sums were set down.

Legislative Council.

Monday, Jan 16th, 1871. Council met at 1:15 p.m. Present-The hon Speaker, hon Chief Commissioner, hon Attorney General, hon Collector of Customs. Carrall, hon Dr Helmcken, Mr Nelson, Mr Nathan, Mr Skinner, Mr Bunster, Mr Alston, Mr De Cosmos, Mr Pembers ton, Mr Cornwall.

Hop Dr Carrall asked leave to bring in ap ordinance on Friday next to exempt the Kurtz & Lane Mining Company from competition. The Douglas drew too much duties, road and bridge tells, on certain machinery imported by them.

Mr Bunster would move that the Governor be requested to place the additional sum of \$750 on the Estimates for the construction of a bridge across Courtenay River, Comox, to enable farmers and others to reach the steamboat landing.

Mr Bunster would move that the sum of build a bridge across Nanaimo river, to rebridge to be placed two miles further down the river than the former one.

TERMS OF CONFEDERATION. Hon Chief Commissioner moved that the motion to go into committee on the Terms of Confederation be postponed till Wednes-

Mr DeCosmos meved to have the question postponed till Friday so that all the memberg might be present.

The motion of the hon Chief Commis-

sioper was adopted.

by was ready (XICATUR ; but that it House went into Committee of supply,

Mr Bunster opposed the subsidy in view the Sound' and the prospective rush of gold omails. The latter cause would bring stear a big disgust on towards the fir Jas Douglas, miners might be dropped at Port Townsend and brought across in the Sound steamer, He moved that the item be struck out.

that the member for Victoria City would great give some reasons why the subsidy should be maintained. It was true that the bulk of the mail matter came via Paget Sound ; but the most capid communication was by direct steamer. We only paid half the subleidy required by Holladay & Co., but even at that figure, the service did not pay them. Were the subsidy withdrawn the boats would be discontinued. He was satisfied or from personal experience that the service should be cut off from communication with be San Francisco enticely.

Mr Nathan said that Victoria being the head of steam pavigation, the mails for Nanaimo and other parts had to come here to be weekly, instead of as now—semi-monthly. distributed To deprive Victoria of the abanrd

half the mail subsidy was paid by the Impe-

rial Covernment besse Mrs Bunster said that other companies—the H B Co and Donohue & Hon Chief Commissioner said that it the Wiright—were willing to put on better stea. address was merely intended as an expresmere and run them twice a month. He was sion of opinion that the additional service very nevere on Holladay & Company, whom was necessary he (the Chief Commissioner) be accused of putting floating coffice on the would not oppose it. The contract for the Vietoria route.

The bon Chief Commissioner explained - the position of the colony with the company and the motion was lost. Conveyance of mails to and from toris and New Westminster-\$500.

Mr Nelson complained of the smallness of this amount, which was icsufficient to selineure New Westminster regular or efficient service. The present service caused a great deal of annoyance and loss to the mainlanders. He urged upon the government the payment of a sum sufficient to secure a regular and efficient service between the two places and moved to that effect.

Mr Nathan supported the motion as rea-- 210 sonable and just. Nanaimo and the East Coast got \$4,200 for their mail service, which, perhaps, was not too much, but the port charges paid by the Enterprise far exceeded the amount granted by the government.
This was wrong and in this trying season of the year Victoria might find itself dut off tog from mail communication with the Main-

Hon Chief Commissioner asked what sum was sufficient to compensate the Company.
The \$4200 for the conveyance of mails from Victoria toNanaimo and Comox not actually paid for that service,—it was the amount of the lowest tender from outside parties for the ed service which was credited to the Sir James Donglas. The subsidy for carrying the mails. between New Westminster and Victoria was fermerly \$400. It was now \$500,—the steamer not being confined to regular trips. To procure a boat that would carry the mails regu-larly would require a subsidy of \$5.000.

Mr Skinner asked what the port charges amounted to. afasil Mr Nathan \$663 anyear. I am creditably informed that anless an increase is granted, we are likely, at three months

motice; to be cut off from mail communication no with the Mainland. Mr Nelson said that as the H B Company 0004 had carried the mails for nothing when the Coleny was very poor, it was a good argument in favor of their being generously treated now. It showed a bad state of affairs when \$500 was considered a sufficient sum for carrying

the mails between Victoria and New Westof beaminster. and al Mr DeCosmes suggested a motion asking for

a specific sum. Mr Bunster said the Nanaime and New do que Westminster service might be consolidated. The Chief Factor of the Hudson Bay Company was willing to do that, and run a boat

twice a week. Hon Chief Commissioner-Will he go to

Mr Bunster—He will put on a boat between Comox ? Nanaimo and Comox. The Enterprise is the best boat and the trips will be more frequent than now, when it costs \$100 to reach Victoria from Comox.

Mr DeCosmos moved that the matter be referred to the Executive and more regular ser. 'New Westminster' that exceedingly small ice recommended.

The hon Speaker said the matter had already been taken iute consideration by the \$100 is the carrier's own figure—it is all he Executive and an increased subsidy had been asked (laughter). refused. Mr Nelson withdrew the original motion and

the item was passed. Conveyance of mails to and from Esquimalt and Victoria. \$600.

Mr De Cosmes-Does the colony pay the whole of it? The hen Speaker-It does, and the service

is twice a day except Sunday. The item was passed. Conveyance of mails to and from Victoria,

Nanaimo and Comox. \$4200. Mr Bunster wanted to see a better best put on and the service submitted to public

water to be available and was also expensive. A private boat would carry the mails for half the amount the service now cost and would do the work better. He moved that public competition be invited. Hon Chief Commissioner-We have ad-

vertised three years running and each year the subsidy asked was more than it cost to do the work with the Douglas. Last year dollars be placed in the Estimates to there was a tender from a boat which the hon gentleman would be sorry to see runplace the one recently burned dewn, said ning to his dis rict. The amount asked was exactly the amount set down in that tender. If the Hudson Bay Company would do the service at the same rates, or for anything like the sum set down, let them make the offer-the Government having no desire to keep the Sir James Douglas on the route. elthough she bad rendered good service. If the hon gentlemen thought tenders were ner cessary let them pass a resolution asking that tenders be requested.

After some further discussion Mr Bunster's asolution was carried.

Mr Bunster moved that the Sir James Douglas make semi-monthly trips to Comox Hon Chief Commissioner complained that Mr Alston in the chair. The estimates all the produce was sent from Comox in were taken up at the item for conveyance of the fone sloop once a month, and every

mails to and from San Francisco, \$12,000. time the Sir James Douglas went there is was at a dead loss. The people of Comex of the near completion of a railroad across did not appreciate the Sir James Douglas. Mr Bunster said the people of Comox had mere here without a subsidy; besides the but let her come twice a month and she would get all the freight.

Mr DeCosmos said he thought the Sir James Douglas was ill-adapted to the Cobez Hon Chief Comm ssioner bad anticipated mox trade the draught of water being too

The resolution was carried. The committee here rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again at the

call of the Speaker. The Council having reassembled, the item of \$13,000 for mail service between New

Wesiminster and Cariboo came up. Mr Cornwall moved for an address to the Governor asking that the mail service with Cariboo be performed once a week instead was most wretched, but without it we of fortoightly during the present winter. The hon gent eman alladed to the fact that the winter population of the interior had greatly increased and it was really necessary that the service should be performed Hon Dr Carratt warmig seconded the reocean mail service would be to injure the solution of Mr Cornwall, contending that whole colony He considered the resolution the necessity for weekly communication existed as much in winter as in the summer Hon Chief Commissioner stated that one- time, while the same wagons, horses and men required for the semi monthly service

would perform the weekly service. The additional cost, therefore, would not be great. Hon Chiel Commissioner said that if the current year was closed and of the prayer was carried out, the Government would be completely at the mercy of the contractors. No doubt the service was necessary, but it could not be carried out

now without great expense. Mr Cornwall said he believed it was now too late to secure a weekly service during the current year; but as an expression of the opinion of the Council it would assist in the raming of the Estimates for next year.

The resolution was amended to refer to to ask for a semi-weekly service during the summer. Carried. Ayes-Hon Carrall,

Hon Dr Carrall moved that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the conveyance of mails between Quesnelmonth and Omineca.

Hon Speaker said that when there was any ropulation at Omineca it would be time enough to consider the propriety of establish. ng a mail service. Hon Dr Carrall pointed out the necessity

for the service, and the resolution was pass-Conveyance of mails to and from Columbia

iver-\$600 Mr Cornwell complained of the infre quency and irregularity of the service. The item was carried. Mr Cornwall moved an address for \$1000

for the conveyance of mails from Cache creek to Mission valley in the Okanagan The hon mover referred to the large and in. creasing population of the locality, and when the interests of the settler were borne in mind it would be seen that the amount asked was quite reasonable. At present there was no mail service at all and people had to send express messengers 50 miles for Leir letters.

Mr Skinner had pleasure in seconding the resolution. Express messengers had to be sent long distances to get letters, and an arrangement to pay a b t on each letter to have it brought by the mail-carrier proved No words could convey an adequate idea of the wretched state of the mail ser-

vice in that locality. Hon Chief Commissioner and Mr. De Cos mos suggested that the mails might be left at Duck's place and thence disributed once a month to the surrounding country.

The resolution was adopted. Conveyance of mai's to and from Kootensy-\$1200. Carried. Conveyance of mails between Burrard Inlet and New Westminster -\$100.

Mr Nelson always found when he came to

Hon Speaker-Tenders were called for and

Mr Skinner moved an address to His Excellency the Governor asking that an additional sum of \$600 be placed in the Estimates for carrying the mails to and from Kootenay. He complained that a large amount of revenue was collected there and very small sums expended there. At present the service was every six weeks. The proposed sum would allow a man to leave

each end of the route once a month. Hon Speaker said the amount down in the Estimates was all the centractor asked for the service. To give him more would be giving him more than he asked.

Mr Skinner-What we want at Kootenay is a monthly service and it is for that service that \$600 more is asked.

Hon Chief Commissioner said that the amount recommended for the Okanagan service would meet the object sought to be at-

The motion was carried-6 to 5. Mr DeCosmos moved an address for a sum of \$100 for receiving the mails at the steamboat landing on Salt Spring laland and dis ributing them throughout the Island. Car-

Mr DeCosmos moved that the Council recommend that tenders be asked for the convevance of mails between Victoria and Metchosio, Victoria and Saanich, and Victoria and Esquimalt. Carried.

Casual conveyance of mails and bags to and from steamers-\$250. Carried. Conveyance of mails, homewards and out

wards, between England and the United States-\$3000. Passed. Mr Bunster moved that a sum not exceedng \$150 be voted for the delivery of mails

at Comex. Lest. Construction of a new goal at Nanaimo -\$750. Passed. The following items were passed without

discussion : Repairs to Government Buildings at Vicria-\$1250.

Repairs to Government House, Victoria-\$600. To Government House, New Westninster-\$250. To Government Boildings, New Westminster-\$500. To Government Buildings, Yale - \$300. To Geverament Buildings, Lilloost and Glinton-\$250. To Government Buildings, Cariboo-\$400. To Government Buildings, Kootenay-\$300. Repairs to buo, s, Fraser river -\$300.

Mr Nelson complained that two of the buoys were out of place. Hon Chief Commissioner stated that au-

hority had been given for replacing them. The item was passed. Repairs to buoys, Nanaimo-\$300. Pass-

Miscellaneous surveys-\$6000.

Mr DeCosmos asked for information. Hon Chief Commissioner explained to the satisfaction of the Council and said that it the \$6000 were expended there would be \$20,000 added to the revenue.

Item passed. Mr DeCosmos moved that a line of wagon road be surveyed from Goldstream to Shawnigan; a wagon road from Chemainus to Nanaime, and one from Victoria to Sooke.

Hon Chief Commissioner said that surveys had been already made, and wherever it was necessary that a line of road should be constructed, the Department might bestrusted to make the required survey. The mo-Lands and Works Department a duty that would come up as a matter of course.

The motion was lost-Messrs DeCosmos and Bunster in the affirmative. New telegraph line from Quesnelmouth to Barkerville-\$3000.

Mr Cornwall asked for information. it proposed to build a new line ? Hon Chief Commissioder replied that the Government proposed to take over the Buie

line and put it in order.

Mr Cornwell asked for information as to the position of the Government with the telegraph company.

Hon Colef Commissioner said the Government had agreed to keep in repair the subintere arrangements during the winter and merged portion of the line between Swinomish and Victoria - in doing which last year only \$600 had been expended -and had acbecosmos. Noes—Hons Chief Commis-though they might give it up whenever they sioner, Speaker, Collector of Customs, Method. The net deficit for maintaining the Pemberton. Mr Nelson, not having voted, line was about \$7009. The Sanation was counted with the aves. which in the main proved correct. Hon members must remember, however, that, although the amount set down was \$7000, the

earnings of the line would be deducted. In reply to Mr DeCosmos the hon Chief Commissioner stated that the colony would be expected to replace a defective cable that the Government did not receive any portion of the tauff between Victoria and Swinomish, only from Swinomish north ; that the operators were under the control of the magistrate, and that Government clerks

were being instructed in the use of the instruments.
Mr DeCesmos would like to see the de-

tails of the expenditure. Hon Chief Commissioner was willing to lay particulars upon the table. The question vhether the half dollar duty on whisky would be discontinued after the line was taken over by the Canadian Government was The Chief Commissioner, in an open one. eply to Mr Cornwall, said that the line cost \$6112, over \$3000 of which was expended in the construction of the new line from

Swinomish to Matsqui. Mr Cornwall said the line had not been strongly built and that a great delay had ocurred in opening it.

Hon Chief Commissioner said he was absent from the colony while the line was in progress; but he believed that it was now working well, and that the work of recon erroction was as effectually done as the means at the command of the Superintendent would allow.

Hon Dr Carreall said nothing was more perishable than a telegraph line, and during the time this line was unused 8000 or 9000 breaks had occurred and teamsters and In dians had accuaily osed hundreds of the poles for fuel. These breaks had to be repaired and the burned poles replaced, and now all the towns and the Cariboo Sentinet were supplied with news regularly.

The item was passed.

A motion to rise and report progress was Yale-Yytton road, \$16.000; Clinton and Camerontown read, \$12.000; Douglas and

Clinton road, \$1000. Passed. Mr Skinner moved that the sum of \$3000 be placed on the Estimates for the construction of a trail through the Eagle pass to Kootenay. Lost.

Burrard Inlet road, \$1500; New Westminster. Yals sleigh road, \$2000. Passed. Mr Nelson moved that the sum [\$300] set down for New Westminster District roads be increased to \$1000. The hon mover supported his motion with a very able speech, which was replied to by the hon Chief Commissioner. The motion was lost

and the original sum passed. Sumass and Chilliwhack District roads.

\$750. Passed. Hon Dr Carrall moved that an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor respectfully requesting teat be will cause the sum of \$15 000 to be placed upon the Estimates for the purpose of constructing a wagonroad across the Giscome Portage and improving the navigation of Orocked and Omiceca rivers, and that such further sum be placed upon the Estimates as His Excellency may deem sufficient for the purposes of explaying for the best route fer a trail from Quesnelmouth to Germansen creek, and for making the same as soon as

he explorations are complete. The hop gentleman presented a petition, signed by 1700 persons and measuring some 30 feet in length, in support of the motion.

Hon Dr Carrall briefly reviewed the bism tory of the Peace River mines from their discovery to the location of the Germansen creek mines. These mines were very rich and valuable, and it was necessary that every facility should be afforded persons to reach them. The farmers in the upper country, too, without this road, would be excluded from the trade of the new diggings. The whole of the mainland favored the construction of this road, and whatever merits any competing raad might possess the interior road would always command a great share of the trade. If bigh prices prevailed at the mines next summer the effect would be very prejudicial to the country. amount of revenue that had been derived and the amount of revenue that would be derived from Omineca ought to be taken into consideration by the Government in dealing with this question;

Mr Cornwall rose to support the motion. The question was whether the colony should reap all the benefit to result from these discoveries, or whether it was to be drained of its gold resources without an adequate re-

turn being made.

Hon Chief Commissioner said he would an deavor to express what he understood to be the views of His Excelleney on this subject. When the Estimates were framed no sum was placed therein for a road into Omineca creek. The offi cer had reported that there was mining ground for 200 men, but the Government did not feel justified in expending any money. Since the Estimates were framed the mining district had been reported to be extensive, and the petition was entitled to respectful consideration at the hands of the Executive. A memorial from four of the Mainland members and a large num-ber of citizens commanded the attention of the Council and the Government. As surance is given by the signers of the petition-that the district is what it is represented to be and that this road is the best to the diggings. In former years the Government had voted money for roads to mining localities which had not me the anticipations expressed. Government was assured now, however, that there was no mistake shout the richness of the new mines and the responsibility of the assurance must rest with them. Now, if the Council should come to a de-cision the Government would endeavor to carry out the wish of the Council. If the Council voted \$10,000 for opening the Giscombe Portage he called on the Council to remember that the that portage being the best route. His informa-tion as to the route did not tally with that given in the petition—it was exactly contrary. He failed to see that any more revenue would be obtained from the trade through the building of this road; if the gold was there the revenue would be just the same. He would not oppose the vote so as the money required for opening the Giscombe Portage went, and he would send out an exploring party into the county this Spring. We should not be in a hurry. (Mr DeCosmos—Hear, hear.) We had been in a hurry before and failed (Mr De-

We had been in a hurry before and failed (Mr De-Cosmos—Heat.)

Mr Nelson supported the motion to open the portage and clear the river. The producers of the interior to-day were our only permanent population, and by opening up the Skeena route we should injure that population materially. Let us increase our indebtedness before Union, for how else could we get money at five per cent.

Dr Helmcken was not aware that the line had een explored so as to enable anyone to say that \$15,000 would be sufficient to open this route. The road tolls would be increased if the bulk of travel went by this road. But do what hon gentlemen might nothing could induce commerce to travel out of its natural channel.

Mr DeCosmos believed the Council was taking a leap in the dark. The difficulties to be encounta read on the route were more formidable than any at present supposed. He expressed himself as of opinion that the Peace River country would be supplied from the Skeena River. He should vote

Mr Nathan said as far as his information went the Skeena was the best route; but believing that the vested interests of the interior would suffer without this road, he should vote for the resolu-

Hon Chief Commissioner said that if the ganthemen who brought forward the memorial could not youch for the statements contained therein and take the responsibility of the expenditure, the vote meant an entirely different thing from what he had been led to believe.

Hon Dr Carrall would youch for the representations.

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The resolution was passed unanimously.

Trails in Cariboo District—\$2000. Passed.

Mr DeCosmos moved that the Council recommend that \$3000 be expended in opening a trail from Skeena River to Tatlah Lake. Carried. Committee rose and Council adjourned till one o'clock on Tuesday.

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To-day the Legislative will be called upon to decide British Columbia is to accept dian Tariff of Cuatoms, or re present one under Confedere much has already appeared subject in these columns that i be considered necessary to single argument as to the en merits of the respective Tariff is, we believe, a very general as to the greatly preponderat tages offered by the Canad over that now in force. But possible that the suggestion the decision of this question