

The Weekly British Colonist.

Tuesday, December 12, 1865.

THE NEWS.

The principal item of telegraphic news brought yesterday by the Active is the surrender of the Shenandoah to British authority at Liverpool.

From England we learn that the cholera is on the decline in Europe and that it has shown but very slight indications in Great Britain.

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From our South American exchanges we have the unwelcome intelligence that war has actually broken out between Chile and Spain.

ships and proceeding with energy against the Spanish power. A panic was created, a run on the banks ensued, which resulted, after a hard struggle in the suspension of cash payments.

By the arrival of the British ship St. John, 65 days from Newcastle, we have received files of papers to September 9th.

The papers are filled with accounts of the Metropolitan Races, which are patronized by Government.

The great Devon flouring mills were destroyed on the 9th of September.

The Newcastle Chronicle bemoans the fact that there is no institution in that city devoted to cultivating and improving the literary and intellectual tastes of the people.

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By the arrival of the U. S. steamer Saranac we have received the Honolulu Advertiser of the 4th inst.

Wilson's Circus was doing a fine business in Honolulu.

The Saranac arrived on the 29th October at Honolulu, thirteen and a half days from Tahiti, to which port she went in search of the Shenandoah.

There was little going on in Tahiti. Some ten or a dozen small vessels were in port.

The death is announced of John Frederick Herring, the well-known animal painter, in the 71st year of his age.

Queen Emma, of Hawaii, is expected to visit Manchester next month.

The O'Connell monument in Clare, is to be inaugurated on the 3d of October, with great ceremony.

The Duc de Grammont Caderousse died in Paris, on the 25th, of pulmonary disease.

By the ship Egeria 50 days from Shanghai, we (Alta and Bulletin) have received the North China Herald of September 9th and 16th.

took place on Monday, and the barracks on the bluff, lately occupied by the marines, now present a more lively appearance than since that battalion took its departure.

A murder, round which a good deal of mystery is cast, was committed on Thursday last.

On Thursday morning two bodies were discovered floating in the harbor.

Our Nagasaki correspondent reports the cessation of hostilities between the Tycoon and Choshu, chiefly on account of the powerful aid obtained by the latter from other great princes in the Empire.

At Hakodadi all remains quiet. Trade seems gradually improving, but has not yet sufficiently revived to encourage extensive speculation.

The officers of the British Fleet and of the 20th regiment played a cricket match, September 22d, the latter winning by 54 runs, in one innings.

The Japanese have commenced the experiment of sending their staples to be sold at auction.

On the 21st of September, about noon, a smart shock of an earthquake was experienced in Yokohama.

QUARTER LEDGES IN CARIBBOO—A private letter of a recent date from Caribboo has the following: "There is a great excitement here just now about a quartz lead up on the Bald Mountain."

DEATH OF MR. WYLLIE, OF THE SANDWICH ISLANDS—The Hawaiian Gazette of the 21st October announces the death of Robert O'Connell Wyllie, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Secretary in charge of the War Department, Member of His Majesty's Privy Council of State, and Knight Great Cross of the Order of Kamehameha I.

THE STEAMER PACIFIC left San Francisco on Friday, November 24th, at noon, and was off the Columbia river bar at mid-night on Sunday.

APPOINTMENT—Captain Sir Leopold F. McClintock, K.C.B., at present in command of Her Majesty's steam frigate Aurora, 39 guns, on the West-India station, is appointed Commodore in place of the late Commodore Craeock, C.B.

AGAIN INUNDATED—From a private letter we learn that Port Angeles was again inundated on Tuesday, by rain and high tides, so that most of the houses were wooden islands.

TO BE SOLD—The Hawaiian Gazette of November 4th says: "The Royal Charlie, from Victoria, having discharged her lumber on account of a leak, has, after examination, been condemned, and is advertised for sale on the 6th."

Loss—The bark Hugh Bartlett, according to the Washington Standard, was wrecked a few days ago near the Straits of Nuyves.

THE WAR IN CHILE.

THE BLOCKADE.

[From the Panama Star, October 27.] The Spanish Fleet consists of the following vessels:—Villa de Madrid, flagship, and Resolucion, two frigates; and Vencedora, gunboat, at Valparaiso; Bianca, frigate, at Caldera; Berenquela, frigate, at Coquimbo; the Marquez de la Victoria, as a transport, with another gunboat carrying despatches.

In business affairs an unprecedented panic was created. Immediately there was a run on the banks, which stood out well for the first day, but on the following day all had to suspend cash payments.

Foreign merchants and residents have held several meetings, with the view of inducing their representative Ministers or Consuls to interfere actively for their protection; but unfortunately it has happened that no Foreign Admiral or Commodore has been in Valparaiso all the time of these occurrences.

The following managed to evade the blockade, got into port and are now discharging: British ship West Australian, from New York; British bark Allan Sedgwick, from Liverpool; British bark Elizabeth Hardgrove, from Liverpool; British bark Egbert, from Swansea; and French ship Napoleon III, from Havre.

On September 30th the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's new steamer Santiago arrived at Valparaiso, after a voyage of 44 days, and was allowed by special permission to enter the harbor.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

[DATES TO OCTOBER 13.]

Mr. A. L. Calder offered himself as a Candidate candidate for Westmoreland in opposition to the Hon. A. J. Smith, anti-Confederate, but subsequently withdrew.

The result of the election is a foregone conclusion on all sides. No one doubts that Smith will be re-elected by an overwhelming majority.

Our trade with Prince Edward Island does not grow as was anticipated. Last year our whole importation from that Province amounted to only \$112,728, an increase of little more than \$4,000 over the previous year, and we exported to the Island only \$85,261.

Our trade with Nova Scotia is large. The value of our imports from that province was \$1,369,342, and the value of such part of our exports as was entered in the Custom House was \$556,924.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The Journal says:—The revenue of Nova Scotia for the current year is likely to be unusually large. The province never was in a more flourishing condition. The city of Halifax shares largely in the general prosperity.

Mr. Kinlock Forbes, Judge of the High Court of Bombay, died on the 1st ult.

An insurrection has broken out in Chajulpore, and the Nawab was forced to take to flight. The disturbance is confined to the Nawab's territory.

The ship Eaglesped has been totally lost at the mouth of the Mutlah. Upwards of 300 coolies were on board.

PARIS, Oct. 6th.—A general meeting of the shareholders in the Suez Canal Company took place yesterday. M. De Lesseps stated that the company still had an available capital of 180,000,000 francs.

MAJOR DOWNING—The Oregonian of Friday last mentions that an old friend of the Major, an old Californian, well known all over the coast was in town en route to New York (?)

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