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The Political Outlook

The next California steamer will carry hence the three delegates appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the purpose of conferring with the Government at Ottawa upon the subject of the admission of British Columbia into the Dominion of Canada.

But we have no wish to be hypercritical about the personnel of the delegation; much less would we desire to weaken their hands by discharging their mighty duties undertaken. Yet we would have both the delegates and he who selected them to understand that they will have a certain amount of by no means unnatural prejudice to overcome.

foreign butter for every pound of that which is produced in the colony; and it is a notable circumstance that the champion of protection is now engaged in selling Canadian butter at a lower price than the colonial article has yet touched, notwithstanding the ten cents a pound duty and the railway and steamboat freight incurred in passing nearly half-way round the earth!

ARMSTRONG vs. WALLACE.—Suit brought to recover the sum of \$50, balance alleged to be due plaintiff for pumps supplied defendant. Mr Robertson appeared for the plaintiff and Mr Bishop for the defendant.

KINSMAN & STYLES vs. BYRNE.—The plaintiffs were contractors for the erection of the French Hotel, and sued to recover the sum of \$340, balance alleged to be due them for work performed.

Municipal Council. TUESDAY, April 3. Council met at 8 P.M. Present—Councilors McKay, Russell, Allsop and Carey.

Mr VINCOS'S BENEFIT drew a good house to the Theatre last evening, and the 'Willow Copse' was played in capital style. Mrs Bates' Rose Fielding was very fine, being played with all the pathos that lady can command.

ARRIVAL FROM SAN FRANCISCO.—The schooner Margaret Crookard, Captain W. B. Godfrey, 9 days from San Francisco, arrived yesterday morning, bringing six passengers and a full cargo of general merchandise consigned to Millard & Beedy.

LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT.—We learn that Messrs Manson and Spots, Trustees, and Mr Harrison, Teacher, of Lake, have all tendered their resignations to the Governor.

LOST OVERBOARD.—Capt Godfrey, of the schooner Margaret Crookard, reports that on Sunday morning last at 5 o'clock, John McPeay, who was steering at the time, was swept overboard by the sudden jibing of the mainsail and lost.

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We have been asked if the statement published by our contemporary that a letter had been received in town from parties who left here for Peace River via the Coast Route, announcing their arrival at Lake Tatche, be true? The statement bears the stamp of absurdity and absurd upon its face.

LOCAL ITEMS are so scarce in Olympia that the editor of the Tribune publishes an elaborate description of a newly-painted and sanded mantel and a freshly whitewashed wall in a local attorney's office.

THEATRICAL.—Mr Ellerton returned from a successful tour to the Sound yesterday. Mr Pannocoff has gone to the Dalles on business and will return here in the course of a few weeks.

THE steamer Wilson G Hunt was searched yesterday by the Police, who were seeking a fugitive wife. The Police accompanied the steamer to the mouth of the harbor and came back in a small boat.

ANOTHER FLYING SQUADRON has left or is about to leave England for a trip around the world, following the same course as the Squadron commanded by Admiral Hornby.

THE CHIEF.—H. M. S. Chio has been ordered to Australia. Lieut. Comdr. Metaxa, late on this station, has been ordered to join her.

THE Enterprise sailed at 10 yesterday morning with a full freight for the upper country.

THE California probably sailed yesterday for Victoria.

THE Active will sail to-day for this port direct.

THE Flying Squadron is expected to lie here 25 days.

WE failed to receive the Seattle Intelligencer of this week.

The Irish Coercion Bill

THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS. No person in Ireland shall be allowed to carry arms unless he has a license granted him for that purpose; and any person carrying or having arms without such license shall be imprisoned two years.

SELLING GUNPOWDER AND ARMS. If any person sells gunpowder to anyone not having a license, he is to be fined \$5 for every sale; if he even repairs a gun or a pistol for a person not having this license he is to be fined \$50.

SEARCHING FOR ARMS. When a felony or misdemeanor has been committed in any district, although no person may be charged with such offense, any Justice of the Peace may summon before him any person whom he may believe to know something about it, and if this person refuses to answer such questions as may be put to him, the Magistrate may send him to jail for six months.

SEARCHING FOR THREATENING LETTERS. If any one goes before a Magistrate and states that he suspects somebody else has written a threatening letter, and if his house is searched and some other documents in his handwriting are found, the Magistrate may issue a warrant for such a search, and this may be executed at any time.

SEARCHING FOR THREATENING LETTERS. Any Constable, Police Officer, or other persons may arrest and bring before a Magistrate any one whose suspicious or obscene utterances shall be found in the fields, streets, highways, or elsewhere, out of his dwelling from one hour after sunset to sunrise.

SEARCHING FOR THREATENING LETTERS. Any Justice of the Peace, Constable, peace officer or other person may arrest any stranger or person wandering—may then be brought before a Magistrate who shall examine him on oath concerning his place of abode, from whence he came, his manner of livelihood and his object of coming or remaining into the country, city or town in which he shall be found.

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Where any newspaper printed in Ireland contains any treasonable or seditious engraving, matter or expression having a tendency to foster, encourage or propagate treason or sedition, the entire plant of such paper, its presses, types, galleys, etc., shall be forfeited to Her Majesty.

Where it shall appear that any person has been murdered, maimed or otherwise injured, and that the crime was of an agrarian character, the Grand Jury of the county shall order a sum of money to be paid to or for the benefit of the family of the person so injured or to his family if he be killed.

LONDON RICH AND LONDON POOR. A lady correspondent writes to the Cleveland Herald, under date of March 26th, the following gossip.

THE QUEEN held a "drawing room" recently, and all the beauty and fashion of loyal and political circles paid homage to her Majesty. The Life Guard were out in martial array, guarding Buckingham Palace, and endeavoring to keep order amidst the excited multitude which blocked up the highway.

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the thing took amazingly. 'Who are they?' was the general cry; but, of course, nobody could tell. At this instant entered the wildest of all the wild Dukes of Orleans.

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Advertisement for Joseph Gillett's Steel Pens, featuring the text 'JOSEPH GILLETT'S STEEL PENS' and 'Sold by all Dealers throughout the World.'

Large vertical advertisement on the left side of the page, containing text such as 'Seeds', 'Stock of', 'HAMS', and 'Patents'.