Tuesday, October 29, 1867.

Our Pacific Coast—An Important

Question. We give place this morning to an able and interesting article on the subject of Confederation. It is taken from the Albion, the organ of the British residents in New York city. The article is positive in its tone. The demand for the immediate union of this Colony with the Eastern Provinces cannot be mistaken. The writer speaks pointedly of the dangers and complications that may arise if the matter be longer delayed, and alludes to the value of the Pacific coast to the New Dominion. The good work cannot be too speedily consummated. We must content ourselves to-day with the production of this article. Tomorrow we shall have something to say of the advantages which will flow from our political connection with the

It is not many weeks since we endeavoured

to draw the attention of the British Govern-ment, and also that of the New Dominion, to the necessity of immediate action in reference to the political, social, and commercial condition of the outlying Colonies on the Pacific Coast, and also to the unorganized intermediate territory lying between Canada and British Columbia. In fact, now that the Confederation of the Atlantic Province is actually established, the great question in reference to the future of British North America may be said to hinge almost entirely upon the disposition of the vast territory stretching westward from the boundary of present organized Dominion. Viewed from the other side of the Atlantic, this question may seem trivial, particularly as the destiny of so small a population is dependent upon the disposition of the Pacific slopes, and certral valleys of British America; but from an American, or Canadian, standpoint, it is all important. If the Dominion of Canada is to become—as we believe it is destined to de—a leading maritime power, it is absolutely necessary that the Pacific outlet should become a part of the Dominion for all time. And secondly, if Great Britain would not lose her footing on the Pacific, an outlet for the Dominion must be had' in that direction, and that too without unnecessary

Of course we do not credit any of the sensation rumours that are now going the rounds of the American press-although we see that 'greenbacks' have had their effect, even in British Columbia itself; and that a Victoria paper has been induced to give currency to these false rumours, said to be 'freely discussed in the various clubs of the British metropolis,' in reference to the 'cession of Vancouver Island and British Columbia to the United States;'-but we do see most plainly the absolute necessity of immediate action in reference to the better development and government of these far-off dependencies. A London paper, professing to have special information on this head, asserts that "the British Government has notified the Governor of the Colony of British Columbia that one of the first measures which will be brought before the Canadian Parliament, on its meeting in October next, will be the extension of the Confederation to all the British North American territories." But what will i amount to, even supposing the Canadian Parliament does legislate these Western Colonies into the New Dominion, so long as there is no means of keeping up communication tion with them excepting by a voyage around nearly the whole of the North American continent? What is now wanted is, not legislation, but colonization and internal improvement and development, rendering the inhabitants prosperous and contented. Without this, legislation is worse than useless. These fertile countries must be opened up, utilized, and united to the Dominion by teeming highways, and this too without delay. or the Constitution of the new Dominion is not worth the paper it is written upon. Every inducement and seductive argument will be made use of promptly and persistently by the American press and people to induce these weak and desponding dependencies to change their allegiance, and unless there be something done, and done without delay, these sophistries will eventually prevail, and lead to serious trouble, if not actual collision, between the two governments interested.

As to Great Britain even entertaining the idea of a cession of the Pacific slopes and harbors to the United States, the idea is simply absurd. Brother Jonathan has not "greenbacks" enough in his Treasury to buy even Vancouver's Island, let alone the golden wealth of British Columbia, with its admirable climate, and undeniable command of the Northern Pacific Ocean. At all events, when Great Britain consents to any such sacrifice of her best interests on this continent, we shall at once abandon all hopes of erecting a powerful and lasting kingdom on the British model in North America, and at once write down the new Dominion a complete and undoubted failure. In order to become a nation, it must secure and keep, beyond the Council in view of the forthcoming eleca contingency, access both to the Atlantic and tion. Pacific oceans, and then with its vast internal resources, its lakes and rivers unsurpassed, its agricultural and mineral wealth, coupled with its sea-shore fisheries, and forest wealth in lumber and materials for ship-building and maritime enterprise and industry, it may then reasonably expect a great and even enviable future. In a word, we claim that, since the United States has actually bought a vast unproductive region on the Pacific simply for Bunkum and effect, Great Britain in order to counteract this diplomacy, and frustrate the sinister approaches of this speculative Government, should at once, even without a single year's delay, open up and unite, by safe and lasting highways, her scattered colonies, and help them to unite as one nation, and in one homogeneous compact to resist all the approaches and intrigues of their enterprising, but nationally unprincipled neighbor. The policy of this

Reciprocity with the United States.

The abrogation of the Reciprocity Preaty with Canada by the United States was regarded as a deathblow to the hopes of the Confederacy. It was confidently predicted by leading statesmen in the United States Congress that with the close of the Treaty Canada would immediately gravitate towards the Union. The results have not justified the prediction. Canadian commerce was never in a more healthy state than now, and although the Canadians are not averse to a renewal of the Treaty, they are waiting patiently until the initiative shall have been taken by the only losers through its abrogation—the Americans. By the last mail we find the Philadelphia North American out in favor of the renewal of reciprocal trade relations. Overtures will doubtless be made during the coming winter by Congress to the Dominion, and unless British Columbia be meanwhile created an integral portion of the Confederacy, how can she hope to share in the benefits that may arise therefrom? The North American says:

"Now that the northern territory is to some extent nationalized and naturally solicitous for doing more than it has done, there seems to be a favorable opportunity for renewing our amicable relations. There will be time enough to discuss what the nalittle nearer. It is enough now to intimate that the business of the country, and its finances as well, will be greatly improved by restoring some such intercourse as we originally had with the Northern Provinces.'

Wednesday, Oct 23. Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School Anniversary.

The anniversary of the foundation of the Wesleyan Methodist Sabbath School of this city, was celebrated on Monday evening. The Church building was crowded, and the exercises, which consisted of singing, recitations and dialogues, were very successful. At the close of the entertainment a collection was taken up for the benefit of the Library Fund of the School and realized a very handsome sum. Fro the Secretary's report it would appear that the institution is in a most flourishing state, the average attendance being ninety scholars.

PROGRAMME.

Boys Skulking-Masters Humber, Bone, McMillan and Fox. Behaviour in School-Misses Norris and

Committee of Arrangements-Masters Morley, Sparrow and Barnard. Anthem-Peace, Peace, Peace. Emily's Faith-Miss M A McMillan. Three Little Dames-Misses Norris, Gerow

nd Chenhall. Punctuality-Misses Bullen, Chenhall and Anthem-Strike the Cymbal.

Soliliquy of a Boy-Louis Bowman. How to be Good-Miss Williams, Masters x and Browning. Another Year-Master Carter.

Honesty-Masters Barnard, Carnes and Singing-The Evergreen Shore. The Mourner-Misses M A McMillan, Fox, Bullen, Branch, Kinsman and Norris. Collection Piece-Masters Norris, Sparrow Macready and Morley.

The Fountain and the Still — Masters

Rowbotham, Bowman and Maynard. Why don't you Learn to Dance?-Misses Carnes and Branch. Mr Me-George and Charlton Fox

Singing-Loud Hosanna. Mischief Making-Masters Bone, Maynard and McMillan. Willie and Robbie - Master and Miss

The Way, the Truth, the Life-Miss Elford I do not use Tobacco-Fred Humber Good Night-Miss Bottrell.

The Valedictory-Miss Norris. City Council.

Tuesday, October 22, 1867. The Council met at 8 p.m. Present : The Mayor and Councillors Gowen, Lewis, Gibbs and Hebbard.

COMMUNICATIONS. From W. Bond, requesting leave to construct a small culvert on Pandora street in connection with private property, and asking for assistance in funds from the Council to do so. Referred to Street Committee.

The report of the Finance Committee on On motion, the clerk was instructed to apply to the Colonial Secretary for copies of the last City Incorporation Act for the use of

Mr Gibbs again called the attention of the Street Committee to the bad state of Menzies street. The chaingang was withdrawn from repairing the same. It was understood tha the balance of \$200 voted for James' Bay Ward would be expended on the above-men-

tioned street. On motion of Councillor Hebbard, \$25 was voted for the improvement of Douglas, corner of Pandora street.

Complaint was made that the sidewalk ronting Brunn's store had not been re-laid. The attention of the Council was directed to the necessity of auditing the accounts by that he had withdrawn was made the close of the Municipal year, all accounts against the Corporation to be called in.

Council adjourned till Tuesday next, at

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER-The steamer Enterprise left yesterday morning, at nine astute people is easily read, and with prompt o'clock, for New Westminster, taking up fifty

have been successfully grown at North Saanich by one of our farmers, who has realized a handsome return for his labor. The quality is said to surpass that of those imported, and we have no doubt that if more extensively cultivated by the farming community, enough could be grown on the Is land in a short time to supply the market here. There are many patches of land which might be turned to advantage in this way,

and as the mode of culture is comparatively

simple, we would recommend our country

ISLAND Hops .- We understand that hops

friends to make an experiment next year. COMMITTED-The master of the British bark Aid was yesterday committed to the debtors' prison upon a complaint preferred by a mercantile firm of this city, whose goods were damaged during the recent passage of the bark from Liverpool to Victoria. It is alleged that the damage resulted from bad

AN ALLEGED ACCESSORY TO EMBEZZLEMENT. Stephen Chase again appeared yesterday at the Police Court to answer the charge of being an accessory to the embezzlement of a lot of fors, the alleged property of Mr A. Frankel. Further evidence was produced and the case postponed for a week.

stowage.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING-An Esquimalt Indian, charged with cutting and wounding another Indian with intent to commit murder, was remanded yesterday at the Police Court for two days. It is thought the injured man

THE NEW PRAIRIE-The Assistant Surveyor General has returned from a visit to the new prairie in Cowichan District, which he has ascertained to be a bout 2000 acres in ture of our relations should be when extent and well watered. It lies some nine we have approached the subject a miles back of the settlement on Cowichan Bay, and may be reached by means of the

> PAY UP AND SECURE A VOTE-Delinquents on the city rate lists must pay the amounts set opposite their names on or before the 31st inst., or their votes for Municipal officers will not be received.

> THE CAPITAL QUESTION-Dispatches relating to the location of the capital are expected to arrive here by next mail. It is said that even the Executive is confident Victoria will be chosen.

> SHOOTING MATCH-We understand that a shooting match has been arranged to come off between a well-known Victoria marksman and a gentleman from across the Sound. The shooting will come off on November 1st.

Horse Races .- Arrangements are being perfected for several interesting horse-races, over Beacon Hill, on the 9th November, Prince of Wales' birthday.

THE PAPER HUNT,-Our readers must not forget the paper hunt to-day. The start precisely.

THE brig Robert Cowan will sail fo

THE steamer Otter sailed yesterday for Nanaimo and Burrard Inlet.

The Requirements for a Mayor.

EDITOR COLONIST :- Before deciding which candidate for the mayoralty to support, it may not be unprofitable to call to mind what are the powers and duties of the office.

The Mayor of a city is usually its chief magistrate, and he presides, and has the casting vote at the Municipal Council. Beyond this it is the duty of the Mayor and by precept and example to encourage order and morality. It usually develves on the Mayor and Corporation to receive and entertain distinguished visitors to the city. In view of this and to meet other expenses attending the position, there are in most cases certain funds at the disposal of the Mayor. The Lord Mayor of London for instance has perquisites of the of the Atlantic. value of some forty thousand dollars a year, wherewith he is enabled to entertain the Corporation, their friends and guests

right royally. To fill these requirements of the office it is necessary that the incumbent should be of sound judgement, honorable and impartial as a magistrate and president of the Council. To ensue diligence on behalf of the interests of the borough he should have a material interest therein. and as an example to his fellow citisens his private life should be without re-

proach. There is nothing new in what I have written, and I should not ask you to insert it, but you have invited discussion on the subject of the approaching election; the settlement of Mr Gastineau's claim was and some of your correspondents seem possessed of and idea that a Mayor's first duty is to provide cocktails for allcomers, and that he who will do this to the greatest extent is the man for Vic-

A. CITIZEN.

The Signers of Dr. Trimble's Requisition.

EDITOR COLONIST :- I, with others, was induced to sign Dr. Trimble's requisition upon the faith of a statement made to me that Mr Franklin had withdrawn. Since signing the paper I have read Mr Franklin's card. and am satisfied that the statement without his authority. Now, sir, were I to record my vote for Mr Macdonald. would I be guilty of a breach of faith to Dr Trimble?

Yours, [Under the circumstances, we should say that if you vote for Dr Trimble's and well-timed action, is quite as easily tons of treight, twenty passengers and a num- opponent you would not be guilty of City Mills quiet. Superfine quarter sacks, a breach of faith, -ED. COLONIST.]

By Glectric Telegraph

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

Mexico.

NEW YORK. Oct 18 .- Havana advices from Vera Cruz say that Santa Anna has been sentenced to exile for eight years. NEW YORK, Oct 19. - The Herald's resulted in favor of Juarez in the States of the O. S. N. Company's steamer. Mexico and Guadalajara and all the princi-

Eastern States.

The Express says the trial of Jeff Davis will probably commence on the 28th. There will be an effort made to obtain a jury of It is confidently expected that while the whites. The jury now stands nine negroes current of reconstruction will not be and three whites.

pal States of the interior.

Official accounts from Crete confirm the report of a renewal of hostilities. The idea of returning to the allegiance of Turkey has been scornfully rejected.

Paris, Oct 17 .- The Moniteur asserts its belief that Rome and the Papal provinces will be loyal to the Pope. The Patrie argues that French intervention will be necessary to save Italy from revolution and

favorable. The revolutionists have entroops await reinforcements before making Captain. further advances. A deputy of the Italian Parliament commands the insurgents there.

VIENNA, Oct 17—The Catholic Bishops protest against the adoption of the new Concordat and urge the Emperor not to revise the sacred treaty between Austria and Rome. The Emperor reproves the Austrian He reminds them that the Emperor of Aus- November 18th. tria is a constitutional prince as well as a true son of the church. The Reichstadt received the announcement of this reply with prolonged cheering.

FLORENCE, Oct 18-Reinforcements French and Spanish volunteers for the deense of the Pope have arrived at Rome. Menotti, the son of Garibaldi, with a con-

iderable force, has reached the vicinity of The Italian troops are still guarding the frontier to prevent persons having the appear-

ance of Garibaldians from crossing. It is reported that the plan for insurrection in the city of Rome has been exposed and that the plates for the counterfeit bonds the leaders thrown into prison. Another re-

port is that Garibaldi has escaped from Caprera and has left the island, going aboard will be made from Beacon Hill at 2 o'clock precisely.

an American ship.

Garibaldians have seized the railroad discovered. There is said to be a fair

communication with the seaboard. It is believed in Florence that Italy and France have a perfect understanding and are really acting together in their treatment of

the Roman question.
Paris, Oct. 18-Napoleon has made an PARIS, Oct. 18—Inapoleou has made as dello met a man named out in imperative demand on Italy for a strict ob-Jackson street, near Montgomery. A ready to sail for the relief of Rome. It is suddenly drew a pistol and fired, bitting only awaiting the reply of Italy, which is him in the lumbar region of the back, hourly expected.

Europe.

in Manchester yesterday to the Derby ales. She left her husband and came to by every means in his power to protect Ministry, Earl Derby defended the action this city with Morales. Here he abanof the Government on the Reform ques- doned her. She could not recall her tion. Lord Stanley spoke of the disturb- husband. She became desperate, and ed condition of affairs in Europe, but he finally determined that she would kill still hoped peace would be preserved. Morales if he refused to support her. He said the controversy in regard to the Alabama Claims still remained open, but a week ago while endeavoring to separate England had always dealt with America two men who were fighting, died at St. in a kindly temper, and time was already Mary's Hospital on Saturday evening. soothing the public feeling on both sides Byrnes, who shot him, is in jail awating

London, Oct. 19.-The Times asserts that the Italian Prime Minister Ratazzi has pledged to enter Rome as soon as weapon upon her husband, Julius Quinethe French arrive. The insurgents have hard. Mrs Quinehard this morning not captured Ostia, the seaport, but swore out a warrant on which her hus-Ortia a small place in the province of band was a ested. She says that he Viterbo. A Spanish frigate has sailed from Cadiz for Uivita Vecchia.

The Fenians it is reported made an attempt last night at the police station n Chester to release their comrades confined there. The Government is taking extra precautions to guard against surprise.

It is reported that arrangements have been effected whereby rates by the Cable will be reduced 50 per cent. The reduction is to go into effect on November

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19 .- Partial returns from thirty-one (31) counties, give Sprague 735 majority over Curry, and Swett five hundred and four over Fitzgerald. There are still 19 counties to hear from, six of which gave forty-six Union majority in September and 13 gave a Democratic majority of 2,290. There is a possibility of Swett's election, but not of Curry's.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21-Fuller returns of counties yet to be heard from will increase majorities of both Democratic candidates. San Francisco, Oct. 22-A. M. Chapell,

well-known dealer and capitalist, has committed suicide.
SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.—Oct. 22. Flour market quiet. Oregon extra brands \$7 50; extra do, \$8 25.

The Wheat market is tolerably quiet, in consequence of the absence of available tounage for grain. Holders demanding \$2 25@2 65 per 100 lbs.

Barrey is quiet, \$1 70@1 80 for good feed and brewing, and \$1 85@1 95 for old crops.

Eastern line still down.

Oregon.

PORTLAND. Oct. 22-The steamer Oriflamme is aground at Moody Island, her passengers Havana special says the Mexican election and freight will be brought to Portland by

Eastern States.

New York, Oct. 12 .- The Herald's Richmond special says the greatest excitement since secession in Virginia, now prevails over the recent northern elections. changed, many assert that the conservatives will carry the Convention in the election on the 22d inst. The negroes are denouncing Hunnicut as the author of all their misfortunes, by his extreme ultra doctrines.

Prim, the Spanish revolutionist, arrived incognito on the steamer Periere.

A Times' special says Col. Gilbert. tried by Court Martial for suppressing newspapers in Arkansas, and justifying himself on the ground that the military FLORENCE, Oct 17.—The news continues are masters of the Southern people, has been sentenced to pay a fine of five thoustrenched themselves at Paola, and the Papal and dollars, and be reduced to the rank of

Buffalo, Oct. 7 .- Council refused to invite Sheridan to visit the city. The Mayor has called a public meeting of the citizens to extend the hospitalities.

The Times' special says: The evening administration organ announces that bishops for adopting a paper liable to create a meeting for the ratification of the nomiexcitement at a time when tranquility is nation of Johnson for President and Sher. necessary for the restoration of the country. man for Vice President was postponed to

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—Dispatches from Fort Larned announces the arrival of the Indian Commissioners, who proceed disrectly to Medicine Lodge Creek.

By late advices from Montana, Captain Hughes and two companies of mounted militia have turned highwaymen and are committing depredations on the road between Montana and Colorado, and one thousand dollars is offered as a reward for the capture of Hughes.

Washington, Oct. 11.-It is believed were engraved in England. About \$70,-000 of them were redeemed at the Treasbetween Rome and Ostia and interrupted prospect of the capture of the counterfeiters.

California.

San Francisco, Oct. 14.—This afternoon a woman named Beatric Pina Jua-The expedition at Toulon is equipped and few words passed between them when she The wounded man walked to a boat lying at one of the wharves. He is reported to be in a dying condition. herself and husband lived happily togeth-London, Oct, 18.—At a dinner given er till she made the acquaintance of Mor-

Michael Walsh, the man who was shot

Last night Mrs Nettie Quinehard was arrested for an assult with a deadly assaulted and beat her, and that all her warlike performances were merely in selfdefence. He was admitted to bail in the

About three o'clock this morning John Joseph Jordan stabbed Dennis Kennedy in the abdomen with a large knife at a house on Beale street, inflicting a wound which it was thought would prove fatal.

The artillery men stationed at Black Point were exercised this morning, firing shells at a rock in the bay between Alcatraz and Saucelito. The batteries at the Presido were also engaged at target practice at the same time.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer China, sailed for Hong Kong and Yokohama at 12 m. to-day. She carried \$1,076,000 treasure, 782 tons of freight, and 900 Chinese.

A LEADING RITUALIST ON HIS TRIAL. The case of Martin against the Rev. A. H. Mackonochie, incumbent of St Alban's, Holborn, accused of ritualism, came up in the Arches Court in London, August 27. The Dean of Arches, Sir Robert Phillimore, have the judicial election received increase Sprague's majority over Curry, and place Sprague's majority over Curry, and place defendant's counsel, the promoter, Martin, objected to his hearing the case, even with objected to his hearing the case, even with assessors. The defendant insisted that the dean could not lawfully refer the case to a surrogate, but must hear it himself. The dean suggested that the best course was to take the question before the Privy Council. Personally, he should be very reluctant to hear the case. The points upon which the judge will have to decide are the legality of lights, incense and the elevation of the paten and chalice in the communion.

our Paris Letter.

A great sensation has been co

week. A letter has been writte

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France by Mr. Cluseret, an general, who says that the exe Maximilian was an act of high quired by circumstances. The he sums up in three words—est. "The head of Maximilian new world what that of Louis to the old. The Bourbons fa in Europe. Monarchy has fall in America; if Europe does no let her try again; we are ready.' think Europe will try the job time to come; she is not read save the millions that were spen port troops from France to M will wait until that America name I do not remember, by has succeeded in his projet. that he has taken out in Englan for an apparatus with which h crossing the ocean. It is a h gutta percha, very thick, and quence very solid, somewhat a the figure, crossed by an irop s at the bottom by a cannon b cient weight to maintain the har vertical position. The man himself within and with the breathing apparatus he can necessary, puff up his elastic er small space is reserved for fo must be but in meat extracts w small volume contain a great of nutritive principles. As to the inventor pretends that he h chemical substance which re water instantly drinkable. As locomotion, at the top of the i adapted a cringle destined to kite which with an ordinary w the inventor says-make the sail from six to eight miles an l next visit to the United States complish in that manner, but you that I shall permit the e inventor to go first. After all the noise, all the

the last 15th of August, Pari dull. The exhibition is comit end, and all our foreign and visitors who staid to witness the cent and fairy-like sight ex Paris on the Emperor's fete, has Those who remain are poor me, bound to their work and re like correspondence. What nee of newspapers? could we not li them? Why do people always put their noses into other's Can't we remain quiet, chez n out taking any care for what su have or are going to do or a lords of creation, as we boas ourselves, are "queer fish and troubled waters." If everybod me, that proprietor of the Lone could not have given a day's r his paper to his daughter for l de noce, and her face wou have been worse than Miss] Flimsy, who had nothing to wes

respective countries; so no n neither grand dinners nor repr de gala, which the Parisians lik because they paid for them an lowed to witness them de loin, their compte rendu in the morro No more regiments passing t tambour battant et banniere Nothing but our exhibition wit talion of infantry for visitors. you know how they came to be teurs ordinaires of the exhibiti Emperor asked the Commission how much they would ask a d battalion of infantry visit the The Emperor thought the cha too much, and as the exhibitio many valuable things which stolen, he ordered that a battal fantry should keep watch on keep safe the prospects of the So every day a new battallion installed at the exhibition with a sou. It is very simple, as you Our sole distraction nov

All our royal guests are back

breakfast to go and have a lo new Opera House-a look of corn, for a more ugly buil never seen in Paris before. that it will cost forty-eight n francs (£1,600,000), and that finished in two years to com square building, looking mo depot than an Academy of: s written on its front in l letters. When I am able stand myself that conglome material of all kinds-go marble, bronze of a thousand colors, in tasteless opposition other, I will send you a det scription of what should h he pride of a city like Paris other theatres nothing new the same series and the same dramas that the managers a habit of digging out at this ti year. The only novelty we for the last two months has Sothern's appearance in "Ot can Cousin," assuming the of Lord Dundreary. But he pily for us, left Paris after failure, notwithstanding English press calls his succe

Of all the English and artistes who appeared in only successful one has b