

We must not raise our expectations of great results from the explorations of the expedition that started for Nootka Sound on Wednesday last too high. It is scarcely proroble that full information will be obtained respecting the mineral resources of the interior of the island on this pioneer trip. We must not be discouraged from prosecuting the researches further another year if we are a satisfied with the results of this. The very small amount of money which was placed at the disposal of the gentlemen moving in this matter, will preclude much being accomplished, beyond reconnoitering for fature expeditions. It is much to be regretted that the Government have not done more to promote a thorough exploration of the Island ; money spent in investigations in which every individual tax-payer, every inhabitant of the Colony is more or less interested. ought not to be laid out grudgingly or sparingly. At present more is known of the mainland than of the interior of the island, which is literally an unknown land. If, as is supposed by many, coal and minerals exist to any extent in the hitherto unexplored parts of the island, it is high time they were utilised ; and it is most desirable that we should know whether or not there is accessible land in the interior of the island fit for agricultural purposes. Some information on this point we shall no doubt obtain through those who have started on this expedition if they even succeed in reaching the mountains in the centre of the island, from which observations of the surrounding country can be taken; and what is very important, we may rest assured that any information which we receive will be reliable. Fortunately, as the explora- his place in the Commons and proceeded to tion is unofficial in its character, we England, as the advance guard of the Re-

may hope for information without pealers, to urge their suit. He was followed by long formal reports, and without the a delegation from Nova Scotia. on the same surroundings of red-tapeism. We must admit that we have more faith in this expedition than we should have had if it had been undertaken by the Land Umae. Neverthele we cannot why one of the two gentlemen, who do the ornamental part of that department, could not be spared from the office to do a little work in the interior, either the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, or the ex-Acting Surveyor-General of Vancouver Island, leaving his title and dignity behind him, might probably be spared from the office for a short time with advaitage. We much admire the theory of keeping up the dignity of secured the parliamentary services of Mr heads of departments ; place them out Bright in their cause. The latter gentleman of the reach of the public and there is less danger of jobbery. We would treat them in fact as Aristotle would have subjects treat Kings, if they are simply wanted as ornamental heads of departments, and are not expected to discharge any more arduous duties than riding daily to their office to enquire whether there is anything to be cept between Mr Bright and Mr Adderly. done, but if there really is work to be done, we would rather see less of the otium cumdignitate. We are quite prepared to allow that the head of such a department as that of the Lands and Works, in a flourishing and increasing colony, may have quite enough to do without putting his hand to pencil and paper, nor is it essential that he should be able to use a theodolite, the whole responsibility, it is true, of the survey of the towns and country lands rests with him ; the arrangement of the whole system of public buildings depends upon him, and the roads and bridges must grow up under his superintendence, but if he has sufficient professional knowledge to be able to see this well-digested ideas properly carried out, always premising that his ideas are good, he may be a very fit man for his position. But in such a it is hopeless. The statistics of the electoral Colony as ours, where the people are highly taxed to pay for the luxury of being badly governed, the great desideratum is to have working men in the which greatly reduced the number of voters, different departments with a working and which was tested for the first time last boat, or to any one on board, and the second

offering practical suggestions for the carrying out of those public works which, being essential to our progress. ought to be, and sooner or later must be, undertaken. In speaking of this department of the Government and its chiefs, for really the Land Office seems to have two chiefs, we would call attention to the idea that prevailed in the office a short time ago of an increase to the building occupied by the Lands & Works Department, probably if the estimates for the improvement of the Governor's residence had been sufficiently elastic, or the margin in the vote for necessary repairs wide enough, an extra suite of rooms for one of the heads of this department would have been built before this time. We trust, however, from the circumstance of the work not having been commenced, the Executive has come to a recognition of the folly and culpability of executing such needless, albeit trumpery and insignificant works in times like the present. when much that is really needed might be done.

## Nova Scotia Repealers.

Recent advices place us in possession the progress made by the Anti-Confederates of Nova Scotia to secede from the Dominion At the election last autumn they elected all the members of the Provincial Assembly but two, and all the members to the House Commons except one. Subsequently, howe ever, two members of the Commons-Stewart Campbell and a Mr McDenald-supposed to be Anti-Confederates, accepted the situation and supported the great Union party in the Commons, thus making the representation from Nova Scotla in the latter body, three Confederates and sixteen Anti-Confederates. When the Provincial Assembly met dast winter it framed an address to the British Parliament praying for repeal of the Union with the Dominion. The Hon, Joseph Howe left side, with whom he was to co-operate-About a month after Mr Howe took his departure the Dominion Cabinet appointed the Hon, Dr. Tupper, leader of the Nova Scotia

until this end is accomplished we can-not hope for satisfactory progress as a cast for the Anti-Confederates against 15,- toris for the benefit of the summer season, Colony. Unfortunately: the Land 000 for the Confederates. Ten thousand who are delighted with the climate and Office is no exception to the rule in electors did not vote for either party or any country. The reputation of both, these is ing V I. Office is no exception to the rule in party. The strength of the Anti-Conteder-this Colony; the heads of it are not ates, at the best, is not therefore very great and when we consider that the history of with the natural shrewdness of their nation,

> years, the probabilities are that at the next contemplating investing in real estate. Our election the Confederates will be restared to; position, climate, coal, lumber, and what office, and the intelligence of Nova Scotis they hear of the interior, have so impressed will once more be triumphant.

neo bas .se Satarday, August 6. Supreme Court. [Before His Lordship Chief Justice Needham and a Special Jury.] Wa sil bonnor od spa

Friday, August 7. ing benefit, Trounce os Strachan & Ogiloy-This was an action brought to recover a sum of about CARIBOO ITHNE-The Assizes were to have \$2,000 damages alleged to have been susmmenged on the 29th alt. There were but wo cases on the docket ..... Measures are be-ing taken to re-open the Reading Room .... tained by plaintiff, who is a well known contractor and builder, against the defende A sub-committee is taking up subser the former being the owner of the schoon Industry and the latter the master, for not towards the Yale Agricultural Exhibition An inquest was held on the 27th alt., on the having delivered a cargo of dimension sands body of Geo Washington, a report of whose one at New Westminster for the erection of dental death bas already appeared. Holy Trinity Church. The case commenced at one o'clock on Mr Dally, the photographer, had a parrow

escape: His horse and vehicle went over a Thursday and was continued till last evening. Numerous witnesses were examined on behalf of the plaintiff and the two defendants were called on their own behalf. upon complainant's house .... Foreign flour, The learned Judge briefs summed up the case, and the Jury having retired for a short for the future, will be confined to the seatime returned into Court with a verdict genboard towns, as the interior of British Columbia can produce its own bread. erally for plaintiff for \$750, with a finding that Strachan was also liable. INDEPENDENT ORDER OF GOOD TEMPLARS.

Mr Ring intimated he should move th This useful Order is quietly progressing in Comt at a future day to enter the verdict for this city without making any ostentatious the defendant, Strachap. display. They have fitted up a very neat Messre Wood and McCreight, instructed ball in Fardon's building, Langley street, at by Mr Bishop, appeared as counsel for the a cost of over \$200, which was dedicated on plaintiff. Defendants were represented by Mr. last Wednesday evening by District Deputy Ring, instructed by Mr Pearkes. Whitworth of Seattle. The order was first

OUR LUMBER INTERETS. At a public established here in September, 1866, beginmeeting held last week at New Westminning with some ten or twelve members and ster. in regard to action of the Government now numbers about sixty in good standing towards Mr Rogers, and Mr Miller who were in this city, besides others residing in the both present and explained their grisvances i interior. The onicers close to wednesday even 78 oz. 18 grist close of conclusion of ench of conclusion of ench of conclusion of conclusion of ench of conclusion of c both present and explained their grievances : interior. The officers elect for the present and explanations just made by Mr Rogers them. ing that the course pursued by the Govern- fifth annual statement of this company for not paying. ment with regard to the Naval Reserve on the fiscal year ending 30 th of June, 68, it English Bay and the Military Reserve on appears the company are in a flourishing English Bay and the Military Reserve on Burrard Inlet, is not only unjust to the pre-sent occupants, but that it is highly detri-mental to the public interests. Resolved. A second of the top by losees and dividends. The amount of capital is 181. The amount of capital is 181. 000,000, and the amount of capital is 181. The amount of capital is 181. Discovery Co 20 oz; Holman Co. 18 oz; Tabb Co. expect to That a committee be appointed for the par- \$533,037. The assets, liabilities, income and strike pay in three or four days; "Ophir by petition or otherwise, the propriety of factory figure. The company have wisely doidw tot emission outre at and w bolt granting to Mr Rogers and Mr Miller upon adopted a practice coming rapidly into use i The Moonshine Co. washed up 15 oz ; Confederates, to proceed to England and place the most liberal conditions, the right to cut of insuring onistanding crops. Farmers in Batter, to the shaft; Discovery Co. prospecting; Hia-pied by them; and in the event of there liable to be burnt out by bush fires, will find with a Co. prospecting, with good indica-tions; Never Fail still sinking; Tom and being insuperable objection to such a course, great security in this practice. then to urge the justice of having the im-DANGEROUS WORK .- Complaints have provements owned by these parties properly valued, and suitable compensation made for been lately made of the danger experienced by our citizens from the practice shooting the same; and that such committee have of the navy. A few days since Thomas full power to act in the same and on behalf ot this meeting." Resolved-That Capt Ir. Inois on crossing from Albert Head to Es ving, E Brown, Dr Black, Jas Cunningham, quimalt en the common theroughfare, had to beat a hasty retreat to escape the balls flying R Dickinson, J S Clute, W D Ferris, and about him in all directions. Another small the mover be appointed a committee, purfarmer has in his possession two cannon shot suant to the resolution just passed, and tha they prepare a petition in accordance with the views expressed by the meeting, and wait upon the Governor with the same." borhood ; and we are sure the evil has only GREAT MAIL ROBBERY .- DALLES CITY. to be mentioned to be remedied Aug. 3-Per steamer Yakima, just arrived from Wullala, we learn the following : On shipments of gold from this Colony through Sunday morning, the 2nd inst., at about Wells, Fargo & Co., on account of the Banks three or four miles this side of Pelican station on the Blue mountains, the Boise stage and themselves from the 1st of January to money. was attacked by four masked road agents, 31st July last :- Bank of British Columbia. who, after stopping the stage and ordering the passengers to alight proceeded to rifle \$255,626; Wells, Fargo & Co., \$96.248 29,013 ; a sum far in the mail bags of registered letters and ab- making . stracted from the treasure box of Wells, Fargo advance of the amount shipped in the cor-& Co., about six or seven thousand dollars in responding period of last year. gold bars and dust, together with all the letters and packages it contained. The rob-bers then directed their attention entirely to the passengers, Major Jas. R. Mears, Pay-master U.S.A. and his clerk. Mr. James A. Waters, the former of whom was relieved of oll his mirete funds; but missing her pily, a large sum of government money con- the wheel will be running on Thursday. cealed on his person. Mr Waters fared better losing only a small portion of what he had. All the buggage except Mr Waters was out open and their contents well examined. After taking the lead horses belonging to the stage, the robbers quietly decamped, seemingly well and family left for Oaribdos the West and family left for Oaribdos the West being of a late prize fight. After reading the article, he laid the paper down, wiped his spectacles thoughtfully and remarked to his wife that the *Presourcian* was not the paper it used to be, and that he would discontinue taking it when the year ex-pired. STEAMBOAT ACCIDENT .- News was re- Mr Johnston with the Kootenay Bipress ceived in town yesterday morning of a seri- and a number of others. Ine wither need ons accident to the Lizzie Horner, a small ander and and boat belonging to the Telegraph Company. LUNERE SALES.-Upon inquiry it appears, On her way from San Juan to Victoris, on the sales of lumber in this city and immeboat belonging to the Telegraph Company. On her way from San Juan to Victoria, on Thursday afternoon, her boiler burst, when she drifted on Discovery Island. The Sn. she drifted on Discovery Island. The Su- last, have averaged 200,000 feet a month perintendent was allowed the use of the Le. This amount is exclusive of that sold by tracting nourishment for our bodies from the statistic of the many organs and age tracting nourishment for our bodies from the sold by the service of the sold by no injury was done by the explosion to the at Alberni. Mr. Sayward has made the tracting at an early stage of the sole to a short time.

here from Abyssinia. The vessel has been recommissioned two or three times since leave

POLICE COURT-James Hamilton, on remand for selling intoxicating liquor to Inin the exploration of the interior or in Nova Scotia politics shows that the party in are looking round into matters financially dians, was again remanded till Tuesday. An Indian was also arrested on the charge of power has usually been put out of office at and prospectively. So satisfied are they of hearly every general election, or every four the future of Victoria that two are already being a suspicious character.

> them that they see at a glance the change which must rapidly come. So must every man who has had any practical experience

on the Pacific Coast, see the same thing. At all events our freinds and neighbors will return to their homes and spread good news of us, abroad, which of itself will be no triff-

DIVINE SERVICE .- There will be divine service held on Sunday next, the 9th inst. at 3 o'clock p. m., conducted by the Rev. Mr

Somerville, at Selleck's brick building. Esquimalt.

SUPREME GOURT .--- We are desired to say that this Court is adjourned until Monday morning at 11 o'clock a. m. Jurors summoned for that day are requested to be in attendance at the time.

formerly on this station, has been ordered

A NEW PORTLAND PAPER .- A Dew paper the Portland Evening Commercial, has just been started in Portland. There are now fve dailies in that city.

Hor WEATHEB .- In Portland the ther nometer on the 2d inst; stood as high as 1039 in the shade and 125° in the sun at neon,

THE U S Revenue Catter Joe Lane from Port Townsend was in the outer harbor yes, terday.

Cariboo News to the 29th.

(From the Cariboo Sentinel.) WILLIAM CREEK.

The following are the wash-ups for last week: The Taylor Co. 65 oz; Wilson Co. 131 oz; McLaren Co. 41 oz; Dutch Bill Co. 66 oz; Brouse Co. 30 oz; Steadman Co. 80 oz; Six-toed-Pete Co. 20 oz; San Francisco Co. 27 oz; Barker Co. 20 oz; oz; Sheepskin Co. 60 oz and about as much more supposed to have been robbed; Baldhead Co. 115 oz; Lillovet Co. 40 oz; Cariboo Co. 40 oz ; Raby Co. 21 oz; Forest Rose Co. 20 oz; and have just got on good pay and expect to pay well week. STOUT GULCH

The Mucho Oro Co. washed up for the week 94 oz; The Jenkins Co. 62 oz; the Taitvale Co. 163 oz; and the Floyd Co.

The Reed, Ericcson and Sawmill Co.'s are about paying wages. The Renfrew

TNOSOUITO GULCH. W .STOLIN The Minnehaha Co, washed up for the

The Weekly Bri erad MAND CHRO Baturday, Augu Government

It has been noticed ages that men who ha and are in positions o generally speaking, virtue. The cynics from this principle o that it was impossible power to make friends able from their vit honorable deeds or ac in authority use frien purposes to those in n make friendships an the same station of selves ; the latter cho from amongst those perfect equality with the sake of having p associate with ; they who will be useful quently they seek agreeable, and the good friends. The out friends that are must also be useful. it was quite possible be at once agreeable philosophy used to s will seldom be of the the man in power se He generally desin friends-those who get through the tedit good companionable will, in fact, contrib ment; and those who executing his com gratify his desire of It is somewhat surp world grows older a provement in arts an all the surrounding should be so little im himself. The sam qualities are found a present day as have held up to censure a last twenty centurie almost say since the do not profit by the the great examples time in all ages have bright lights in the is that the same s

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himself at the disposal of the Imperial Government to supply any information that it might require as to the constitutionality of the course pursued in making Nova Scotia a member of the Dominional compact, and also generally to oppose the policy of the Repealers. Mr Hows applied to the Colonial Becretary for repeal, but was met by a refusal -being told that Confederation was as much an Imperial measure as it was Golonial, and that the Imperial Government trusted to the loyalty of Nova Scotia to make the best of it. Mr Howe and colleagues then in June moved that an address be pre sented to Her Majesty, praying that a Commission be appointed to proceed to Nova Scotia, to inquire into the causes of the discontent in that Province respecting the working of the 'British North America Act, 1867.' Mr Adderly in a very able speech opposed Mr Bright's motion. No discussion of any moment was elicited, ex-On division the House of Commons rejected the motion by a majority of 94. There were 67 for the motion and 161 against it. The Nova Scotia delegates, except Mr Howe, then returned home to confirm the telegraphic news of the discomfiture of their party. A section of the Anti-Confederate press, foreseeing the hopelessness of their cause, had already shown signs of taking a deeper interest in Dominional matters; but another section indulged in all kinds of rabid articles. interlarded with threats of annexation and rebellion. Mr Howe, however, has since returned to Nova Scotia, and has published a letter repudiating in toto the extreme utterances of some sections of the Anti press. thus leaving the extremists without the only leader that could have united the elements of the Anti party so as to make a show even to enforce their mistaken utterances. Hereafter we shall probably hear more or less of the doings of the Repealers ; but we have no notion whatever that the cry of ' Repeal' will last very long; and as for gaining strength, vote in Nova Scotia show that at the last election there were 48,000 voters under a new franchise inaugurated by the Howe party,

largest sales during the period mentioned. ady to these purifying and laxative Pills, the dyspeptic is speedily restored to health and strength; and his sallowness gradually vanishes.

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The Ubinamen are ronning an ditch which he picked up in the vicinity of his four miles from this creek to the benches house. This is not a very pleasant reflection for those having to rass through the neight SOUTH FORK.

The party that went to the lake to GOLD SEIPMENTS .- The following are the prospect have not yet returned.

> BLACK BEAR CREEK. Two companies are taking out a little

GEDAR CREEK \$577,139; Bank of British North America. The Aurora Co. took out 74 oz. and expect to do better this week. We are informed that a new creek has been struck about 20 miles down Willow river, and that good prospects have been found, one piece weighing \$13.

twice or three times that amount. I think soon picked up the paper, and adjusting the wheel will be running on Thursday.

Hollo war's Pills --Indigestion and Liver Complaints The digestion cannot be long or seriously disordered without the derangement be-ing perceptible on the countenance. These Pils and ad at ed in ex-

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