

Wednesday May 17th 1871

West Indian Confederation. The readers of this journal are already aware that there has been passed through the Imperial Parliament an Act for the Confederation of the West Indies...

Official Announcements.

The following announcements appear in yesterday's Gazette. The Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Graham as Registrar General for the colony of British Columbia...

Domestic Matters.

The report of the Ontario Lunatic Asylum for the year 1870 attests the importance and efficiency of that admirably conducted institution. On the 21st January, 1871 the institution was opened, and 17 patients received into it...

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The Commission and its Fruit.

So far as the result of the labors of the Joint High Commission was recently sat at Washington can be gathered from despatches received, must confess to a feeling of disappointment. With the proposed mode of justifying the Alabama and other claims arising out of the late terrible civil war we have no disposition to find fault...

THE MARTIN-HENRY RIFLE.

At last the British soldier has obtained the weapon which he has long looked upon as his permanent arm. The Small Arms Committee have made their report, in which they recommend, unanimously, the Martin-Henry rifle, and the recommendation has been confirmed by the Ordnance Council of the War Department...

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