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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

The Capital Question Decided!

VICTORIA CHOSEN BY THE COUNCIL!

A Majority of Nine Votes in Her Favor

The following report came to hand last evening from New Westminster. The Council, it will be seen, decided in favor of Victoria as the Capital by a majority of 9 votes out of 19 members present.

The following resolution was moved by Hon. Walkem, seconded by Hon. Stamp:

The Council having been requested by His Excellency the Governor to assist him with their advice, in coming to a decision as to the selection of a Seat of Government for the United Colony of British Columbia...

Hon. Robson moved an amendment, seconded by Hon. Barnard. The amendment is so long that we can only give the last clause by telegraph.

After a long speech from the hon. mover, the amendment was lost by 14 to 5. For the amendment—Crease, Hamley, Barnard, Robson and Ball.

New Westminster, April 2.—Hon. Helmcken's motion for a Court of Appeal, postponed.

Petition for an increase of duty on imported fruits, carried.

Second reading of the Supreme Court Bill, Committee appointed to amend.

Third reading of the Limitation of Actions Bill, recommended by 9 to 4.

Hon. DeCosmos's motion to change the Constitution of the Council, making it two thirds elective, again postponed.

Hon. Helmcken's motion on the Cowichan road, carried.

Hon. Helmcken's motion extending the Vancouver Island Road Act to Westminster and its neighborhood, carried.

Hon. Robson's motion for the location of a road by Pitt river as far as St. Marys, on the North side of the Fraser, carried unanimously.

Hon. Barnard's motion on the Road tolls, postponed.

New Westminster, Friday, April 3.—Council met at two o'clock. Members present, 15.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Hon. DeCosmos on Monday next will ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled an Ordinance to encourage the establishment of Investment, Saving and Loan Societies.

Hon. McDougal will ask the hon. Colonial Secretary on Monday next whether the contracts for carrying the mails from New Westminster to the upper country have been given out, and if so, to whom and for what term and on what conditions.

Hon. Smith gives notice that on Monday next he will ask the Colonial Secretary if any provision has been made for the transmission of regular mails between Victoria and the Kootenay and Columbia Districts, and if none, to ask that a sum not less than \$3000 be placed on the estimates for that purpose.

Limitations of Actions Bill postponed until Wednesday.

Howe Sound Copper Company. Petition from the Company praying for more liberal terms and conditions than the Government had given them.

Hon. Helmcken, seconded by the hon. Young, that this Council is of opinion that some general

law regulating the acquisition of mineral lands is urgently required, and that the petition of the Howe Sound Copper Company be referred to the Executive with a recommendation that the Company be permitted to purchase at the upset price of \$1 per acre, a tract of land suited to their purposes.

House adjourned till 3 on Monday.

Eastern States.

Chicago, April 1st.—The impeachment Court was occupied yesterday and to-day in examining witnesses and determining powers of the Chief Justice.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—Arrived March 31, bark Buena Vista from Port Discovery. Cleared, bark Chris Mitchell, Port Discovery April 1st, steamer John L Stephens, Astoria; ship Somerset, Victoria; brig Manilla, Emma Harbor. Sailed 31st, steamer Constantine, Victoria.

Washington, April 1.—Mr. Stansbury argued against attempt of managers to prove a conspiracy between Gen. Thomas and the President. Butler replied at length showing President guilty of conspiracy.

Mr. Burleigh testified that on the evening of February 21st, he had an interview with Gen. Thomas, who said he should take possession of office at 10 o'clock next morning. He also stated that he would use force to take possession if refused.

A question was put, whether witness had heard Gen. Thomas make an address to a number of clerks in the War Office about a week or ten days prior to February 21st, in which he said he would relax the harsh rules of his predecessor and treat clerks as gentlemen.

General Thomas subsequently told witness that if he had not been arrested on the morning of February 23d, he would have broken down the doors and taken possession of the War Office.

Several other witnesses testified to similar language on the part of Gen. Thomas, and the Court adjourned.

New York, April 2.—The Tribune editorially states:—"We have assurance from Washington that Grant finds it not inconsistent with his duty as a soldier to announce his opinion that the only hope for peace in the country is the success of the impeachment. He feels that the national security demands the removal of the President."

New York, April 3.—The emigration to California will be immense. The Pacific Mail steamer of the 1st of April was obliged to refuse over 1,200 passengers.

Europe.

London, April 1st.—Despatches from the Continent say that rumors have broken out in Grenoble, France. It is supposed they are occasioned by the enforcement of the new army law. No particulars are received.

Negotiations between Prussia and Denmark in regard to the disputed territory in Schleswig-Holstein continue. It is reported that the Danish Commissioner recently asked the cession to Denmark of the Island of Als in the Baltic and the fortress of Duppel on the mainland. The latest telegrams say that Prussia has decidedly refused the demand of Denmark.

The House of Commons spent the entire day and evening debating on the Irish Church question.

Florence, April 1st.—Victor Emmanuel is seriously ill. A despatch from Rome says the Pope is also sick. The nature of his attack is not stated.

Vienne, April 1.—The Reichsrath passed the bill providing for general education by a system of public schools.

The flag of the North German Confederation was hoisted yesterday by all the German vessels in port, in accordance with the notice by the King of Prussia. Royal salutes were fired and the day was observed by a general celebration.

In the House of Commons Mr. Hunt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, asked leave to bring in a Bill for the purchase by the Government of all the telegraph lines in the Kingdom. He explained that the bill provided for arbitrators, who are to decide what prices are to be paid.

The revenue returns of the first quarter show a deficiency of five millions sterling.

Berlin, April 2.—The Naturalization Treaty just concluded with the United States has been finally ratified by the North German Parliament. All the speakers praised it with one voice. It was almost unanimously approved.

London, April 2.—The Commons are debating the Irish question at midnight. There is a prospect of a very late session.

London, April 3.—A division takes place to-night in the House of Commons on the Irish question. The liberals are sanguine that the Government will be

beaten. The course of Ministry is yet uncertain; however, they have the option of resigning or appealing to the people by the dissolution of Parliament. The position of the new Ministry was as uncertain on coming into power.

Lisbon, April 2.—The mail steamer brings Rio Janeiro advices to the 11th. The allied forces have taken Ascension, the capital, and are pressing to the rear of Humaita. The allies have 40,000 men, four iron clad and twenty wooden vessels.

Lopez is reported to have only 12,000 men.

The news from Montevideo and Uruguay is to the effect that President Flores has been murdered by some confederate of his son Fortinato.

Col. Horrezo, the Minister of War has been elected in his place.

Lisbon, April 2.—The mail steamer brings Rio Janeiro dates to the 11th of March.

The allies stormed Humaita after a desperate resistance, capturing fifteen large guns, and a large quantity of stores and ammunition. While the land forces were engaged, the Brazilian fleet forced a passage up the river and reached the city of Ascension. It had been evacuated, however, by Paraguayan troops, and deserted by the citizens.

Japan.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—The news from Japan per steamer China is important. The Tycoon has been defeated in a battle between Osaqa and Kiota by the allied Damos who were in rebellion, and had to leave on board one of his men of war for Yeddo. The Damos have secured the person of the young Mikado, a child twelve years of age. They issue orders in his name. The Foreign Legations were all forced at once to leave Osaqa and make the best of their way to Klobe, which place was immediately placed under the protection of the foreign forces.

An American and a Frenchman were attacked and wounded by a body of Japanese roops. The foreigners instantly turned out and drove the Japanese out of Klobe, placed the settlement under martial law and placed five ships belonging to the Damos under the guns of our vessels.

A high functionary from the Mikado or Emperor himself arrived and requested an interview, which led to the end of the state of siege and the acquiescence of foreigners in the altered state of affairs.

The foreign settlements would be placed under the officers of the Damos, who would replace those of the Tycoon. The losses of foreigners would be paid. Each Japanese official, who was the means of the outbreak will be decapitated.

The Abyssinian War.

The New York Herald's dispatch says the Abyssinian expedition arrived at Lake Asege on March 6th. The difficulties of the expedition increase as it proceeds. The natives are hostile, the country barren and the roads very bad. King Theodore has despoiled the country far and wide.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—Legal Tenders 72@72 1/2. New York quotations—Gold opened at 188 3/4 and closed at 137 1/2.

The Panama steamer Sacramento arrived at 4 o'clock p.m.

The steamer Active sails for Portland on Saturday, to take her place probably in the new line between that city and Victoria as a link between Portland and Sitka.

The steamer Moses Taylor, for San Juan, will sail on Saturday, and the Golden Age, for Panama, on Monday.

Arrived—Ship Isaac Johns, from Nansaimo. Sailed March 2—Swedish brig Sodow, for Barrard Inlet; ship Elizabeth Kimball, Teakalet.

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At Soda Creek, for Queenie, reaching Barkerville on Saturday evening.

Freight contracted for at reasonable rates.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO those shareholders who have not paid the calls, made by order of Mr Justice Begbie, that proceedings will be taken against them if the amount due by them is not paid in ten days from date.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Entered: March 30—Stm Enterprise, Swanson, N Westminster. Star Kuma, Holmes, Burrard Inlet. Sch Amie, Riva, San Juan. Slip Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan.

Cleared: March 30—Stm Ocean Queen, Smith, San Juan. Sch Amie, Riva, San Juan. Sch Eliza Anderson, Finch, Pt Townsend. Sch Pioneer, Barcovitch, Sitka.

Passengers: Per Stm ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—10 bks apples, 8 bks oysters, 28 hd cattle, 70 sheep, 17 boxes onions, 49 carcasses mutton, 18 ca goods.

Imports: Per Stm ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—10 bks apples, 8 bks oysters, 28 hd cattle, 70 sheep, 17 boxes onions, 49 carcasses mutton, 18 ca goods.

Married: In this city March 30, by the Rev. A. Browning, Mr John Jessop to Miss Margaret Faussett, both of Victoria.

Died: At the Royal Hospital, April 2nd, John Dowdy, aged 40 years, a native of the United States of America.

In this city, on the 30th ult., Walter Stuart, only son of T. J. Baker, aged 8 years and 8 months.

The funeral of the late William Black, a native of Ireland, will take place today (Tuesday) at two o'clock, p.m., from St. Andrew's Church, Broughton street. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

On Monday, the 30th inst., Alice Heathcote Hutchison, widow of James Hutchison, and grand-daughter of the late Admiral Heathcote.

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Whiskies.

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Claret Wines.

G. PELLER & CO., ST. JULIEN, CHATEAU PERGANSON, CHATEAU MARGAUX, ST. EMILION, CHATEAU DE Portets Lognon, St. LAUBES, LAROSE.

Champagne Wines.

NAPOLEON'S CABINET, BOUCHE, G. CLICQUOT, GRAPE LEAF, JULES MUMM, MOSELLE, MUSCATEL MOSELLE, JACKETAS, Etc., Etc.

White Wines.

HAUT SAUTERNES, RODESHEIME, SCHARLAGRERGER, HCKELMER.

Ciders.

OREGON and BANCROFT.

Porter.

BLOOD, WOLFE & CO., BIASSE.

Liqueurs, CERACOA, MARASCHINO, CASSIS, ANNISSETTE, CHERRY CORDIAL, ASSORTED LIQUEURS, Fancy Bottles.

Jamaica Ginger and Peppermint. Rums. JAMAICA, DEMARARA, NEW ENGLAND, APPLE JACK.

Gins, S.E. & Co. OLD TOM, in Bulk and Case. PURE SCHIEDAM HOLLAND GIN, J K Z, in Bulk and Case.

Sherry & Port Wines. IN BULK AND CASE. Bitters.

BOKER'S, HOSTETTER, ORANGE, COCKTAIL, STOUGHTON.

Absinthe, PERNOD, BERGER, SAINSEVAIN WINE BITTERS.

AGENCY OF Sainsevain's Wine and Wine Bitters, Hostetter's Bitters, Bancroft's Cider.

SOLE AGENTS FOR NAPOLEON'S CABINET CHAMPAGNE. BOUCHE Do. PRELLER CLARET.

AGENTS OF BOUCHE, FILS & CO. OF MARENI L-SUR AY, CHAMPAGNE, FRANCE.

LEA & PERRINS' Worcestershire Sauce. DECLARED BY CONNOISSEURS TO BE THE ONLY GOOD SAUCE.

CAUTION AGAINST FRAUD. THE SUCCESS OF THIS MOST DELICIOUS AND UNRIVALLED CONDIMENT HAVING CAUSED CERTAIN DEALERS TO AFFEEL THE NAME OF "Worcestershire Sauce" TO THEIR OWN IMPERSONATIONS, THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY INFORMED THAT THE ONLY WAY TO SECURE THE GENUINE IS TO ASK FOR LEA & PERRINS' SAUCE, AND TO SEETHAT THEIR NAMES ARE UPON THE WRAPPER, LABEL, STOPPER, AND BOTTLE.

Some of the foreign markets having been supplied with a spurious Worcestershire Sauce, upon the wrapper and label of which the names of Lea & Perrins have been forged, L. & P. give notice that they have furnished their correspondents with power of attorney to take instant proceedings against Manufacturers and Vendors of such, or any other imitations by which their right may be infringed.

Colonial Hotel at Yale FOR SALE. ON ACCOUNT OF MY ILL HEALTH it is my intention to leave the Colony before which I offer for sale one-half interest in the Colonial Hotel, consisting of the hot water privilege, the building, restaurant, bedroom and bar furniture, etc., etc. The situation of the Hotel is well known to the travelling public of the Upper Country.

Reduction of Freight. From Soda Creek to Quesnelmouth. During the ensuing season WILL BE CARRIED ON THE Steamer Enterprise AT 12 CENTS PER POUND.

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