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COAST COMMUNICATION.

From Comex correspondence it will be seen that no mail communication has existed beween Victoria and Comox for the last two months. Nothing can be a sadder commentary on our treatment of the agricultural settlements. So long as we have no road connecting this city with the various farming districts along the coast, regular steam, communication is of the very first necessity, and should be maintained as punctually as the financial resources of the Government will allow. The position of a settler in the outlying districts is trying, enough without making him feel all the disheartening effects of complete isolation. It is not alone in the matter of correspondence with the outer world, that he is placed at a disadvantage, but his material and spiritual interests are equally neglected. There is no certainty about his means of getting his produce to market. His grain and his potatoes, his butter and his eggs, may be for weeks awaiting shipment, much to the deterioration of the produce, and the inconvenience as well as loss to himself. The Sabbath day brings to him no preacher of the Gospel, because no Minister can afford to risk the detention and irregularity of the

ne of the mainstays of the colony of social, of on met material and religious assistance. This is certainly not the way to induce men to settle up our wastes. The duty of the Government should be to bring the outlying producer into the closest possible connection with the consumer. When money was voted for a coast service this was the especial object, and no accident to a single steamer should have caused the disruption that has taken place since the Fideliter collision. When we come to communication with Nanaimo - with the most productive place in the colony-we find that it is now a forthight since a steamer left Victoria for that port. This is simply outrageous. When the Fideliter ran, we had communication with the northern coast twice a week, and the circumstances of the ease really warranted the trips. demand is fully as great now as then. Nanaimo, as well as the agricultural districts, calls for steady steam communication, and for frequent communication, and the best interests of the country demand that the call shall be satisfactorily answered.

When Mr. DeCosmos brought forward his motion last session to open up the road to Nanaimo and Cowichan, we opposed the suggestion on the ground of expense; but recent circumstances, which have led to the neglect of the northern settlements, show unmistakably the necessity of a road connecting Victoria with these districts. A proposition is at present before the House that will enable this scheme to be carried out at very reasonable expense, and we hope the members will give it their warm support. We cannot have irregular and uncertain communication with our productive communities. We cannot risk the comfort and interests of our settlers on the collision of a steamer. We want a means of travel unaffected by head winds, thick weather, or a mistake in the navigation laws, and this can only be obtained by the construction of, or opening out a land route. This, however, cannot be done before next summer; in the meantime we would impress upon the Government the necessity of having regular steam communication with the northern settlements, and that the sooner a vessel is detailed for the service the better.

HILL DIGGINGS.

GREAT STRIKE AT LEECH RIVER.

Mr. Watson, who arrived in town last night from Leech River, reports hill diggings having been struck on the north side of Bacon Bar paying from four to six dollars a day to the hand. After sinking a shaft a stratum of fine blue gravel was struck which was found to contain coarse gold prospecting as above. The diggings are believed to be

miners, mostly Cornishmen, will proceed there to-day to stake off claims and com-THE WEATHER - Eighteen hundred and sixty-five has at length put on the hoary garb of old age. Snow fell yesterday to a

extensive and a considerable number of

depth of a couple of inches, and continues to fall slowly up to going to press. The frost has sealed up the inland lakes, and "youth and beauty" have been having a frolic upon to 100 of both sexes indulged in the healthful recreation of skating. The Fraser continues open although considerable floating ice is to be seen upon its placid besom. The steamer Onward has gone into winter quarters, and it is not improbable that steam communication with the up-river towns is at an end for the season. The river at and below this city is still sufficiently clear to admit of navigation, and there is a party or the property of the season. and there is every probability of its continu-ing so throughout the winter.—Columbian.

BIG BEND EXCITEMENT.—There is perhaps nore genuine enthusiasm, though it has not yet become demonstrative, respecting these new gold fields than any other yet discovered in these colonies. Each day adds to the number who are determined to try their ! luck on the tributaries of the Columbia. Though allowance must, of course, be made Though allowance must, of course, be made for more or less coloring in the accounts bitherto furnished of the operations of last fall, the striking similarity between the various statements received is of itself sufficient to satisfy the most sceptical that an extensive, almost unbounded range of rich shallow diggings exists in that section that will afford lucrative employment to as many as are likely to find their way there for some time to come.

Currous Relics.—The recent subsidence of the waters of the Seine has revealed a number of cariosities lying in its muddy bed. Among other things a double-faced

of the river, has undergone but little altera-tion; the carmine had only turned black. Pall Mall Gazette

GAMBLING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA- The town of Lillooet is situated on a grand plateau, one of the terraces of the Fraser, which are here more than ordinarily extensive and well marked. The place was full of miners, on their way down to Victoria for the winter. Drinking and card playing went on until long after midnight, amid a constant string of oaths and miners' slang. Our ears became familiarized with such phrases as "bully for you." "caved in," "played out," "you bet,"
"you bet your life," "your bottom dollar,"
or "your gumboots on it," "on the make,"
"on the sell," "a big strike," "can't get a show," " hit a streak," and so on. We slept in a double-bedded room, and towards morning there was a tremendous crash, and Milton heard an angry growling proceeding from Cheadle, whose bed had come down with a run. At daybreak we were aroused by a number of fellows outside our door, laughing and shouting, " Who is this - fellow put-ting on frills?" In a weak and absent moment Cheadle had mechanichally put his boots outside the door, as if expecting them to be cleaned, and this had properly excited beir derision.—English paper.

Our exchanges advise us that the nusical world has sustained a severe loss by the death of Vincent Wallace, the brilliant composer of Maritana and many other popuar operas; also of Ernst, the violinist, and Madame Caradori Allen, whose reputation as a vocalist of rare talent dates back more than half a century. Guiglino, who ravished the habitues of Her Majesty's Theatre, as well as a host of continental connoisseurs by his exquisitely cultivated voice, has died n a lunatic asylum at his native place, Fano, in Italy.

THE ROYAL CHARLIE-This British bark, which arrived from Victoria, leaking, has peen condemned, and was sold at auction on Monday last for \$1,550 to Dr. G. P. Judd, who shortly after resold her at a considerable advance, as we learn. It is stated that she will be broken up, although we have heard that she will be repaired and fitted out as a whaler .- Hawaiian Gazette.

They say that the Chevalier Debrans de Left.—Mr. W. F. Herre, an old resident who established himself in business in this city in '58, left yesterday to seek his fortune in California.

They say that the Chevalier Debranz de Saldapenna, editor of the Memorial Diplomatique, has received the gift of a mine, in Sonora, from the Emperor Maximilian, in recognition of the services which he has rendered to the emperor by the articles on Mexico in his paper.

ALLEGED DISTURBANCES AT COMOX.

Comox, V. I., Dec. 6th, 1866. To the Editor of the British Colonist.

—In the Weekly Colonist of 7th November I find a paragraph which is calculated to give the impression that this settlement was endangered by the Euclataws, that probably recourse would be had to fighting, and that the Comox tribe were friendly; also on the 21st Nov. "that the difficulties between the Indians and the settlers had been amicably arranged, and the former were removed to Cape Mudge." As no explanation of the said arranged, and the former were removed to Cape Mudge." As no explanation of the said difficulties appears, and as such statements tend to retard the settlement of the district, as well as to cause much uneasiness to our friends in Victoria and elsewhere permit me to say what I believe to be true in this matter. The Indians commonly called Euclatew. The Indians commonly called Euclatews are divided into four tribes, viz: the Weiwaki, who live on Cape Mudge, the Weiwaki, who live on the mainland of Vancouver, not far from Cape Mudge; the

when asked to do so.

Last year at the same season they returned, and the Comox tribe, taking advantage of their presence, stole considerable quantities of potatoes from different parties, and blamed the Euclataws, as the individual thieves could not be discovered. Of course the Euclataws dented the thefts, and after ouring sufficient fish they returned northward.

Last October they returned in greater force than in former years, in consequence of heavy rains in the north having awollen the rivers and spoiled the upper fisheries. They had more muskets than formerly because they are better able to buy them than before. There has been no thieving by either tribe; no rows among themselves caused by whisky; no fights or other "difficulties" with white men; but, on the whole, they have hitherto conducted themselves like respectable savages. They benefit the settlement by chaapening Indian labor, by selling venitaring the savages. They benefit the settlement by chaapening Indian labor, by selling venitaring that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara's calibre to be fired at her at we distance approximating that between her and the Niagara at the time Commission Craven declined to attack her.

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mained for a century and a half at the bottom should compel the whole tribe to leave. He Consulate yesterday says he was asked to do so by the Comox, Norton, of the American ship Ella Norton on whose polatoe ground one party of weiwakis had camped. The Comox say they did not care for this as the two tribes are friendly. The Forward arrived, and on Mr. Cave ordering the Khakahmatches Eucletaws to leave they became angry, asked what they had done to merit such treatment; agms said they would leave when treatment; some said they would leave when ing the survivors of the British barque they had finished fishing, and some refused Heather Bell when dismasted and on the to go, Before going to Nanaimo he had threatened to send a "hyas man-o-war" to destroy their canoes if they did not leave, 53 " west." This testimonial does credit to and it was quite natural for them to laugh those who presented it, and will be regarded at the Forward as it is evident she was inadequate to the work of extermination had it been necessary to attempt it; but on the

arrival of the Sutlej, Clio and Sparrowhawk they saw themselves overpowered, and did not know well what to do. Let it be understood that this was in the middle of the fish-

attend their services were dispensed with. A large meeting was then held in the Mission

them that they must go now, in order to support the authority of the Government.

He soon after left, but although some Enclataws left, a great number still remain, many being Weiwakis, the tribe which caused the small difficulty. But as they are doing no harm they may as well be allowed to take

member with gratitude the offered protect

of "Tybee Walkus"-of which, however, (they were ignorant till they saw it in the Colonist—but, be assured, we would trust

Vancouver, not far from Cape Mudge; the Khakhamatches, from Whuseum, below Fort Rupert. These, although speaking a common language and occasionally intermarry.

triffing quarrels. All have been accustomed from time immemorial to come to Comor at the fishing season, as salmon of excellent flavor and large size are abandant in our Courtenay river, but generally part of them go to Qualicum river, Salmon river and other places.

Two years ago, when this settlement was considerably less than it now is, and the sattlers but imperfectly acquainted with their Indian neighbors, the Euclataws, as usual, came to supply themselves with a stock of salmon for winter use. A few polatoes were stolen, the Euclataws were supposed to be the thieves; some of the settlers asked the then Governor for a gunboat to remove them, their fishing was completed, and they left when asked to do so.

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point of foundering, on the 10th of August, 1865, in latitude 40 ° 50' south, and longitude with a just and commendable pride by the

recipient .- Alta. LORD MONCE, Governor General of Canada on his visit to his home in the County of Wicklow, Ireland, met with a most cordial reception from his tenantry and neighbors. ing season, that none of the fish were dry, and reception from his tenantry and neighbors, removal in such a state would spoil them; with whom he has always been most poputhat numbers had not fished much, being employed by the settlers in potatoe digging, de, and that no crime was laid to their charge; and the reasons for their stubborness will appear the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Keogh and the Right Hon. the Attorney General, and and the reasons for their stubborness will appear.—The settlers seeing this, and requiring the services of the Indians for a month or so longer, held a meeting at the Bay and strongly condemned the conduct of Mr. Cave in meddling with matters which had no connection with his Missionary duties, and appointed a deputation to wait on the Admiral to tell him the views of the settlers on the question, but as the Admiral appointed another meeting, at which he wished all to attend their services were dispensed with. A

LORD MILTON TO BE MARRIED-The terms House, and on a division the majority were in favor of the Eucletaws being allowed to remain to finish their fishing.

It certainly did appear from the questions put by the Admiral that he had been tam—

Miss Chichester, the daughter of the Hon. pered with previously to the meeting, and prejudiced against the Eucletaws and extrers who wished them to be unmolested. But he got a free expression of our views, being cautioned against receiving with credence statements of a contrary character. That we considered he had no right to force the Eucletaws to leave it they did stock to miss chichester, the daughter of the Hon. and Rev. Lord Edward Chichester, Dean of Raphoe; the young lady is, consequently, niece of the Marquis of Donegal. Lord Milston is a very popular young nobleman, and his narrative of the North-West passage (overland), which he accomplished, in company with a friend, a few years since, is one considered he had no right to force the Eucletaws to leave; if they did steal to punish the thieves, that we want a Justice of the Peace and an occasional visit of a gunboat. He distinctly stated that as the Eucletaws and in Ireland make him one of the wealthing all been ordered off hefore he would also He distinctly stated that as the Eucletaws and in Ireland make him one of the wealth-had all been ordered off before he would show est members of the House of Peers), and is

THE most extraordinary instance of patience on record, in modern times, is that of an Illinois Judge who listened silently for two days while a couple of wordy attorneys contheir own time to depart. Some have red days while a couple of wordy attorneys conceived "papers" from Mr. Cave in order that tended about the construction of an act of they may remain.

I have no doubt that the settlers will teby quietly remarking: "Gentlemen the law is repealed."

PENIAN PROGLAMATION

CLONNEL, Oct. 17th .- Considerable excitement was caused in this town on Sunday by a Fenian proclamation, which was extensively posted up on the walls, and which was exgerly read by thousands of spectators. The tollowing is a copy of the document:

" Arrival of the Penians in Cork Harbor! "Great Sensation!! " Defeat of the British Fleet ! 1.1.

"By her grace (the Devil take her!) "WHERE-ASS—Those Flanigans have acrived in Cork harbor! I de declare by my
word hereof, that if the said Flanigans do not
get their lawful rights I will abdicate. Given
under my fiet,

"Jack-em-Down Castle,

"The last misruler of "God save the Elanagans!!
Our Brothers who can best and

Arnold, of Sussex, made

At first range; 4 builts eyes and I centre 11

Second : " 3 " I centre and I'll

Third range, 3 builts eyes, 1 centre and 1 outer 17

Total,
Private John Marks, of St. Stephesecord 51, making one miss through a defive cartridge.—Exchange.
Sir Fenvick Williams has received temporary appointment of Lieutenant-Gerner of Nova Scotis, and will leave Engon the 28th inst.—Hallfax Colonist.
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profitable.—A.

The presence of the military seems but to increase the troubles in Prince Edward's Island, when the agents of the landholders now endeavor to collect rents under military protection and to procure the arrest of all who resist them. A few days ago the Sheriff set out to serve processes, &c., accompanied by eight special constables, 25 soldiers, and a magistrate. Thirty warrants were issued against parties who had disturbed the Sheriff's deputies, and some arrests were made. When will all this end?

Mr. Hamilton, Gold Commissioner of Neva Scotia, writes to the London Times that during the year Nova Scotia shipped twenty-five thousand ounces of gold to England, and that it was never reported as the produce of that Province. no way

THE RUSSO-AMERICAN TELEGRAPH - The barque Golden Gate has arrived in San Francisco with Col. Bulkley, who intends wintering there. He is accompanied by Mr. Frederick Whymper, the artist of the expedition who is known here as the artist of the 1st V. I. Exploring Expedition. They are from Petro-pauloski in Kamschatka, and on the way down encountered a severe gale which cleared the deck of all the upper works. The Expedition is very popular with the Russians, and the members are loud in their praises of the hospitality shown them by the festive hyperboreans of Sitks, Aleutia, and Kamschatks. They leave for the north again in April, and will visit Victoria on their way.

ARRESTED- We learn that officer Eitz gerald succeeded in having the watch, which an Indian sold to Mrs. Ritchie, at Williams Lake some time ago, identified as that which belonged to the murdered man Morgan, and, what is still better, succeeded in arresting the Indian who sold it and who was without doubt the chief actor in the brutal murder, and having him lodged in jail at Lytton. His associate in crime has also been arrested at Lillooet, so that there is every prospect of the murderers of the murderers of justice being meted out to the murderers of poor Morgan. The white men who had been arrested on suspicion were at once liberate

THE LIGHT-SHIP-This vesse! left under canvas on Thursday, for Canoe Pass, convenient to the Sandheads, where she will take the lamps on board, whenever they arrive from San Francisco, and she will then be taken to her moerings, which will, we trust, be very shortly, as toe much delay has already occurred—Columbian.

QUEEN EMMA has engaged Mclie. Lines. Martorelle to retern with her to her Sandwich Island sovereignty, with the view of establishing English opera, or and describing France of Confederation solution

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