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THE BRICISH COLONIST matrices are ato ost as ignorant of Brita | the full measure of injustice meted out ish laws and institutions as they were to British Columbia from the very when the Union-Jack was first planted first. when the Union-Jack was first planted on the soil; that they are, in fact, still in that condition which renders the enforcement of our criminal code an act of injustice, if not of judical murder! That this colony has not long ago become the theatre of any very formidable and bloody aprising among the natives is a circumstance which must be attributed to intertribal divisions and differences rather than to good management.

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colony by the Downing-street authori- the doctrine of Imperial responsibility : - The original Constitution of New ties. It is not our intention to enumer. ate instances in support of this propo- Zealand enacted by Parliament in 1852 sition. It may be less fatiguing and devised a policy with regard to the more profitable to confine our present native tribes peculiarly calculated to remarks to a single subject which we injure alike the mother country and conceive to be highly illustrative of the the colony. While the fullest power proposition. The subject of our Indian over their own local affairs was given relations derives peculiar importance to the colonis s, the whole management of native affairs, the foreign policy of is only as one to five of the nativer. In the colony, was intrusted to the Governor alone. So lo g as this Constituquestion of the first importance how the tion was in force we clearly had no affairs of a class so largely preponder. right to call on the colony for any conating shall be administered. Not only tribution towards its military expenses. It we did not allow New Zealand a does this question involve justice to the voice in determining her relations to the safety of life and property of the Eng-lish-speaking classes. Now, what has been our position in regard to this large we could do better for her in those delicate local matters than she could We have intimated that the affairs of for herself, we had no right to complain the colony have been virtually administ of having to pay for our folly. But tered from the Colonial Office. This is such a state of things did not and could true in a stricter sense of Irdian affairs. not last. The Governor soon found While the Imperial Government has that it was quite impossible to separate made a show of conferring upon the native from domestic policy. He coloniets a comblance of self-government acquired the habit of consulting with in regard to some other matiers, it has and deferring to the Colonial Ministers most carefully and pointedly retained the on native affairs, and the conduct of sole right of administering the Indian them had virtually passed from the affairs of the colony. Thus it is that Home to the Colonial Government be-We find the Governor, as the represent fore the Dake of Newcastle formally tative of the Crown, inve-ted with the renounced it. From that time our duty sole prerogative of dealing with Indian to pay for the native wars of New Zeamatters. It is not our intention to land absolutely ceased. Here, then, we dwell upon the anomaly of the affairs have a distinct recognition of the docof the entire Indian population being trine that so long as the affairs of the administered by a single mind, and the natives were managed by the Crown that mi d to a great extent new to the it, and not the colony, was responsible whole question; nor do we pur for the consequences, and on the Impose amplifying he sufficiently obvious perial, not the Colonial, Exchequer should proposition that these affairs would be fall the expense. Now, suppose we sater in the bands of the colonists who give wider scope to this principle, and reside amongst the Lucians, and whose hold the Imperial Government responvery existence depends upon the main- sible for the entire Civil List of this femance of proper relations between colony, seeing the Crown still virtually the two classes. It must suffice for the denies the colonists the right of manag present to state that the Indian affairs ling their own affairs. It is when the of this colony have not been well ad- question is viewed in the light of this Rev R Jenes Rector. The attendance at

The Masonic Ball.

A brilliant assemblage of ladies and gentlemen participated in the grand ball of the Masonic Fraternity at the Albambra last evening. The main entrance to the hall was from Government street up the broad staircase of the Colonial Hotel to the second

refused all participation in the manages ment of their affairs; and yet they have been called upon to pay every penny of the expense inflicted by Imperial prodigality, bungling and misgoveration. The following extract from the property of the expense inflicted by Imperial prodigality, bungling and misgoveration in the misgoveration in the manages of Downing Street folly. The difference, it will readily be perceived, is a very important one, and gives us an infinitely stronger cause of complaint than is possessed by the people of New Zealand. The following extract from Communication with Yates and Johnson and Lorentz and Lo ourselves, we have been denied all power a leading article which appeared in streets, between Blanchard and Cook, a of self-belp. Indeed, it would be diffi- the Times, a little more than two years distance of nearly half a mile, communicacult to conceive of anything more in- ago, will serve to point out how much | tion is impossible except by wading through consistent and unjust than the policy stronger is our cause of grievance, and a miniature sea of liquid mud, which has been pursued towards this to put in a clear and forcible light normal love of fith, wouldn't attempt to navigate. Sidewalks there are none, and as for crosswalks they are a luxury not yet dreamed of. The expendi are of a very lew dolla's would supply all these deficiencies. The walks need not be full with. Two planks securely nailed to sleepers would answer every purpose and coofer a real boom upon all inhabitants borth of Yates steel and east of Blauchard. white

> A RAID ON CHRISTMAS CHEER, -- The bonders at Bailey's Hotel, Langley street, came within an ace of losing their Dhristmas dinner through the operations of a burglar.
> On Saturday morning at 5½ o'clock a mannamed Connoily, a discharged U. S. soldier from Alsaka, was found in the kitchen of the botel by Mr Bailey, apparently in the very act of carrying off a quantity of prize pork and a number of lat greese and turking. Enand a number of lat geese and turvies. Entrance had been effected through a window from which a board was wrencoed. Bailey 'nobbled' the burglar and sent for officer McMilan, who soon arrived, when the calprit was profuse in his ap logies; but finding that his excuses had no avail, he bolted for the window and endeavored to escape. He was recaptored and on the way to the Barracks remarked that things had come to pretty pass if a man couldn't go to bis lodgings to sleep. 'Very true,' said the offibe careful of his company, especially in holiday limes. The prisoner was remanded

for one day. CHRISTMAS SERVICES .- At St Andrew's Cathedral on Friday night and Saturday morning the services were of a very impressive character, the effect being heightened by the beautiful choral service rendered by a full choir of eleven voices At Christ Church Cathedral there were no decorations. The Ohr stonas sermon was preached by the Rev Dean Cridge. The choir was large and efficient and the authems well rendered, but the very weak accompaniment on the melodeon (the fine organ of the Uathedraf having been destroyed by fire), detracted from the effect, which would otherwise have been very fice.....At St John's Church the decorations were of beautiful and chaste design, and excelled all previous efforts. The choir was very successful with the anthems ministered—that the great bulk of the doctrine, itself Imperial, that one sees all the churches, owing to the inclement state of the weather, was light;

I HE GUELE I ELFAIR-ILER LIST OF PASSEN-GERS .- From the Portland Oregonian of the 22d inst, we learn that the steamship Guesie 8th, 1869, that as soon as official informs-Telfair sailed from Portland for Victoria gin is received of the settlement of the Paudirect on the previous evening. On the net Sound Agricultural Co's claims, the night of the 22d the steamstip Mores Taylor arrived at Portland from San Francisco, having crossed the bar at 9 o'clock the same morning. No mention is made in the Taylor's memorandum of the Gussie Telfair, but it is safe to say that the steamer connected at Astoria and that the bar became too rough in the afternoon to admit of the Telstaircase of the Colonial Hotel to the second fire crossing. The Telfair has 250 tons of fior, where the dressing rooms were situated. From the dressing rooms the company passed through the large bay window of the best and daughter, Geo Pauncifort, J B passed through the large bay window of the hotel to a covered passageway erected over the sidewalk and lighted with gas-jets shaded by globes of vari-color, which produced a pleasing effect. At the termination will be the company passed through the large bay window of the hotel to a covered passageway erected over the sidewalk and lighted with gas-jets shaded by globes of vari-color, which produced a pleasing effect. At the termination will be the colonial Hotel to the second fair crossing. The Telfair has 250 tons of freight and the following passengers:—Chas Bennett and daughter; Geo Pauncifort, J B Robinson, Capt J Hayes, wi'e and infant Mr J W Carter and wife, Elias Lipsis and wife, Barry. Q O Mavison, Wm Ellerton, Fied Petger, Chas P Hillborn, Jesse Ward and the George that the fire passage way the denoing half was produced a pleasing effect. At the termination with field with gas and the fireight and the following passengers:—Chas Bennett and daughter; Geo Pauncifort, J B Robinson, Capt J Hayes, wi'e and infant Mr J W Carter and wife, Elias Lipsis and wife, Hubert Watney, Wm Rainsford, Miss Nellie Cummings. Mr. Geo. F. Bird and the George that the colonial Hotel to the second fair crossing. The Telfair has 250 tons of freight and the following passengers:—Chas Bennett and daughter; Geo Pauncifort, J B Robinson, Capt J Hayes, wi'e and infant Mr J W Carter and wife, Hubert Watney, Wm Bair Hotel to the second fair crossing. The Telfair has 250 tons of freight and the following passengers:—Chas Bennett and daughter; Geo Pauncifort, J B Robinson, Capt J Hayes, wi'e and infant Mr J W Carter and wife, Hubert watney, Wm Bair Hotel to the firm that the first half fair creasing. The Telfair has 250 tons of freight and the following passengers:—Chas Bennett and daughter, Geo Pauncifort, J B

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writes to Mr Garfielde, under date of Nova oecessary instructions will be prompily given for the extension of the survey over the premises released from the claims in question.' An item, this, of interest to Pierce county.—Pacific Tribune.

THE RED RIVER WAR -The only paragraph of interest in the delayed dispatches is the following, dated Buffalo, N Y, Dec 18:-At a large public meeting to-right, great indignation was expressed by citizens of all nationalities at McDougall being permitted by the United States to congregate British troops on American soil, to coerce insurgents in another country.

MASONIC ELECTION AT OLYMPIA, W. T .-

cate George Alep a s'x-foot fisherman, on a charge of spiring in his face. George Alep pleaded not guilty, and was prosecuted by Mr. Courtney The Magistrate said that Alep had been before him quite often, and as the case erose from a rival feeling in the fish market (ala Billiagegare) he thought the ends of Justice would be satisfied and the public peace conserved by puting both men ander bonds to keep the peace for eiz months -in default, to suffer three months' imprison-

last evening arrived Prof Maximilian, the original exposer of the rope-tying trick of the Davenport Bros. This gentlemen pro-poses to give one or two performances at Albambra Hall commencing at 8 o'clock this (Tuesday) evening He will allow himself to be tied band, foot and neck, by any member of the audience and will free himself in the presence of all. He will also extinit the celebrated African Balls and perform. other tricks of a surprising nature.

V seem, in Distant .- The Captain of the British ship Marsellies arrived at Port Ludlow from Shanghai makes the following report: On the morning of the 11th Octo ber, possed a bark showing Sundwich Island colors, Union down, and rudder gone, she having a spar and warp on the stern : could render no assistance, at the time blowing a strong gale from the west-latitude 44° north, longitude 170° west.'-Olympia

MASONIC CARE OF THEIR DRAD .- When it was ascertained that John Barker, the man murdered on the Skadgit river, Washington Territory, was a Mason, the Lodge at Port Madison dispatched the steamer Ruby for the remains, and had them interred at the place with Mesonic ceremonies.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.-Hon Dr Carrall of Cariboo has really been selected as one of the popular members of the Executive Council. With two as able disciples of Miculapius in the Upper House as Doctors Helmcken and Carrail, a remedy for the ills that effict the body politic ought surely to be found.

CALEDONIAN ASSOCIATION .- On Sunday morning Rev Mr Somerville, at the St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, preached the annual sermon before the members of the Caledonian Benevolent Association, who were present in regalia. The reverend gentleman was listened to with marked at-

THE Seattle Intell gencer announces the safe arrival on the Sound of the bark Beura Vista, before reported wrecked The wreck seen by the master of the batk Maria J. Smith to believed to have been that of the bark Kutunoff, from Bellingham Bay for San Francisco with coal, manino Quel at on will soon resume the Presidency | Ray on tasses Gov. McTavish

the signature ' Not a Druid,' wherein I am charged with a labrication respecting the —
grading of Michigan street. Now, it is at
all times disagreeable to be called a Robber, ic
a * * * * from a known source; but when it proceeds from an unknown one the charge is more aggravating. I think that I can trais'er the crime pretty well to 'Not a Druid' for, in his first sandpapering effort he as ested that he had been a househoulder five years on Michigan etreet. This statement is an outrageous whopper and deserve ing only the pen of the one who manufactured it; and when contradicted he dare not deny it. Now, why on earth should a non-readent—for he is of a verity—launch out in a citter thank with matters that doy's con-PROP. MAXIMILIAN. - By the Olympia cero him, purely local and of listle interest to the public at large except those who reside ou Michigan street. I assure you, sir, that Not a Druid might have maligned me a good deal wi hout turther no ice, but me a good deal wi hout thriber no loe, but the above accusation is too grave to let go unune wered, especially coming from a lized and sombanion of the gouleman who occupes the bedne fronting on the graveled part of the street of which I made complaint, and which complaint is endorsed by many, yery many, who live in that portion of it which remains ungraveled and unmetated. I would remind that Draid' that who live in the payments made out of the rrespective of the payments made out of th riva's puis s of the residents of the street to grade it, t was, to say the least, a selfish thing to gravel part only, a d that part fronting the residence of a very prominent official.

' Not a Denid' propounds three questions for me to answer-viz who collected the money and to name two of the householders woo contributed and the person entracted with the management? These I would readily answer to any one I believed really and bona fide interested in the matter, but as I don't believe 'Not a Drud' is, I will not eatily him. But, sir, I will you, and given the information he set for

you the information be asks for.
Now, I think 'Not a Drud had far better attend to his own little business than endeavor to disseet, draw and quarter, not a defunct species of the 'genus nomo.' eir, bowever, put to e cap on the right head when in 'Not a Draid's ' last you covered him in item with the choice epithers . Porcine and Asinine, both of which are fit and proper names for 'Not a Druid,' but expecally the last one. DRUID.

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