

The Weekly British Colonist, AND CHRONICLE.

Tuesday, January 28 1868.

The genius who presides at the... The genius who presides at the... of the Government organ at New Westminster...

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old lady of the writer's... possessed as pet a num... which she kept in some her garden, and had tam...

porary to produce the article from... which he affects to make the extract or stand convicted before the Colony...

The means, then, by which we propose... to raise the money is by the sale of Vancouver to the United States Government...

Here, then, we find this super-loyal... gentleman who, like the mad bull at the sight of a red cloth, charges furiously down upon an entire community...

Tuesday, Jan 21.

MALICIOUS INJURY.—On the 12th instant... a marine named John Connolly and a seaman named Joseph Abbott, both belonging to H B M's S Chanticleer...

THE ISABEL arrived yesterday afternoon... at half-past four o'clock from Burrard Inlet.

NAVAL.—The Honolulu Advertiser of the... 18th December, says:—"H B M's S Cameleo, Com-Annesley, arrived at this port on Tuesday evening."

INTERESTING TO BANK DEPOSITORS.—A... case of considerable importance to credit societies and bankers has just been decided: writes the Morning Star...

EDITORIAL IMPUDENCE.—A leading article... in the British Columbian of Saturday commences in the following highfalutin style:—"It will be seen that our old and valued correspondent, [Argus] whose nom de plume stands at the head of this article, has again taken up his pen, after a prolonged silence, and is pitching into the Lands and Works department with his wonted 'fury'."

THE LECTURE.—Unfortunately, as before... the late glorious weather broke immediately before the time appointed, but still the audience was such as any man might be proud to draw. Of the address there is only one opinion in the city: At the close Mr Harrett was loudly applauded, and as he came from the stage all indiscriminately congratulated him on his success.

LEECH RIVER.—We are glad to learn that... a subscription paper taken around by J. H. Turner, Esq., last week, realized the sum of \$100, and that Page & Co. will resume work at their tunnel in the hope of reaching the back channel shortly.

SKATING.—A large number of persons were... out on Harris' Pond on Sunday, and yesterday the skating still continued good, notwithstanding the warm weather.

FORT RAPERT vs. HYDAH.—Charley, a... Hydah, was yesterday fined \$20 for assaulting a Fort Rapert Indian woman; and Jim, a Fort Rapert Indian, was fined \$15 for assaulting a Hydah.

DESERTION.—John Millen was yesterday... brought before the police court, as a deserter from H M S Sparrowhawk, and was given up to the naval authorities.

THE BOATS.—The gunboat Forward, with... Harbor-master Cooper on board, will sail early this morning in search of the Fraser River boats.

GENERAL FREE SCHOOL.—This institution... will be reopened, on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

COUNTY COURT.—The Stipendiary Magistrate... will hold a County Court at 11 o'clock this morning.

GOLD NEWS.—The news from the gold district... within the last few days has produced a very favourable effect on gold stocks, and every one interested in mining operations begins to feel very much encouraged.

The Madoc Mercury has issued an extra... giving details of the news published in our special telegram from Madoc yesterday, which we submit:

Dr. Eimar, who is well known, is interested... to a considerable extent in gold mining operations in this locality, has just returned from El Dorado, whither he went to-day, anxious to learn the result of the crushing of the ore from the El Dorado and Madoc Gold Mining Company of Toronto's shafts—especially the latter—as the report in Monday's Leader that Professor Chapman had, after several assays, been able to obtain a yield of only six dollars to the ton from the ore of the latter company, while according to other assays the return had been as high as \$270 dollars to the ton—had excited some very unpleasant sensations as to the future prospects and prosperity of the Madoc gold region.

He has seen the ingot produced from the... Richardson mine ore, which is worth between \$50 and \$60; but is not at liberty to state from what quantity of rock it was obtained. He is, however, authorized to say that it is the richest thing in the world.

There was much excitement and gratification... at El Dorado, where, for several days past, the Gold and Silver Reduction Works have been the centre of attraction. Colonel Campbell, Gold Inspector, and other gentlemen were there to-day.

An Official Spectacle in Bavaria.

It is the practice that when a train is going... to start, notice shall be given of the event to the assemblage laboring hard at the consumption of sausage and beer in the restaurant, in order that all concerned may know the fact. In other places the notice is given by an ordinary porter looking functionary without ceremony. In Bavaria, instead of a mere intimation, it may be counted a mere intimation made by a man in long blue proclamation, made by a man in long blue and white robes, standing under the shadow of a vast and gorgeous cocked hat, and holding in his hand a long pole with a silver coronet on its top, something like a gigantic cane stretched out to the length of some eight or ten feet. I don't know where anything else so sublime is to be seen unless perhaps it may be among the satellites of the Lord Mayor of London. Having long looked at it with respectful awe, it was my good fortune on my last trip to have an opportunity of seeing it getting up in a sort of incidental peep behind the scenes. I was speaking to a shabbyish and insignificant-looking porter. Hearing the sound of wheels he started, and as if seized with sudden mania, tore off his jacket and pitched away his cap. Then he arrayed himself in the solemn robe of blue and white, mounted the brilliant cocked hat, took into his hand the wondrous staff of office, and walked into the restoration with solemn stride to make proclamation.—Blackwood's Magazine.

An excellent bon mot is going the rounds... of the West-End Clubs; it is attributed to the right honorable prelate who for eloquence cannot be excelled in or out of the pulpit, and whose witty sayings vie with those of Lord North, Sidney Smith, Alvanley and other jocular celebrities. Some one asked the bishop how it was that a noble lord, whose arduous faculties are unhappily deficient, should have been put on the Ritual inquiry. 'Why,' responded his lordship, 'you see that the Government in appointing the commission, must needs put something def-in-it.' This reminds one of Charles Matthews' joke.—'Why, it's as plain as A B C.' 'Yes,' responds the other, 'but I am D E F.'

A SOCIAL NUISANCE.—A certain news... paper in this city used to extort 'black mail' as the conditions of suppressing unpleasant personalities. Married physical castigation of the editor only tended to aggravate the evil and gain him the sort of notoriety he wanted.—The ability to maintain a more respectable style of journalism, together with the influence of public opinion, finally put an end to the nuisance. We have again in this city a journal which seems to be seeking the same kind of notoriety by another species of personalities none the less annoying to its helpless victims. We refer to the paper which, once circulating among respectable families, has lately taken the habit of publishing the names of well known ladies and gentlemen in our society who are, or are thought to be, 'engaged.' A more wanton and culpable invasion of the sanctities of private life has never been attempted in a civilized country. In one instance the offense was especially aggravated. The names of a lady and a gentleman said to be betrothed were published at the same time that the marriage of the gentleman to another lady was announced in the papers. Imagine the feelings of the lady reported to be 'engaged.' No one can estimate the annoyances that might well arise from the premature or incorrect publication of these impudent 'announcements.'—New York Post.

CAPTAIN HALL'S ARCTIC SEARCH.—Late... intelligence has been received at St. John's, N. F., from Captain Hall, who is searching the Arctic regions for traces of Sir John Franklin's expedition. He had determined upon prosecuting his enterprise the coming winter, and made every arrangement for the purpose, depositing supplies of provisions at easy stages along the proposed route. From some hostile Esquimaux he learned that at about the time of the loss of Sir John Franklin's vessel some white men carried a dead body on shore and built a brick vault, in which they carefully omented, and in which they deposited the corpse, afterwards covering the vault with heavy stone flags. This body Mr Hall believes to be the remains of Sir John, and his intention is to visit the locality and satisfy himself upon the point, if possible. He has secured many valuable articles formerly owned by Sir John's party.—Boston Journal, Nov. 10.

The German magazine, Unsere Zeit, describes a curious invention made by a Russian officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Weyde. It consists of an apparatus for throwing light on objects under water, for the use of divers, etc. The machine is said to be very inexpensive, and experiments made with it by the Russian and Prussian Governments in the sea near Cronstadt and the river Spree, have produced very satisfactory results. A very important use of this invention is that it enables the officers of a ship of war to discover any submarine mines or torpedoes sunk under by the enemy. It must, of course, greatly facilitate the recovery of sunken ships and other objects at the bottom of the sea.

At a meeting of the established Presbytery... of Dumfries, lately the clerk read a circular from the Sabbath Alliance of Scotland, calling the attention of the Presbytery to the vast amount of Sabbath desecration which went on, and requesting that the first Sabbath of December be appointed as a day on which ministers should preach on the observance of the Sabbath-day. Mr. Hogg: 'We are always preaching on the observance of the Sabbath.' 'The Clerk: 'I think it my duty to read every document that is sent to me to be communicated to the Presbytery; but I suppose this circular may be put in the fire.' 'Mr. Wilson: 'The best place for it.'

During the removal of articles from the... Exhibition, in the Italian section, a workman called on one of his comrades to assist him in lifting an immense cheese, which had stood against a wall, into a packing case; the men stooped, and put out all their strength, but what was their surprise to find that the article was as light as a drum. A family of rats had installed themselves in it, and nothing but a mere shell remained.

A resident in Paris in Chaise, Paris, ordered... previous to his death that a copy of La Patrie should be placed on his tombstone every morning. This eccentric bequest is duly carried out, and there on the grave can be seen a heap of musty old papers. Some wag has thrown amongst the heap copies of La Soleil and La Lune, to give some light on the subject.

Le Journal du Bas Rhin says that the... last season at Baden Baden has been the best in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. There were fifty-three thousand stragglers there, and no adventure—not a suicide, not a scandal!

A teacher said to a little girl at school: 'If a naughty girl should hurt you, you like a good girl you would forgive her, wouldn't you?' 'Yes, marm,' she replied, 'if I couldn't catch her.'

The last number of Blackwood's Magazine... in an article on novels, speaks of a class of popular romances whose heroines 'pant for indiscriminate kisses and go mad after unattainable men.'

Recently a villager was drowned in the... Tagus. The Mayor ordered a search for the body, and described the deceased as follows: Dark complexion; tall; marked impediment in his speech.

It was an apt answer of a young lady... who, being asked where was her native place, replied, 'I have none; I am the daughter of a Methodist minister.'

It is said that the gross takings of the... Paris Exposition amount to eleven and a half millions of francs, nearly half a million sterling.