

The Weekly British Columbia AND CHRONICLE Saturday, October 3, 1868

Words Are Not Proofs

Self-Reliance seems to mistake repeated assertion for satisfactory corroborative proof... our readers have not unnaturally taken some interest in this great reduction...

The Delegates of the Confederate League

Our readers will recollect that some of our citizens have lately been very industrious in circulating a paper for signature purporting to be a remonstrance against certain gentlemen who went as Delegates to the Yale Convention...

September 14th, 1868, a Convention of Delegates, for the purpose of holding the Convention; the Confederate League of Victoria appointed, at a meeting of members of the League, certain gentlemen as Delegates of the League to the Convention...

Nomination of a Councillor for the Municipality

The clerk of the Municipal Council, Mr Leigh, at noon yesterday, appeared in front of the Police to take means for the representation of Johnson street Ward...

Mr J G McKay proposed, seconded by Mr T S Allatt, Mr John Russell as a fit and proper person to fill the vacancy...

After a little hesitation, Mr J W Williams proposed, seconded by Mr W J McDougal, Mr G C Gerow for the position.

Mr Hebbard, an elector, requested a statement of the views of the Candidates (Mr Russell only was present) in regard to the improvement of the public streets...

Mr Russell in reply said, he did not approve of the zig-zag method—doing a bit here and a bit there—of grading and macadamizing the streets...

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER.—The Del Norte, Capt Winsor, direct from San Francisco—just one week, by reason of the fog—arrived here yesterday afternoon...

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ACCIDENT.—As some fine beef cattle were being driven on to the Sir James Douglas on Thursday evening, for the Nanaimo market, one of the finest fell and broke its neck as it was going on board.

THE BANK.—Mr Toller, late of the Bank B O in this city, is at present connected with the Bank B N A, Ottawa, Canada...

By Order of the Executive Committee, ROBERT BEAVEN, Secretary. It will be observed that the above call for the Convention, says that the Confederate League propose holding at Yale, on Monday,

THE SCHOONER S B BAILEY.—It will be in the recollection of our readers, that this vessel was never heard of after having left San Francisco for this port some months ago...

SUB-AQUEOUS COMMUNICATION.—The Herald has long account of an alleged discovery of a new method of electrical sub-aqueous communication, by which the discoverer claims he can communicate through the longest distances under water without cable or other conductors...

CAUTION.—The London papers are cautioning the public against a large importation of Petroleum Champagne from America at \$4 50 a dozen. The British Medical Journal says: "From the frey benzole a sparkling, bubbling, foaming wine is produced, delighting the eye, tickling the palate and gladdening the heart for a time, but its effect upon the human system are in a short time fearful in the extreme..."

THE FOG.—By our exchanges, we notice that fog and forest fires have been generally prevalent over the whole coast, throughout Oregon and California, as well as in this Colony. By English papers, smoke and fires have done much injury throughout the country.

GAS.—Street gas lamps are being erected by the company, for the purposes of the two banks and the Hudson Bay Co. They are on improvement as well as an ornament to the city. Similar arrangements will no doubt be made (which can be) by other concerns in town.

THE SAANICH COAL.—The news of the valuable strike of coal made at Saanich last Monday was confirmed officially last on Thursday night. Mr Jungerman and others interested leave for Saanich this morning to inspect the seam. We cannot estimate the importance of the discovery of this fine coal.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—Owing to the absence of two of the jurors, the inquest upon the Indian woman was adjourned until Monday at 10 o'clock. Unless sufficient excuse be sent into the coroner absent jurors are liable to forfeit their recognizance.

OVER DUE.—The bark Moneyneck consigned to Millard & Beady, is now out from San Francisco for this port twenty-eight days. It will be well, after this weather, if we do not hear of serious calamities among the shipping along the coast.

THE STEAMERS.—The Enterprise, if possible, will leave for New Westminster at 6 o'clock, and the Sir James Douglas, for Nanaimo, at 10 o'clock this morning. The Del Norte is also expected to go to Port Townsend in the afternoon.

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ABANDONED.—We are informed that one of the gentlemen detailed to represent the Cariboo district at the late Yale Convention, has since, suddenly left town, leaving two or three thousand dollars due his creditors.

ROYAL VISIT.—Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, will start again for a tour round the world in October, in the Galatea. He will visit San Francisco and Victoria.

NEW SALOON.—Messrs Lovett & Lowen opened their new saloon, the Bank Exchange, the corner of Yates and Langley streets on Saturday night.

Diocesan Church Society

On Thursday evening a meeting of friends and members of the Church of England was held in the Collegiate school for the purpose of promoting missionary objects in the Colony. The Chair was taken by the Bishop of Columbia, who opened the proceedings by a statement of what had been done during the past few years...

The Hon. J D Pemberton thought that as it was necessary for the Church in a new Colony to be missionary in its character, all its members should willingly take part in every undertaking, and concluded an able speech by proposing the following resolution: "That it being highly desirable that increased efficiency should be imparted to the Diocesan Church Society, it was Resolved to form a committee, and to take counsel as to the best mode of carrying out the objects of the society."

Dr. J. C. Davie and Confederation. EDITOR COLONIST.—What does correspondent John C. Davie, M R C S, really mean? I can't make it out, except the amiable old gentleman wishes to advertise himself without paying the regular price...

Chief Justice Needham in an able speech, pressed upon the meeting the great importance of the object placed before them by the Chairman. He gave his own experience of the spiritual destitution of Cariboo—of the readiness of the mining population to appreciate what was good, notwithstanding their strong temptations; instancing the many signatures which had been appended to a memorial addressed to the Bishop for a resident clergyman...

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amongst the Indians on the Fraser; he mentioned their great readiness to attend the services of the Church, travelling sometimes from ten to twenty miles on foot to be present. He explained the mode of service, which was of course in the native tongue, and embodying the elements of the prayer-book. He considered industrial improvement a necessary supplement to religious and moral training. During the past year, upon the Mission farm at Hope, no less than forty quarter-acre allotments had been cultivated with great success by as many families, and that not only potatoes, but various sorts of grain and vegetables had been produced. He was preparing to allot as many more for the coming season. He described his great want of an Indian school building at Yale and several village churches, the erection of which, if he could but obtain the means, would greatly further the success of his work.

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R Barnaby, Esq, seconded the resolution in a concise and telling speech. The resolution was supported by the Very Rev the Dean, and it was carried unanimously. The proceedings, which were of a hearty and earnest character, were brought to a close by a few remarks from the Bishop, after which the Doxology was sung.

EDITOR COLONIST.—What does correspondent John C. Davie, M R C S, really mean? I can't make it out, except the amiable old gentleman wishes to advertise himself without paying the regular price. In yesterday's issue he signed his name and aired his titles at the bottom of a letter compounded of the greatest balderdash imaginable. What else, but notoriety, at any price is his object? I do assure you, however, that if the worthy old man is as ignorant of medicine as he is of the subject of which he writes, he ought to keep an undertaker and a churchyard for the use of his patients. He can't have any friends I think, or else they would never allow him to appear in print, particularly with the alphabet to his name. But if his object is only to advertise himself, no wonder that he is grateful to you for "opening your paper." It is such a very cheap way to advertise, is it not? It is possible that he is afflicted with a brain disease. Take the following as a specimen from his letter. "One argument used in favor of Confederation is that the inadequate expense of our present system of Government, would be reduced." What does he mean pray by inadequate expense? His thought-machine is evidently affected! Now don't you think Mr Editor, that the M R C S (which being interpreted I am told means Miraculous Receipts of Chronic Stupidity) ought to take one of his own pills to clear his brain so as to explain the above quoted sentence. He is no doubt afflicted with anticonfederatophobia or freedsvertieismphobia. I am inclined to think that his case is a genuine case of the former; for the diagnostics are; want of correct ideas expressed in incoherent language like a man talking in his sleep. These diagnostics are the prevailing characteristics of the former disease. The disease however never proves fatal; so our worthy M R C S will doubtless regain once more the use of his thought-machine. READER.

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A Word Upon the Public Debt

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