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REPRESENTATION.

On Thursday we reviewed briefly the ex- masters, or prim old maids, or studiers of traordinary remarks of the Colonial Secretary deportment to make laws for giving an imand Mr. Finlayson on the Franchise Bill. petus to the industry of the Island, they will Of all the questions that enter into the arena no doubt be very anxious to receive advice of public discussion none approaches in im- from the Council on the matter, but until portance this grave one of Parliamentary such time we can safely say they desire to representation. On it hangs virtually the be left alone. They desire to have the power freedom or servility of a population, the to send whatever class of men they choose to prosperity or destruction of a community. the Assembly, be he blacksmith, shoemaker It has in all ages engaged the greatest minds or tailor. Their idea of respectability is not of every representative country, and is at the confined to the holder of real estate any present moment receiving the most profound more than to the holder of hot pies, nor does consideration in the British Parliament itself. it point to a starched collar, a lackadaisical It is natural, therefore, that in Vancouver air, or general Dundrearyism. The respect-Island where, with all our backwardness and ability which they want is the ability in the isolation, we have still something in common Assembly to get the colony out of its present with the inhabitants of every self-governing disgraceful " Slough of Despond," and if they country, the matter should awaken some degree | can find that ability in the " greasy mechanic" of attention, albeit there are degenerate or in the retail dealer, let them in Heaven's Britons amongst us base enough to relinquish name have the opportunity of sending it, at any time every vestige of those privileges whether it has been investing in real estate which have only come to Englishmen through or moleskin pants, where it is so much rethe hard and persistent fighting of their quired.

forefathers. In our last review of the question we characterised the language and proposition of Mr. Young as belonging to an age very far back in English history, but in that

the case; there is the evident attempt to prevent, in the most important election which

recently crying so lustily against the Assembly's respectability ought really to look a little nearer home and put on less of the infallible. There have been, are, and will be probably to the end of time, men in Houses of Legislature who cannot pay their debtsthe House of Commons being no exception to 

fact, some of our extensive landholders have THE WEEKLY COLONIST. not only failed but become "skedaddlers."

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cover Island want no dictation as to the person or class of persons that should represent them. When they desire to return dancing

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, May 3. very far back in English history, but in that we only implied the resuscitation of ignorant barbarism; there is a much worse feature in Olure, Young, Dickson,

SANITARY REGULATIONS. Dr. Dickson gave notice :-- " That as the will have been held on the Island, the plorable and requires prompt and decided plorable and requires prompt and decided WASHINGTON, May 1-It is understood that measures to be adopted without delay for the in a Cabinet meeting the President invited will have been held on the Island, the present sanitary condition of this city is defact every public aspiration at the first general electoral contest. This is not all. ate disease, he would at an early day ask

# By Glectric Telegraph. SPECIAL TO THE BRITISH COLONIST. EASTERN NEWS:

SWINOMISH, May 4-The California State Telegraph Company's flagship Winged Racer, Haines, arrived at Swinomish last evening at six o'clock. Wind light from the West-

Austria and America, NEW YORK. April 30 - The Commercial

The Navy Department has received ada vices from Commodore Rodgers, command-ing the U. S. squadron in the harbor of Valparaiso, stating that he bad placed his fleet between the Spanish vessels and the city, and in conjunction with the English Admiral notified the Spanish commander that the bombardment would not be permitted.

Commodore Rodgers believes he could sink the Spanish iroaclad in half an hour with his monitor Monadnock.

The U. S. squadron in the harbor of Valparaiso consists of the Monadnock, Powhattan, Vanderbilt, Tuscarora, Wateree, and Suwanee. In all sixty guns. The English fleet is smaller.

### United States.

NEW HAVEN, April 30-The buildings of the New Haven Clock Company, seven in number, with eleven dwellinge, were burned down—loss, \$200,000.

WHEELING, VA., April 30-The burglars who robbed the bank at Cadiz, Ohio, were overhauled near Lagrange this afternoon. After a sharp skirmish one was wounded, three captured, and one escaped. Over \$15,000 was recovered.

NEW YORK, April 30- The East India Telegraph Company of New York has appointed Dr. D. G. McGowan to proceed to China as Commissioner and Engineer, to connect Pekin with Canton. He will be accome panied by a staff of practical telegraphers.

The Tribune says of the Congressional plan of reconstruction : " Our own preference for a much shorter and simpler programme is well known, but we may accept the report agreed on in Committee as the Union party's plan.'

The Herald says the plan is ingeniously contrived. It is considerably milder than anything that has hitherto emanated from the Committee. It may be said to be unnecessary in some things, superfluous in others, and unfair in its continued exclusion of Southern States, after they had falfilled the conditions of the Administration which

discretionary power over the whole subject; but we have now only to await the issue be-

an expression of opinion' from his constitutional advisers respecting the plan reported to Congress by the reconstruction committee. An interesting and animated discussion ensued. Seward declared himself in very decided and emphatic terms against the plan of the Committee and in favor of the immediate admission of loyal representatives from lately rebellious States. McCulloch also spoke in opposition to the plan and expressed himself strongly in favor of the immediate adoption of the President's restoration policy. Stanton was equally decided in his opposition to the Committee's report. Welles was unequivocally against the scheme and earna est in his support of the President. Harlan expressed no opinion, Postmaster General Dennison was in favor of the President's policy but expressed doubts as to the precise terms at which loyal representatives from the South should be admitted to seats in Congress. Attorney General Speed was not present. The President was earnest in his opposition to the report of the Committee and expressed himself against all conditions precedent to the admission of loyal representatives from Southern States such as amendments to the Constitution or Congressional legislation. He remarked in general terms that if the organic law be changed at States shall participate in it as one nation. NEW YORK, May 2-The Post's special says it is known that a report of the Cabinet meeting yesterday was furnished by prominent members of the Cabinet. John Ross, stock speculator in Exchange Place, has been arrested for forgery. He had purchased \$50,000 in gold from Black & Spaulding, and \$50,000 from J. Cronin, paying them in forged certificates. He is said also to have forged the name of A. Speer on two checks on the Union Bank for \$60,000 each and perpetrated other forgeries for amounts not stated. WASHINGTON, May 1-In the Senate, Howard of Mich., on Pacific Railroad Committee, reported a joint resolution extending the time for completing the first 100 miles east division to the 27th June, 1866. Passed. The House passed the Niagara ship canal bill, loaning Government credit to that enterprise to the amount of not exceeding \$6,000.000. WASHINGTON, May 4-The Committee appointed by the Texas Convention have arrived and laid before the President an official copy of the new constitution and an ordinance declaring secession null and void, repudiating the rebel debt, giving Freedmen the right to testify, etc. Judge Hancock addressed the House saying that a wise and patriotic course in behalf of equal rights throughout all sections of the country has nerved fresh hope in many desponding bearts. That the same generation which experienced the last terrible shock of civil war will see the constitution ably restored.

The President expressed himself gratified to learn the unanimous feeling of the people of Texas and accepted the result of the war, and said he had put the greatest confidence in the ultimate success of his administration of affairs.

NEW YORK, May 4-An injunction has been granted of application of several stock-holders of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company restraining the directors from selling certain vessels on account of alleged frand. Stocks are stronger; Quicksilver 5414. Union Telegraph 60%.

# EUROPEAN.

FARTHER POINT, April 30-The steamship Hibernian, from Liverpool the 19th, via Queenstown 20th, passed for Quebec. Consols 86% to 87; 5-20's 70 to 70%. Setterley's Mail Circular says large trans-sctions in American securities for German account touched as low as 68, but closed on

German advices continue more reassuring. and there was a growing belief in peace. An Imperial decree was issued proroguing the French Corps Legislatif until the first of

Rentes closed on the 18th at 67f. 18c. New York, May 1-The Scotia from Queenstown April 22, has arrived.

Nothing has been heard of the City of

Washington now three weeks out. Heavy premiums are demanded on her. The House of Commons continued to de-

bate the Reform Bill. A division was not likely to be taken for several days. Geo. Peabody arrived in the Scotia.

The steamer Costa Rica from Aspinwall has arrived. She brings San Francisco dates to April 10th.

A London letter of April 21st, announces the failure of Barned's Banking Co. Liabilities £3,250,000. Two large failures in con-nection therewith in Liverpool were expected to be announced yesterday (20th), but late in the day it was found their pecuniary difficulties had been satisfactorily arranged by the forbearance of the Bank of England.

## The War in Chile.

WASHINGTON, May 2-A dispatch from Commodore Rodgers to the Navy Department dated Valparaiso, 31st March, says that " on my arrival with my squadron, I called upon the English Admiral who informed me that he intended to prevent any sudden bombardment, and would only suffer it after ample notice. To this I made no reply ; but having considered matters I scught occasion next day to say that I would join him in the prevention of any sudden bombardment, and would also go much further if he, chose. I assured him the Monadnock could take care of the Numanica, and I was absolutely certain that in not more than ten minutes the Monadrock, entirely unassisted, would leave only the mastheads of the Numanica above water, and that wooden vessels. English and American, could look out for Spanish wooden vessels. The Barger

he could not go with me; for I planky de-clared I would not take any step without him. I said I had no intention of becoming a cat's paw to draw European chestnuts out of the fire, and then have the powers I served laughing at my singed claws while they enjoyed the fruits of my temerity. I finally determined to throw the responsibility upon the English Admiral, who did not choose to act in the premises. The co-operation of the English Admiral having failed, I called upon him and said I did not choose to drift into collision where I had no purpose to collide, and that I should move my vessels out of the Spanish way. This intention I communicated verbally to the Spanish Admiral."

Molasses, 100 bbis from store, 371/2 cash. Jobbing at 40c.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 5-The next steamer for Panama will be the Constitution, which leaves here May 10th. Rates of fare-1st reaves here May 10th. Kates of fare—1st cabin, outside rooms, \$232; inside do \$181; second cabin, \$116; steerage, \$65. Nathaniel Blackstone, a resident since 1853, and formerly commission and flour merchant, died yesterday. Last night a fire broke out in a small frame building on Clara street, between 4th and 5th streets destroying the building consid

5th streets, destroying the building occupied, by Mr. Contan, a contractor. Loss \$5000.

The latest gold quotations on the 4th inst., 1274. Legal Tenders, 79@80. The dry goods trade during the week has been below expectations. The interior is. represented by a respectable number of buyers, but they manifest little disposition to operate, except at the law of figures. They prefer to wait further developments in the East. in the real in morel in

bbls, chiefly previous to our last, for export to China at current figures. We quote superfine hf sks # bbl \$5 25@5 50; hf sks \$5 50 @5 75.

Potatoes dull, new selling at \$1 25(@1 50 ; old, 621/2@900 \$ 100ths.

Sailed-steamer Orizaba for Portland, at 4 p.m.; steamer Montana for Portland, at 11 a.m.; steamer California for Victoria. at 5 p.m.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 6 - The overland line is out of order east of Fort Laramie. No Eastern report received last night.

Two more companies of the 2nd California Volunteers came home by the Pacific on Friday night. They will be mustered out of service immediately. The Mexican residents of this city did not

fire a salute yesterday in honor of the anniversary of the victory over the French at Puebla, concluding it was better to send the powder. to their struggling compatriots to be expended with balls before it in front of the invaders of their country. The May festivities of the German popula-

tion were inaugurated in this city last evening by the reception of their brethren who came down from the interior by the steamer Capitol. The members of the various orders were received and escorted through the principal streets of the city.

Los ANGELOS, May 5-From special mes-senger Delay, who left Secaton ten days ago and arrived to day, we learn that just pre-vious to his arrival at Secaton he was overtaken by a messenger coming with dispatches from the commander of Fort Grant to Gen. Mason. They repaired together to the General's headquarters, where Mr. Delay heard the dispatches read. It is substantially that Fort Goodwin had been taken by about two thousand Indians and set on fire, and that out of one hundred and twenty-four men stationed there only one man escaped. That his escape was owing to the fact that at the time the massacre commenced he was out ng; he was not so far away.

fort surning, and also heard the firing, of guns during the fight, which lasted upwards of three-quarters of an hour. Mr. Delay states further that the General said that some twelve or fifteen previous to the receipt of this dreadful news he had received a message from the commanding officer at Fort Goodwin stating that the Indians desired to make a treaty of peace and askinginstructions. General Mason instructed him to make a treaty, and it is most likely the Indians had gained admission to the fort under that pretext and massacred the troops. as above stated.

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he Victoria Chamber

Mr. Young is a paid official, and as much a this House to consider and adopt such steps public servant, no matter from what source his salary comes, as any clerk in the Government offices. The idea, therefore, gave notice that on Friday next he would of this gentleman presuming to tell the pub- ask the House to appoint a day to consider of this gentieman presuming to ten the public of this gentieman presuming to ten the public of the advisability of taking steps to guard against the importation of cholera. He con-elect this class of men or that class of men, sidered that it was highly essential that the but only such a class of men as he (Mr. bealth of the town should be looked after to Young) and his triends shall diotate, is to say prevent, if possible, the spread of any cons the least startling. We have only to go lagious disease during the approaching warm another step farther and allow the Colo- weather, and thought the duty appertained to the House, pending the passage of the nial Secretary to nominate the members of Corporation bill, as the powers of the Council Assembly and get rid of elections altogether. were questioned, and they were, moreover, The plan would answer guite as well as without funds. He would, therefore, ask the the much desired scheme of a Crown col-the Whole to consider whether the provisions iny. It is not only as a paid official, how- of the Sanitary Act, 1862, should not be obever, Mr. Young is immortalising himself in served. endeavoring to curtail the rights of the peo-

well as Imperial, where the Upper House has

of its own-and it is to this mulish stupidity

we are indebted for nearly all our disasters-

Monday next was fixed by the Speaker. ple ; he is introducing a novelty in legis-

SPRING RIDGE WATER WORKS BILL.

lation which deserves especial mention-he The House went into committee on this bill, Dr. Trimble in the chair, but the is calling upon the Upper House to raise the Speaker having pointed out that three days qualification of the Lower House-to undermust elapse between the second reading of a take in fact the whole construction of the private bill and its committal, it was agreed Assembly. There have been isolated in, that the bill should be on the order of the all it should be done at a time when all the stances in Parliamentary history, colonial as day for Monday next.

CHURCH RESERVE.

refused to accede to the proposition of the Mr. DeCosmos asked Dr. Trimble, as Lower branch to remove certain restrictions chairman of the committee appointed to enquire into the Church Reserve title, whether in the representation of the country, but the he was prepared to make any report ? history has yet to be written that will show Dr. Trimble replied that he would be prethe Upper House, in the face of a measure pared at any time after Monday next to go. before it to abolish the property qualification into the matter, but nothing had been as yet for members of the Assembly coming fordone. The Speaker asked who was the chairward and proposing to double it. It has man? been customary in the Government of Van-

Dr. Trimble replied that he was appointed couver Island to set every precedent, every chairman by Messrs. Cochrane and Ash experience of other countries at defiance and (laughter). The Speaker said Dr. Dickson was one follow some wretched little tortuous policy of the committee.

Dr. Dickson replied in the negative. Dr. Trimble said Mr. Dennes was one

but we think this attempt of Mr. Young to (laughter). start another original idea-to repudiate the found that the committee consisted of The Speaker referred to the minutes, and policy of other and more enlightened coun Messrs. Cochrane, Dickson, Ash, Trimble tries-will not meet with general acceptance. and DeCosmos.

The chairman promised to hunt up the re-The Colonial Secretary, however, and some of his saintly colleagues, are horrified at the marks the subject dropped, when the Voluncusant members, and after some further rewant of respectability in the Assembly, and teer bill was taken up. A motion to rise with true patriotism desire to reform it,- and report progress was, however, made by their shout is taken up by some scribblers in adjourned till Monday next. Dr. Helmcken and carried, and the House

are ready with their mops. It is not the DEATH comes to a good man to relieve first time, however, we have seen a dirty him; it comes to a bad one to relieve society. house-maid endeavoring to give a polish to a the Bible? Chap. 1. door step, and the parties who have been

#### Mexicc.

NEW YORK, May 3-The Herald's City of Mexico correspondence of 18th April says : The siege of Mazatlan still continues with occasional skirmishes. The Liberal commander, Mendez, found by the French while sick, and refusing to surrender was shot in his bed.

#### Canada.

THOROLD, C. W., April 30-A fire yesterday afternoon destroyed thirty-three buildings on Front and Claremont streets. Loss, \$250,000.

#### CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3- The steamship Constitution arrived at noon. In port, at Panama, sloop St. Mary's; in port at Acapulco the PMSSN Co's steamer California and one French man-of-war. John McLane, a seaman, was killed at Panama, April 14th, by falling down the forward hold, and Patrick Brown, a steerage passenger, died at sea, April 14th, of remittent fever, and was buried t sea. May 2nd, at 6 p.m., passed an English barque, supposed to be the Kangaroo, bound for San Francisco. The U.S. steamer Florida, Commander Rolands, arrived at Aspinwall on the 9th from Havana, to relieve the James Adger, Commander McDairmid, which vessel will sail for the United States. A great number of Americans were sick.

The certificate of the " Times" Publishing Company was filed in the County Court to-The object of this association is the day. publishing of a daily, weekly, and steamer newspaper to be called the Times in this city, and the carrying on of other business connected therewith. The capital stock of the company is \$150,000, divided into 1500 shares of \$100 each. The Trustees are C T Meader, James Dows, T L Barker, Henry Carleton jr, J Greenebaum, Lucas A Booth John Barton, Wm B Bourne, Caleb S Hobbs, J W Waste, James B Stetson, and W W Barton. It is rumored that the paper is started for the purpose of espousing the side of Corgress in opposition to the President's policy.

In the sweepstakes race at San Jose yesterday for two-year olds, two-mile heats, Richmond won in two straight heats-time, 3:51 and 3:50.

No later gold quotations.

Liberal Victories in Mexico.

Official communications received at San Francisco by Consul Godoy from the Constitutional Government at El Paso del Norte. March 30th, give the following accounts of several important victories gained by the Liberals in the northern states of Chihuahua and Coahuila. The City of Chihuahua was taken by the Liberal forces under the command of General Luis Terrafea, after two days' hard fighting, on the 25th and 26th March. The Republicans made three hundred prisoners, among whom is the traitor Julio Caranca, who had been acting in thecapacity of Major under Imperial rule. On the 22nd of the same month the city of Hidalgo del Parral was also attacked and taken by assault by the Liberal forces of Cal Vasquez. Thus the last remnant of French and mperial troops have been driven from Chihuahua, and the whole state restored to constitutional law. In the state of Cohuila, at Santa Isabel near Parras, General Viezea and Colonel Treviero defeated the French and Imperialists. The French left 118 dead on the field, with 80 prisoners; the traitors 13 dead and 85 prisoners. The French had 7 officers killed, among whom is their commandor, Bryant. The enemy's artillery, baggage, and munitions of war all fell into the hands of the Liberals.

THE RINDERPEST.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19, 1866. EDITORS ALTA :-- I have received a communication from the American agents in New York for Professor Morgan's patent process for the curing of meat, stating that the rinderpest, or similar disease, has broken out in Panama (the telegraph confirms the same), introduced no doubt by the English steamers. I would suggest that our authorities stop all vessels arriving here from Central American ports, before touching at our wharves, and have all animals removed.

L. J. HENRY, M.D.

MRS. E. KelBACH, a woman of almost 16, who had been married just eight days, recently applied to the Chicago Courts for a divorce from her husband on the ground of incompatibility of temper, and has just ob-

tained it. In five months she has been a maid, a wife, and a grass widow. Eight days of married life, and then .a divorce Chicago "goes ahead."