

The Weekly British Colonist AND CHRONICLE.

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 not many weeks since we endeavored to draw the attention of the British Government...

Of course we do not credit any of the sensation rumours that are now going the rounds of the American press...

As to Great Britain even entertaining the idea of a cession of the Pacific slopes and harbors to the United States...

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Enterprise left yesterday morning...

Reciprocity with the United States.

The abrogation of the Reciprocity Treaty with Canada by the United States was regarded as a deathblow to the hopes of the Confederacy...

Now that the northern territory is to some extent nationalized and naturally solicited for doing more than it has done...

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...

- PROGRAMME. Boys Skulking—Masters Humber, Bone, McMullan and Fox. Behaving in School—Misses Norris and Bullen.

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...

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

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Enterprise left yesterday morning, at nine o'clock...

ISLAND HOPE.—We understand that hops have been successfully grown at North Saanich...

COMMITTED.—The master of the British bark Aid was yesterday committed to the debtors' prison...

AN ALLEGED ACCESSORY TO EMBEZZLEMENT. Stephen Chase again appeared yesterday at the Police Court...

CUTTING AND WOUNDING.—An Esquimaux Indian, charged with cutting and wounding another Indian...

THE NEW PRAIRIE.—The Assistant Surveyor General has returned from a visit to the new prairie in Cowichan District...

PAY UP AND SECURE A VOTE.—Delinquents on the city rate lists must pay the amounts set opposite their names...

THE CAPITAL QUESTION.—Dispatches relating to the location of the capital are expected to arrive here by next mail...

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.

HORSE RACES.—Arrangements are being perfected for several interesting horse-races, over Beacon Hill, on the 9th November...

THE PAPER HUNT.—Our readers must not forget the paper hunt to-day. The start will be made from Beacon Hill at 2 o'clock precisely.

The big Robert Cowan will sail for Honolulu, S. I., to-day.

The steamer Otter sailed yesterday for Nainaimo 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.

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.

There is nothing new in what I have written, and I should not ask you to insert it, but you have invited discussion...

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Yours,

[Under the circumstances, we should say that if you vote for Dr Trimble's opponent you would not be guilty of a breach of faith.—ED. COLONIST.]

By Electric 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 five years.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The Herald's Havana special says the Mexican election resulted in favor of Juarez in the States of Mexico and Guadalupe and all the principal States of the interior.

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 whites.

Europe.

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

PARIS, Oct. 17.—The Moniteur asserts its belief that Rome and the Papal provinces will be loyal to the Pope.

FLORENCE, Oct. 17.—The news continues favorable. The revolutionists have entrenched themselves at Paola, and the Papal troops await reinforcements before making further advances.

VENICE, 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.

FLORENCE, Oct. 18.—Reinforcements of French and Spanish volunteers for the defense of the Pope have arrived at Rome.

The Italian troops are still guarding the frontier to prevent persons having the appearance of Garibaldians from crossing.

It is reported that the plan for insurrection in the city of Rome has been exposed and the leaders thrown into prison.

Garibaldi has seized the railroad between Rome and Ostia and interrupted 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 imperative demand on Italy for a strict observance of the Convention of September.

The expedition at Toulon is equipped and ready to sail for the relief of Rome. It is hourly expected.

Europe.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—At a dinner given in Manchester yesterday by the Derby Ministry, Earl Derby defended the action of the Government on the Reform question.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Times asserts that the Italian Prime Minister Rattazzi has pledged to enter Rome as soon as the French arrive.

The Fenians it is reported made an attempt last night at the police station in Chester to release their comrades confined there.

It is reported that arrangements have been effected whereby rates by the Cable will be reduced 50 per cent.

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.

The artillery men stationed at Black Point were exercised this morning, firing shells at a rock in the bay between Alcatraz and Sausalito.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer China, sailed for Hong Kong and Yokohama at 12 m. to-day.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21.—Fall returns of the judicial election received increase Sprague's majority over Curry, and place Fitzgerald ahead of Swett.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—A. M. Chapell, a well-known dealer and capitalist, has committed suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.—OCT. 22.

Flour market quiet. Oregon extra brands in quarter sacks firmly held at \$7 75@7 87.

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

Oregon.

PORTLAND, Oct. 22.—The steamer Ori flame is aground at Moody Island, her passengers and freight will be brought to Portland by the O. S. N. Company's steamer.

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.

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.

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

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—It is believed that the plates for the counterfeit bonds were engraved in England.

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.

After all the noise, all the the last 15th of August, Paris dull. The exhibition is coming on.

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