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The Question of Tariffs

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Rebuilding of Christ Church Cathedral

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NAVAL FUNERAL.—The remains of Mr Davidson, late Navigating Lieutenant of H M S Boxer, took place yesterday...

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THE EXTRAORDINARY sailed at 10 o'clock yesterday morning for New Westminster, carrying 42 passengers, among whom were Mr Spark, R. N. Jno. R. Adams, Archdeacon Woods, Wm. G. Standish and a few others.

MILLING-TARY.—Among the money items, passed by the Canadian Parliament is \$1200 for an assistant Adjutant General for British Columbia.

A detachment of the Ontario Rifles, lately at Red River, have started overland for British Columbia.

FARE to Skeena mouth by the Grappler has been reduced to \$12.

Letter from Paris

PARIS, March 11.

The extreme party in Paris which now makes each a hubbub forgets the law and the prophets. Instead of one government Paris has at least half a dozen.

Montmartre has now the monopoly of folly. From the base to the summit of the hill are arranged 250 pieces of artillery, 70 mitrailleuses, 2 caissons of gunpowder, shells and ammunition without limit.

From Australia

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once more a blaze of light, with jewelry and mirrors in its little shops for spectators. The Champagne is opening its concert hall, and the circus only waits horses to commence during feasts of gastronomy.

The public health is improving—only 2500 deaths during the week ending 21st March, or but double the ordinary rate of disease. So much for good food and plenty of it.

The commission for reporting on the state of the corpses buried on the battlefields around the city, state that not more than five inches of soil cover the bodies. It is recommended to gently remove this insufficient covering, place over the remains a layer of tar and then replace the soil, planting shrubs thereon to absorb the miasm.

The hatred against the Prussians is taking deep root in the hearts of the French, and the determination has become national to not only refuse to trade with them, but not allow one of them to enter the country to work.

The re-espumption of the streets proceeds actively. 'Saints' are no more respected than the sinners of the last regime. Boulevard St Michel will be called Garibaldi—this will not please the clergy.

The celebrated Professor Charles opened his class yesterday in the College of France by a conference on Prussia. Formerly he was 'made up' as carefully as the old Duke of Brunswick. Now, he has appeared without wig, powder or pad, and looks 75 in reality.

He attributed the success of Germany to its popular education and superior leaved organizations. The Germans took his pictures and 40,000 books.

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