence of death, mitigated, I will only and published in all the little country papers, add a few words on that head. I know on Appexation. I would ask all such why it it is a delicate affair to touch upon, seemis that Annexation will build up trade in Victoria, while we here in the most thriv-ing part of the interior of California are suffering for waot of trade far more than We here in the most thriv-Victoria or its inhabitants? But we know we would injure ourselves by complaining too loud. So we try to wear cheerful faces until times take a change.

The Sait Spring Island Murder.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST .---- When the life of a fellow oreature is at stake how very careful ought not men to be

most prominent feature in the trial,

and instead of having them men who

are unable to appreciate particular

will almost invariably swing his are from the right side; and an axe that had been swung from the right side would have had a spring the reverse of that observable in the axe produced This is only one item of evidence twisted to bear adversely upon the case for the defence; but it serves to explain what I mean. The wonderfully explicit and straight forward evidence of the Indian who accused the prisoner of murder loses much of its weight when the length of time that has elapsed since the murder was comthe man has had to concoct and perfect. even in its most minute details, such a statement as he delivered in Court yesterday. I am afraid we are, as a community, too careless about the lives of Indians; and yet it seems to me that we ought to be more particular about an Indian than a white man on trial for his to for the latter hears and understand all that is brought ag an opportunity to explain away things that might otherwise tell against him, while an Indian understands very little perons and would create trade. They want that is said, and is in consequence unable wagons and carts, plows and harrows, houses to prompt his Counsel on matters that would favor his case. I am as much alive as any one to the necessity of ren= dering the lives of settlers on the East Coast as secure as possible. I was a sets tler there myself, many years, and mixed the money at home instead of sending it all with more and had a more extensive away. Nowhere, I think, on the coast has a knowledge of both Indians and white people in the agricultural districts than perhaps any other settler on the Island, up the country by encouraging farming and I would be the last when a crime of and devoting a space to agricultural in- either great or small magnitude could be telligence and particularly in giving market brought home to an Indian, to say spare reports and prices and leiting people know him. It is just as necessary, however, to where public land is and on what terms it the best interests of the settler, that can be got, as people here are used to see in punishment be withheld when it is not the California newspapers only prejudiced clearly merited, as it is that it be unsparthe California newspapers only prejudiced accounts from there, by which it is made out to be a country not fit for a white man to live in. A day or two ago I saw a piece taken ment of the Indian who is now under

ed acted conscientionaly; but believing that the result arrived at, was not wars ranted by the evidence adduced, I cannot help making an appeal to the sympa-thy of the public on behalf of the poor riendless creature. A petition praying for a less severe punishment to t than that t ductive of some ser W. SMITHE.

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grounds, and if required aid in altering the settlof of farmers' sons are nshire, their parents hav-heir farme, (some of them the same land from father generations) because they the dictation of the land election. Those young go to Nebraska, or Oregon, y care not much where. suitable locality, parents blow by hundreds—quiet, psed and industrious, re-ople. It is a pity to see m any country. Kindly you at your early leisure accurate statements and imate, land, laws, propor-icular trades most wanted, is much demand for pro-plumbia, California or elser Island is not very eu-there were a district pr ambria West or some old ike that, is might form an ion. Vast numbers of coel and ison mining dis-nahise are going out, chiefrich the Americans in the Pennsylvania. It grieves provinces fare not more

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MOTERWALLAH. a Printer, was ne Court, Calcutta, of counterfeitwill be entirely datante LABELS BLACKWELL, London, and was

IGOROUS IMPRISONMENT h of the same month, for

URIOUS ARTICLES tion of Messrs CROSSE & BLACK; OO was sentenced, by the Supur-strate at Scaldan, to

GOROUS IMPRISONMENT

SELLING SPURIOUS OLLAIEN'S & Blackwell's name, will be liable is, and will be vigorously proces-sommended to examine all goods delivery of them. The GENULNE Crosse & Black well may be had TABLE DEALER on Vancever itinos wei jamyi anten

sensibly recommends us to do more work and less grumbling, and makes some excellent suggestions, which we heartily endorse. There is every indication of a complete change in the feelings of our citizens since our correspondent was amongst us, and doubts ess many of our people are now ashamed of their former folly. It is quite sufficient that we recognise our do well; but wherever I am I shall always own advantages, and that we have no desire to retain amongst us those people who think there is any better place to live in. There can be no possible objection to people having

preserve the kindest recollections of old lancouver, Remember me to all old friends. THE FEWIANS. - The public mind is us commonly tranquil over the threatened Fepian raid. Most people believe that, on the a very high estimate of any particular loprinciple that "threatened men live long,' cality; but we object to their misleading Victoria will enjoy an immunity from atour people; all that we ask is a fair field tack. If Train were to come alone to Britand no favor. Recent arrivals from below ish Colombia, he might give a performance . convince us that what we have stated is corat the theatre with considerable pecuniary rect; that, notwithstanding any amount of advactage to himself and amusement to our imaginary advantages obtained below the 49th citizens; but if he were to lead a gang of parallel, we shall receive all the population misgoided men, he would stand a chance of we require, and of the kind best suited for having a few crevices added to his elready us; we have only to show ourselves ready badly cracked head. The authorities are and willing to receive them, and afford them on the alert ; but if the Irishmen wait for such facilities as they might expect to meet Train to lead them upon British Columbia

Saturday June 5 DEFENCES .- Some steps are being taken by one or two public institutions to guard against a Fenian raid. Absord and wild as the project appears, it is just possible a raid might be made, and it is well to be forearmed. Perhaps, too, the people should organize for self-defence.

elsewhere.

[Since the above was in type, we learn that the flag-ship Zealons is on her way back to this station, accompanied by the gunboat Boxer. Indian sconting parties are being organized for service along the coast, and to furnish early information of the landing of any considerable body of men. Captain Edye, R. N., is acting in conjunction with the Hon. A. F. Pemberton and the Colonial Secretary.1

NANAIMO .- The crew of the American ship Isaac Jeans, now loading coal, have "struck" against the provisions served out

for the handsome present of oxheart cherto them ; also, because they shipped for Sebeck, W T, but were taken to Nanaimo. ries sent to our sanctum by Mrs J. G. Me-The case was taken before Mr Spelding, S. M., and decided in favor of the men. They for a long time. have all left the ship.

One whilom townsman, Mr Chas, Clarke I often wish myself back in Victoria; I had has severed his connection with the Shanghai measure ignorant of Indians and their that feeling before I left Sap Francisco, and Evening News, and is now editor-in-chief of nature, when Indian evidence is the in this wretched part of the country the dethe Friend of China. sire is still stronger. I must, however, in

A FEMALE mechanic at Springfield (Mass has invented a new sewing machine, for which wonderful merits are claimed.

VICTOR HUGO'SDEW WORK, L'Homme Qui Rit, has made its appearance in Paris and creates a sensation.

JURORS FINED .- Four jurymen were fined vesterday by the Chief Justice for nonattendance upon the Court of Assize.

A Voice from California-After the Croakers.

.Gress Valley, Nevada Co., Cat.. May 20, 1869.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST :- Having just eturned from a visit to your beautiful city and country, 'I thought I would take my pen and give you a stranger's opinion while staving there a short time. First, I heard a great deal of grumbling about business.

THE CAPTURE OF VANCOUVER ISLAND .--the laws, the country, and, in fact, discontent seemed to be the order of the day with from the direct evidence of the Indian Mr Train had an animated discussion with some of the people, who were trying to do who said he had seen the deed done. his Fenian friends about the best plan for carturing the island. The plan proposed business and some who were living private- there was, in my opinion, nothing Mr Train was remarkably practicable Iv. Now I do not pretend to know the cause brought to light that would, in the of all this, but I do think that instead of slightest degree, tend to criminate the and exhibited an estonishing knowledge of grumbling at everything, your people prisoner. On the other hand, much all the resources of the island and of the obwould set to work and build up more local that the Judge dwelt upon in his adstacles to be overcome. As the discussion was confidential, we are not at liberty to manufactures and till the virgin soil that is manufactures and the the virgin soil that is waiting for industrious men to settle upon, they would see more prosperity than now. dress to the jury, as strong corrobora-tive circumstantial evidence, appears ed to set on foot the means for carrying give details; but our impression is that Train will have that island before Cuba will will be wrested from Spain. Many of the Let your lands be brought into market at to men better posted in such matters Fenians were warmly excited on the subject a reasonable price by Homestead Associa- than he, to favor strongly the prisonpromised to provide money and men for the tions or, any way, settle up the country, and er's side of the case. For instance,

enterprise .- S. F. Chronicle. THERATE.-We learn that the Indian who and soon will cease to import so much from been a left-handed person ; his knife, neighboring ports which might be just as with which he was eating his food gave evidence against the Indian convicted well raised and manufactured at home and when he was shot, was in his left hand, of the murder of Robinson, has been threatened with death if he returns home. He has been outlawed by his chief.

the money kept in circulation at home. and an axe was shown in Court, and Then, perhaps, your merchants at least would be too busy to grumble. If strangers a certain spring in the handle pointed We beg to tender our most sincere thanks

go to a place and hear much discontent, out to the jury, as indicating the axe they often become disgusted and leave with- to have been used by a left-handed

out so much as seeing outside the city limits man. Now, it is well known to chop- If you must take medicines then take and therefore without knowing anything of pers, and men accustomed to see an remedies to be had any where.

By the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer Chine, which arrived here yesterday, we (S. F. Call) have files of the Japan Gazette to April 30th, Shanghai News Letter to April 19th and Hougkong Press to April stead of having men who are in a great 17tb. NOV BAL V

JAPAN. We annex the following from the Gazette: Political affairs continue to wear a dubic look. The question of inaugutating a change in the currency has created much excite-

ment. The Mikado has once more left Kipto-the sacred metropolis of the Empire-for Yedo, the old seat of the Tycoon's Govern-ment. It is said by some that the Governpoints of evidence that bear materially ndon the issue, it would be well to have men as jurors who are thoroughly ment is permanently to be carried on in Yedo; that the Mikado will himself reside conversant with Indians, and can do full justice to weighty points of evithere during a large portion of each year; that a Parliament, whose discussions and rules will be assimilated to those of Great dence. I submit that it is to be den Britain, will assemble by command of the Mikado within a few weeks. As preliminary plored that the gentlemen who composed the jury that so hastily dis-Mikado within a few weeks. As preliminary to this, several leading Daimios are represent-ed as having given up their territories, their sovereign rights and privileges to the Mika-do; and Satsuma has actually been invested as Governor of his provinces by an envoy es-pecially sent from Kioto for the purpose. On dit in naval circles that Rear Adpatched the case of the prisoner charged with the murder of a Sait Spring Island settler were not men versed in such matters, and were in consequence white unable to apply miral the Hon. Hastings Reginald Yels properly material facts that were verton, C. B., lately in command of the Channel Fleet, succeeds Admiral the Hon. Sir Henry Keppel, who goes home brought out in evidence. And, I submit further, that it is also to be deplored that neither Counsel nor Judge were on promotion, as Commander-in-Chief on in a more favourable position. Apart

The Yesso coal mines will soon be free from snow.

CHINA.

A plan of Tsen-kzvo Fan for the rea covery of the country bordering the yellow river and better protection of the province against its overflows and consequent inundation was approved by the it ont.

H. M. S. Rodney and H. M. S. Argus are under orders for England. Owing to the demise of Major-General the country will in turn build up the city, the murdered man was proved to have Brunker, Colonel Norman, C. B., and soon will cease to import so much from been a left handed percent his brife assumes command of her Majesty's forces in China and Japan.

On the 30th ultimo the Emperor went to one of the temples in the palace grounds and offered prayers for rain.

Velocipedes are numerous fn Shanghai, the level streets being very suitable for them.

If you must take medicines then take