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VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND, SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 1868

Concentration of Departments.

We have frequently been urged by

our correspondents and readers, to call attention to the necessity of concentrating the departments of the Government so as to reduce the number of heads, and we have been told on the other hand that it is useless to moot the subject under such a system of Government as ours; no good will come of it, say the croakers; no notice will be taken of the wishes of the people. Be this as it may, public journalists have a duty to perform, annual expenditure. and they must not relax in their efforts for the public weal; it is no pleasant task to find fault, but it would be criminal to be silent when good may ing a new grist mill at Clinton, which will be done by notice being taken of what is amiss. We are well aware that other influence must be brought the face with his fist and knocking her down to bear than that of newspaper writers, who are but the mouth-piece of public opinion. It is scarcely possible that daily examples of laxity, and want of energy in work, will be without their evil effect throughout without their evil elect inroughout vale company by a cave of the ground on fire the other night at Rose Bank, op it possible that taxpayers can be satisfied when they see the time for which field when they see the time for which they are paying frittered away in ing, one has now been supplied:—The Bishop trip and come to grief, west over very gendleness, but it is useless to talk of of Columbia presents his compliments to the the subordinates so long as the chiefs editor of the Sentinel and begs to thank him shore the parties hooted at him and ran intake no interest in their work, and for the copy of his paper of June 11th, con- to the woods to avoid being recognized. The until we have a Governor who will taining allusions to the want of religious boatman says he does not think he shall turn set the example, we shall get very few services in Cariboo. The Bishop has for a out again at midnight to relieve anyone, and heads of departments to work with the want, but many difficulties have arisen.

There would be some satisfied now, however, happy to say that the faction in it if the Governor would Rev J. Reynard, assistant minister of the only keep up the appearance of doing cathedral, will leave Victoria, accompanied something for us, by a regular daily by Mrs Reynard and children, by stage attendance at the Government Office. from Yale, to take up his abode in Cariboo. So long as we have a well paid Execu- Mr Reynard's high character, experience and tive we are entitled to some work in return. Let the Governor be the actu al head of all administrative depart- and children, to take a tedious journey and ments and there ought to be some to make his permanent home amongst them. chance of the governmental business being properly performed; there can be no reason that the Governor should book about this country, says: "This is Charlotte group, is reserved. not do the whole of the work usually straightforward and manly; but, after all, performed by a Colonial Secretary, the correction will not readily overtake that without being overburdened with toil; which preceded it, and which it is intended a Private Secretary he has, give to nullify. Nevertheless, the intent is good." him a clerk who can write the This seems to us just a little like nonsen him a clerk who can write the ordinary letters to the full as well as a gentleman drawing £700 a year, and he has an all sufficient staff for the requirements of the Colony. How the requirements of the Colony. How the requirements of the Colony. much more likely would the Governor tion to faults, of temper or of habit, which be to win the esteem and confidence have since been corrected or outgrown. It of the public, if he were to take an is great folly to try to keep up an impression active part in working the Govern in the public mind that Dickens, in a former mental machine? He would be brought age, did this country some gigantic wrong more into contact with the people, for which the rest of his life will scarcely and would, at the same time, show atone.—N. Y. World. that the will and intention was good : Mors Shrep -- Another important addiand the absence of any brilliant states, tion has been made to our stock of sheep in manship would be torgotten in admir-the upper country. The Examiner says Mr ation for his energy and aptitude for imported 2300; having lost 300 head on work. In order to carry out such a crossing the mountains. Our sheep stuck change in the present system of things has been greatly enlarged this year. It is thoroughly, it would be necessary to to be hoped our magnificent pasture ranges, abolish the office of Colonial Secretary extending from the Fraser to the Columbia -a subordinate who has been allowed rivers, will soon be covered with sheep and too much control can always give cattle. The figures last year for imported

ing man, not only a good accountant established in this city, in 1859. As t strickly straightforward in his dealings; not seeking popularity with gin with, we should have a consideroffices of Auditor and Treasurer as well. We shall follow up this subject by showing how other reductions may be made, with real advantage, so far as dispatch of business is concerned, plus population.—Sentineled hoston and affecting a great saving in the

CARIBOO TEMS -- Mr J. H. Scott is build. Wm. Williams was convicted of brutally

THE Evening Post, speaking of Mr Dickens

the wants of the Colony, if he had ity greatly depends.

WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST

fewer officials under him—and those few active and energetic men. One comptroller of public expenditure charged with the duty of checking the disbursements in the different departments, as well as being bound to partments, as well as being bound to the fewer officials under him—and those few active and energetic men. One of the editors of The New York Commercial, died June 20th, in Brooklyn, N Y, at the age of forty.

He was born in Syracuse, and came to New York when a youth. His father was proprietor of the Merchants' Hotel, in Pearl st, and the comptroller of partments, as well as being bound to the different departments of the disbursements in the different departments. see that the public money was applied subsequently of the York House, in Courtaccording to the votes, would be able landt st. He was educated at Prof. Author's to exercise a supervision over all the public offices; we would then be able

> troller have a good salary, and give whose publication resulted in the formation of the Vigilance Committee, and was the Governor; but let him be a good workand energetic man of business but writer of "Timely Themes" he added mater ally to his literary reputation.

EXTRAORDINARY EXCITEMENT,-A very in portant discovery of gold has been made or soft words, whilst his deeds show his Peterson creek by Mr. John Kennedy. The own aggrandisement and comfort are his chief objects in life. Thus, to be- sole proprietor) is situated on a bench opposite the mouth of Basford creek. Th able reduction, by getting a working prospects are undoubtedly bona fide and of Governor with less pay who would be such a character that their equal in richness his own Colonial Secretary, and a in all probability has not been struck in the Comptroller who would discharge the country since the discovery of William creek. Claims have been staked off on the main creek for about three miles, and also on some of its tributaries. This discovery will open out a large and long neglected auriferous district and give employment to our sur-

ROCK CREEK .- There are about fifty men whites and Chinese, at Rock Creek, engaged in mining, and doing well. A company had been busy making a bed-rock flume, and would have it finished in a few days. The make the fourth mill in the upper country miners would then have a plentiful supply of water, and it was believed that the claims assaulting Hattie Lucas by striking her in under this new condition would prove very

Whong .- A party of persons light the 1st inst. At the funeral Mr Sparrow Esquimalt. It was quite late when the fire

Notice is given in the Government Gazette that a tract of land surrounding Oyster Harbor, on Stewart Channel, Vancouver faland commencing at a point about half way ween the head of the said harbor and Horse 680 chains, thence northeast about chains, thence northeast by east about 210 chains, thence southeast 260 chains to the vestern shore of Stewart Chappel is reserved until further notice; also that the Island named Kokeedar, one of the Queen

CARIBOO. - NEW STRIKE .- The Sentine publishes reports of three rich strikes in Cariboo. The first was on Willow river at the foot of Red Gulch, the Madoc co at the depth of 102 feet found as high as \$1 50 to the pan on the bed rock. The second strike was on Stout Gulch, on the flat above the Mucho Oro, by the Jim & Joe co. The last strike is on Peters Oreek, by a company of men working on a bench. It is said that they got 9 ozs in a space of ground not two yards square, on bedrock. Jack Fogarty, one of the party, was in Barkerville exhibiting the dust, one piece alone weighing 2 ozs.

FIRE-About 10 o'clock last night the alarm of fire was given, but after running around the streets, the firemen concluded the alarm was false. There was however a narrow escape of a very serious fire. In burning some rubbish on Mr Tiedeman's ground during the earlier part of the day. sufficient care was not taken to extinguish the fire, and shortly before the alarm was given, it burst out anew with great violence and spread rapidly towards the house, but by the aid of neighbors was subdued without any material damage.

considerable trouble to a principal who horses, cows, beef cattle, and sheep can well Opposition.—Rumor gives it that an opwishes either to see the work well bear reduction; for horses we paid \$83,955; position boat is to be put on the Seund done or to do it himself. The Gove cows, \$39,207; beef cattle, \$147,868; sheep against the Eliza Anderson. Parties from ernor would be much more free to ernor would be much more free to are rapidly being reduced. The sooner the steamer Hunt. If the opposition is resolved vesterday under a charge of drunk and disact and much more likely to know better, for upon that reduction our prosper. course, in a short time.

yesterday evening. She brings no special news from above beyond that of the last dates. The Pacific passed up while the Saginaw was lying at the wreck of the Suwanee. The news of the loss of that vessel had not reached Sitks at the time of the Saginaw leaving, and as she was getting short of stores they started out to enquire about her, arance. The Saginaw will remain here

Sheeting Star out of Nanaime harbor on Tuesday evening; and that vessel laden with coal for San Francisco was seen off Discovery Island on Wednesday night. The Flying Eagle is the only vessel now, at the coal pit, and will probably leave about next Wednesday. The Douglas brought down only six passengers and a few boxes of but-

THE SAILOR'S HOME.—In response to an application of Capt. Nagle to His Excellency in regard te the formation of a sailor's home in this city. His Excellency met a deputation vesterday afternoon at the Government Buildings, where it was cordially received, and the Governor expressed his willingness to become the Patron of the Institution, and that he would be glad to do all in his power to support it, and would contribute a subscription towards the home.

I. O. G. T.—The following is a list of the officers of this order installed on Wednesday night by Lodge Deputy David McFadden: O G, Lawrence Goodecre; W R S, James Friedman; W L S, Thos Thornbill; W D M. Miss Anderson : W.C. Harry Butt.

Appirional Building.—It has been de termined to build an additional room to the office of Lands and Works, which, it is al-There are over forty cases of maps and papers belonging to the department in question, constantly required for reference by the public, and which cannot be used for

Laundry on the Esquimalt road suffered depredation on Tuesday night. A quantity of clothes had been left out to dry, which all, suddenly disappeared. Mr. Tugwell the proprietor thinks the robbery was committed by an Indian whose footsteps he was able to trace. Should any clothing be offered for sale parties will know what to do in such case, saw il as ornasom larragail na doom

CONVEDERATION. Information has been reseived in this town that Sir J. A. McDonald has dispatched a special messenger to England to conclude finally the transfer of the Hudson Bay Co. territories to the Dominion Government; that he expects to conclude the transfer without delay, and that then they will be prepared to admit British Columbia into the Confederacy upon conditions satisfactory to all parties.

Horse STAMPEDE .- The papers from the interior received on Tuesday night by the steamer Fly, speak of an Indian stampede of large drove of 200 horses imported by Mr Barnard from California.

TROUNCE VS. STRACHAN & OGILVEY .- We understand that Mr. Ring in this case will move for a rule nist, and that the verdict shall be entered for Strachan, one of the defendants, to-day at 12 o'clock.

Auction Sale .- We are requested to direct the attention of the public to the interesting sale of W K Bull's entire stock in trade, which commences at 11 o'clock, sharp. The goods will be on view from 8 o'clock:

CENTRAL SCHOOL .- This school opens with n increase of scholars over the last term. We understand there are 80 pupils in attendance now, and that they continue to

New Scow -- A scow for the Telegraph Company will be completed in about a week. She is intended for laying the wires across to the Island of San Juan, and will carry 50 tons.

SHIP BRANDER.—This vessel hauled up to Sproat & Co.'s wharf yeslerday morning for repairs. She will be hove down to ascertain the repairs required ; the extent of which at present no opinion can be formed.

POLICE COURT .- Robert Hood appeared

Bankruptcy Court.

(Before Chief Justice Needham.)

Wednesday, 12th Aug, 1868. In the matter of George Ealls-Dr Tuzo appeared in obedience to a summons issued by Mr Bishop, acting for one of the creditors, under this bankruptey, and produced deeds of section XX. Lake District, which had been mortgaged by Mason & Balls to Dr.

of said property to secure \$1000, this secur-ity had been given shortly before the bank-ruptcy. Mr Sebright Green, on behalf of the assignees, supported Mr Bishop in claim-ing any balance of the purchase money that might remain after payment of the first mortgage. Dr Tuzo consented to leave the question of the validity of the second mortgage to the Chief Justice. It was stated that if the brick buildings on Rae street belonging to this estate could be sold for \$750. there might be a dividend of fifty cents on the dollar for the creditors, if Dr Tuzo gave up his claim on the second mortgage and came in as a creditor. Dr Tuzo having proposed to make an offer for the brick builde ings, the case was postponed for a fortnight in order if possible to effect some arrange-

In the matter of James Wilcox-There being no opposition, this bankrupt was allowed to pass his first examination, on the application of Mr Bishop.

In the matter of Paris Carter-Mrs Martin, a creditor in person, applied for an order to compel the bankrupt to pay the amount of her claim. Mr Sebright Green for bankion; WFS, Oliver Jackson; WM, rupt said that an offer had been made to John Vaughn; WIG, John Goodsere; W Mrs Martin which she at first accepted but subsequently refused. No order was me

Municipal Council.

The minutes of previous meeting read and Communication from L Lowenberg ex-

planatory of a previous communication was read. On motion ordered to be laid on Communication from the Colonial Secre-

tary in relation to the Municipal Pound Byaw, with enclosure, read. On motion, the Mayor was requested to reply to said com-

Communication from the committee of the Victoria Turn Verein, applying for pernission to remove their gymnasium to the seant lot belonging to Mrs Blinkhorn at the corner of Yates and Broad streets. On motion permission granted. On motion a further sum of \$250

oted to Mr George Stelly on the balance of his account of \$500 was ordered to be paid-On motion the Council adjourned till Tuesday next, unless previously convened by the

Row among Nevada Miners--Smoking Out the Enemy--One Life Lost.

Austin, Nev., July 18, 1868.

For several days past the Buel North Star and Plymouth mines have been drifting towards each other. They broke through day before yesterday, when, as near as can be ascertained from the rumors, the Buel North Star men drove the Plymouth men from the drift, threatening violence, and barricaded it. The Plymouth men then put in a heavy blast and blew the barricade out. Yesterday morning Plymouth built a fire. It is rumored, but contradicted by them, that they used coal oil, brimstone, coal tar, pepper, etc., to keep the other party out. The Plymouth men commenced raising water, and when they got it to the surface let it fall back a distance of 200 feet, thus forcing smoke up through the Bue North Star incline. The Buel North Star men then went down their incline through the dense smoke for the purpose of rigging a fan to force the smoke into Plymonth, The density of the smoke soon drove them out, with the exception of George Cook, foreman. It is supposed he lost his way. As soon as the fact was known that Cook was lost, the Plymouth men commenced putting out the fire, but Cook wes not found until late yesterday afternoon, when life was quite extinct. Three other men are dangerously ill from the effects of the

smoke,

A Coroner's inquest is now being held
on the body of Cook. It will not be concluded until to-morrow.