of 2d April 1867; also, senditure and income of arks from the hon Helmo-cent into Committee of blies, Hon O'Reilly in the

amusing discussion arose of recognising the title of Secretary now borne by

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cil have entered a general protest

against the estimates for the current

year as they stand. Their action will

with the actual necessities of the Gov-

ernment services the amount of popu-

lation, the revenue of the country, and

the public good in general; that it

was only necessary to mention them

to draw from the Legislature the at-

tention required. We are not extrem-

ists; nor have we any desire to tra-

vel beyond the limits of our province

and raise issues on questions which in

effect would embarrass the Govern-

ment without conferring on the pub-

lic any commensurate advantage. We

are not factious; nor have we any

desire to advocate a wholesale slaughter

of officials, to look upon them as cor-

rupt and demand their dismissal sim-

ply because they are officials. We

are not oppositionists; nor have we

any desire to attack all measures

which emanate from the Government,

and hold then up to opprobrium and

ridicule, irrespective of its own dig-

nity and the public necessity, simply

because they are proposed by the

Government. But we confess we are

utilitarian, so far as the doctrine is

limited to the principle that the great-

est happiness for the greatest num-

ber should be the aim and end of all

social and political institutions. In

somewhat extended, and, we hope,

correct knowledge of our national and

colonial history, we have never known

a great principle advanced by an un-

founded opposition to the Government.

wherein the dignity of our name, the

sacredness of our honor, and the

intelligence of our people are placed

in a contemptible light before the

world to the prejudice of all. There

need be, so far as we can see, no neces-

sary antagonism between the Governe

in their demands, and the other just

in their concessions. It is this spirit

consideration of the present estimates.

so far as we maintain the protest

against them. In all cases of financial

difficulty, private or public, we should

leprosy; the one always ends in

and transportation; the other in op-

pression, wrong, injustice and ruin.

The fault, then, found in the prepara-

tion of the estimates is that principle

has been sacrificed for expediency,

political existence. The people heart-

ily approve of the reductions so far as

they go but we regret that they stopped

at the point where they would have

become substantially beneficial to the

Government as well as themselves:

and thus the motive directing those

reductions, though perhaps capable

of much defence, really looks to them

as arbitary or vacilating. And in all

sincerity, what occasion really is

there for the great array of departs

ments and clerks that we find? If

the country cannot support them

what are we to do? Is there no possibility of amalgamation and fur-

her reduction? It would be no difficult

matter to point out at least \$100,000

more that could be saved to the gen-

eral revenue without much hardship

to the private individual, or injury

to the efficiency of Government. If

the Executive will not initiate a suita

able reduction, the Legislature must,

and yet it were better for our present and

utpre welfare that the two should work

harmoniously together. We must either am-algamate a number of departments and re-

duce the large staff of employes, or sustain an unwise tariff which cripples foreign com-merce, and heavy tolls which impede in-ternal transmission; permit our public works

and thoroughfares to go to ruin; our available

agricultural and mineral lands to remain

anoccupied; our postal arrangements to be

inefficient; our schools to be empty; our

asylums to be useless and a descrepitude steal year by year upon us until it becomes

chronic, and obliterates both hope and spirit.

A little more life and vigor in meeting the

financial difficulties of the year, would have avoided all these evils by encouraging the people to support them manfully

delay its accomplishment.

elmcken, DeCosmos and the official troupe, wherely a mode of apprecciawas ultimately passed. foregoing discussion, the ary stated that hon Birch d draw one single dollar respect of any position n in this country. He rations would take place ks as vacancies occur. economy would in future ent with efficiency. objected to insertion of as if permanent. In last

same clerk was set down bon Colonial Secretary clerk when hired was ers for a short time, but siness had made his conhis position, however, as

suggested that Custom

suggested that as titles e hon Collector should ceman General." lained that the change f, but Customs officer loyed that incorporation roposed that the duties and Stipendiary Magis-Igamated at New West

add "as soon as may lition of these words. th

ed. n relation to the Regisctoria, stated that the ormed in one hour each at a bill be brought in rar to practice law, and to \$1000 a year. The by hons Walkem, Wood who contended that the ng before the Courts was the due performance of strar. the item passed. rould now follow the

If he could not induce expenditure he would to it. He moved that ent Postmaster in Vica \$1250 to \$2000. After s Young, Pemberton, agreed to.

ary of clerk in Attorney \$500 to \$1000, which er passing items up to ve, rose, reported pro-

ought in a bill to con-of land from the Hudson ad first time. Second solution for appropria-

n constructing a trail Mosquito Creeks, was of Roads and Bridges om His Excellency the with which was sent of 1863 and 1867 com-

utions on saw mills and addresses to Gover-

till 1 P M: Friday.

isters' Bilf.

In the report of the risters' Bill, your retely misconstrued and guage used on that occonveys the impression gingly of the English was, and is far from e always entertained et for a Bar so honored parts of the globe.

EO. A. WALKEM.

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nd irregularity of Steam Com-SAN FRANCISCO

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attention to this important subject we are glad it has been taken up by the Council in case, and in a long (and said to be parsonest. We find in reference to Education case, and in a long (and said to be parsonest, and caused a large number of various sums (as high as \$20,000) have been tial) report in the Columbian of Saturday. glad it has been taken up by the Council in It is a source of congratulation that proposed. But suppose the highest sum is granted, what guarantee have we for its payment? In our opinion, the official element ful. The assaultee suffered considerably will swallow up every surplus dollar, and in body and the assaultor in reputation the popular members of the Counhe fully sustained by the people. We have already pointed out some of the port. The popular members can only protest against the expenditure; they have unmore glaring cases of inequality in

fortunately not the power to prevent it. pay and labor-cases so inconsistent proceeding suspicious. This carrying a and that we have heard the last of affairs suggestion of delay, under a presumed of the kind in this Colony. ignorance of what they know perfectly well—the precise working of Confederacy so far as tried, the terms on which we onght to be admitted and the necessity of cause an indorsement of the principle of immediate Confederation, even if not of the two Governments, whose intentions we ment and the people, if the one is just all thoroughly understand, and whose wishes -backed by the popular sentiment of the Colony-will eventually be carried into law combined with a few popular members of the Council, whose private interests, be it recollected, are all the same, think they can by a recommendation of delay thwart or frustrate avoid expediency as we would the the maturely determined plans of two such The propellor Geo. S. Wright, Capt. Lang. was good. Provisions were cheap. Flour they are very much mistaken, and by such short-sighted opposition make a record regime when it comes—as in the due course w lors, who styled themselves "the people of we venture to predict, have very much the community. Instead of being the promoter of the peoples' wishes as heretofore in all that related to the good of the colony, he has very unfortunate when a man of such high affair. tended that Confederation, long before it as evening. She reports the steamship Ori-

live the individual must perish. In drawing abuse indulged in by the complainant not only education, but every good public the former from the hard knocks administ Council on Saturday night. Among the pasanguish and finally die out for want of sup tered and the latter from allowing any sengers were Hons. Smith, Walkem, Stamp throw him of his balance. We admit the mail also arrived. provocation was very great. No editor On Friday evening the question of Confederation was brought before the Legis—lature in the form of an address to the lature in the form of a lature in the lature in the form of a lat Queen in its favour, moved by the Hon. a chance to secure satisfaction in a Court shot, Brannan was robbed of his watch by DeCosmos, and a resolution against it of Law, and then, when challenged to his assailant. moved by the Hon. Wood. It requires combat, to evade personal responsibility. Mails Coming at Last.—The steamship but small powers of analysis to see the by declining to fight the person he has John L. Stephens sailed from San Francisco proceeding in its proper light; and to us injured. A plain narration of facts is not on Saturday afternoon for Portland with the expression of personal feeling rather than writer, temperately stated, justify an Active at Astoria for Victoria. public sentiment, of private interest rather assault upon his person. It is of travel- MR FRANK TARBELL, of the steamer Geo. than public good. It amounts absolutely ing beyond the facts-of a departure from S. Wright, and Wells, Fargo & Co., have to nothing, and moreover contradicts the usual etiquette of a report of the itself. It certainly enunciates no new Council proceedings to indulge in a fling sentiment, proclaims no new truth, sug- at a fellow member, and to point at him gests no new principle against the neces the figurative finger of scorn, contempt and sity or advantage of immediate Confed ridicule, wherein Mr. Smith has just cause eration—but it does indorse and confirm for complaint. But he should have kept the action of the late Council in the prem- his temper- especially when the object ises, as well as sustain the proposition of against which he allowed it to get the bet the good which would be derived by both ter of him was so unworthy his notice. England and British Columbia from the Let us hope, however, that the chastise-Confederation of our North American ment administered to the one, and the interritories. Still it proposes delay, and it fliction of a heavy fine upon the other. is such contradiction which makes the will prove a wholesome lesson to both,

> throw a little more life into his acting than usual, for much of the success of the piece will depend upon his doing so.

Governments as England and Canada don, arrived from Portland on Saturday after- was only 16 cents per lb., and beef 12c; of and the will of the British Columbian people, gers, 16 head of cattle and 80 tons of freight 400,000 lbs, and there was a full supply of for Vict. coa signees. The G. S. Wright nearly every description of goods. Freight met the steamer Active, hence for Portland, from Yale to Barkerville was 15 ets. per lb. which bereafter may be used with prejudice about 20 miles north of Columbia River bar, But the mining interest is not the only interto their power and position under the new at 8 o'clock on Friday afternoon. The est that is 'looking up.' The season is at was fine and sea smooth, and the least a month shead of last and double the and will only increase the evil of our of events it will come. Such conduct Active probably got safely into the river the quantity of grain has been laid down by the

reminds as of the old tale of the three tailoweers of the Geo. S. Wright, came in her, and appears promising. England," when they undertook to give and we learn have not decided in which A respectable tradesman on Government route she may be run.

ODD FELLOW'S ANNIVERSARY .- Yestermined expression on their part from Cariboo tion on this continent of this excellent to Vancouver Island. Every town of influ- and beneficial society, whose influence, like ence in the colony—Barkerville, Yale, New that of the Masons', is felt all over the world. THE G S WRIGHT.—There appears some

of a consolidated power which must actually and oats.

govern half the world; and yet its Council ARRIVED.—The bark Oakland, consigned passes a resolution which strictly acknow- to Mr R. Brodrick, arrived yesterday from ledges all this, and at the same time says San Francisco. She will load at Burrard Inlet with lumber for Sitka.

The British Columnst. | until the colony itself, by the sheer force of its innate vitality, cares them herself. It is a wise doctrine that if the country would have expended itself in a tirade of steamers arrived at the same moment. The label from Burrard Inlet, the George S towards the Magistrates who tried the Nanaimo. They gave the bay an animated Wright from Portland, and the Douglas from

THE Enterprise arrived at 101 o'clock yesterday morning from New Westminster. having been detained by the sitting of the thing that could be said by the former to and Pemberton. A Cariboo express and

A NOTED CHARACTER SHOT, Samuel

the resolution of Mr. Wood appears an a libel, nor does the honest opinion of a Victoria mails. She will connect with the

placed us under obligations for full files of

MOST ENCOURAGING NEWS

Tueeday, April 28 LATER FROM CARIBOO.

By the arrival of the steamer Enterprise from New Westminster on Sunday we have news from Cariboo to the 14th inst; which gives a highly encouraging account of matters there. The weather had been beautifully clear and delightfully warm since Feb'y 1st and the season was six weeks earlier than usual. Very little snow remained on the ground, and there had been plenty of water since April 1st on all the creeks and gulches The miners were at work and their prosperity seemed unbounded. The amount of dust THEATRE ROYAL .- This evening will be taken out daily was very large. The Bed presented Bourcicault's celebrated dramatizan Rock Drain it was expected would tap a tion of Dickens' Christmas Carol of the dozen claims in a few days, and thus re-open immediate action by the Council, will be Cricket on the Hearth. To an English com- a large tract of mining ground that had lain perfectly understood, we presume, by the munity nothing need be said of the merits idle for a long time. From the Prince of Governments of England and Canada as of this famous little tale, for we presume Wales to the Baldhead Claim-a distance of an act accomplished by the official vote, there are few households in which the chirp- half a mile—the miners were taking out pay. and therefore to be considered as nothing ings of that cricket are not familiar. We On Mosquito and Red Gulches a similar more than a cry of official danger. We can imagine no character more suited to the state of things existed, and at the head of regret the Council should have attempted force, vigor and earnestness of Miss Stone's Nelson Creek a rich deposit of gold had been to delay what they cannot prevent, be- acting than that of Det, and we shall be struck. Discovery and other rich claims much mistaken, after her splendid success on were about being opened. This creek arty, R. N., and Hon W J Macdonald: of immediate Confederation, even if not in it. The other cast of characters is good, in the ridge between Lightning Creek and of the two Governments, whose intentions we be synonymous; while with Mrs Fowlis as pect had been obtained. Peters Creek heads | Douglas, and most of our prominent citizens Bertha, and Marsh junr, as Tilly Slowboy, in the mountain between Lightning and Cotthe thing is brought as near perfect as we tonwood. Even Lightning Creek-that syn- during the day: can expect to have it in Victoria at present, onym of ill success—is giving a good account of justice we would evoke in the can take in the premises. If a few officials, racter, to sustain, we hope Mr. Gregory will Creek, on Lightning, have get a good account for the can take in the premises. e Mr Gregory will Creek, on Lightning, have got a good pect from a shaft, and at the mouth of Last Chance a few claims have been opened. On Lightning and its tributaries 100 men are ARRIVAL OF THE GEORGE S. WRIGHT .- profitably employed. The general health

> Parliament a severe castigation, and will, trade they will place their boat. Since her street also received a letter by last mail, last appearance in these waters the Wright in which it is stated that the hope of the same effect. We regret the resolution also has been fitted up handsomely. Her sea finest season ever known gets stronger every as tending to injure the reputation of Mr going qualities are well known, and she will day. The new territory of Mosquito and Wood, which has always stood high in our give a good account of herself on whatever Canadian creeks is found every day to be richer and more extensive than at first anticipated, and will give employment to a large number of men. A little patience and connow arrayed himself against the most deter- day was the 49th anniversary of the founda- fidence, and the country will be through all its troubles.

> Westminster and Victoria—has had its pub-lic meetings on Confederation, and decided
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> A procession of about forty members was uncertainty, as far as we can learn, upon formed at the hall of the Society, on Fort what line this vessel will be placed, the in its favor. Thus Mr Wood cannot be re- street, and then proceeded to the Presbyterian choice being between the Sound and garded as a popular member; he has been, Church. The sermon was preached by the Portland. Much as we should be pleased and of course expects to be in the Govern- Rev. Thomas Somerville, Chaplain of the to see her permanently put on either, we ment service, and we sadly fear the reputar Order, in his usual eloquent style. The think for the present she might easily be tion he has earned for integrity and ability The Order will give a diener on Tuesday, made to render much better service for all will not survive the issue he has now raised and we understand a ball on same night, concerned were she at once subsidised by when that issue comes to be tried. It is which is expected to be a select and pleasant the Government and kept running constantly to San Francisco. The public are heartily character and standing is unjust to his NANAIMO.—The steamer Sir James Doug. tired of the uncertainty of the Holladay country and himself. We have always con- las came down from Nanaimo on Saturday line, and here now the remedy is in our hands. The G S Wright is a good sea-boat, sumed its present tangible shape, was an flamme taking in coal at Nanaimo on Satur, safe and fast, and has been fitted up in a English as well as a Colonial question, that day afternoon. She had 130 U. S. troops on manner that will render her quite competent it was the means appointed by the Provis board, and was filled with munitions of war in the trade we suggest. It might be advandence that has so long watched over and and stores. It was expected she would sail tageous perhaps if the owners were to call protected our country, by which her power, for the North on Sunday. The ship Eldorado upon the Hon Admiral Hastings, in referdominion and glory were to be transmitted would complete her cargo of coals for San ence to his mail, as well as to place themto future ages; and that in that transmission, Francisco on Tuesday. The Douglas brought selves in communication with the Governthis colony inevitably becomes the keystone down 20 passengers and a few tons of barley ment without delay. We only speak the sentiments of the people at large when we say that it would give great satisfaction to see the Wright put on the San Francisco

> > THE George S. Wright will sail for Portland at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THEATRE ROYAL - Cricket on the Hearth was beautifully presented last evening, there being scarcely a fault to be found with the performance. Amy Stone, by her admirable personation of 'Little Dot,' added to her well-earned reputation as a charming actress of great ability, and Mr H F Stene appeared to better advantage as Caleb Plummer than in any previous role here. Next to Mr Stone ranks Mr C Clarke, who, as John Paul Perrybingle, was unsurpassable. Mr George Marsh deserves praise for the humorous manner in which he played 'Tilly Slowboy," and Mrs Fowlis personated 'Blind Bertha' in a pathetic and touching manner. Mr Caine's 'Tackleton' was very good, and Mr Gregory certainly invested the character of the 'Stranger' with a good deal of force and feeling. Upon the fall of the curtain, Amy and Mr. Stone with Mr Clarke were called before the curtain. "Sketches in India" ended a night's entertainment in every respect successful. Mr and Mrs Stone as 'Tom Tape' and 'Sally Scraggs' kept the house in a constant roar. Marsh's Count Glorieux was about the best thing we have seen him in. "Fanchon" will be presented on Wednesday. buseneds vicews to not

A REAL GRIEVANCE THAT OUGHT TO BE REMEDIED .- A toll-gate is established at Clinton, and upon most goods passing that point a toll of one cent per pound is paid. Among the exemptions is Colonial grain. Now, a farmer living below the toll-gate may and does send his grain through it free and have it ground at a mill located (say) ten feet above the gate, and the flour produced goes to Cariboo toll-free. But let him have his grain ground ten feet this side of the tollgate, and the moment it is hauled through the gate in the form of flour it pays \$1 per 100 lbs. Cannot anyone, even with his eyes shut, perceive the injustice of a system that levies a toll on wheat ground below the gate, yet admits to a market the same article ground above the gate free? And is it necessary for us to point out that the millers of Clinton and Lillooet must close their establishments if the tax be longer continued, for the reason that they cannot compete with millers more favorably situated?

FUNERAL. The remains of Capt J M Reid were yesterday interred in the presence of a large concourse of people. The service was performed by the Very Rev. Dean Cridge, assisted by Rev. Mr Raynard, at the Cathedral. The chief mourners were Capt Mori-Friday night, if she does not outshine herself empties into Jack of Clubs Lake and heads Among the followers we noticed Rears Admiral Hastings, Flag-Lieutenant Brookes and Captain Dawkins, R. N., Sir James and pioneers. The flags were at half-mast

New Work .- We have received a copy Phrase Book," for traders, travellers, and teachers, recently published by Roman & Co. San Francisco,-a condensed Russian grammer well arranged and simplified from the introduction. The work is published in a small, convenient size, and will doubtless defalcation, embezzlement, forgery acting in obedience to the fiat of destiny noon at 5% o'clock, bringing a few passen- flour the stock on William Creek was about be very useful to our commercial community, especially to those whose business takes them personally to the north, Messrs, Hibben & Co., Government Street, have the work for sale.

> QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY RACES-We are glad to notice the Race Committee thus early in the field and arranging for a good day's sport at Beacon Hill on the anniversary of her Majesty's Dirthday. Five races are announced this morning. The purses are liberal and we learn that several fast "nags" will go into training immediately.

DINNER AND BALL .- The Odd Fellows hold their Anniversary Dinner in the Germania Hall to-night, after which they give a ball in the same place. Tickets, including both, \$3.

Royal Artillery.—Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—A serjeant in the Royal Artillery writes, on December 12th, 1862, from Poonsmattee. Madras Presidency, that his right leg, from the ankle to the calf, was a quagmire of disease and corruption that he was on the hospital roll for twelve months without any improvement in his case; that he, as a forlorn hope, resolved to try Holloway's cilebrated Ointrent and Pills. These soon gave ease, expelled the bad humours from the limb, healed the apparently incurable sore, and restored him to sound health. Soldiers and sailors are earnestly recommended to have recourse to these invaluable medicaments for curing old wounds, sores, or ulcers—more particularly

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and roughness of the skin generally arise from depraved or vitiated humors. Bristol's Sarsaparilla is the best of all known purifiers of the blood and humors. This unfailing detergent neutralizes the poison, and occasional doses of Bristol's Sugarcoated Pills, taken at same time, purge out the unhealthy secretions, insuring a ooth, white, soft skin.

FRED PAYNE has removed his Cheap Shaving Shop to the opposite side of Johnson street, just above the Miner's Saloon.

VICTORIA RIFLE CORPS.—Position dril Tuesday and Friday at 8 p. m. By Order J. GORDON VINTER, Lieut and Adjutant.