reliminary trial, and the issioner here employed Esq ; as Attorney, not exbut to see that he would Circumstantial evidence

he prisoner and it was on held. He has got to red house until we get a civil e he can be tried; as the power to interfere in a case

MINING. ers start to day for Taken Indians arrived a few days at rich diggings have been nuch reliance to be placed the question. Where this about 150 miles due north

ni enniblind to anodmus Pioneer is here and is about or two for St Pauls Island.

stantine and the Brig Chelinday for Kodiack and the s, taking a large number of alf-breeds from Sitka. We tiful weather now. Business ka is Alaska still. Wole BARNEY O'RAGAN.

ellaneous Items, and ours as discovered that Adam red and twenty-feet high, undred and eighteen feet. oolsey, of Yale, is said to he conclusion that Joan r an imposter nor a fanatic directly inspired from to

lor finds living cheap in p of coffee at a first class s but four cents, and a ty cents. But this is excury. Bread, fish, and may be bought for a triffe, umpkin seeds, more palateapeople than 'almonds, are reets at marvelously low en in large quantities. a the English troops found itch there was a painting he passage of the Red Sea. d with mocking irony over se horse is being rapidly hile the Egyptian infantry.

their headsman have brought to light, in w house, dating from about ntury before Christ. Some are in good preservation, a books found is a collecew poems, said to be un-

engulfed, are holding their

GREAT BIPEDS AND QUADRU-S. Miller, of San Francisco, night's Landing, brought to erday, various bones, mam-which had been uncovered of the freshets during the ta depth of about twenty the earth's surface. They ar Dunnigan's ranch, Yolo niles from Knight's Landing. are bones of the leg, from down, of the forearms, ribs, the Doctor thinks, approxiquadrupeds. If they are wner of them must have race of giants, generally con-neal, who towered to the or 30 feet. If a quadruped, certainly larger than any nce in the State. Miller has to examine them, they havd only ten days ago. Some are in good condition; and x inches in diameter and a entirely petrified. As rece now extinct, they deserve scientific men.

ICANE AT ST. THOMAS. -On fternoon a meeting of caper officers in the service of all Steam Packet Company, personal friends of the late olley, was held at South-the purpose of considering ty of erecting a memorial to parish church at Hammeras, however, ultimately de-would be better to erect a a more extensive character tery at Southampton, com-not only the loss of Captain the officers and engineers of eamers the Rhone and the such members of the crews ned in the late harricane at on the 29th of October last.

OINTMENT. Soundness Te indolent ulcer of chronic sore ately have this excellent unguent the manner pointed out in its ac-ections. For thoroughly cleaning broken skin, and for rousing its or depressed nerves to healthy can surpass Holloway's wellthe "old man's ulcer," which ge and often becomes most intractublesone swellings preparatory to is of the legs are likewise reduced application of Holloway's unguent, agth of the weakened direulation

true spirit of retrenchment than to AND CHRONICLE have imposed taxes and tariffs which have crippled our commerce and less-Saturday, June 13 1868. ened our population. Even if the Taking it as the basis of sound colony were in a prosperous confinancial administration that the exdition, the Governmental staff is far penditure of a country should be retoo large for its necessities. In the gulated by its population and com-Colonial Secretary's office and the merce, we proceed to day to show Judiciary it would not be diffihow the two stand connected in Brits ish Columbia. The white population, saving might be effected. In many although it cannot be ascertained other departments an equal reduction exactly, is supposed to be in the neighborhood of 12,000, and the In- might have been made without impairing the efficiency of the Government. dian 40,000, though some place the Take the two jails at Victoria and latter as high as 60,000, which is generally considered too high. Allowing New Westminster, without saying which should have been reduced or for the purposes of taxation, five Inabolished, one certainly might and dians as equal to one white man, the whole taxpaying pepulation of the ought to have been. The Postmasters colony cannot exceed 20,000. Yet for and Registrars are open to attack. In an amount of population that would fact, in looking carefully through the whole of the departments, excepting only make a small city, the country requires \$576,000. Let us see how this perhaps the Customs and the Stipenvast amount is distributed among the diary Magistrates of the interior, nothdifferent departments and then we shall ing can be said in justification of their be better able to understand how number, force and expense. The great much or how little is devoted to the evil of this gross expenditure is that general benefit of the country after no present or future provision can be the payment of the officials. Inde made for the wants and necessities of pendently of the Civil list, which pro. the country. The day will come here vides for the Governor, and other though not for years, as it came in Heads of Departments to the amount California, when the yield of gold will of \$51,167, there is the Private Sec. decrease with the exhaustion of the retary's office which, with his salary, placer diggings, and in the meantime stationery, and extra assistance is provision should be made here, as was \$2,550, The Legislative Council with made in that State, to encourage comclerk, messengers, light and fuel, \$900. merce, agriculture, trade and internal little and short strekes, equivalent to words, The Colonial Secretary's office with improvements. But while the total Assistant Colonial Secretary, two revenue is consumed at present and clerks and messenger, \$4,860. The prospectively in Governmental expen-Treasurer's office, with chief clerk and ses how can steam communication be two subordinate elerks, messenger, secured; roads to rich but idle lands \$4,800. The Auditor-General's of opened; the necessaries of life and fice, with the Auditor-General, chief labor cheapened in Cariboo by the and under clerks, \$5,050. Chief abolition of oppressive tolls; manufac-Commissioner of Lands and Works tures, freeholds, and internal improveand Surveyor-General, with Assistant ments encouraged and placed upon a Surveyor-General, clerk, draughtsman safe footing? Then there are moral and messenger, \$4,590. Customs with considerations which also condemn chief clerk, clerk, messenger, deputy this expenditure; such as the ineffi-collector, \$5,340; Outdoor Departs ciency of our schools and hospitals, ment, with revenue officer, three lands etc. In fact the vigor and intelligence ing waiters, two boatmen and night of the Government is paralyzed by it watchmen, deputy collector at Bur- and is likely to remain so. But these rard Inlet, constable at Osoyoos, \$7, things have been stated so often that 586, making \$12,926. Registrar-Gen- it looks almost ridiculous to repeat eral's office, with Registrar-General them. If that repetition can do no of Titles, Victoria, and assistant good now, because redress is not in \$785. Harbor Master and Governa our power, it may hereafter, by prement Pilot, \$1,800. Post Office, Post- paring the public mind to see the necesmaster at Victoria, clerk and messen- sity of some change in the administra- and the Victorians, the latter winning by ger at New Westminster, \$2,200 (Mr tion, or at all events of insisting upo Wootton's salary was increased by a representative element in the next the Legislature). Supreme Court Legislature which will secure the people Registrar of Court, V. I., Registrar of a controlling power over the expend-Court, B. C., messenger, V. I, \$3,450; iture of the public revenue. Attorney-General's office with clerical Saturday, June 6. assistance, \$500; High Sheriff, in lieu of travelling expenses, \$750, making another column will be seen a letter from altogether \$4,700. Police establish- Messrs Wallace and Hutchinson, contradictment at New Westminster, with Chief ing the report of the last day's trial which Inspector of Police, High Constable, we gladly insert, as there is no intention on two constables, Indian messenger, our part to prejudice any case with the

SOMERVILLE US. TURNER AND OTHERS .- In warden of goal, two goalers, medical public which may be before the courts; and warden of goal, two goalers, medical officer, \$5,690; Victoria, Stipendiary is eliciting least of all. It appears the Kirk Session is the only legitimate authority of the Presbylerian Church in the colony, and goaler, superintendent of convicts, it accepted Mr Somervill's resignation, and two convict guards, two door guards, which accepted Mr Somervill's resignation, and the cook, medical officer, \$12,141 and principal mistake lies in retotal for both places, \$17,831. Gold porting that as evidence which, Messre Wal-Commissioners for Columbia and Jace and Hutchinson assert never appeared Kootenay districts, \$10,000; Cariboo In that shape before the court; and at the Kootensy districts, \$10,000; Cariboo including Quesnel, \$14,900; Hope, Yale and Lytten, \$6,700; Lillooet, Clinton and Soda Creek, \$4,400; Nanaimo district, \$2,430, which with allowances and contingences included, used in a congregational, not official sense, make a grand total of \$157,010. In and would, perhaps, have been more explicit others bearing upon the intelligence, happiness, convenience and prosperity of the public, that exhibit a strong and painful contrast, viz., there is Education put down for \$6,000;

Conveyance of Mails, \$29,400; Works and Buildings, \$5,800; Roads, Streets MUNICIPAL COURT OF REVISION.—The and Bridges, \$50,000; Drawbacks and Court of Revision held their first sitting at 3 Refund of Duties, \$1,100, making a o'clock p. m. on the 5th inst., to hear appeals total of only \$91,800, for expenses in- in relation to the Municipal Assessment Roll, dispensible to the progress of the His Worship the Mayor presiding. The country and well being of the people, the 9th inst., at 3 o'clock p. m. All persons against \$157,010, for the maintenance intending to appeal are requested to hand in of departments and the payment of a written notice to that effect at the Town officials, many of which might have Clerk's office, and appear personally when the been amalgamated or altogether dis- Court sits.

pensed with. If it were incumbent Supreme Court.—The Trinity term of on the Executive to make certain provisions in order to meet certain obliday next 9th inst.

The Weekly Brilish Columns, it would have been better to Mirage, Mr Homfray has sent us tre have gone to work thoroughly in the following account of a beautiful phenomenon, following account of a beautiful phenomenon a mirage at seen from Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon. The sea was calm and the atmosphere hot, a large vessel was under full sail down the Straits, when suddenly it changed its appearance; a large black object was then seen floating to the air directly over the mast-head, from which gradually descended sails and masts, until they reached the mast-head of the vessel underneath after floating about for some time faded cult to point out where a large away, and again reappeared with double refraction. Two ships in the air and one underneath poised exactly one above the other. At the same time the dark hull of the ship was seen perpendicularly on each side of the images like two large black smoke stacks with the white sails between three tiers in height. The sea at the time was dotted over with a number of circular islands quite sharp and distinct in their outlines. The hills of Sooke became inverted over the light-house, and as if thrown across to the opposite shore, at least 100 feet in the air, with a clear view of the Straits below, thus forming a natural and beautiful bridge from Sooke to the Olympian range. Immediately after the light-house and opposite shores be-came inverted, the whole seene constantly changing and forming phantasies as strange as they are beyond description, It was wild and weird scene, which would not be often witnessed in a life time.

> Tue science of reporting, which has now attained such perfection, had a much more ancient origin than is generally supposed. For what does the venerable Plutarch say Gigero dispersed about the Senate House several expert writers, whom he had taught to make certain figures, and who did, in pen down all he said.

Mr TRAHEY shipbuilder, leaves town it a few days for Soda creek, to build the new steamer intended to run between Quesnelmouth and Big Bar, some fifty or sixty miles below Soda creek. The boat is to be 115 travellers. The fron is already on its way up to Soda creek and the timber is being prepared from the pine of the upper Fraset.

FOR THE MAINLAND .- The steamer Enterprice left yesterday morning for the mainand with a large freight and twenty-five passengers. There were on board Hon Mr DeCosmos who proposes spending several weeks roughing it in the interior, Hous. Trutch, Barnard, Walkem, who leaves for Cariboo, F. H. Lamb, W. U. Tel. Co. Rev. Mr. Hayman, with others.

Cricket.

Eleven of H M S Zealous vs. Victoria-A return match was played yesterday on Beacon Hill between eleven of the Zealous tlemen, with several ladies were attracted to witness the game. In our next issue will appear the score. on mont sometime ber

THE steamers Gee S Wright and Active are due to-day; the one with her regular freight and passengers for this city, and the other with American troops for Sitks, when it is probable she will leave for the other side in order to transfer them to a sailing vessel for their destination. Ital as balings

THE steamer Isabel, Capt Deveraux, returned late last night from Burrard Inlet by Nanaimo. She reports the arrival of the

EDITOR COLONIST,-In your report of the above case in this morning's issue we find that you have been imposed upon by the party from whom you received your information. Passing over the several misstatements and misrepresentations of fact, and the misapplication of the term general Presbytery. opposition to these items, we find as we meant it, had we said General Pres- under which the Communion was united, we come to that relating to our own evidence, in which you state that " Messrs Wallace and Hutchinson were also examined, in connection with the legitimate mode of resignation or release of a Scotch minister from his incumbency, the object being to show that the action of the Kirk Session, which the plaintiff desired to be called in order to release him on the ground of returning to Scotland, could not be valid, as it was formed of only three persons, of whom the plaintiff himself was one." We cannot permit such an untruthful starment to be published without giving it an emphatic denial. Our evidence went to show that the Kirk Session, and the Kirk Session alone (in the absence of a Presbytery) was the only Court competent to receive Mr Somerville's resignation and grant his discharge.

Trusting that as unwittingly you have

been led to give publicity to these misstatements, we hope you will see the justice of publishing this correction.

We remain, yours respectfully,

ROBT. WALLACE,

J. HUTCHINSON. Victoria, June 5th, 1868, a ban saire and

Naval and Military. Sax Phancisco, June 8-The steam

From the London News. Admiral Sir Henry Chads died Portsmouth on Tuesday,
General Sir George Augustus Wetherall, G.C.B., K.H., died, on Wednesday,
at the Royal Military College, in the
eighty-first year of his age, deeply mourn-

ed by every officer in the army.

A review of all the troops in the Dublin garrison took place, on 3rd April, at the Fifteen Acres, Phoenix Park, Ireland. Lord Strathpairn, Commander of the forces, assumed the chief command, and the evolutions were on a scale of nonsual

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tan volunteer commanding officers that it loan. The rifles must be returned to the would be impossible to have a march past armourer of the National Rifle Associaon Southsea-common and a review on Portsdown hill on Easter Monday without of the prize meeting." running a risk of not getting the various corps back at night, a deputation of the officers attended at the War Office last Saturday afternoon, and had a long consultation with General Lindsay on subject. The Mayor of Portsmouth and a deputation from the local arrangements committee also attended. It was resolved or 120 feet long with every convenience for that it is desirable to dispense with the proposed evolutions on Portsdown hill, nd that the manœuvres shall be confied to a march past on Southseascommon, with a few simple movements on the neighboring beach and on the opposite shore, near Gosport. Great dissat tion was occasioned among the London corps on learning of the resolve to take he sham fight from the Easter Monday programme; and it was feared that the numbers attending would, in consequence, be greatly diminished. Another visit to Portsdown hill and Hilsea line of defence was again made, on Tuesday, by the metropolitan officers, the Mayor of Portsmouth, and the local committee; and it was decided that the sham fight shall take place, with certain modifications. agreeably to the plan first laid down.

Nanaimo. She reports the arrival of the bark Nestor at the Inlet from San Francisco. Up to the time of leaving, the Monita had not been raised.

Firemen's Drill.—The Tigers were out last evening practicing and threw a good strong stream nearly thirty feet over the flag-staff at Wells, Fargo & Co's:

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ing, which they will invest. The second division will march by way of Palmerston Palmerston Palmerston Portsbridge and Portsbridge and join the attacking force. The third division will leave the common by the same route as the first, but will make for Stainshaw-lane, and so cross the fields to the left of Hilsea works, where there is a road made a cross the creek, but which is only capable of allowing the passage of two men at a time. The fourth division will go by the same route.

Semerville vs. Turner and others. fourth division will go by the same route as the first, but will take up a position on the right of the defending force. These, being drawn up behind Hilsea lines, will drive out the enemy from Cosham and Wymering, who will then retreat and make another stand, their right resting on Paulsgrove, and there left on the brow of the hill between Southwick Fort and Widley Fort. In the harbour, opposite Paulsgrove, a fiotilla of launches, and pos-sibly a gunboat, will assist the defenders in driving the enemy from the second position. The defenders will then endeavour to turn the left flank of the enemy, who remarkably cold, particularly the latter in will retreat over the hill; and the mimic fight will end as near as possible at four in the afternoon. The brigade nearest to THE LAST TIGER STORY .- The following Portsmouth will then commence the return march, and be followed as rapidly as possible by the other brigades; the artilalery to bring up the rear. On the metropolitan corps arriving at Portsmouth they politan corps arriving at Portsmouth they followed her up, and as Colonel Bagot was politan corps arriving at Portsmouth they will form up by brigades on the glacis of Townsend Bastion—that is, just opposite the railway station—there to remain till they receive orders for departure. The War Office recommend that officers in command of corps shall make arrangements for providing refreshments at this place, and that they shall not allow their covering from them. Lord Downe's clothes were torn by the tigress's claws, and the way severely brilised by her charge. men to leave the neighbourhood of their he was severely braised by her charge, battalion. The infantry corps coming Pall Mall Guartte.

residences wire bluminated.

from the west will march direct to Fareham; those from Kent and Sussex to Havant.

THE QUEEN'S PRIZE. T JA

The regulations under which the Queen's Prize will be contested next July by the volunteers have been issued by the National Rifle Association, These regue lations have several points of interest, and one plainly shows that the Enfield rifle in its original condition of a muzzle loader will soon be known no more by the forces

of this country.

The prize is shot for, as most people know in two stages the first stage with the Government weapon by two representatives from every company of volun-teers throughout the kingdom, the second stage by the highest sixty in the first, all The first inspection of the present vol-unteer year, as also the first by the new Inspector-General of the Reserved Forces, Major-General Lindsay, was held, last

Major-General Lindsay, was held, last Saturday evening. In Regent's Park. The regiment selected for this honour was the 19th Middlesex, under Lieutenant—Colonel Thomas Hughes, M. P., which mustered over 400 men on the occasion, and went through their movements in so admirable a manner as to elicit the high commendations of General Lindsay.

At a meeting of officers connected with the city of Edinburgh volunteers, convened by the Lord Provost, and held the other day, it was resolved that a volunteer review should take place in the Queen's Park on Saturday, July 4. It is expected that about 6,000 volunteers will be present. stores being required for conversion into breech loaders, the new rifles for the use Major General the Hon. James Lind of competitors in the first stage of the say having represented to the metropoli- Queen's prize shall this year be issued on

> The entries for the prize close on June 15, and the whole mode of settling how the competitors shall be chosen is in the hands of the commanding officers who generally leave the selection to be decided

> by competitive matches. The War Office has issuedla notice that represent his regiment at Wimbledon may have 200 rounds of ammunition from the Government stores, for practice, at the cost price of 4s 41d, the 100 rounds, and this will be issued from the military stations on the payment of the money and the

> production of a signed form.
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> It is notified that no more ammunition will be sent to Newport this year; when the stock is exhausted there ammunition will be drawn from other stations.

OLD TIME WINTERS .- In 1694 the cold was so intense that the Thames was covered with ice sixty-one inches thick. In 1691 the cold was so excessive that the famished wolves entered Vienna and attacked beasts and even men. Many people in Germany were frozen to death in 1695, and the win-The details of the country and metropolitan corps of volunteers who are to take part in the review has been issued by the War Office. It appears that the country corps will number 15,999 men, and those of the metropolis 15,904; and these, with the 3000 or 4000 regulars expected to take part in the review, will furnish the largest muster hitherto attained on these occasions. ters of 1697 and 1699 were nearly as occasions.

The whole force will consist of four divisions, and as soon as they have marched past will proceed by different routes to Hilsea lines. The first division, which will include the regular troops, will march by way of King's-terrace, Landport, and Kingston-cross to Cosham and Wymering, which they will invest. The second division will march by way of Palmerston twenty-three feet on a level. In 1754 and 1755 the winters were very severe and cold. In England the strongest ale exposed to the air in a glass was covered in 15 minutes with ice one eighth of an inch thick. In 1871 the Elbe was frozen to the bottom. In 1776 the Danube bore ice five feet, below Vienna. Vast numbers of the feathered and finny tribes perished. The winters of 1784 and 1785 were uncommonly severe. The Little Belt was frozen over. From 1800 to 1813 also the winters were French army.