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THE BRITISH COLUMBIAN ESTIMATES.

The estimates of the British Columbian Government have been laid before the Legislative Council. The items for the first time appear in dollars in cents, almost the only improvement, we are sorry to say, which presents itself in the whole financial statement.

Arrival of the "Sheet Anchor"
Eastern and European News.
EASTERN NEWS.
The Cholera at Leghorn.

Colonial Secretary... 16,195
Treasurer... 9,427
Assay and Refinery Office... 4,790

The total amount of estimated expenditure for the present year, not including the subsidy for steam communication, is \$723,365, of which \$125,500 is to be spent on roads, streets and bridges, \$26,000 on works and buildings, and \$31,281 for carrying the mail.

The following is a statement of the estimated revenue:
Customs... \$30,650
Port and Harbor Dues... 37,150
Road Tolls... 95,000

FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.—The steamer Enterprise arrived on Saturday from New Westminster with seventeen passengers and a river express. Captain Irving, of the Onward, was on board.

protested against the occupation of Bagdad by the United States troops. Those who had been sent over for the protection of the town and American interests were withdrawn.

Final Payments to Soldiers.
The Department has made final payment to more than 800,000 officers and men.

Sailors' Pensions.
Senator Morgan is preparing a bill granting the same pensions to sailors as are now granted to soldiers.

Rebel Trophies of the Late War.
The United States' naval supply steamer Newbern, which recently arrived from the Gulf squadron, is now discharging her cargo at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Heavy Failure.
The following announcement was made by Henry D. Phelps, Agent of the Columbian Marine Insurance Company:

Northern Pacific Railroad.
BOSTON, Jan. 30.—Hon. J. G. Smith, ex-Governor of Vermont, and manager of the Vermont Central Railroad, has been appointed President of the new Board of Directors of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Malignant Spirit of Slavery.
WASHINGTON, January 30.—The spirit of slavery is still here, and made an attempt last night to burn the poor negroes out of church and home.

Disarming Negroes in Mississippi.
An order has been issued by the Adjutant General of Mississippi to the Captains of militia companies recently organized, directing them to disarm the negroes

horrible to relate. The report of the committee will probably be presented next week, when a thrill of indignation will pass through the heart of every man, woman and child who reads it.

Dreadful Shipwreck.
Boston, Jan. 29.—The Hamburg ship Newton, Capt. Herting, from New York for Hamburg, came ashore at Nantucket on Sunday night, and went to pieces.

LATER FROM EUROPE.
[DATES TO JANUARY 15.]
Signor Renazzi, heir of the late Prince of Musignano, Don Giuseppe Bonaparte, has surprised all Rome by a formal declaration that he had only accepted the inheritance of the late Prince, as his trustee, and that according to the terms of the trust, the family palace was to be the property of the two surviving brothers, the Princes Lucien and Napoleon, and the jewels and other valuables to be divided among his sisters.

The police of Schleswig have issued a notice ordering the portrait of the Prince of Augustenburg to be removed from all the restaurants, cafes, and places of public resort in that town.

The body guard of the Esterhazy family, maintained in Vienna for more than two hundred years has been disbanded. They formerly constituted a whole battalion, but in later years have been reduced to a company.

Count Eulenburg, nephew of the Prussian Minister of the Interior, who was accused of having killed Prince Alfred's (of England) cook at Bonn, has been tried by court martial and condemned to nine months' detention in a fortress.

The Hamburg papers state that a portion of the Heligoland Rock having been long undermined by the sea had fallen, and was engulfed in the waves. Out of five hundred inhabitants on the island seventy are said to have perished.

The London Times refers to the satisfactory aspect of European affairs, and trusts the prospects of a lasting peace will have some effect on the military administration of European powers, and that there will be some alleviation of those burdens which everywhere weigh so heavily.

Official returns for the week ending Dec. 30 show a large increase. In fresh cattle, disease for previous week, number was 6536. In the last week of December, it was 7,693; green cattle 5.

The STEAMER DEL NORTE, which left port on Friday afternoon, put back into Esquimalt harbor from stress of weather, and left on Saturday morning, at six o'clock, for San Francisco.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Special Dispatch to the "Colonist."
NEW YORK, February 31.—The Herald's Vera Cruz correspondent says that about 30,000 stand of arms lately arrived from New York for the Imperial troops.

on complaint of Alexander T. Stewart, the dry goods millionaire, who charges that Colburn wrote and Knapp published a libel accusing him of infidelity with a certain French actress.

Fort Laramie, February 3d.—A messenger from the Sioux and Cheyenne Indians was received by the commanding officer at this post yesterday. The interview was mutually satisfactory.

New York, Feb. 3.—An application was made yesterday to the United States District Attorney, calling on him to proceed against the California, Oregon, and Mexican Steamship Company for the collection of the penalties incurred, where steam vessels have more than the stipulated number of berths.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Detective Baker was not sentenced yesterday as expected. He is ordered for the imprisonment of James Cobb. There are three other indictments against him, for robbing, false imprisonment and extortion, on which he will be tried within the next two weeks.

New York, Feb. 3.—James R. Spaulding, assistant editor of the Times, who had taken a trip to New Orleans for his health, was on his return last Wednesday, struck with paralysis, which it is feared will prove fatal. Exports for the week amount to \$7,225,000.

PORTLAND, Feb. 10.—The steamer Pacific did not leave San Francisco, as was reported on Tuesday last, but sailed for Portland on Thursday at 10 o'clock, a.m., and is due Sunday night.

THE ACTIVE AT NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Active, Captain Thorn, proceeded on Saturday morning to New Westminster to commence her contract with the Government of that colony for carrying the mails to San Francisco.

JOKING AT OUR NEIGHBOR'S EXPENSE.—During the visit of the Active to New Westminster we learn that some of the Victoria passengers played off a joke at the expense of our sensitive neighbors.

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Harris, Frain, Nanaimo
Anderson, Finch, Port Angeles
Mary, Williams, San Juan
Berillies, Pamphlet, Nanaimo
Diamond, McCulloch, Nanaimo
Coupe, Port Angeles
Discovery, Rudin, Salt Spring
Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan
Middleton, Salt Spring Island
Queen, Mount, New Westminster
Queen, Watkins, Race Rocks
Matilda, Meldrum, Sooke
Harris, Frain, Port Angeles

BEND!
and Travellers.
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