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SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb 14—House met at 3 o'clock.

DeCosmos' motion to amend the Constitution was postponed till Tuesday.

Stamp's motion for Burrard Inlet road reduced to calling the attention of the Government to the matter.

Smith's motion abolishing tolls and dues was ordered to lie on the table.

Robson brought forward a recommendation to the Governor to amend the tariff, so as to put a protective duty on lumber, cattle, dead meat, hay, vegetables, fruits, poultry, eggs, butter, lard, confectionery, tinware and machinery, which was supported by Pemberton Helmcken and DeCosmos. Crease objected to the motion at present as a matter of taxation which must go to the Committee of Ways and Means. Referred accordingly.

Messages from the Governor with returns of tolls and tonnage dues; also petitions for abolition, which he regretted could not at present be acceded to.

Sheriff's and Indian Liquor Bills recommitted and amended. Helmcken stoutly opposed the Liquor Bill.

English laws application bill passed through Committee.

Interest bill read a second time, Walkem opposing.

Select Committee brought up several unimportant bills mentioned in schedule separately, which were read a first time.

Legal professions' bill, second reading Monday.

The Otter leaves on Saturday.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The wife of General Sickles died here to-day.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7—The Connecticut Democrats nominated English for Governor, and adopted resolutions denouncing the factions course of Congress.

The Louisiana House unanimously rejected the Federal Constitutional amendment.

Work was commenced yesterday on Broadway bridge at the corners of Fulton street. It will be completed in about four weeks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7th.—The *Times'* special says John Fowler & Co., of England, have sent here a complete set of steam ploughing apparatus, in charge of an overseer, which is capable of ploughing over an acre an hour to a depth of twelve inches. The cost is less by considerable than by horse and hand labor. It is thought it will be adopted by a large number of California farmers. The Custom House had levied duties on this sample of nearly $400. Mr Bidwell offered a joint resolution refunding this, which was immediately adopted.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 7—The Governor of South Carolina is here. He is confident of a speedy reconstruction on the basis of impartial suffrage. It is understood he will defer convening the Legislature under North Carolina acts.

Canada.

The Fire Relief Committee of Quebec have been discussing the best way of applying the fund. Some favored retaining a large portion of the money to help the sufferers to rebuild their houses, but as a great deal of suffering still exists, a grant was made for their immediate relief.

Government has refused the application of the Board of Trade for an inquiry as to the loss of the steamer Queen Victoria, on the ground that the loss took place in the open sea, at a time when there were a number of other shipwrecks.

Another bill has been filed in Chancery against the Bank of Upper Canada. It contains 31 clauses, and sets forth that Robert Cassels became manager of the Bank at a salary of $10,000 for a certain term of years which have not yet expired. That securities were given him by way of pledge for salary. That he was bound by the agreement to devote his time and services exclusively to the affairs of the Bank. That he had violated the provisions of the agreement in entering into an agreement with Glyn, Mills & Co., London, to collect and secure the debts due to them by the bank, for which he received a certain per centage. That he was concerned in other transactions, receiving large sums by way of commission. Complainants submit that Cassels has forfeited all claim to remuneration as the servant of the bank, and seek that the mortgage or pledge of security given him be declared void; that an account be taken of the moneys Cassels received for services other than those connected with the bank, and the amount set off against the sum due and to become due to him by agreement.

The expenditure in Canada for military purposes since the 1st of January, 1866, have been over two millions of dollars.

The amount given by the Canadian Government to the Quebec Relief Fund is $50,000. Another installment of £2,000 has been received through the cable from London, making a total of $21,000 from that city.

A subscription has been started in Quebec for the sufferers by the late colliery explosion in England.

A new Company in Montreal, including large capitalists, intend applying to Parliament during its next session to dam the River St. Lawrence at Lachine Rapids, for the purpose of obtaining hydraulic power.

The capital proposed by the Company is to be $2,000000.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—Judge Cowles, in his charge to the grand jury on Tuesday, called attention to the prevalence of gambling in the city, and on the strength of rumors, perhaps, intimated that the police are in league with the gamesters and wink at their violation of the laws. Since then the daily press has teemed with editorials and communications respecting its suppression in San Francisco. Some allege that under the existing law the police are powerless to affect any abatement of the vice, while others incline to the opinion that the difficulties in the way of suppression are exaggerated.

The Savage Mining Company to-day declared a dividend of $100 per foot. The company carries over a surplus of $75,000 towards next month's dividends.

THE ESTIMATES!

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb. 14.—Civil Establishments—Governor, $22,710; Legislative Council, $1,200; Colonial Secretary, $13,740; Treasurer, $350,442 50; Assay Office, $3,950; Auditor General, $5,710; Chief Commissioner Lands and Works, $82,817; Customs, $15,221 80; Registrar General, $4,950; Harbor Master, $6,700; Post Office, $56,240; Judicial Establishments, $29,325; Ecclesiastical, Educational and Police Establishments, $33,761 25; Gold and Assistant Gold Commissioners, Stipendiary Magistrates, $50,149; Pensions, $970; Charitable Allowances, $9,500; Hospitals, $10,000; Works and Buildings, Roads, Streets and Bridges (miscellaneous), $4,687 25; Government Vessels, Lighthouses, *nil*; Total, $701,710 80.

The salaries of Governor, Colonial Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Collector of Customs, Registrar General and Postmaster, B.C., Judge Supreme Court, B.C., Attorney General, and Chief Inspector of Police, are provided for under the Crown Officers' Salaries Act, and are not included in the Estimates. Total refunds to Crown officers, $5,300. No provision is made for the Ocean Mail service.

Judge, Vancouver Island, $5,820; Assistant Surveyor, $1,900; Registrar General, $1 940; Post and Harbor Master, $1,450; Magistrate, $2,250; Revenue Officer, $1700 Steam Tug, Crew, $5,174; Leech River Ditch, $5,600; Government Printing Office B.C., $3,500; Assay Office, $3,900.

Yesterday's Proceedings.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb. 15—House met at two.

Message from the Governor, stating that instructions had been given respecting the resolution of the House on the harbor fees and dues, which would be satisfactory.

Consideration of the estimates was postponed, after some discussion, till Monday, on motion of DeCosmos, to enable approximate returns of revenue of last year to be furnished with the total amount of expenditure.

Lien law postponed till Thursday.

Land bills of Pemberton and Trutch referred to Select Committee.

Robson's Homestead Bill, similar to Vancouver law, passed first reading.

Trades License Bill—Second reading postponed.

English Laws Application Bill—Read third time and passed.

Numbers of Indians are arriving.

A dramatic performance will be given by invitation to-night.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Heavy rains and unprecedented freshets are reported in New England, where the snow is from five to ten feet deep. The damage around the Providence is already estimated at $300,000, and in the vicinity of Norwich at $100,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—The lower portion of Boston was flooded with water, two or three feet deep by the great rains. Buildings were blown down, and other damage done to property.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12—The large dry goods store of C. B. Chittenden, on Broadway, was destroyed by fire this morning;—loss one million; also the store of E. S. Jeffreys, loss $100,000 in stock; and on building, $350,000.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 12—The river was so blockaded with ice at West Hartford yesterday that the water rose as high as the second story windows of Williamson's Hotel. His eldest daughter was drowned while trying to escape.

Europe.

BERLIN, Feb 11—The Prussian Government is determined to withdraw its present force from Dresden, which will in future be garrisoned by troops of the Northern German Confederation.

LONDON, Feb 11—The Reform procession marched through the city all the afternoon. It was immense, and there was not the slightest disturbance. A deputation headed by John Bright waited upon Gladstone. It was favorably received. It is reported that Disraeli will offer a plan of Reform to be adopted in Parliament by resolution.

BERLIN, Feb 12—The conference of the South German States has adopted an army system similiar to that of Russia.

LONDON, Feb 9—It is officially announced by the Atlantic Cable Company, that on and after the 1st of March, rates for transmission of despatches by cable will be reduced one-half.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 11—The State Telegraph Company announce that on and after Wednesday next the charges on the Overland despatches to New York will be reduced from $8 to $6 in coin, for every message of ten words, with a proportionate reduction of 25 per cent. on each additional word.

West Indies.

HAVANA, Feb. 6—The cholera, small-pox and yellow fever are raging here, In St. Thomas, seven hundred died of cholera in five weeks.

Mexico.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—The *Tribune's* Matamoras special of the 7th says, Miramon took the city of Zacatecas with 2,000 prisoners; and Juarez. who was there, had to leave in a hurry, taking the road to Chihuahua.

PARIS, Feb. 11—It is positively announced that all the French troops will leave Mexico on February 25th.

The Great Reform Meeting!

EXCITING TIME!

Rumored Capture of Chester by Fenians

FENIAN PLOTS!

ITALIAN PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED!

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Feb 14—The Tennessee Senate yesterday passed the House Colored Suffrage Bill to a third reading, refusing to strike out the clause forbidding negroes to sit on a jury or hold office.

Europe.

NEW YORK, Feb 14—The *Herald's* cable special says:

The London Reform demonstration of Monday was a great success. American, French and Italian flags were carried, and the Legations cheered. Yankee Doodle, John Brown, the Marseilles and Garibaldi hymns were played by the bands. The Prince o Wales witnessed the procession from the windows of the United Service Club, but received no cheers. There was a superb reception at the American Embassy; all the members of the procession took off their hats as they passed. Among the banners were—"No surrender!" "Liberty!" "Equality!" "Manhood Suffrage!" "Serfdom is Infamous!" "The Voice of the People cannot be ignored with safety!" "Taxation without Representation is a Fraud!" "Liberty for those who dare demand it!" "Trust in God and keep your powder dry!"

On Thursday afternoon the House of Commons was crowded to hear the expected announcement of the Government programme. Disraeli delivered a long historical essay on reform and the constitution. At the close of his speech he said that Government would introduce resolutions to test the sense of Parliament before presenting a Reform Bill. The resolutions are vague and unsatisfactory. They merely state general principles.

Gladstone, in a few remarks, accepted the Government plan of proceeding, but protested against delay.

During the session a rumor prevailed that the Fenians had taken the city of Chester, which caused great excitement.

The Duke of Cambridge hastily left the House for the War Office.

The presence of a number of supposed Fenians, recently, from Ireland, gave rise to these apprehensions, but they left town without creating disturbance.

LONDON, Feb. 14—The Fenian scare at Chester is ridiculed by the newspapers; but, nevertheless, the Government is making arrests, and seems to believe the affair serious. There are rumors of a Fenian plot to blow up the Liverpool docks.

Seventy arrests were made at Dublin on the arrival of the steamer from Holyhead.

The Liberal organs generally denounce the plan of reform announced by Disraeli.

The Italian Parliament has been dissolved and a new election ordered to take place on March 1st.

Ricascoli resigned at the King's request.

The Active.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 16th.—The sailing of the steamer Active for Victoria has been postponed till Monday the 18th.

The Fideliter.

PORTLAND, Feb 16th.—The Fideliter will leave here to-morrow morning at eight o'clock for Victoria.

THE yield of petroleum in Canada, is at present but a drop, as compared with the enormous product in the States. Thus we find that the export of petroleum from New York, to the 9th November, for the years 1865--1866 compares as follows:—1865, 11,268,129 gallons; 1866, 29 909,538 gallons. The total export during the same period from the other ports in the United States—Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, &c, &c., compares as follows:—1866, 25,662,015 gallons; 1865, 9 439,759 gallons. Aggregate exports 1866, 54,561,553 gallons; ditto ditto, 1865 20,701,888. A London petroleum circular of the 12th ult, states that notwithstanding the enormous clearances from the United States since the 1st January, the total stock in Europe at the former date did not exceed 130,000 barrels or two months consumption. A large business had been done at 1s 10 to 1s 11d refined, for September to March deliveries.

IMPORTS

A Monthly Statement of Imports at the Port of Victoria, V. I., from the 1st of Jan., 1866, to the 20th of Nov., (Union of the Colonies) from all Parts.

FROM ENGLAND.

January	$ 8,760
February	230,727
March	53,606
April	5,405
May	21,356
June	84,744
July	67,225
August	10,371
September	60,602
October	247,695
November 1st to the 20th	6,771
Total	797,262

FROM CALIFORNIA.

January	$ 99,959
February	68,573
March	128,980
April	71,994
May	57,579
June	58,470
July	40,362
August	53,401
September	49,406
October	99,552
November 1st to the 20th	91,233
Total	819,509

FROM PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.

January	$ 19,094
February	16,341
March	13,266
April	13,459
May	22,367
June	14,093
July	5,925
August	13,234
September	8,687
October	10,026
November 1st to the 20th	8,616
Total	145,108

FROM OREGON.

January	$ 8,222
February	2,620
March	5,531
April	7,932
May	6,849
June	4,295
July	7,261
August	5,558
September	4,461
October	7,915
November	8,796
Total	69,540

FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.

January	$ 19,956
February	3,400
March	1,358
April	2,323
May	15,985
June	1,570
July	21,293
August	44,103
September	31,272
October	3,380
November	19,494
Total	164,134

FROM SANDWICH ISLANDS.

March	$ 6,530
May	13,424
September	16,487
Total	36,441

FROM SAN JUAN ISLAND.

January	$ 790
February	1,722
March	946
April	1,416
May	200
June	645
July	130
August	120
September	50
October	512
November	591
Total	7,122

RECAPITULATION

From England	$ 797,262
" California	819,509
" Puget Sound District	145,108
" Oregon	69,540
" British Columbia	164,134
" Sandwich Islands	36,441
" San Juan Island	7,122
Total for 11 months	2,039,116
(Taken from books of Harbormaster, Victoria, V. I.)	
Total from all parts from 20th Nov. to 25th Dec., 1866	83,318
(Taken from Government Gazette)	
Whole total for year	2,122,434

A Comparative Statement of Imports from all parts at the Port of Victoria. V. I., for the Years 1864, 1865 *and* 1866.

	1864	1865	1866
From England	$1,414,184	932,564	797,262
" California	1,639,442	1,284,687	819,509
" Oregon	161,131	181,160	69,540
" Puget Sound Dis	284 931	222 056	145.108
" Sandwich Islands	20,124	93,678	36,441
" British Columbia	82,974	73,071	164,134
" San Juan Island	.....	4,700	7,122
" Society Islands	.....	1,115	.....
" China	.....	36,198	.....
" Chile	.....	3 772	.....
Totals	$3,602.786	2,883.021	2,122,434

Decrease in 1865 as compared with year previous $719,765
Decrease in 1866 as compared with year 1865, .. 760.587
Decrease in 1866 as compared with 1864.....1480,352

EXPORTS.

**Exports for the Year* 1866 *to all parts other than to Ports in British Columbia (before Union with V. I.) from Victoria, V. I.*

TO ENGLAND.

Per Glaranara (Jan); Princess Royal (April), and Prince of Wales (Dec.)

Three Vessels	$363,386

TO UNITED STATES [CALIFORNIA.]

January	$ 4,648
February	22,980
March	27,437
April	18,857
May	25,087
June	30,259
July	9,063
August	49,768
September	22,030
October	14,379
November	11,592
December	12,211
Total	$248,311

TO UNITED STATES [OREGON]

January	4,393
February	.....
March	5,200
April	2,154
May	1,845
June	6,083
July	4,177
August	5,080
September	3,653
October	2,246
November	1,336
December	.....
Total	$35,567

TO UNITED STATES [PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.]

January	2,043
February	2,545
March	3,038
April	1,936
May	2,860
June	1,053
July	1,667
August	4,245
September	2,192
October	3,484
November	426
December	329
Total	$25,818

TO THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.

March,	2 vessels	$ 32,005
April	2 do	15,471
June	2 do	38,934
July	1 do	440
August	1 do	6,149
September	2 do	8,907
October	1 do	9,731
Total (11 vessels)		$111,637

TO RUSSIAN AMERICA.

To Ports in Russian America (exclusive of Telegraph material.)

February	1 vessel	$1,894
March	2 do	7,600
April	2 do	15,040
July	2 do	4,903
August	2 do	7,759
September	1 do	183
October	2 do	1,716
December	1 do	3,400
Total (13 vessels)		$42,086

RECAPITULATION.

To England	$363,386
,, United States	309,696
,, Sandwich Islands	111,637
,, Russian America	42,086
Total	$826,805

Statement as compared with Years 1864 *and* 1865.

	1864	1865	1866
To United States	$375,156	365,058	309,696
,, England (No statistics kept)		130,000	363,386
,, Sandwich Islands ,,		73,662	111,637
,, Russian America ,,		47,834	42,086
,, Society Islands, &c.		3,032	.....
Total		619,586	826,805

* The estimate does not include gold exports.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED

Feb 11—Stmr Fideliter, Erskine, portland
Stmr Enterprise, Swanson, N W
Slp Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan
Slp Alarm, Hollins, Nanaimo
Slp Native, Cozian, stekin
Slp Harriett, McKenzie, San Juan
Stmr Diana, Wright, San Juan
Feb 12—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Townsend
Sch Black Diamond, McCulloch, Nanaimo
Feb 13—Slp Mystery, Slater, Port Townsend
Slp Forest, Bradley, San Juan
Feb 14—Stmr Emily Harris, Frain, Nanaimo
Stmr Enterprise, Swanson, New Westminster
Stmr Diana, Wright, San Juan
Stmr Isabel, Chambers, Nanaimo
Schr Thorndike, Hunter, San Juan
Slp Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan
Scnr Kate, Waller, N W Coast B C
Feb 15—Schr Eliza, Middleton, Burrard Inlet

CLEARED.

Feb 11—Bark Lono, Howard, Burrard Inlet
Schr Growler, Williams, P Townsend
Stmr Enterprise, Swanson, P Townsend
Stmr Diana, Wright, San Juan
Feb 12—Stmr Fideliter, Erskine, Portland
Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Townsend
Stmr Otter, Lewis, New Westminster
Feb 13—Sch Industry Ettershank, Comox
Slp Mystery, Slater, Port Townsend
Slp Hamly, Hollins, Nanaimo
Sch Sweepstakes, Keffler, Quatsino
Sch Black Diamond, McCulloch, Nanaimo
Feb 14—Stmr Diana, Wright, San Juan
Schr Thorndyke, Hunter, San Juan
Feb 15—Slp Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan
Schr Annie, Turner, Sooke
Slp Thornton, Warren, N W Coast of B C

PASSENGERS.

Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound.—T Lane, Elizabeth Smith, Emily Morris, Mrs Wagner, Messrs J Bears, A Campbell, D Trobill, C C Tomlinson, M Prosher, Robinson, Renton, Atkins, M Gregor, J Wilson, C Walker, Chapman, Warner, Spurlock, Swift, Wood, Cresswell, Richard, Rounds, 4 Chinamen and Indians.

CONSIGNEES.

Per stmr ENTERPRISE, from Puget Sound—Hutchinson & Co, Carson & Co, Hudson Bay Co, J R Stewart.

Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—Brodrick & Norton, Clarke & Co, Wren, James, Lubeveu.

IMPORTS

Per stmr ENTERPRISE, from Puget Sound—210 sheep, 36 hd cattle, 50 hogs, 50 bbls flour, 10 boxes apples, 1 keg cider, 1 ton feed Value $2610.

Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound.—86 sheep, 66 sks onions, 6 head of cattle, 3 hogs, 88 sks bran. Value $930.

BIRTH.

At New Westminster, 6th inst, wife of Mr R. Wolfenden. of a daughter

MARRIED.

In this city, on the 12th instant, by the Rev Mr Browning, T. Lane, Esq., to Miss Lizzie Smith, all of Washington Territory.

On Wednesday evening, by the Rev. Thomas Sommerville, Mr J. D. Sullivan, of New Westminster, to Isabel Gertrude, second daughter of Mr Peter Lester, of this city.

On the 6th Sept., 1866, at Cumberland st, Dunedin, New Zealand, by Rev. D. M. Stuart, Knox Church, assisted by the father of the bride, the Rev. James Copland, M.A., M.D., Ph.D, of Tuapika (brother of John Copland, Solicitor, of this city,) to Kate Rutherford, eldest daughter of the Rev. P. Anderson, Dunedin, formerly of Jamaica

DIED

In this city, Feb. 15th, Anthony Elliott, aged 42 years, a native of Sunderland, England

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