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International Reciprocity. Of all the probable results of the Mr Nelson, Mr Cornwall, Mr Pemberton, Mr labors of the Commission about to att DeCosmos, bon Collector of Customs and at Washington there is perhaps none Mr Banster. that concerns this Colony more than firmed. the establishment of reciprocal commercial relations between the American Repeblic and the British American Empire. That a Reciprocity Treaty will be smong the fruits of the Commission, if fruit it bears, can hardly be questioned. A. ment would not grant a special privilege to mongstithe chief objects of the Commission, from an American point of view, are the privilege of fishing in Canadian waters, and of using the Canadian canal system of essential to set the navie gation of the River St Lawerence. Of they were prepared to put steamers on the a cortainty Canada will not bold lightly not will she surreader loosely privileges of the enormous advantage of which she is fully conscious. 110 other words, she has no notion of permitting the subjects of the United States, equally with her of the mainland of Bittish Columbia: Any own subjects, to enjoy the right person or firm having more than 250 head of of engaging in her lashore fieberies black cattle graining upon the public laude of the said mainland shall pay an annual or to use her magnificent and i costly tar of \$1.50 in respect of every animal in canal system without a guid pro excess of 250. Any person or firm having quo. If the Unifed States wants these she must be willing to concede land of B C shell pay an annual tax of 50 these she must be willing to contain land of the sheet pay at the education of the sheet was no telling, since the equivalent advantages to Canada. Cents in respect of every sheep in excess of his; but there was no telling, since the equivalent advantages to Canada. 300. Nor in there the slightest reason to apprehead that the Imperial Lievernment will wenture to use three privileges as a set of te se-called Alabama or soy other claims, real or imaginary, barter away so valuable a Canadian biethright for a mess of American pellage. Admitted Canada will exact, and very properly so too, equivalent edvantages in exchange for these, what has the United States to give? She cannot compensate Capada is kind, for we have no desire to fish in her waters or to use ber canals. Even her balf-mile of Sault te. Marie Canal, about which she made so much tuss last, year, Canada will be independent of, haviog determined to construct a very much better one of her own. ap It is perfectly cleat theu, that Canada must receive a quid pro que, and that she must have it in some other form than codifish and cause. The only ressonable conclusion is that a reciprocity treaty will be negotiated which will provide for the free interchange of the natural production of the two countries, and that it will be so balanced as to compensate Canada sformas

present our own high rate of living and the accertain whather the steamers would answer our the and most important communities is the Color, and the principle of the color, and the color, a

of these it is scarcely less accessary that we should have an open market in the United States. In truth, it would be difficult to overestimate the full messure of good which could not fall to accrue to this Colony from the establishment of reciprocal commercial relations which would throw open the markets of the neighboring States to the free admission of the natural productions of water, forest, feld and mine; and we shall, therefore, watch with the utmost solicitude the proceedings of the

Joint High Commission at Washington. Wednesday Feb 15

THE DOMINION BOARD OF TRADE met at Ottown, and is mongst vother things, recommended the temoval of daty from four, grain, ceke and coal The Board, while admitting the petier wof incidental protection declared that the duties should be gradually decreased as fast as the finances of the country would permit. During the debate it trais pired that from manufactures were shipped from St. John (N. B.) to England, and sewing-machines from Hamilton to Europe. The board expressed an epinion hostile to frequent alterations in the Chatoms Tariff. It was decided to ask the Dominion Governmout to publish mouthly attenunts at the quantities, sorte and will ot the imports and exports of the Dominion. The question of communication with Manitoba was debated appa for some time and a resolution was adopted urging the Government to take steps the tathe locastiuction of was Canadian Pacific Railway, and to apply public laude to the assistance of that enterprise.

St. VAMENTINE's DAY,- Yesterday being St Valentine's Day tender missives were as aumerens as the lewes of Valambrose of The dealers also did a fine stroke of business in think our flends for a round dosen-

MINTERS OF THE SEAS -- In Desember last there were on the stocks of the United Kingdom of Great British and IrelandHin e surse of construction, 27 ressels of war, viz 11 guaboats, 2 frigates, 9 turret ships and 5 other vessels. The aggregate tounage of these vessels was 60,000 tons—ranging from 246 up to 5,030 tons

The ship Pudsey Dawson was towed to Barrard Inlet yesterday by the Grappler,

Legislative Council.

TUBSDAY, Feb 14, 1871.

Council met at 1:30 p.m. Present-The bon Speaker, how Attorney General, bon Dr Carrall, hon Dr Helmeken, Mr Hum-

Minutes of the last meeting read and con-

PETITIONS.

Hon Dr Carrall presented several yards of a etition, signed by something like one thousand resident a of the Mainland, praying for the passage of the Thomson Road Steames Bill Mr. Cornwall presented a petition signed by 43 residents of Yale praying that the Governany company to the use of the public roads of

Mr DeCosmos presented a petition signed by nerchants of Victoria to allew any one to pas there teamers on the roads of British Columbia, Mr DeCosmos presented a petition from the Agent of the Lane & Kurts Company, Jerome

Harper and Thadseus Harper, stating that

Hen Dr Carrall gave notice that he should nove at the next meeting of the Council

That the Revenue Ordinance of 1868 may duced. be so amended as to levy the following tax apon the public lands of the said main-

ROAD STEAMER BILL.

second reading be postponed until the peti-tions now before the Council had been printed next. Lost-Humphreys and DeCosmos only

Hon Dr Helmoken said that in voting for the second reading of the bill he did not support every clause. He saw no objection to the running of the steamers and that was the reason he veted for the second reading.

Amendments might be introduced in commit-

Mr DaCosmos asked if the intention is committee was to alter this private bill to a general bill ben

Hon Dr Helmcken said such a general bill could not be passed during the present ses-sion. The hon Attorney General had too much work on band now, and the session would be spun out to six months.

Hon Attorney General said that if the bill was committed, with the amendments, that would be acceptable to the Government (which he had previously stated) it would be open to amendment. The bill with the amendments proposed by the Government engrafted apon wonld be a reasonable one. He had given exceptional marine concessions she may make. the partition due consideration and he would to the Pacific Province such a treaty would say Beedy & Barnard had acted with public possess very great importance. Its influence spirit and energy [hear.] and they deserved upon the development after anomalous cost the consideration of this Council. One of the stores would indeed, be included by At gentlemen had taken a voyage to England to

> my introduce as y other patent steamer .. It that the bill were not passed, and the road teamers were put so the road. All the exen and mules would be driven off, the firm might thes charge what rates they liked entil another company could get ready to out steamers on when Bardy and Barnard would make it worth their while to keep off, Such things are not new in this colony. The Council knew very well that there was opposition once on the Fraser River and freights got very low; but the steamboat companies had since combined and rates any were not what they would be were there competition. o it would prove with these road steamers. By this will the firm would be made liable for any damage done to the roads without they would not be liable. But there were ther considerations. The firm took the whole rick of if the steamers do not answer another firm may easily countermand the orders they may, have forwarded for steamers and they would be put to no expense. be bridges broke down or the road gave out from contact with the road steamers the firm must repatr them under the direction of the Lands and Works Department. Some of the roads would have to be altered to al-

low the steamers to run, and this work Beedy & Barnard must undertake. They success of these machines, and the failure of Attorney General thought the Council must agree with him that it would be wrong it others who had not as yet invested a dolthought the best interests of the country de-

Mr Humphreys rose to speak, but having akes perf in the previous debate on the same bill, he was ealled to order

Mr DeCommos rose to pretest against the Hen De Carrell called the hon gentlemen

to order. air to put in force rules which the Ecure

Mr Alsien said he was in favor of the bilt was informed that a gentleman had gone by as it originally stood, said more was he in the last steamer to bay up steamers in San the last steamer to bay up steamers in San the last steamer to bay up steamers in San the last steamer to bay up steamers in San the last steamer to bay up steamers in San the last steamer to bay up steamers in San the last steamer to bay up steamers in San two was 80 ounces. The dividend per share for two weeks was \$260.

The steam Sir James Douglas will return at once if a general bill was passed. If this at once if a general bill was passed. If this introduce the machines he thought they were lill were passed the people would send a lill were passed the people would send a

entitled to consideration. The introducer | mammoth petition to the Queen not to sign of a beneficial machine was entitled to pros it. tection as well as the inventor.

Mr Beneter had been in favor of the bill when it was first introduced, but in consequence of the opposition he would now move that a bill be brought in to allow any person to run road eteamers on the Yale-Lytten Mr Humphreys seconded and in the course

of a long speech maintained that it was not in the interest of the colony that such a bill should be passed. He claimed that Beedy & Barnard would not only monapolise the carrying trade but they would also capttol the merchandise traffic. It would be giving over the whole country to the firm. was never such a monopoly heard of on this earth. He was told that there were two of these steamers on board a vessel now in this harbor. He challenged any person to say that a single petition had been signed that had for its object the giving to this firm of a monopoly; and it the menopity were given there would be snot a disturbance on the maintand that it might result in bloodshed.

These teamsters and farmers had worked hard to get a little property together for the passege of this bill would ruin them .. If Beedy & Barnard secured a monopoly for one month or one year many people would be rniced. The hon member proceeded at some length to picture the state of misery and anarchy to which the country would be re-His reading was not extensive, but

he had never read of such a thing as this. Hon Dr Carrall commended the enterprise, energy and pluck of Mesars Beedy & Barpard, and said he believed that so such miss ery and ruis as had been pictured by the member for Lillooet would result from the introduction of these read steamers. By that picture he was reminded of the Destruction of Jerusalem (laughter.) He carcely thought the results would be as bad to the upper country from the running of the road steamthe Empire of France into a cocked bat in On a motion to read the read steamers' bill seven months (a laugh.) The hen member's second time; MrHumphreys moved that the picture reminded him of a steel picture of graving from which many capies had been struck and the fine lines of which had disthat the debate be postponed until Tuesday appeared. Two road steamers were already here, and, should this bill fail to pass, would

be seat elsewhere. The hon member for Lil loost was quite right when he said his read ing had not been extensive; or he would not have declared quite so positively that no bill of this kind was ever heard of before on the face of this earth-when, in this very colony, 5 years ago, the exclusive right o introduce and run traction-engines over the Cariboo roads was given to a firm (laughter.) If people slong the road could not sell oats to Beedy & Barnard's steamers, how could they sell them to any other steamer? Would their prosperity be greater or less were there two or a dozen firms running the machines? If these machines would cheapen freight and lessen the price of the necess-

aries of life at the mines, he was of opinion that the main objects would be accomplished. Freight for Cariboo was rarely taken at s cents per pound, and at that figure only when it suited the convenience of teamsters -13 cents he believed to be the average. This firm would be bound to take freight at 8 cents. Under this bill they could not charge more. Throw out the bill and they might charge what they liked. (Hear, hear.) Backed up by the petitions from Carlboo and the interior he stood up in support of the road steamers. If Beedy & Barnard were pat under sonds to repair the reason, could be a ked? Others now sought to be the bon gentleman's finest oraterical

the oxen and mule teams were run of the ngut would make good beef the Suppose road the oxen would make good beef the wagons would be used to draw loads else where, and the mules would pack where wagone cannot go. The destruction of vested interests pictured by the member for Lillooet was not new. Unprogressive miads in every generation and age prophesied evil at every innevation, but still the world went on and prospered. (hear) High freights were the nlog to the progress of the interior, and the road steamers would secure low freights. All the patitions before the Council were signed with the understanding that some exclusive right would be asked. Some 8 or 10 of the signets at Cariboo recanted—they 'did repent themselves of the foul deed '-and their names were taken off.

Mr DeCosmos said a notice was put up when it was too late to get all their names

Hon Dr Carrall repeated that all the sign. ers knew some protection would be seked for The other day the House was told that nebody to Lilleoet District except men in the employ of Beedy & Barnard had signed the petition.

Mr Humphreys - Not with the unders standing that there was to be a monopoly. I'll sign the petition myself if there is to be

no monopoly.

Hon Dr Carrall bad understood the remarks of the bon gentlemen to be directed
against road steamers. While Harper Bros were asleep one of these gentlemen were wide awake crossing the Atlantic and traverstar were to profit by their labors and entering Great. Britain to ascertain the value of
priss. The Bill was not a Government one these machines. The invention was a novel

pass the bill to a second reading 00.03 to and Mr. Pemberton said that he gathered from the remarks of the bon member for Lillocet that there was likely to be a disturbance in the apper country should the bill pass. If a disturbance did result the authorities would be enabled to speedily send a sofficient force by the road steamers to put it down (laugh-

Hog Speaker said that it could not be unif the monopoly clause were struck ou! He Mr. Alsien said be was in tavor of the bilt was informed that a gentleman had gone by

Hon Dr Helmcken had heard a great deal said of the injury that would be done, that ruin, the bloodsned (laughter) that would result, yet everyone seemed willing to have road steamers put on the road. He was netosware Government had lever promised a moropoly of two years; he was not aware any monopoly was intended. He did not believe there were any road steamers at San Francisce that could be got for this colony. The monopoly of this bill was a fistion, an invention. Even if the bill granted one year's privilege, it would require that time before any steamers could be imported from England. os bus

Mr DeCosmos said that road steamers could be got in before the let of Oct, 1872. Hon Dr Helmeken was not aware that that time had been agreed on, not that 8 cents had been agreed upon as the maximum rate, d.A. privilege of one year was really no monopoly. If he was in the po-sition of Mesers Beedy & Barnard he would accept the terms offered them by the Government. The hon gentleman ridiculed the idea advanced by the hon member for Victoria District of petitioning the Queen, and thought the good sense of this Council could frame a bill that would be acceptable

to the colony. Mr Nelson said the member for Lillooet had drawn a barrowing picture homes, roadside houses and farms, and had colored the picture with blood. (A laugh.) Did hon gentlemen mean to say that one year's monopoly would bring all this about, or was he opposed to road steamers?

Mr Humphreys would explain Mr Nelson did not wish to be interrupted Hon Speaker-The hon gentleman wanted to know whether the road steamers or the moropely would cause bloodshed (laughter.) Mr Nelson-No monopely is asked by the bill and I deny that its passage will create a monopoly. The whole of the argument of the hon member for Lilloost was against road steamers and not against monopoly,

Hear, hear. Mr Banster asked leave to withdraw his motion. Leave granted. The bili was ordered to be read a second time-10 to 3-Mesers Bunster, Humphreys

and DeCosmos in the negative.

THE SAN JUAN QUESTION. The hen Dr Helmcken moved the following

resolution :-- I see Island of San Juan ears important relations of Canada and British Celumbia; and, whereas a Joint Com-mission has been appointed by Her Majesty's and by the Government of the United States, to settle all existing International difficulties "Resolved, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excell'ncy will e pleased to represent to Her Majestys Government, and also to the Canadian Govern4 ment, the great importance of the Island of San Juan to the Dominion of Canada as well as the undoubted claims of the Crown to the same, and recommending that the Hon J W Trutch may be instructed to appear before the Commission on behalf of British Columbia, for the purpose of supplying information and otherwise promoting the interests of the Colony in connection with this question, and also relating to the boundaries of the United States North of British Columbia,"

The hon mover made a long and eloquent speech in support of the resolution, reveiwing the bistory of the treaty of 1846 and the origin of the Sau Juan difficulty, and impressing upon hon members the necessity of taking immediate action. Owing to the great length of the report of the speechwhich is pronounced by those who heard it effort we are compelled to lay it over until

Hoo Dr Carrall seconded the resolut briefly remarking that he had found the most intelligent men in the United States express their opinion on this question in a fair and consistent manner, and he had no doubt this High Commission would bring the matter to a satisfactory is us. of M

Hon Atterney General moved to amend the resolution by striking out the portion recommending Mr Presch to attend the Commission, and adding - And that the question of the fisheries on the Pacific coast be considered at the same time, The resolution as amended was passed upenimously.

TAX SALE REPEAL ORDINANCE. A message from His Excellency the Governor, sending down a bill to appoint a Com-mission on the Tax Sale Repeal Ordinance, was read.

ROAD TOLLS .- . BJE A HOI W. A H A message from His Excellency, sending down a bill to amend the Road Toll Ordi-Dance, was read.

CONSTITUTION BILL. A message from His Excellency, assenting to the Constitution Amendment Bill, was SUPPLY.

The Conneil went into Committee of the Whole on the Supplementary Supply Bill, which was passed and reported complete.

LIQUOR TAX REPEAL BILL. The order of business was suspended on motion of Mr Nathan in order to commit an Act to repeal an Ordinance to preate a further duty of Customs for the public set-VICE !

Hon Attorney General moved a suspending clause that the bill do not take effect until notice of Her Majesty's consent thereto has been given in the colony.

Bill passed the committee and read a third time.

FIRE ORDINANCE. The order of business was suspended and Mr Nathan was allowed to bring in a bill to amend the Fire Ordirance. Bill read a first time and ordered to be

printed and read a second time at the next sitting of the Council. Council adjourned to meet on Tuesday, the

THE SPRUCE CLAIM .- A telegram from Van Winkle announces that the yield of the Sprace claim, Lightning creek, last week

Tur star Sie James Douglas will return

How Oregon was Lost to Us, - In bis great speeds yesterday on the Ban Juan Istand question, Hon Dr Helmekes teld ne bow Oregon was lost to the British Crows. Is 1845, when pegetiations were pending be-tween Great Britain and the United States with respect to the boundary line. Great. Oregan and Washington Territory. 9 Two British abips of war wate seek out to examide the country and report to the British Ministry upon its value. The Earl of Aberden was Premier at the time, the commander of one of the hips was the Burke brother and he and others went ashore at Columbia River and tried to each welmon with s flier. The salmon wouldn't take the flies and the officers caught no first When they returned to their ships the Tarl's brother wrotes home. The country to not worth a damn? And the British Ministry immedia ately relinquished all slaim to it.

ME. NATHAM'S LIGUOR TAX REPEAL BILL This bill, which removes the 50 cents per gallon tax on liquor; must a wait the assent of Her Majesty and will not come into force for three or four months; perhaps not till the first of July very bewo

ACCIDENT -- A hittle son of Harry Simp on farmer of Saadleb, was brought to lown Monday high with a broken thigh, en-

KILLING CATTLE .- A cow belouging to Mr Fennety, farmer, was killed at Bailey a Point near Cadbers Bay, a few days ago, skisned, out up and mostlef the meat packed off. White rascale are suspected some

STRAMER DEPARTURES -The Olympia and leabel Hor Puget Sound the Sive James Douglas for Nanatimo and Comox; tos Grape pler for Burrard Inlet, and the Otter for New

Westminster, sailed yesterday no mid taid KALAMA TTE The Superintendent plothe Western Union Telegraph line sailed yesterday to establish an office for the Company

at the new railroad termious on the Columbia river, Kalama. SALE OF A NEWSPAPER - A one half interest in the plant, good will and book adcounts of the Standard newspaper has been

sold for \$1500 !! The purchaser is Mr. T. and, than by placing the interests . good . H. THE CHIMESE CUTTING CASE. This Case oc capied the Police Court for a short time yes terday and was further postponed until the Chinaman who was been most severely cut should be able to attend Dourt, die bas to attend Dourt, die bas toos

THE bark Prince of Walco bas commenced to discharge Government stores, which are a excellent condition, at Kequimalt.

The Hat Creek Meeting Explanation.

usveVictoria, 14th Feb. 187h tast

My DEAR SIR :- As one of those who took My Dans Siz: As one of those who took part at a public meeting held at the Hat Oreck House I consider it my duty to state that we were called upon to pass during the superior that we were called upon to pass during the superior of the sup would most likely have been very different.

The bill is the amended state stands in a fartless objectionable light. I may also add that he missing had been called for the purpose of submidering the question of road tolls.

Yours very truly,

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