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titutional disease, a corruption of the which this fluid becomes vitiated, l poor. Being in the circulation, it he whole body, and may burst out in any part of it. No organ is free from , nor is there one which it may not The scrofulous taint is variously caused rial disease, low living, disordered or food, impure air, filth, and filthy depressing vices, and, above all, by al infection. Whatever be its origin, litary in the constitution, descending rents to children unto the third and neration;" indeed, it seems to be the n who says, "I will visit the iniquities ers upon their children."

ts commence by deposition from the corrupt or ulcerous matter, which, in liver, and internal organs, is termed in the glands, swellings; and on the ruptions or sores. This foul corrup- genders in the blood, depresses the life, so that scrofulous constitutions uffer from scrofulous complaints, but far less power to withstand the attacks diseases: consequently, vast numbers disorders which, although not scrofu- eir nature are still rendered fatal by n the system. Most of the consump- decimates the human family has its ctly in this scrofulous contamination; destructive diseases of the liver, kid- , and, indeed, of all the organs, arise e aggravated by the same cause.

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Captain Richards' Report.

Capt. Cooper, "Harbormaster of British Columbia," has addressed us a communication contradicting *in toto* our article of the 1st inst. concerning the recent trip of the Malacca to New Westminster. As a matter of course, the gallant Captain expects that we will give his communication the benefit of our extended circulation, and we should be happy to gratify the worthy gentleman's expectation were it not for the fact that, in violation of all the rules governing newspaper correspondence, he has committed the discourtesy of publishing his communication in the two Government barrel-organs at New Westminster, before transmitting a copy of the same to us. The effusion of the Captain is, therefore, destined to enjoy a very limited publication, for, as a matter of custom, we positively decline to transfer to our columns a letter addressed to us that has previously appeared in a cotemporary. There is a point or two in the Captain's letter, however, which we cannot well pass over in silence. In the first place, the Captain accuses us of making statements *utterly devoid of truth*, and then goes on to say that he does not attribute those statements to any "baser motive" than "unfairness!" Our "knowledge of the navigation" is called into question, and we are accused of "traducing the navigable waters of the country;" then the Captain acknowledges that the vessel *did* strike while on her way to New Westminster from Victoria; and finally, he brings his article to an anchor by asserting that we have been "*crammed.*" Now, it must be patent to Captain Cooper that if the vessel stuck at all, our article is not "utterly devoid of truth," and the milder charge of "unfairness" falls to the ground when we call the readers attention to the fact that, while in the very act of accusing us of having acted unfairly, Captain Cooper is himself guilty of a gross "unfairness" towards us in not referring at all to Captain Richards' report on the state of navigation between Victoria and New Westminster, from which we quoted. With regard to the navigation we expressed no opinion whatever. We merely laid before our readers the extract from Captain Richards' opinion upon the navigation between the two ports. We are aware that Captain Richards may be no authority or guide for Capt Cooper. Great minds have differed before; but our correspondent must not fly into a rage or "rush into print" if a majority of the citizens of the Colony are disposed to accept Captain Richards' opinion as correct, or if they fail to discover in the Harbormaster of British Columbia those brilliant qualities that entitle the first named gentleman to rank among the most scientific men of the age. We do not say that Captain Cooper does not possess those qualities to a dazzling degree; we only beg that he will not feel aggrieved if they have failed to attract the admiration of the people as they have the favor of a Government never backward in rewarding its meritorious servants. In point of fact, Captain Cooper may be a far cleverer man than Captain Richards; but in the absence of positive and direct evidence of that fact we adhere faith to the Report of Captain Richards; and, for the information of the worthy Harbormaster, who appears to be "at sea" on the question, reproduce the extract from the report referred to:—

"There is yet another cause which must add to the importance of Esquimalt in a maritime point of view, which is, that it is *at the extremity as it were of sailing navigation.* Although the Gulf of Georgia and the channels leading into it have been navigated by sailing vessels, yet the disadvantages are obvious and very great and the loss of time incalculable. The general absence of steady winds among these channels, the great strength and uncertainty of the tides, and the existence of many hidden dangers could not fail to be productive of constant accidents, *and in a commercial point of view such a class of vessels could never answer.*"

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Monday Feb, 11th

From Kootenay.

(From the Examiner.)

Messrs Stronach and Ronald arrived in town from Kootenay during the week. There were 70 white men and 200 Chinamen in the district. No mining was going on, everything frozen. The miners have done well during the season, and it is expected that a greater number would go to the Kootenay district in the spring.

The reported discovery of new diggings at Arrow Lake turned out a fizzle. New surface diggings had been found at '49 creek, at the mouth of the Kootenay, about 35 miles above Shepherd. Good wages, so far, had been made at these new diggings. Only one man had got down to the bed-rock. In one crevice he found a piece of $13. Toward the latter part of the fall, 3000 feet had been taken up and recorded. Fifteen men were wintering on '49 creek.

The Kootenay Indians held a big potlatch about the middle of December, and declared their intention of fighting the Blackfoot Indians next season.

About 75 miles north of Kootenay, stock belonging to the butchers and miners, were being wintered. There were 150 head of cattle and 100 horses. At this point there was plenty of feed.

Mr Ronald states that when going to Kootenay from Fort Shepherd with the mail he found a dead man, on December 21st, on the Shepherd and Kootenay mountain. It seems the deceased had been engaged in trapping, and, getting short of provisions, was on his way to Fort Shepherd to obtain supplies. The name of deceased is George Tynlon or Tynline.

An accident occurred on the river to a party proceeding to '49 creek, resulting in the death of a man named Dupuis or King. Having to make a portage, they thought they could pull the empty boat through the rapids. King was in the boat, the tow-line broke, and the boat with King was precipitated over the falls. King's body had not been found.

Mr Roland will return to Kootenay in about two weeks, with the mail. Parties wishing to send letters are requested to leave them with Dietz & Nelson.

There are twenty feet of snow on Shepherd mountain. Messrs Stronach and Roland traveled on snow-shoes. The climate of Kootenay is very cold, but clear and bracing, the weather being steady.

All the easy working claims were in the hands of Chinamen. The white men had been working in the hill. It is intended to commence hydraulicing during the coming season.

There had been a gay time at the district during Christmas and New Year's. Mr Roland says that the miners are well satisfied with the Government officials, who are very popular.

DEAD BODY FOUND.—The dead body of a man-o'-war's-man was found floating in the water of Esquimalt harbor, near Selleck's wharf, on Saturday, by Indians. The body, which was attired in the usual sailor's clothes, is believed to be that of Kelly, an A. B. seamen, belonging to H. M. S. Sparrowhawk, who was missed about Christmas day, and was believed to have deserted. The police were notified, and an inquest will be held to-day.

A LICENTIOUS PRESS AND ITS PUNISHMENT. The following extract from a letter written by one of the most respected merchants of New Westminster, to a Victorian, has been handed to us for publication: "You will have noticed that a new paper—conducted by respectable, worthy and industrious gentlemen—has just flung its banner to the breeze in this city. It is liberally patronized. The people here are disgusted with the *Columbian*. By its falsehood, scurrility and venality, it has done more to injure New Westminster than all other causes combined. It has made our place a '*stink*' in the nostrils of the people of the Colony from Victoria to the Rocky Mountains, and we are treating it now as nuisances are generally treated by cleanly people—avoiding it. In three weeks its circulation has fallen off more than one-half, and nearly all the merchants of standing have ceased to advertise in it. We have determined to drive the vile thing out of the place, or starve its jack-pudding conductor into a state of decency. You can make what use you please of this information." The falling off in the circulation of the *Columbian* is not confined to New Westminster. The *Examiner* circulates two copies to the *Columbian's* one in Victoria; and we are told that a copy of the *Columbian* is never seen on the mainland outside of New Westminster. As an exchange it is valueless because it is so unreliable; and the character of its articles is so 'beastly' that no Victorian, for fear of contamination, will be found to open it except with a pair of tongs.

DARING BURGLARIES.—About 11½ o'clock on Saturday night, Mrs Copperman, who keeps an Indian trading depot, on Store street, (in the rear of which she resides), returned to her home after having spent the evening at a friend's house, to find that during her absence her bedroom had been entered and a box containing about $1000 in gold and silver coin and bank notes, and about an equal value in jewelry and gold watches abstracted. The treasure was kept in a wardrobe that stood in the bedroom. The door of the wardrobe was locked, and an iron bar, which was found on the floor, had evidently been used in forcing it open. Suspicion fell upon an Indian, employed as porter by Mrs Copperman, and he has been taken into custody. Mrs Copperman has always enjoyed the reputation of keeping a large sum of money on her premises; and some years ago, during an attempt made to rob the place, a policeman was killed by another policeman, who mistook him for one of the burglars.....Yesterday morning, Mr A. W. Schultz, boot and shoe dealer, on Government street, discovered that his store had been entered during the night and robbed of several pairs of boots. The fellow who did the business left behind a pair of old boots in exchange for those abstracted, which may lead to his detection. Both burglaries were boldly planned and executed, and go to show the necessity for the exercise of the utmost vigilance on the part of the police to detect the perpetrators. [An Indian known as Hydah Jack was arrested last evening as the burglar at Schultz's. The property was found on him.]

THE remoteness of the City of Stumps from the centre of commerce will be understood when we state that New Westminster papers, *a week old*, were received from the "Capital" on Saturday. On the trip previous to the last, the Active was detained half-a-day waiting for despatches from the "Capital," that did not arrive, and she put to sea without them. On her last trip these despatches, *three weeks* behind time, were forwarded to London. The latest telegrams received in town from the "Capital" up to Saturday morning were to the 7th, while on Friday, telegrams of the 6th, from London, were published in Victoria. Verily, our Government might as well be located on the "backbone" of the Rocky Mountains as in its present position.

THE FIDELITER arrived on Saturday. She lay several days at Astoria, in company with the steamers Pacific, Oroflamme and Montana, unable to put to sea on account of the rough state of the bar, in crossing which, on Friday, the tiller-rope parted, and forty boxes of apples had to be thrown overboard, so that the tiller might be shipped. The presence of mind of Capt. Erskine during the dangerous passage is highly spoken of by the passengers.

GAZETTED.—The following appear in the *Government Gazette* this morning: Joseph Needham, Esq., to be Commissioner of Oyer and Terminer at the ensuing assizes; Francis Jones Barnard, Esq., to be member of the Legislative Council, William Hayles Franklyn, J, P., to be member of the Legislative Council.—*Examiner.*

FROM THE RIVER.—The steamer Enterprise returned from the Fraser on Saturday with about forty passengers, among whom we noticed Hons. Young, DeCosmos, Helmcken, Pemberton, Stump, McDonald, and Messrs. Stronach, McMillan, (of the *British Columbian*), Kennedy of Kootenay, Moberly and others. The news will be found elsewhere.

[illegible] evening, the Battle of Margatan, a recitation by Mr Hutcheson; The Cotter's Saturday Night, a recitation by Mr Rennie; Trench on the Study of Words, Reading by Rev T Sommerville; a Reading by Mr Orr; A Recitation by Mr Fox.

EX-GOVERNOR KENNEDY—A telegram received in town states that ex-Governor Kennedy has accepted the appointment of Governor of Malta, with a salary of £5000 per annum and large allowances for household expenses.

APPOINTMENT.—We (*Columbian*) understand that A. C. Elliott, Esq., for several years Stipendiary Magistrate at Lillooet, has received the appointment of High Sheriff. Mr. Spalding will be stationed at Lillooet, and the Hon. H. M. Ball will go to Cariboo.

THE payment of official salaries for the past month has been deferred until the passage of the Estimates by the Council. It is said that all heads of departments will be paid quarterly instead of monthly as heretofore.—*Examiner.*

HARBOR DUES.—The harbor dues on vessels from Vancouver have been remitted. The Enterprise, in future, will run under a coasting licence. By this arrangement a saving of about $60 per trip will be effected. *Examiner.*

UP RIVER HO!—The stage of water between this and Yale is reported as favorable to navigation, and it is probable that at least one steamer will leave her winter quarters next week.—*Examiner.*

NEW PAPER—A part of the *British Columbian* plant, in charge of Mr McMillan, was brought down by the Enterprise on Saturday, to be used in the publication of a morning paper here.

FOR THE SOUND—The steamer Enterprise will sail for Steilacoom to-day for a cargo of sheep from the Hudson Bay Company's station there. Upon her return a mail will be brought across.

ARRIVAL—H.M.S. Shearwater, 4, Commander Smith, 55 days from Panama, anchored in Esquimalt harbor last evening.

CITY COUNCIL.—The City Council met on Friday evening, and decided to publish and enforce the Municipal By-Laws.

☞ The sloop Native arrived yesterday from Stekin. Her news was anticipated by the Otter.

☞ The steamer Josie McNear and brig Crimea were lying wind-bound at Neah Bay on Saturday.

Saturday Feb. 9th

THE REINDEER.—Her Majesty's sloop-corvette Reindeer, 7, 952 tons, 200-horse power (nominal), Commander E. Nares, made her official trial of speed, at her deep-load draught, at the measured mile, Maplin Sands, on Saturday, previously to proceeding to sea. The ship was in charge of Commander W. L. Patridge, second in command of the Steam Reserve in the Medway; the other officials on board superintending the trials being Mr W. W. Williamson, inspector of machinery afloat; Mr T. Baker, chief engineer and inspector of machinery at Chatham dockyard; Mr W. Hutchens, assistant-master shipwright of the dockyard; with Mr Rennie and Mr Phillips, representing Messrs. Rennie & Sons, the makers of the engines. The machinery was under the charge of Mr J. P. Allen, chief engineer of the Reindeer. The engines are a pair of direct-acting horizontal engines, with a length of stroke of 2ft. and effective diameter of the cylinder 41½in. On leaving her moorings in the Medway on Saturday the Reindeer drew 15ft aft, and 13ft 11in forward, with 123 tons of coals, the whole of her shot, shell and guns, and twelvemonths' stores and provisions on board. She is fitted with a Griffiths' two-bladed propeller, 12ft in diameter, and set at a pitch of 12ft 4⅞in., the immersion of the upper edge being 1ft 7½in. The wind was westerly with a force of 2 to 4. During the trial the engines worked very satisfactorily. At the close of the trials some experiments were made in stopping and starting the engines and in raising the screw, at the termination of which the usual certificate was given of the satisfactory condition of the engines. At the termination of the trials the Reindeer anchored at the Little Nore, where she will be inspected to-day by Vice-Admiral Sir Baldwin W. Walker, K C B., Commander-in-Chief, after which she will take her departure for the Pacific, calling in at Portsmouth and Plymouth.—*London Times.*

The New Discovery.

Canadian creek is situated between Antler, Grouse and William creeks, and is about four miles distant from the last mentioned stream. It takes its rise between the head waters of McCullum and Conklin gulches, a small divide separating it from the latter. [illegible] that form Grass Valley creek. It is 7 or 8 miles long, and is not quite so large as French creek, from which it is about two miles distant. During the winter of 1863-64 a good deal of prospecting was done on French and Canadian creeks; but to no avail, though 'big strikes' were reported at the time, which, unfortunately, proved untrue. Should the cheering news that we published in our yesterday's issue be confirmed, (and everything leads us to believe they will), we may look to the future of this Colony with golden hopes. It is the opinion of every experienced miners, that the Bald Mountains are the fountain head of the rich deposits found on William creek, Conklin gulch, and, of late, on Grouse creek; and we can see no reason why Jack of Clubs, Canadian, French, and numerous other creeks that head in the Bald Mountains should not prove equally productive, when thoroughly tested. All that section of the country must be auriferous—it cannot be otherwise.

THE ASSIZES.—The following cases will come before the Grand Jury for indictment: Henry Williams, rape; Charley, an Indian, wilful murder; George Phillips, theft; Wm. King, cutting and wounding; Mary Ann McFadden, administering poison, with intent to kill; John Lee, keeping a common gambling house; Michael McGee, conspiring to cheat and defraud; Mary Ann Sampson, accessory to the administration of strychnine; William Taylor, wilful murder; John Holder, manslaughter.

SUDDEN DEATH AT CARIBOO.—A telegram was received yesterday from Fitzgerald, the Cariboo constable, stating that Francois Casse had been found dead on the road, on the 30th ult. Francois Casse was a Frenchman by birth, and was favorably known in this Colony. He came to the country with the first "rush," and leaves a wife, residing on View street.

THE JOSIE MCNEAR, taking advantage of a lull, slipped out of the harbor early yesterday morning for Portland. Towards evening a fresh breeze sprung up, and it is not probable that she got beyond Neah Bay yesterday. The risk incurred in sending so frail a craft as the McNear to sea at this season of the year is very great.

THE FIDELITER, which left Portland for Victoria on Thursday, the 31st ult., has not arrived. She is believed to be lying at anchor in Baker Bay, at the mouth of the Columbia River, detained there by the severe gales of the past week.

THE ENTERPRISE.—A telegram from New Westminster late last evening stated that the sailing of the Enterprise had been postponed until this morning. Several of the Councillors will come down by her.

FOR HONOLULU, S. I.—The bark Lono, Captain Howard, is preparing to return to Honolulu with a cargo of Burrard Inlet lumber.

BUSH TAVERN.—The license for the Bush Tavern, on the Esquimalt road, has been transferred by John S. Tillman to Thomas Tugwell.

POLICE COURT—There was only one case—that of a drunken Siwash, who was fined 5s.—at this institution yesterday.

POSTPONED—The sale of pianos advertised by Mr Cochrane for yesterday has been postponed until Wednesday next.

☞ The next meeting of the Trades Licence Court of Revision will be held on Tuesday next.

NEW IDEA—The performance of the Pixley's at this place of amusement last evening proved a great success: The "clog-dance' of Miss Minnie was greatly admired.

☞ An important meeting of Israelites is called for Sunday in Smith's Hall.

A Card.

The undersigned, passengers on the steamer Fideliter on her late trip from Portland to this port, take this method of expressing our appreciation of the activity and energy of Captain Erskine and the officers of the ship in a time of danger and during a long and stormy trip. Their thanks are due for the care and interest manifested in our comfort and safety. We are glad of an opportunity to give an expression of that high appreciation of ship and officers, and to the public recommend Captain Erskine as a brave and skillful seaman.

G H Ladd, P D W Hardenbergh, W G Ballard, D Sullivan, H Chase, Jos Davis,