## THE WEEKLY BRITISNI COLONIST.



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with an infinitely heightened 8 sense of of
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was come ; whilft those whose world tion and vigor of mind prevented them-
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nficence as on the oceasiose spoken of above. The most probablo thoory as th
the nature ct shooting stars is that the form part of the solar eystion revolving
round the sun in the same manuor as
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of the earth's aimosphere
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