

THE MAIL SERVICE

As the Post Office department at Washington has not yet heard from the reference to the mail service by steamers between Victoria and San Francisco, it is probable, however, that a communication commencing next week will be received in time for next week's steamer. We are pleased to announce that as a result of the visit of Messrs. Bennett and Friesland to Portland the delivery of the steamer service between Victoria and the Pacific Coast states and territories will be greatly facilitated. The delay which letters have been subject will be avoided in future, as the mails to and from Victoria will be transferred at Tacoma instead of by the steamer and mail boat. In the course of a few days, when the proper arrangements have been made, and are in good working order, the mails will make as good time as passenger or other routes. This announcement, we are glad to hear, will be received with pleasure, especially by the commercial community, who have had good reason in the past to find fault with the very unsatisfactory state of the service. There will now be a new and better order of things.

PARLIAMENTARY VACANCIES

There is at present seven seats vacant in the Senate; (1) caused by the appointment of Mr. Nelson to the Lieutenant-Governorship of this province; (2) by the death of Mr. Plumb; (3) by the death of Mr. Foran; (4) by the death of Mr. Rowland, who, owing to the state of his health, was unable to take his seat; (5) by the death of Mr. Ferrer; (6) by the appointment of Dr. Schultz to the Lieutenant-Governorship of Manitoba; and (7) one of the two Senate seats created by the Act of 1887 not having been filled. In the House of Commons the following seats are vacant: (1) Cardwell, in consequence of the death of the Hon. Thomas White; (2) Nicol, owing to the death of Mr. Gault; (3) Colchester, owing to the resignation of Hon. A. W. Melan, appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia; (4) Provesher, owing to the resignation of Mr. Royal, appointed Lieutenant-Governor of the Northwest Territories. The election in Cumberland, N. S., caused by the resignation of Sir Charles Tupper, took place yesterday with the result of the following being elected: Colchester, Conservative; Mr. Casey, a Conservative; Mr. C. C. Cartier, a Liberal; and Mr. Dickey, a Conservative. The election in the Northwest Territories, caused by the resignation of Sir Charles Tupper, took place yesterday with the result of the following being elected: Colchester, Conservative; Mr. Casey, a Conservative; Mr. C. C. Cartier, a Liberal; and Mr. Dickey, a Conservative.

AM AMERICAN SENATOR

Than Senator Frank Hancock of New York, who has been elected to the Senate, is a personal friend of Col. Stevens, United States Consul at this port, with whom he is in Congress, and the Colonel cannot grow too eloquent in depicting his many good qualities. He is a man of high character, and his election to the Senate is a great honor to his country. He is a man of high character, and his election to the Senate is a great honor to his country.

THE POSITION IN THE PACIFIC

The London Times has taken up the question of annexation among the Pacific Islands, and has published an article on the subject. The article is a very interesting one, and it is well worth reading. It discusses the various claims on the Pacific Islands, and the various interests involved. It is a very thorough and well-written article, and it is well worth reading.

THE BYE-ELECTION RECORD

Yesterday the Dominion government won their bye-election in the riding of St. John's, Nfld. The result was a very close one, and it was a very interesting one. The government candidate, Mr. Dickey, won by a very narrow margin. This is a very important result, and it shows that the government is still popular in the Dominion.

FOR THE NORTH

The government has concluded their arrangements for sending a force of armed men to the relief of the besieged garrisons at Hazelton and H. M. S. Caroline. This is a very important move, and it shows that the government is determined to support its garrisons in the north. It is a very well-thought-out plan, and it is well worth noting.

THE LATE ELECTION

Again an evening contemporary treats its readers to some more wild nonsense about the Victoria District election. This is a very interesting article, and it is well worth reading. It discusses the various claims on the Pacific Islands, and the various interests involved. It is a very thorough and well-written article, and it is well worth reading.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

NEWSPAPERS are not infallible, not even the London Times. On June 18th, the London Times published an article on the Pacific Islands, and it was a very interesting one. It discussed the various claims on the Pacific Islands, and the various interests involved. It is a very thorough and well-written article, and it is well worth reading.

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THE ZEE ZEALAND GOVERNMENT

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