

The Weekly British Colonist AND CHRONICLE Saturday, April 10, 1869

European Mail Summary

From India we learn that an earthquake occurred in Assam, causing great destruction of life and property. These "shakedowns" are not confined to the Pacific coast. A severe drought has been experienced in central India, threatening the entire destruction of the crops; but late advices inform us that rain had set in and there was some probability of saving some of the vegetation. Thirty thousand head of cattle died in the vicinity of Delhi for want of fodder. The New Zealand massacre was bad enough, but fortunately not so bad as reported. There were fifty-five individuals in all killed or severely wounded—35 English and 20 friendly Maories. It was a complete surprise as had there been any intimation of the attack, the savages would have been repulsed. Severe retribution has been visited upon them since. Two or three severe defeats have been inflicted, their loss being very heavy in each instance. The French Communists have lately been using the freedom accorded to them by the French Government very injudiciously; they have been haranguing the populace in the wildest and most seditious language. All their outrageous views on the Deity, domestic virtue and the division of property, were canvassed with the same license as in '89. However disinclined to interfere with them, the Government has been compelled to shut them up for the sake of decency. These dangerous fanatics in senseless excess have furnished their own antidote, as the well-meaning citizens are naturally siding with the government. Count Bismarck is again becoming bumptious, and thinks to frighten everybody with big talk. We suspect he has made up his mind to grab the private property of the ex-King of Hanover and the ex-Elector of Cassel, the present being only a growl to keep away any one from disputing the prey. Prussia has played rather a wily move in asserting the necessity for the independence of Belgium and the readiness of the whole of Germany to go to the rescue in the event of any foreign power attacking that little Kingdom, any foreign power of course meaning France. By this piece of diplomacy England would be of course forced upon the German side of a quarrel if France moved towards the Rhine. A class of ultra liberals has sprung up in England of late years, who in their efforts for new ideas to keep up their popularity with the mob, have come to the conclusion that the best thing for England to do would be to give up all her Colonies and fortresses, under the impression that in this way a great saving in the national expenditure would be achieved. A greater fallacy could not be entertained. Amongst the other crochets of the party is the project of giving up Gibraltar to Spain, about the best way of slipping off John Bull's lock of strength, because with ironclad fleets, necessitating convenient coaling stations, the abandonment of the famous rock would be equivalent to redning England's power on the ocean very considerably. The state of Spain is much better than might have been expected, considering the bonds in which the people have been held so long, and the usual recklessness that accompanies sudden enfranchisement after long suffering from cruel oppression. The Spaniards, when quiescent, are a very nice people; but when they make up their minds that they ought to kill anybody they do it; witness the murder of the Governor of Burgos. In spite of the most determined efforts on the part of the Provisional Government, no clue has been found to the perpetrators of the cowardly deed. The Government at present is a kind of joint Dictatorship between Serrano, Prim and Rivoero; the first for Foreign Affairs, the second for the Army, and the last for the interior. There are, however, seeds of dissension in the triumvirate, and if the King is not soon selected a split may take place

Supreme Court

MONDAY, April 6, 1869. Lyons vs Stewart. This case was resumed by counsel for the plaintiff addressing the jury. He pointed out that the contract was made with the cognizance of Mr. Stewart, but the latter alleged that he was not a party to it, and also that Lyons had committed fraud in misleading the Captain. He also alleged by this evidence that the contract had been mutilated, a portion being taken off. There was a conflict between the evidence of Mr. Stewart and Mr. Lyons—they would, however, find the testimony of Lyons to be correct, and the proposition of Stewart that Lyons should go over to Port Townsend was far to substantiate it. Mr. Stewart objected to the form of contract signed by Robinson, but had the sum involved been \$10,000, and if it had been divided in a number of advance notes, there would have been no objection. There was no doubt the money was fairly due and that Mr. Stewart, under any circumstances, is perfectly safe. The learned counsel then went over the evidence and pointed out the discrepancies in the affidavit of the Captain and the questionable circumstances in relation to the notes given by Lyons to Robinson. He concluded an excellent speech by expressing his confidence in the result of the proceedings which fully considered by the jury. His Lordship the Chief Justice, then summed up, reviewing the entire evidence at considerable length in his usual peopious and pithy language, giving every statement on either side its due weight and value. The jury then retired, and after a short absence returned a verdict for the plaintiff for the entire amount claimed—\$1670. His Lordship thanked the gentlemen of the jury for their attention and care in the discharge of their duties, and then dismissed them.

The United States Revenue Steamer "Lark"

This steamer is now lying at the wharf of the Merchants' Dry Dock, North Point, and is to have a thorough overhauling previous to her contemplated voyage to St. Paul's and St. George Island, in the North Pacific Ocean. It is possible that she may pass into the Behring Sea. Her instructions will permit the revenue cutter Bellande (called in on the Alaska station at the present time) the officers of the Lincoln are: Captain, J. M. Seiden; First Lieutenant, E. B. Farlow; Second Lieutenant, J. K. Kelce; Chief Engineer, James A. Doyle; Second Assistant Engineer, J. P. Cloyd and J. B. Lucas. It is expected that her repairs will be completed and that she will sail about April 10th.

Suicide of a Victorian

A few days ago Mrs. B. F. Moses committed suicide at San Francisco. She was the wife of Dr. Moses, who resided at one time in this city, and subsequently at New Westminster. The pair were married here in 1843 at the Globe Hotel (now McTear's furniture store) then kept by J. Levy, father of the bride. In 1864 the doctor and his wife proceeded to San Francisco where they have since resided, but for some time have lived apart. The grand Potlach came off the other day at the above place, and about 2000 Indians assembled to receive the gifts. It was observed they all had money, some of them considerable sums. They made every effort to obtain liquor from the licensed dealers, knowing, doubtless, that they run less risk of being poisoned, and offered large sums for bottles of good liquor which, of course, could not be sold to them. Is it not a little dril that these people are forced to destroy themselves with the vile compounds sold to them ad libitum by illicit vendors (most probably from the other side), and out licensed dealers here, are prohibited from selling a wholesome article, to them which would keep the money in the Colony. O Tempora! O mores!

Small Pox

On the 27th March, the Health Officer of San Francisco communicated the pleasing intelligence that the 26th passed without any case of small pox having been reported, making the first day in ten months in which no new case of the epidemic had occurred. In the progress of the disease since last spring, remarkable fluctuations have been noticed. Sometimes when the decrease in the number of cases led to the belief that its course had been permanently arrested, it would suddenly swell again into almost its worst stage of virulence without any apparent cause; and would again as mysteriously disappear. The type of the disease has also repeatedly changed in an unaccountable manner, sometimes yielding easily to the usual treatment, and at others assuming a malignancy that baffled the best physicians. Of late it has been steadily abating, until on the 25th it seemed to have entirely ceased.

Strangest

On Sunday night a baker named Blackear was stabbed on Store street by an Indian and severely injured. The Indian was observed loitering about the entrance of Dickson, Campbell & Co's Wharf, and was ordered away. He walked off a short distance and met Blackear, whom he addressed and immediately drew a knife and stabbed him in the back. An alarm was raised and the savage at once fled across Rock Bay bridge to Webster's Tannery, where he secreted himself. Subsequently, Sergt. Bowden caught him on the bridge while returning stealthily to town and took him in. Yesterday he was remanded Blackear, though quite severely injured, is able to be about. The culprit belongs to the same tribe as Harry who was hanged here a few weeks ago.

Arrival of the Active

The steamer Active arrived in the harbor at 10 1/2 o'clock yesterday morning from San Francisco, March 30th, bringing 44 passengers and 231 tons of freight. Referring to the passenger list we were glad to observe the names of Messrs. John Walkie, C. Straps, Lewis Lewis, Mrs. Heywood & children, J. Fawley and wife, Mr. A. Phillips.

Death of Michael Tufo

Michael Tufo, who will be remembered as the pioneer milkman of Victoria, died at Virginia City, Nevada, about ten days ago. Tufo was the proprietor of the fine piece of land and orchard on Cadboro Bay road now owned by Capt Good of this city.

A Few Men in San Francisco

own the bulk of all the cattle in California. Slowly but surely for years have they been monopolizing this traffic, while others have neglected it, until within their "ring" is centered the whole power and control of the cattle market.

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California Paper's Opinion of White Pine

The Marysville Appeal of a late date says: "Our people go to White Pine to prospect, but White Pine goes somewhere else. The White Pine News of the 6th inst. says: "A prospecting party under Jas. Basey has left Treasure City and has gone to the direction of Steptoe mountain. They may prospect in the Washoe range, which is south of Salt Lake. The party will be absent for several months, and are well prepared. Cannot sensible men understand by this act that the rocks about White Pine are not all silver? White Pine is sure to turn out an immense humber. There are good mines there, but too many people are after them. The rest is proportionable to the size of the humber."

Death of a California Judge

Hon. S. W. Brockway, until recently Judge of the Eleventh Judicial District Court, in California, died April 1st of congestive pneumonia, at the residence of Alvina Hayward, San Mateo, aged 88 years. Judge Brockway visited this city about three years ago.

Extraordinary Cures of a Cough

The following letter has been received from WILLIAM BOARDS, Esq., an extensive agriculturist and land agent, residing at Edmonton, Mid-Lothian: "Nightingale Hall, Edmonton. Dear Sir,—I have recently suffered much from a most violent cough, and proceeded, from a tickling in my chest, which no remedy, out of many I resorted to, could allay. My head was constantly aching, and my whole frame entirely shaken. Having seen the good effects of your Balm of Aniseed in several members of my family, I purchased a small bottle, and when going to bed at night, took a teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of water, just warm. The effect was immediate; and across perfectly restored in the morning, with the exception of a slight cough, arising from fatigue by incessant coughing for some days previous. My cough entirely left me, and has never returned. Having since heard of a lady in the neighborhood who for a long time had laboured under a most distressing cough, and who had resorted to every remedy within her knowledge, I sent the remainder of the bottle to her; and that long-standing, obstinate, and (as she thought) incurable cough, was perfectly cured. You are at perfect liberty to make what use you may please of this communication, as the contents are strictly true. I shall take every opportunity of recommending your ineffable medicine, feeling as I do, fully assured of its efficacy. WM. BOARDS, Esq. 41 am, Dear Sir, yours very truly, W.M. BOARDS."

Powell's Balsam of Aniseed

For Coughs, Colds, Influenza, Shortness of Breath, Asthma, Bronchitis, and for all affections of the Lungs, this old established remedy will be found invaluable. The large sales and increased demand for this excellent and elegant preparation, which has proved its introduction into Australia, New Zealand and nearly all the British Colonies, has induced the Proprietor to still further extend the beneficial results of its use; and he begs to announce that he is now introducing his Balsam of Aniseed into the Colonies, and has appointed Messrs Millard and Beedy, Wharf Street, Victoria, Wholesale Agents, through whom Chemists and Storekeepers can obtain their supply. The Price is within the means of all classes. Prepared and Sold by THOMAS POWELL, 210, Blackfriars Road, London. Sold in bottles by all Chemists, and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the World.

Pickles, Sauces, Jams

Manufactured by GROSSE & BLACKWELL, SOHO SQUARE, LONDON. Sole Importers for the Colonies, Messrs. MILLARD & BEEDY, Wharf Street, Victoria. Wholesale Agents for the Colonies, Messrs. MILLARD & BEEDY, Wharf Street, Victoria.

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