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HYPOCHONDRIASIS.

The most unhappy of the "ills" that flesh is heir to is probably the disease known as Hypochondriasis. The patient feels dejected, takes the most gloomy views of life, and, in fancying himself the victim of a thousand horrible maladies or infirmities, is tempted to put an end to his existence.

Diggings!

F. J. BARNARD, ap31m. We know that a resolute is near at hand, and that dyspepsia is simply bidding her time, with all her dejection and mournful forebodings.

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that the country has "gone in," we shall accept our fate with all the equanimity of a stoic. In 1859, Yates and Government streets promised nothing better than pasturage for the Hudson's Bay Company's sheep; the most sanguine property-holder saw nothing in the future but a gradual relapse into that stage which preceded the immigration of '58; yet with all the present stagnation, property is to day in many places in Victoria four times the value it was then.

We cannot expect, of course, to find in new countries that plodding industry and general content which form so much an element in European life; but we do expect to see in newly formed colonies or states, a course that is not dismayed by a temporary reverse, and a vigor that is not destroyed by contact with the first obstacle.

Whether we confine our range to the Pacific coast or stretch it to the Australian continent, we do not know to-day a place that offers more inducements to the man of small or large capital than Vancouver Island and British Columbia. The circumstances that have led to any portion of our population being unemployed are in one respect exceptional, and in the other, our own lack of knowledge.

BISHOP OF RUPERT'S LAND.

Mr. Ordwell, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has conferred the bishopric of Rupert's Land, which became vacant some months ago by the resignation of the Right Rev. David Anderson, D.D., now incumbent of Clifton, on the Rev. Robert Machray, M.A., Dean and Fellow of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, vicar of Madingley. The diocese of Rupert's Land is 37,000 square miles in extent, and has a population of 200,000.

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CAPTURE OF RICHMOND CONFIRMED.

Sherman at City Point. GRANT IN PURSUIT OF LEE. Lincoln at the Front.

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SHERMAN AT CITY POINT.

New York, March 30.—The Commercial's Washington special says: A storm delayed the advance of the army. The rebels had retreated to their main line of works on the South Side Railroad, evidently awaiting an attack. Sheridan swept clear around the rebel army. When last heard from he was near Burkville.

THE NEWS REPORT FROM THE RICHMOND.

Washington, April 1.—The Petersburg Express of Wednesday says: Information from City Point reports the presence of fifteen monitors and four ironclads in the James, besides an innumerable fleet of smaller vessels. Porter commands the James river fleet.

NEW YORK, APRIL 2.—THE RICHMOND SENTINEL

has a long, marked article on Grant's combination, just opened. It says: Without doubt, this combination is very formidable, and installs a tremendous campaign. It is to be a life or death struggle.

THE PHILADELPHIA ENQUIRER

to-day has the following: Another desperate attempt was made by the ninth corps to storm Fort Bread and break through the lines and if possible, reach City Point. Emboldened by the apparent situation, they moved a heavy column early last evening in the front of One of their familiar yells, hotly advanced to the assault.

CITY POINT, MARCH 31.—TO STANTON

At 12:30 this afternoon, Grant telegraphs that there has been much hard fighting this morning. The enemy drove our forces back well towards the Boydston plank road. We are now about to take the offensive at this point. I hope we will more than recover lost ground.

He telegraphs: Our troops after being driven back to Boydston plank road, rallied, drove the enemy in turn, and took the White road, which we now hold. This gives us the ground occupied by the enemy this morning. I will send you some rebel flags captured by us. There have been four flags captured to-day.

British Columbia.

The steamer Enterprise arrived from New Westminster on Saturday afternoon, with 25 passengers and a river express.

FROM THE COLUMBIAN.

LATER FROM CARIBOO.—Through the politeness of Mr. G. B. Wright we are placed in possession of the following information:—On the 16th ultimo flour and beans went up to 75c. per lb., and on the 18th these staples rose to \$1 per lb. Holders at Queen'smouth had sold to the speculators at 25c., and they had contracted for freighting in to the Creek at 10c. a pound, thus leaving a clear margin of 65c. a pound for profit.

NEW ISLET DISCOVERED.

H. M. surveying steamer Beaver, Lieutenant Commander Pender, surveyed, on her last trip up the coast of British Columbia, a large and rather remarkable inlet, hitherto unknown to navigators of the North-west. It lies almost immediately opposite Cape Scott, at the north end of this island, about latitude 51° 10', a short distance south of Cape Caution.

THE HON. MR. HOPKINSON

has been commissioned by the Government of this colony to proceed to San Francisco for the purpose of subsidizing a line of steamers to run to this port, returned yesterday. We have not been able to obtain any official information respecting the result of the mission; but we understand negotiations are still pending.

THE BOARD REMOVED.

Some sailors last week were refused admittance at a late hour to the Bee Hive Hotel on Fort street, and in revenge carried off the notice board which had been just before put up by Barnett, the Leech River Expressman then absent on duty. The culprits ought to have been traced.

FROM PORT ANGELOS.

By an arrival from the other side last night we learn that a new light has been placed in the light-house there in lieu of the old one. It was originally intended for the light-house at Charleston, S.C., before the outbreak of the rebellion. No appointment of a collector for Port Angeles had been made so far as could be gathered from San Francisco advices to March 14th. The Joe Lane sailed for San Francisco on the 3d.

CARIBOO NEWSPAPER.

The steamer Enterprise carried up yesterday morning a printing press, and part of the requisite material for a newspaper, which is about to be established at Williams Creek, Cariboo, by Mr. George Wallace, formerly of the Evening Express. The name of the new journal is to be the Cariboo Express. The press was supplied from the Colonist's office.

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