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"SELF-RELIANCE" in his letter yesterday struck the keynote to all our political troubles. The want of information as to our financial condition has created the discontent and want of confidence that for years has pervaded the public mind...

SMALL POX ON THE PACIFIC COAST.—The San Francisco Bulletin of November 27th has the following:—The small pox, which now afflicts not only this city, but the Pacific States and Territories, is the most serious calamity that has occurred to us since the drought of 1864.

THE COY FISHERIES this year are reported to have failed.—The New England fishermen complain that they have not been very successful this season in making large catches...

THE BARK MARIA J SMITH, Captain Smith, from San Francisco on the 4th inst, arrived in the outer harbor yesterday morning. The bark was three days in the Straits detained by baffling winds.

A New Government Road Proposed.—EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST.—Will you allow me through the medium of your columns to direct the attention of the powers that be to the advantage of opening up another road to Esquimalt besides the one at present in use...