By Electric Telegraph,

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

Europe.

LONDON, June 15—Napoleon visited the Kent Cricket Match and was feted. He is surrounded by his old adherents and bold movements are rumored.

PARIS, June 15—The destruction of life and property vastly exceeds the government newspaper accounts.

Paris workmen are almost unanimously Communists and are bitter because of defeat. They hate Thiers and the Bonapartists and a great many will emigrate to America.

VERSAILLES, June 15—The story that Italy demands the recall of Herscowit is denied.

The Republican Left's manifesto is generally approved.

The Radical manifesto creates a bad impression because it excuses the Commune.

The French Bishops demand the reestablishment of the Pope's temporality but it is the unanimous belief that the question is settled and France cannot interfere.

LONDON, June 15 — The *Times* says that MaMahon desires to resign.

The army of reserve is dissolved.

Twenty thousand people are daily arriving by the Northern and Western Railroad.

Gaulois says the fusion of Bourbons and Legitimists is incomplete.

Paris journals say the Eastern lines are crowded with returning Germans laden with plunder.

ROME, June 15—Several foreign deputations have arrived here and more are expected.

MADRID, June 15—Togasta denounced the International Society, and a motion favorable to the Society was unanimously rejected.

A ministerial crisis is expected.

LONDON, June 15—A marriage is arranged between Princess Thira of Denmark and the Duke of Edinburgh.

VERSAILLES, June 14—The visit of the Assembly to Paris is regarded as the first approach to genuine reconciliation.

The *Gauche* contains a manifesto of the Paris electors against Monarchy and in favor of Republicanism, in order to combat Bonapartist intrigues.

PARIS, June 14—The deputies propose to impeach the Emperor Napoleon for declaring and waging war.

Rochefort's defence is in competent hands He demands a jury.

A Republican Manifesto appeared to-day signed by 81 deputies of the Left. It accuses the Monarchist deputies of not keeping an agreement made in Bordeaux, which says that partisan politics should be avoided, and charges the legitimist members from the provinces with intriguing for the restoration of monarchy and intervention in favor of the Pope.

Many Communist prisoners were discharged for lack of evidence.

It is denied that Noroate la Rournette is a candidate for the Assembly.

The *Temps* says the French Bishops are actively moving for the reinstatement of the Pope in his temporal possessions.

BERLIN, June 14—The Donation Bill Committee met, examined the bill and adopted it with an amendment. The Empire will distribute 400,000 thalers among the Generals and statesmen who achieved results in the war.

The Alabama question has been decided (?)

It is said the American envoy on the continent has received instructions to agree with the Powers for the protection of property at sea. The consent of England and France is doubtful.

NEW YORK, June 13—The Pope in his last ecclesiastical letter on Papal Guarantees, dated Rome June 11th, says: We should declare solemnly through you to the whole world that not only what are called safeguards and which are devised by the Subalpine Government but that all titles, honors, immunities and privileges of whatever shape they take under the name of safeguards or guarantees can be of no avail whatever toward securing prompt and free use of powers divinely transmitted to us nor toward guarding liberties necessary for the Church. Such being the condition of affairs as we have heretofore repeatedly declared and professed without the crime of breaking our solemn oath at our shrines. We consent to no conciliation which in any manner would destroy the rights of God and of the Apostolic See. So now as of our own bounded duty we declare that we will never agree to nor accept, nor can we so agree to or accept these cunningly wrought out safeguards or guarantees proposed by the Subalpine Government whatever their device, or any others of whatever kind or however ratified, which, under the form of security our sacred Powers and liberty shall have been offered to us in lieu of any exchange from that civil principality with which divine providence willed that the Holy apostolic See should be furnished and strengthened and which is ratified to us by legitimate and irrefragable titles as well as by possession for more than eleven centuries. God grant also that the rulers of this earth whom it much imports that such pernicious example of usurpation as endure may not take root and flourish to the destruction of all power and order may join with one consent of minds and wills, and that disturbing quarrels and disturbances or rebellions being appeased, and that councils of sects being abandoned they may unite in one movement for restoring to the Holy See its rights, and with these liberties to visable head of the Church and desired protection to civil society.

BERLIN, June 12.—An Imperial proclamation announces the order in which the triumphal procession is to enter the city. At the head of the column there will be borne 81 eagles captured from the French, then following, according to the order in which they are named, the generals who were engaged in the war, aid de camps of officers in the field, commanding officers, Prince Bismarck, Gens Von Roon, Von Moltke and Emperor William, after the Emperor comes the German princes of the victorious army.

All restrictions on the telegraph wires between France and Germany except for transmission of cypher messages will be removed on the 14th.

Queen Augusta is expected at Berlin today.

BERLIN, May 13.—The German Parliament passed the military pension bill. The Bill for making special grants is under secret discussion in committee.

VIENNA, June 13.—Gen Gableonez goes to Berlin, as a special representative of Austria, to attend the triumphal ceremonies and and bear a letter of neutrality from the Emperor Austria to the Emperor of Germany.

VERSAILLES, June 14—The official journal says the story that condemned insurgents were shot in the Bois de Boulogne with mitrailleuses is an absurd calumny.

BERLIN, June 4.—The Emperor William has congratulated the Pope.

The Parliament has sanctioned the grants relative to the reserves of land, and the Bill for special grants.

The prorogation of Parliament will probably take place Thursday afternoon.

PARIS, June 14.—The French Assembly has resumed its sittings.

The bullion in the Bank of France amounts to 22,000,000 francs, the rentes amount to 5,332.

In the Assembly Trochu continued his defence of the administration of military affairs in Paris. He gave a minute account of the sorties during the siege, the reasons for, and attributed their defeat to the fact that the Germans used artillery only. He believed the French would have beaten the Germans if they could have employed it. His main plan had been a grand sortie toward Rouen; but after the German victory at Orleans public opinion demanded a junction of the garrison of Paris with the army of the Loire which was sheer madness. One great obstacle with the conduct of the defense was the disorder of the element of Paris which was instigated by Bismarck to rebel and was furnished arms by the enemy. He stigmatized the commencement of the bombardment by the Germans without a formal notice as an unparalleled violation of the rules of civilized nations.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, June 15—The loss of a fishing schooner and forty lives on the coast of Newfoundland last week is reported. A later account says that two women, named Mary McGrath and Mrs Libbam, left St John's as passengers on the ill fated schooner. All but one of the lost crew leave wives and families who were dependent on them for support through the long and profitless Newfoundland winter. The schooner was called the Little Belle.

NEW YORK, June 14—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Richardson, with Messrs Bigelow and Prentiss of the Treasury Department, sailed in the Java for Liverpool to day for the purpose of promoting the disposal of the new Government bonds. They also bear dispatches to Minister Schenck. The party takes out several millions of new registered bonds.

CONCORD, N H, June 14 — Gov Weston was inaugurated to day.

Canada.

NEW YORK, June 10—A dispatch from Ottawa says recent advices from Newfoundland gave particulars of the reception of the Treaty of Washington in one of the Provinces most interested in the question of the fisheries. The people of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick expected that Newfoundland would be wholly with them in opposing the treaty, but on the contrary the sentiment of that colony of the fishermen appears to be entirely in favor of ratification.

OTTAWA, June 14—The Home Government has directed that the union of British Columbia with Canada shall take place on the 20th of July, 1871.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15—The flour market is weak and prices irregular and nominal The rates given by city millers are $6 62@$6 95 for superfine and $7 50@7 65 for extra.

Wheat—It is said that contracts for the new crop are being made in the interior at $2, the buyer furnishing sacks and transportation. Market nominal at $2 30@$2 50.

Barley—Market quiet and inactive. The nominal range is $1 65@1 75.

Oats—Fair $1 80@1 85, choice $2.

Potatoes—Market active. Choice $1 40.

Arrived—Bark Oak Hill, Port Blakely ship Daniel Marcy, New York.

Sailed—Schr D S Williams, Seattle, stmr North Pacific, Port Townsend, bark Cyane, St Paul's Island.

Mrs S Swift, who was sent to jail for persisting in keeping an intelligence office without a license, declares her intention to die a martyr to the cause of woman's rights and rot in her cell rather than submit to the laws imposed by the tyrant man. It is said she will starve herself to death.

Haight carried Santa Clara.

The funeral of the late Capt Rankin took place this afternoon.

British Columbia.

SUMASS, June 16 -The water on the prairie is very high and still rising. Several telegraph poles have been swept away.

CHILLIWACK, June 16—The whole country is overflowed in the vicinity of the river. The water has carried off 600 rails from back of McCutcheon's place. The whole of the Indian ranche is submerged and tears are entertained for the safety of stock. It is quite certain that many of the settlers will lose most of their crops. The water is higher than ever known before, and still rising.

MATEQUI, June 16—The water has not yet reached last year's mark by two feet, but is rapidly rising.

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June 13—Str Isabel, Starr, Port Townsend
Str Emily Harris, Frain, Skeena
June 14—Slp Kingleader, Dake, San Juan
Slp Alarm, Dwyer San Juan
June 16—Stmr G S Wright, Rogers, Portland
Schr Black Diamond, Rudlin, Nanaimo
June 16,—Carib, Sutterland, Burrard Inlet
Str Isabel, Starr, Port Townsend
Prince Alfred, Scholl, San Francisco
June 17—Schr Eliza, Middleton, Saanich
Slp Bandom, Burke, San Juan

CLEARED.

June 13—Str Isabel, Starr, Port Townsend
Slp Thornton, Brown, West Coast
June 14—Slp Alarm, Dwyer, San Juan
June 15—Slp Ocean Queen, Dake, San Juan
Schr Black Diamond, Rudlin, Nanaimo
Stmr G S Wright, Rogers, Sitka via Nanaimo
June 16.—Str Isabel, Starr, Port Townsend
Str Prince Alfred, Scholl, Nanaimo
June 17—Schr Eliza, Middleton Saanich
Stmr Otter, Lewis, Ft Wrangle and Skeena
Stmr Grappler, Devereaux, Port Townsend

MEMORANDA.

Steamer G S WRIGHT, Capt Rogers, left Portland on Monday, June 12th at 7 p m; left Astoria on Tuesday at 6 a m; arrived at San Juan Island on Wednesday at 5 p m; left again at 3 a m on Tuesday, June 15th, and arrived at Victoria at 7 a m. Brought 9 pkgs for Wells, Fargo & Co and 6 bags of mail.

PASSENGERS.

Per stmr G S WRIGHT fm Portland—Walton, Tudvale and wife, Mrs Rust, Miss Bentley, Miss Pinson, Miss Johnson, Kamfrain, Bors, Rising, Cook, Cole, Thos Graham, wife and 2 children, Johnson, Clark, Halloran, Cullum, Thompson, Mrs Demo.

Per stmr PRINCE ALFRED fm San Francisco.—Dr Powell and wife, Mrs Myer and daughter, Mrs J Rachesdon, Miss M Wilson, Mrs A Dougherty Mrs S Crieton, Miss Cadio, Mrs Bryant and child, Miss I Almer, Mrs Harris and infant, Mrs E H De Wolf, W L Warren, A Rickman, L Franklin, A Kohn, Capt Fletcher, Miss K Branks, Miss Harrison, Alfred Winstin Mr G Good, R L Kelly, A G Kelly, Miss Ella DeWolf, G Poole, G F Harrison, P Van Farrel, Capt Moriarty, Capt Harrall, Capt Thomas, Capt Jamieson, Capt Bill and 82 others.

IMPORTS.

Per steamship PRINCE ALFRED from San Francisco—85 bxs tea, 82 bxs tobacco, 4 bxs cigars, 20 pkgs mails 26 pkgs dry goods and leather, 9 coils rope, 123 cases boots and shoes, 25 cs champagne, 2 cs sewing machines 3 cs toys, 3 bales duck, 31 pkgs hardware and cutlery 1 cs hats, 19 kgs syrup, 35 cs coal oil, 40 pkgs express goods, 1509 pkgs groceries, 15 pkgs shoe findings, 10 bxs candles, 50 bxs coffee, 100 bxs raisins, 29 bxs sauces, 11 bxs stationary, 50 bxs China goods, 40 kgs sugar, 10 cs yeast powder, 10 cs canned fruit, 6 cs canned vetables 8 cs oysters and meats, 20 cs millinery, 60 cs drugs, 38 pkgs crockery, 3 reapers, 1 bale wire, 10 bxs pearl barley 4 bxs peas, 138 sks salt, 20 cs lard, 30 bxs soap, 73 pkgs wagon materials, 13 bxs oranges.

CONSIGNEES.

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BIRTH.

At Parson's Bridge, June 9, the wife of Mr N C Bailey, of a daughter.

DIED

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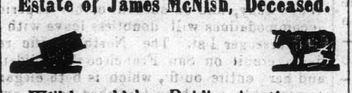

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Schools and Roads.

It is not always an easy matter to so adjust taxation and apportion expenditure as to mete out even-handed justice to every class of the inhabitants and every locality in the country; and yet the attainment of that result should be the aim of legislation. It has appeared to fall within the scope of our duty as a public journalist more than once to point out the gross violation of this true principle of legislation in the case of Nanaimo. It is not our present purpose to revert to the period when certain politicians laying claim to great breadth of view but too successfully opposed the creation of a port of entry at Nanaimo. It is enough to say, generally, that, for some reason or other, Nanaimo has, in a greater degree than any other locality with which we are acquainted, been the victim of injustice both in respect of taxation and expenditure, as well as in respect of the general policy of administration. The second largest and, in proportion to its size, the most largely productive community in the United Colony, the largest consumer of dutiable goods and, therefore, the largest contributor towards the public revenue, Nanaimo may be said to have been neglected, *legislated down*, cut off almost without a shilling. We will not now stop to consider how far this condition of things may be owing to the wants and claims of Nanaimo not having been presented in the Councils of the Colony with that faithfulness and force they deserved; but it may be remarked, in passing, that under the new system now being inaugurated, it will rest with the people of Nanaimo to say by their votes at the polls whether or not this systematic injustice shall continue. If the people will only make a wise use of their new-gotten power, such things will be impossible under the new system. Gabriola Island lies directly opposite the magnificent harbor of Nanaimo, and is washed by the Straits of Georgia, the northwestern part of it being about four miles distant from the town. It is about eight miles in length, by an average breadth of two miles and five eighths, and contains about thirteen thousand five hundred acres. Although in some portions rough and broken, it contains much excellent land for agricultural purposes. There are at present sixteen settlers on it, all of whom, with one exception, have families, and most of whom have made large improvements. Probably in no part of the colony can more industrious, welldoing and welldeserving settlers be found. These Gabriolites have not been neglected *in so far as taxation is concerned*. In addition to the heavy taxes which they have to pay, and which their representative in the Legislature would compel them to continue to pay, upon everything they eat and drink and wear of imported kind, they have been made to pay a heavy road tax,—and for what? They have been left to make their own roads, wholly unaided by the Government. And right bravely have they come to the work. The chief settlement is on the lower or more distant end of the Island; and Mr John Dick and his fellow settlers have made a waggon road, eight miles in length, a portion of it being over soft ground involving a large expenditure of labor. All praise to these industrious, self-reliant men; but surely it is most unjust that they should have been made o pay a heavy road tax, and yet be left to make their own roads. This is not