IMPORTS

EYNICK from San Francisco—48 stoves
s calico, 72 pkgs 52 cs furniture, 1 bls
1 cabinet organ, 12¼ sks 60¼ sks flour,
, 410 bxs soap, 10 bbls ale. 2 bles, 101
ranges, 173 kgs nails, 25 bbls 85¼ bbls
wdered sugar, 5 cs shovels, 4 bdls forks,
2 bxs mdse, 42 sks ground barley, 6
oz pails, 3 do washboards, 4 do brushes,
1 bdl brushes, 6 bxs stoves, 252 sks
115 bxs clean rice, 600 mats rice, 65 bbls
kerel. 25 bxs starch, 5 bxs axle grease, 5
, 10 bbls beef, 300 bxs candles, 2 bles
dis lanterns, 7 coils cordage, 6 bxs ship
mast hoops, 6 bbls pitch and tar, 54 cs
perm oil, 2 cs benzine, 2 cs turpentine, 3
o oars, 3 coils spun yarn, 16 bbls resin
wine, 2 blocks, 2 bdls buckets, 20 bxs
pickles, 10 cs pepper, 75 kgs syrup, 2 cks
bls whisky, 4 bdls hollow-ware, 6 pumps,
tings, 20 bxs fish in oil, 15 baskets salt
dried shrimps, 24 cks red wine, 2 cs
ockery and glassware, 1 bx cigars, 1 bx
s yeast powders, 62 sks bran, 10 cs pep-
s drugs, 3 coils rope, 2 cs scales, 2 vegeto-
mill 1 bdle scoops, 10 bxs axes, 2 cks
obacco, 25 firkins butter, 20 cs green
d, 20 do oysters, 10 do tomatoes, 20 do

IZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound—
bls flour, 8 sacks oysters, 45 lambs, 112
ttle.

CTIVE from Portland—143 tons wheat,
58 hd sheep.

Wright from Portland—2000 sacks flour, 1
, 10 bxs fruit.

. NORTE from San Francisco—250 tons
dize.

MARRIED.

st., at the Cathedral, in this City, by the
Reece, Thos. Geo., son of James Askew,
rdshire, Eng., to Isabel Julia, fourth
late John Curtis, Esq., of Newport-
ngland. No cards.

DIED.

u, of Yellow Fever, Matthew Thomas
ears, only son of the late Dr Baillie, of
g his widowed mother to mourn his loss.
and Glasgow Papers please copy.

andwich islands, on the 27th Aug, after
s borne with christian fortitude, George
Aged 30 years and 8 months, second son
l Deverill, H M 90th Regiment, and son-
anklyn, Esq, Vancouver Island.

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g letter has been received from
ns, Esq., an extensive agricultur-
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'Nightingale Hall, Edmonton.
I have recently suffered much from
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## Representative Institutions.

Few Colonial Governors have had so many opportunities of showing good statesmanship as the present Governor of this Colony, and few men holding the position of constitutional advisers of the Governor, by virtue of their offices as members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, have had more scope for such a display of administrative talent as can be made in a small Colony, as those gentlemen who have belonged to the Executive Council of British Columbia since the Union. The Colony has passed through a season of great depression, and has felt the want of that fostering care which an able and energetic Governor, backed by an active and judicious Executive Council, might have extended to her. The remodelling of the Government after the two colonies were united, afforded some room for the exercise of diplomatic talents in the Governor, and of administrative energy amongst his advisers. Fortunately the Colony has not suffered materially in her prospects in spite of the complete failure of the Government to do anything to help it in its time of trial. She has been kept back by lack of energy, but the great resources of the Colony still exist, and the perseverance of the colonists is gradually restoring confidence, and is slowly, but surely, establishing the fame of British Columbia as a place, which, though last, is not destined to be the least of the settlements of the world, in point of wealth and importance. But although opportunities have been thrown away and neglected, other chances may yet occur, and few men who have either achieved, or been placed in positions of any importance will allow every opportunity of distinguishing themselves to pass away; it is within the bounds of possibility that the Governor of this Colony may yet show himself inclined to listen at the last moment to the voice of the people, and he may testify his inclination by inviting the Council to consider the propriety of a change in the Constitution, with a view to obtaining both a preponderance of popular members and a liberal franchise under which members can be elected. It is impossible that Mr. Seymour can have any dread of representative institutions; it is true that under such a form of Government there might be more actual routine work for the Chief of the Executive to perform than he thinks proper to get through under the existing system; but the responsibility of the Governor is unquestionably much less in a Colony where there are representative institutions, than in a Crown Colony. It is more easy to understand the sort of natural antipathy, that members of the Legislative Council have to the inauguration of any change at all in the Constitution. They have not, as advisers of the Governor shown any administrative talent, nor have they evinced any of that aptitude for public business which is so necessary for the success of those who seek to take any prominent place as members of a House of Representatives; their duties as members of the Council are much more easily discharged, so long as they belong to a "select" assembly, which owes none of its vitality to the public vote, no matter how careless they may have been in their public duties, they have only one to conciliate; they have no constituents to meet, and they are perfectly well aware that their only chance of any lengthened continuance of such an unsound system as the present, is to stifle all efforts at reform before they come up for discussion; the first step is the most difficult, and the official members of the Legislative Council are well aware that when the people are properly represented in that Council, the first step is gained, retrenchment must follow, and if as a sequence we should obtain responsible Government the dreaded reform will be more than half accomplished, and the officials will have to struggle for place and position with able competitors, who are not afraid of exertion. Can we wonder then that the Executive Council are opposed to any change.

Friday, Oct 9

## The Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibition.

After a lapse of three years and since the last show of the character above mentioned was held, the citizens and public in general have resolved to revive the once annual exhibitions, and yesterday in the display shown demonstrated, that in most departments we are again on the road to agricultural and stock breeding eminence. The amount subscribed for prizes, as well as the number of articles exhibited by, we understand, 130 entries, must be gratifying to all of us, and particularly to those who more immediately interested themselves in securing so successful a result; this too considering the limited time left to make arrangements with outside districts. The exhibition was held in the cattle yard of J P Davies & Co, Fort street, with the adjacent vacant lots fenced in and covered over with canvass for all articles except the live stock. Early in the morning the premises and street in the vicinity were decorated with a variety of flags festooned and hung across the street, which, with the crowd of people and vehicles passing to and fro, gave the scene an animated appearance. By 11 o'clock the arrangements which reflected much credit on the managers, were completed, and the judges commenced awarding the prizes A F Pemberton, Thos Harris, and N C Portway, Esqrs, acted as Judges of the Live Stock; Messrs Lenevue, R Wallace, T Lowe & J Lowe, Capt Good, E H Jackson and A Bunster acting as Judges of the produce, fruits, flowers, &c, &c. It was universally admitted that such articles as were exhibited, particularly in the latter classes were excellent in character. Amongst such as deserve especial notice in live stock which was perhaps somewhat limited in numbers, we may mention the sheep (Southdowns) and hogs of Mr McKenzie; cow and calf and yearling heifer shown by Mr Sere, of the 'Richmond;' two three year old heifers owned by Mr J D Pemberton; brood sow, Mr N C Bailey, which took two prizes; the sheep exhibited by Mr Holdness, Spring Ridge; five fat sheep belonging to Mr Harvey, Upland farm, and the cattle from Dr Tolmie's farm. Eight saddle horses were entered; the first prize was awarded to Mr Turgoose and special commendation given to Mr Rithet's horse. Taken upon the whole, the show of stock was scarcely what might have been expected although it must be recollected that fine animals of any kind are not the first products a young country thinks of aiming at; such results are only the consequence of long competition and increasing wealth. The produce, fruits, vegetables, cereals and hops, however were excellent in every branch, and excited much admiration. It is impossible to particularize in this department all the articles which deserve honorable mention, but we cannot omit the magnificent hops grown at Saanich; the pears, apples, plums, grapes; the carrots, potatoes, onions, beets, peas and boquets of flowers, that graced the tables. Messrs Clarkson & Herring of New Westminster, brought down some fine samples of fruit and vegetables from the mainland; some peaches and quinces exhibited deserve a leading notice. The exhibition of poultry contained some fine samples of geese, Spanish fowls, ducks, pigeons and bantams. There were also syrups, home made wines, trunks, smoked salmon, together with such like articles of home manufacture, which were proven not to be neglected, and the samples exhibited, gave strong evidence of the progress of the Colony in those pursuits, which will hereafter enrich her. In the dairy produce, the Cowichan butter took the lead, and a large jar of cream prepared by the Messrs Davie, was highly commended. Amongst the cereals was a sample of Canadian wheat, grown by Messrs Galbraith and Hawks of Soda Creek, which attracted much attention, but there was not sufficient of it shown, to obtain a prize. Amongst the fruits, the contribution of plums from Capt Good's garden, for variety, size, richness of color and withal neat arrangement, caused much comment. There were many other articles exhibited which earned special commendation, but our space will only allow us to select the most prominent. In the afternoon, as the day was unusually fine, a large number of people of all classes visited the exhibition, and the universal verdict was that although the number of articles exhibited was not so large as could have been desired, owing to a little indifference and supineness on the part of some of our farmers, there was abundance to show what great things the Colony is capable of, and how largely her material interests may be advanced by these exhibitions. It is to be hoped, therefore the idea of having an annual exhibition for the whole Colony at different towns, in rotation, will be earnestly carried out by those who have the power to make each year's exhibition an unqualified success. The volunteer band was in attendance, and added much to the pleasures of the day by their excellent performances.

We regret it is not in our power to-day to publish more than the prizes awarded for live stock:

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| Dr Tolmie, bull | | $10 00 |
| do | five fat cattle | 10 00 |
| do | yearling heifer | 2 50 |
| do | 2-year old heifer, 2d prize | 5 00 |
| do | boar, 2d prize | 5 00 |
| J B Sere, yearling heifer | 1st prize | 5 00 |
| do | milch cow | 15 00 |
| do | cow and calf | 5 00 |
| do | saddle horse.. Honorary Certificate | |
| Mr King, 2-year old heifer | 1st prize | 7 50 |
| do | yearling foal 1st prize | 5 00 |
| Mr Luxom, 3-year old heifer | do | 10 00 |
| do | best heifer | 5 00 |
| J D Pemberton, 3-year old heifer, | 2d prize | 5 00 |
| do | milch cow 2d prize | 10 00 |
| K McKenzie, best ram lamb, | 1st prize | 5 00 |
| do | ram of any age, 2d prize | 5 00 |
| do | 5 ewes 1st prize | 10 00 |
| do | boar 1st prize | 10 00 |
| Mr Harvey, Hogget | 1st prize | 4 00 |
| do | Ram of any age, 1st prize | 10 00 |
| do | 5 ewe lambs 1st prize | 7 50 |
| do | 5 ewes 2d prize | 5 00 |
| do | 3 fat sheep 1st prize | 10 00 |
| do | Southdown ram 1st prize | 5 00 |
| E H Jackson, stallion, agril. pur. | do | 15 00 |
| A Bunster, | do do 2d prize | 7 50 |
| W Turgoose, brood mare, | 1st prize | 15 00 |
| do | saddle horse | 2 50 |
| and J P Davies' | | Special Prize |
| W Arthur, brood mare | 2d prize | 7 50 |
| J E Edwards, do, highly recommended | | |
| R P Rithet, saddle horse, special prize | | 5 00 |
| N C Bailey, brood sow | 1st prize | 10 00 |
| and J P Davies special prize | | 5 00 |
| Mr Holmes, brood sow | 2nd prize | 5 00 |

The Emperor of the French, wishing to civilize his people, has introduced bull fights into France. A grand spectacle of the kind was given at Havre, at which twelve bulls, tortured with darts and spear thrusts, but with horns covered with india rubber balls, were encouraged to rush at 'matadors,' 'picadors,' 'chulos,' and the rest of the performers for whom civilized Europe has not even names. Bloodshed was carefully avoided, the only attraction being torture to the beasts and risk of life to the men; but all the correspondents report that after a bull or two had been led away, the spectators began to hunger for slaughter. It is not believed that the Emperor intends to reintroduce combats of gladiators, as that might involve a loss of subjects who would make good soldiers.—*English Paper.*

A Race under Water.—In Boston lately, there was a race of three divers who walked a distance of 2400 feet under water in the harbor. The winner did the distance in 17 minutes. Each man was provided with a guiding line to direct him on his course, and was also accompanied by a small boat provided with air pumps, which were kept constantly at work to supply air. Extending from each boat to the diver was a life line, which is always in charge of some particular person, who acts 'tender' for the diver whenever he is under the water. On the arrival of each diver at the floating stage he was provided with a ladder, up which he climbed till near the surface, when he was assisted out and immediately dismantled, all three appearing to be as fresh as when they first entered the water.

The Gem of the Ocean, from San Francisco, on her way to the Sound, got befogged, and was off our harbor yesterday.

The steamer Diana is reported to have reached San Francisco safely, yesterday.

Yale News.—From the *Examiner.* Mining on Black Creek had promised success, but want of water stopped work for the season. In the mining prosecuted by the Chinese at the Forks of Quesnelle, about 1000 lbs of pure copper, in lumps, have been picked up At Yale a mining claim is staked off close to the steamboat landing. Twenty-seven Chinamen from Kootenay have with them $23,700, and are taking it to the Flowery Kingdom. The road tolls received during the past month amounted to $5200, and the road to Cariboo is being repaired. The assizes will be held on the 13th; four cases are on the docket. There were 95,000 lbs of freight forwarded to the upper country last week.

The steamer Enterprise arrived from New Westminster yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, being twenty-four hours in making the trip, owing to the fog. She brought down forty passengers, 200 barrels of cranberries and some other little freight; the mails and Cariboo express. Mr Park, barrister-at-law, who has been in Cariboo for five or six years, has returned, also Mr Hicks, from Kootenay, Mr Nelson, B. Inlet, Messrs Clute, Joe Copland, &c.

The Distant Fires.—There was considerable commotion last night in town after dark about the origin of the magnificent fires seen over the Sound, which at times quite illuminated the heavens. The streets were filled and Church hill covered with people watching the sight, and bets offered that some volcano had suddenly broken out.

Naval.—H M S Zealous, flag of Admiral Hastings, will leave at the latter part of this month for a cruise down the coast to Central America, and will return by the Sandwich Islands. She will be absent the greater portion of the winter. The Pylades sailed a few days since.

Total Receipts.—The total receipts of the Exhibition yesterday, as far as could be ascertained, would be about $135, received from non-subscribers.

## Cariboo News.

ready been erected and occupied on the site of old Barkerville. A number of others are in progress, showing the faith and determination people have in the future of the mining resources of the district. The Mosquito trail has been completed and is said to be a very creditable job to the contractors. Jacob Miller, formerly of the New England Bakery in this city, died on the 25th of September of congestion of the brain. The weather continued very dry in the mines, which is feared will affect the mining prospects of the season.

### MINING INTELLIGENCE.

It may safely be said that mining in Cariboo at present is at a standstill. Nearly every creek is dried up, and the principal work that is being done in mining is in the prospecting or repairing line. There are eight claims on

WILLIAM CREEK

doing a little in the way of washing, viz: The Barker, Sheepshead, Eagle, Sheepskin Baldhead, Welsh, Lillooet, and Cariboo; and the whole amount taken out does not exceed 150 oz. On.

MOSQUITO CREEK.

the Minnehaha, Willow, Hocking, Point, Tabb and Discovery co's. are doing a little. The whole amount of gold taken out for the past week is about 350 oz. On

CUNNINGHAM CREEK

Sharp & co. have stopped hydraulicing and on Monday commenced to wash up for the season. It will take about two weeks to clean up their ground sluice, and they estimate that they will have about $7000 for their summer's work.

There have been within the last week some very favorable accounts of strikes being made on different localities, on

GROUSE CREEK

The Hard-up co. have got a good prospect in what is believed to be the old channel. On

SLATE GULCH

a company of 8 interests have struck a good prospect. On

HARDSCRABBLE CREEK

a fine prospect was struck on Friday last, in a blind shaft from the tunnel. This is looked upon as the best discovery that has been made for the season, as the creek is somewhat extensive and in a good locality. Interests are being held in this new ground at $1500.

LIGHTNING CREEK.

Great Eastern co. have come across a deep hole in a confined channel. Great Western co. still drifting towards the channel. Fifeshire Lass have been paying about wages. Lightning co. ground sluicing under great disadvantages, from the scarcity of water to take away the tailings.

BENCH DIGGINGS.

The Discovery co. haev brought in their ditch and set dumpbox and sluices, ready for washing. Good Hope co. drifting for the Discovery lead.

BASFORD CREEK.

Harvest co. (discovery claim) making $5 a day to the hand, with the rocker.

White & co. sinking; are down 50 feet in the clay.

## Fruit Culture—Plums and Cherries.

Editor Colonist.—I beg to offer a few remarks in reply to your correspondent's enquiries in a former issue, relative to the Plum and Cherry, trusting they may supply a part, at least, of the information wanted. For domestic purposes these fruits rank next in importance to the Apple; and for dessert they have few equals, and now, with the many excellent new, early and late varieties, their use for those purposes may be spread over more than four months, viz., from the end of June to November. As with the Apple and Pear, so with the Plum and Cherry, great confusion exists among the names of different varieties; and in the greater number of instances, this arises not so much from the great number of varieties which are grown, as from the number of growers, some of whom seek to profit by their crops alone, regarding but little their nomenclature; therefore, as the names given to varieties of fruit by the mere orchardist, would, in many instances only tantalize and puzzle the intending planter, I have paid no attention to them in framing the accompanying lists, but have adopted those by which the several varieties are best known to Pomologists, and which have received the sanction of such authorities as Lindley, Thompson, Rivers, and Downing.

and will grow in almost any soil, but that in which the Plum only produces crops of the finest fruit, is a heavy loam, or one in which there is a considerable amount of clay; light soils may be greatly improved by the addition of clay as a manure. The Cherry on the other hand, does best in a good sandy or gravelly loam, resting on fine gravel or sand. In wet soils the roots soon rot, and the trees are short lived; in a soil too rich the trees run too much to wood, and are comparatively barren, and the branches are liable to split in high winds.

The season for transplanting the trees is the same as that before recommended for the Apple and Pear, and as the preparation of the soil, the various operations of planting, securing the trees against high winds, and the subsequent general management, are the same, when treating on those fruits, I need not here repeat them and will only add, in conclusion, a strong recommendation to the fruit grower, when his trees are too much crowded with fruit, and when the fruit has just passed the "stoning process," to thin liberally and unsparingly; by this means the remaining crop will be immensely improved both in size and flavor, and his trees will annually yield him a fair crop, in place of giving a heavy crop once in two years.

The following lists embrace some of the best sorts of fruits in cultivation, not only as regards flavour and size, but also for hardiness and fruitfulness, and which, it is hoped, will be found particularly fitted to our climate and requirements:

SELECTION OF PLUMS.

For July—River's Early Favorite. For August—Orleans, Red Gage, Lawrence's Favorite, Imperial Gage, Red Diaper, McLaughlin, Yellow Gage. For September—Washington, Jefferson, yellow and red, Green Gage, Reine Claude de Bavay, Black Damson, Magnum Bonum. For October—St Martin's Quelsche, Coe's Golden Drops, Frost Gage, or Damson.

CHERRIES.

For July—Belle d'Orleans, May Duke, Black Eagle, Bigarreau, Black Tartarian Elton, Governor Wood, Reine Hortense July and August—Carnation. Late August—Kentish. August and September—Belle Magnifique, Mirello, old.

H. MITCHELL,
Victoria Nursery.

September, 1868.


Fred Payne has removed his Cheap Shaving Shop to the opposite side of Johnson street, just above the Miner's Saloon.*