## WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST

ches, and Arapaboes, on Forts Kearney yesterday, with Whitworth guns. Very few was driven in considerable confusion, retreating in a northerly direction. Every measure is being taken by the ral hundred shells during the day. Every measure is being taken by the ral hundred shells during the day. d Cottenwood, and all along Platte Valley. Every measure is being taken by the

The Times Washington special says; Sheridan has pushed his advance from Win-chester to Strasburg. Early is retiring from that point, toward the west. It is believed whites to give them a warm reception. All the ranches are deserted, and the prorietors and their families have taken refuge in the nearest forts.

Depredations continue to be made daily to be Sheridan's intention to head off Early and envelop him between two forces, but as it is ascertained that Lee has sent at least 20,on the stock, coaches and stations of the Overland Stage Company. 000 men to reinforce the column in the valley, there will probably be a stout contest for the

The telegraph operator at Alkali lake was driven off, and his stock taken.

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On the more thickly settled portions of the route between Omaha and Kearney, the peo-ple are erecting forts for the defence of their lives and property, and are arming for emerpossession of that region. A telegram received from Sheridan, dated Cedar Creek, 14th, states there is no enemy ple are crecting forts for the defence of and lives and property, and are arming for emer-gencies, though it is hardly probable that any incursions will be made this far down the

Major-Gen. S. R. Curtis, commanding this lepartment, arrived yesterday. About six He leaves for the west shortly, to adopt direction of Deep Bottom; a steady and somedecisive and efficient measures for the pro- times furious cannonading was kept up all day. The attack was commenced by the enemy

tection of the mail routes and emigrants. On the 13th, 300 guerrillas attacked Selma, Livingston county, Kentucky, garrisoned by a party of the 4th Ky. After a sharp fight, they were repulsed with a loss of 8 killed, 15 wounded, and several captured. The Feder-al loss is 3 killed, 4 captured, and one mor-

t, one or two of their rams dropped down tally wounded. The World's special at Washington Aug. the river as far as it was deemed prudent and added their fire.

16th, says: It is reported that Longstreet with 31,000 and Fitzhugh Lee with 10,000 passed through Warranton on Saturday last, moving towards the valley; doubtless to re-inforce Early. Their number is probably ong range thoughout. Our losses are inconsiderable. sibly be nearer the trath. The Tribune has the following dispatches gaged cannot be more than alluded to. Time must develop them further.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16-Secretary Stanton from Sheridan, of the 15th: Our forces are in possession of Strasburg. On our advance toward the town, the enemy, says that Government has received from Gen. Canby an official report of the surrender of whose force consisted of but one line, fell back, leaving the place in our possession. The enemy has abandoned his works be-Fort Gaines and the abandonment of Fort Powell. Fort Gaines surrendered unconditionally with 56 officers, 818 men and 66

yond Strasburg, and is believed to be retreatguns. There was also 12 months' provisions. The garrison at Fort Powell escaped. The ing towards Mount Jackson. armaments of both Powell and Gaines were

Yesterday morning the artillery on both sides was playing rather briskly, then the Fifth Corps massed and charged the broken rebel line and captured 10 prisoners. fit for immediate use. Gen. Granger will immediately invest Fort Morgan and garrison Foits Powell and Gaines-Gregg's cavalry had cleared the roads for Headquarters 15th Army Corps before At-

ck and he got the Second Corps into

lanta, July 29-I have the honor to report that in pursuance of orders I moved my com-BANGOR, Me., Aug. 16—The Democratic State Convention met in this city to-day; there, was a large attendance, Resolutions were adopted denouncing the Administration, declaring the Democracy the only true Union party. It was understood that there would tion, I met the rebel infantry, Hardee's and S. D. Lee's corps, who made a desperate and betermined attack. be a compromise between the peace and War 11:30 A. M., July 28-My lines were pro-tected only by logs and rails hustily thrown in front of them. The first onset was received

Bosron, Aug. 17-A dispatch from the Consular Agent at Yarmouth states that six Monday, six miles from Cape Sable. and checked, but the battle coutinued until THOMASTON, Me., 18-The Tallahasse yes-3 p. m., during which time six successive terday destroyed twenty-five vessels off Martinicas, and took a ship named Nova

charges made were gallantly repulsed, with fearful loss to the enemy. Late in the evening our lines were again NEW YORK, Aug. 18-The Herald has the assaulted and the enemy gleriously repulsed.

Most of the fighting was done on Howard's and Smith's front, which formed the centre. MARTINSBURG, Aug. 17-There is much activity to night in consequence of the re-ported advance of the rebels. Skedaddlers have already commenced a thern movement and come down the val- commanders are entitled to equal credit in ling the

portion of his command, charged and took one line of the rifle pits from the enemy, who stubbornly resisted with artillery and musketry.

It is reported that Early has been reinforced by Longstreet and that he was moving down the west and north side of the mountains to flank us at Winchester. Whether this is true or not, the friends of the rebels were informed at Middleton before they retreated that Lougstreet would be at Woodstock on Sunday. They promised to return again on Tuesday.

NASHVILLE, Aug. 17.—The Chattanooga Gazette of the 16th, says of the attack on Dalton by the rebels, who numbered 5,000 infantry and cavalry, with 6 brass howitzers. The garrison numbered 400. At 2 o'clock a. m., a demand for surrender was made and oefused. The attack then commenced. On the morning of the 16th, General Steadman arrived with reinforcements and charged the ebels, who fled in confusion. The enemy slightly damaged the railroad one mile this

of Dalton, but it has bee since repaired. The Nashville Courier of the 15th says that force of 1500 rebels attacked our troops guarding plantations at Goodrich Landing. town. Eggs command \$1 50 per dczen, and chickens are hard to be got at any price.

The Federals held their ground until rein-forced by troops from the Fort, when they charged, and drove the rebels from the field, The affair was an artillery engagement of with a loss of several wounded.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18-Richmond papers plenty. The character and design of the opera-MOBILE, Aug. 11 - Heaving firing has been reported at Fort Morgan on the 9th, 10th tions in which the working parties were en-

and to-day. The telegraph wire has cut between the city and the Fort.

Two vessels are off Dog river bar, miles below the city, this evening. The shores of the bay are covered debris from the Federal vessels.

Large quantities of tar, pitch and turpenport. tine have been burned to prevent it from falling into the hands of the enemy.

Troops are daily arriving, and good feeling generelly exists.

EUROPEAN.

HALIFAX, Aug. 16.—The Persia from Liver-pool the 5th and Queenstown the 7th has arrived. The following are stated to be the terms of peace agreed upon between Denmark, Prussia and Austria: and Austria : Laxemberg with Schleswig and Holstein is to be ceded to the Great German Powers. The Island of Arce is to remain with Den-

Alsen, and the Islands in the North Sea are to go with Schleswig. Resoccupation of the Jutland frontier will

## take place. CALIFORNIA NEWS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12 .- Currency bills 140; coin bills, 31; legal tenders for the week have been \$9} to 40.

T. C. Sanborn, recently/the heaviest stock banker here, has filed a petition of inselvency. Assets, rothing, liabilities, \$26,000. Markets-Good milling new wheat in de-mand at 3 25 (2) 3 35/; barley, demand 3(a) 3 10; @3 15 for prime new.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19-Weller was re-

the 17th itst., and was so badly hurt that he survived one hour. He was but 16 years of From a private letter received by steamer Golden City, from Acapulco, and dated July age, and a very promising lad. We have files of the Oregonian to the

and the second

30th, we (Alta), make the following extracts : 20th: The U. S. steamer Narragansett arrived By priva'e telegrams the steamer Brother at Acapulco July 27th, thirteen days from Jonathan is announced to leave San Francis-San Francisco. The engines worked badly, which greatly retarded the speed of the vesco on the 25th for Portland direct. Julia Dean Hayne arrived at Portland by

sel. In the harbor were lying the French frigate Pallas, with the Admiral on board, the last steamer en route to Idaho, where she has an engagement. A telegram from Yreka to the Oregonian

French Frigates Victoire and D'Assas, and gunboat Diamond. The American war states that Dr. Bellows of the Sanitary Comsteamer Saginaw came into the harbor on the mission was to lecture there on the 18th en 28th. The latter vessel sailed the following route to Portland.

day for Panama and Callao. The submarine cable was laid across the Acapulco is no longer the same place as of Columbia at Fort Vancouver on Tuesday last old. The French, of course, have now full by Supt. Haines. One end was made fast to possession of the town. Alvarez has made a stout oak tree and the cable was then reelhis appearance in sight of the fleet within the ed off from a scow which was towed across last two days, and the French are shelling by a steamer. The laying of the cable only his forces whenever opportunity offers. The Mexican chief makes nightly raids upon the occupied twenty minutes. Supt. Haines satisfactorily tested it by at once despatch-ing messages to Portland and San Francisco. French outpost pickets, and woe betide the Capt. John H. Couch lett Portland on the luckless Frenchmen who fall into his hands. It is dangerous for any American to go to the 19th for Puget Sound on an official tour of outskirts of the town, for the guerrillas are steamboat inspection.

just as likely to pick off the "Eagle" as the Crown." An attack in force upon the town has been expected for the last two nights. Vegetables and fruit are very scarce in the

The country people dare not bring in any

to San Francisco.

ACAPULCO.

SOUTH AMERIC A

Ecuador. -The notes passed between the Foreign Minister of Peru and the government of supplies, as Alvarez will shoot all caught Ecuador on the subject of the Spanish occu-aiding the enemy. Money seems to be pation of the Chincha Islands, have been

published. General Flores, of Ecuador, says that if the question is resolved into recon-The heat is terrific. The rainy season has not yet commensed. Our correspondent, in quest or domination, "all the American bis comments on the intense heat, builds a States will perform their duty," and Ecuador shall not be the last. The Peruvian Minister at Quito, before

castle in the air ; for he imagines himself at the immaculate Squarza's, imbibing a frozen demanding his passport, had asked explana-tions of the Ecuadorian government relative punch, and awakes to the pleasing reality of a sweat, and not a pound of ice in Acapulco. The French officers extend every courtesy to its conduct on the Spanish-Peruvian question. and act of politeness to the Americans in

## Peru.

Chile.

AUSTRALIA.

[DATES TO JUNE 1ST.]

The U. S. sloop of war Cyane was daily Private despatches inform us that the Peexpected from Panama, which port she left July 9th. ruvian Government is inclined to pay millions of meney to Spain rather than the blood of Americans be spilled in her cause. The Narragansett will probably visit all the Central American ports before returning It is probable, therefore, that when the new

Commissioner from Spain arrives, he will The British screw steam-frigate Cameleon find it an easy task to arrange the disputed arrived at Acapulco on the 29th, from Man- question. The papers, however, suppose that zanillo, en route to Panama, for which port she left on the 30th. She brings news that pose any such action of the Government.

A grave charge has been brought against Uraga, the Mexican general in command near Guadalajara, had given in his adhesion the parties who contracted for the new cointo Maximilian, with a large force; that age. It appears that many of the coins are Doblado had been whipped by the French, and that only Rojas, with some 1,000 men, in The report made by the French Senate The report made by the French Senate on the Barranças, remained in opposition to the Mr. Cochet's pretensions has been received in Peru with much delight. French.

The Constitution arrived at Acapulco on the 30th, and sailed at 4 p. m. for Panama. Valparaiso furnishes us no news of im-

> nortance. NEW GRANADA. (From the S. F. Alta.)

Our files of the Panama Star, and Mercan-

Salvador.

Guatemala:

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Nicaragua.

From the Gaceta Oficial of the 25th of

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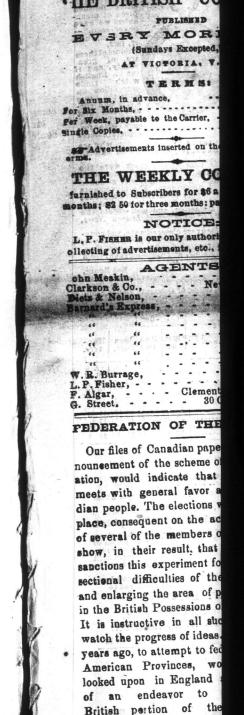
of suspicious characters from the adjoining

tile Chronicle, are to July 23d. The latter aper says that the reported revolutions in A robbery of £500 worth of opium from the the interior of the State appear to have been

ustoms sheds at Melbourne, is reported. of no consequence, and the country is now in The operation of laying down the second profound peace. The residents of the Island of Toboga line of railroad track from the Wallsend

bonds and on takikg he oath of allegiance. Telegrams from Salt Lake show that 300 or 400 miles of the overland mail route is in possession of the Indians. complain that no accommodations are ex- Junction to Newcastle, has been commented

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JOHN A. LOGAN, Brig. Gen. Commanding.

(Signed)

tence is dependent upon keeping up a force there to threaten the Potomac line, and keep a large body of our troops in that direction. The Tribune's Baltimore special of the

Louisville, August 10-Wheeler with 1.700 men demanded the surrender of Dal-17th says :---I have just arrived from Shenandoah val-ley, having left the front Tuesday morning. Considerable skirmishing had taken place two days previously. Both armies had ad-vaneed several times in succession into Stras burg. Our cavalry had been scouting on the I have just arrived from Shenandoah valvanced several times in succession into Stras burg. Our cavalry had been scouting on the left, and towards the fords of the Shenandoah near Front Royal, and on the right toward's Snyder's Gap. The esemy have taken a strong position beyond Strasburg, at Fisher's Mountain. On Monday, a detachment guard ing one of our signal stations on the mountain near Strasburg, were captured by the energy

ing one of our signal stations on the mountain near Strasburg, were captured by the enemy, One hundred men sent up afterwards have not been heard from at the last accounts. WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The mail hoat from Oity Point to day reports that on the afternoon of the 11th a body of troops em-barked on the transports at Oity Point, and moved up the river. During the night under the cover of our fire, the gunboats effected a landing uear Dutch Gap. The object of this movement is stated to be to dislodge a con-siderable force of the seemy who had en-trenched themselves on the river, and also for reconnoissance to ascertain what troops Lee

trenched themselves on the river, and also for reconnoissance to ascertain what troops Lee had before dichemond, and if he is sending any considerable reinforcements to Early.— There was heavy firing going on when the boat left, by both cannonading and musketry. NEW YORE, Aug. 16.—A special to the We captured a the tothe set to the second and several Work at the tothe set to the second and several forid on the 15th says : mortars. The same authority states the number of mortars to be four pieces. World on the 15th says :

day in regard to the movements of the differ-ent armies in Virginia; the most of them are on the 14th shows the main works of the undoubtedly without foundation.

enemy to extend along a commanding ridge covered by a formidable earthwork along the There seems to be little doubt that important changes are going on in the disposition of the rebel forces, which, of course, must of the Union armies, which will take some

time yet to develop. The Peint of Rocks correspondent, dated the 14th, says:—For some time Butler has been coming over a brilliant scheme where-with to annoy the enemy, and advance the Union interest. The plan contamplated is the

with to annoy the enemy, and advance the Union interest. The plan contemplated is the construction of a casal at a place which has been known as Dutch Gap, in the direct face of the enemy. When done it will compel the enemy to extend his line of defence a distance of four miles. The distance saved to us by digging a canal which is to be 1400 and the seven miles of water in James

to us by digging a canar when he do to to a series from recentiond. yards long, is seven miles of water in James River. The men engaged on this work were shelles by the rebel rams, but our gunboats other troops advanced on the road leading

Soon drove them away. A correspondent before Petersburg on the I3th says: The rebels have crected a new fort inside and expleded one opened upon

ossession of the Indians. The steamer Sigra Nevada sailed to day

All the stock for two hundred miles west of Kearney, has been withdrawn. The mails will probably be carried by

partments. teamer hereaffer. Telegraph communication remains undis-

turbed as yet. The steamer St. Louis arrived this morning

at seven o'clock. The John L. Stephens arrived to-day from Mazatlan.

LATER FROM CHINA.

By the arrival of the Black Prince at San Francisce frem Hong Kong, says the Union, we have the Hong Kong Irade Report of June 12th, from which we copy the following intelligence :

Major Gordon's force has been disbanded at Quinsan. The artillery branch had gone on an expedition to Woochufoo, under com-mand of Majs. Doyle and Bailey, and that

bity was expected to capitulate shortly. The Futai had liberally compensated the officers of the disbanded force, Seochew had considerably improved; to his administration. The cochineal crop in the vicinity of An-

bridges were being rebuilt, the wreck clear-ed, trade and population were returning, and the land was again being cultivated.

Tan Yang was evacuated by the rebels without attempt at resistance, and at once occupied by the Imperialists. It is believed that the whole of the open country in the province is cleared of rebels, and Lieutenant Futai will soon march with his forces to join the siege of Nankin, which is likely to be

assaulted at the end of the hot season. Considerable anxiety is felt by the native

merchants at the rapid destruction of the granite sea wall in Hongehow Bay, which has led to the partial overflow of the rice districts which surround Ningpo, and to fears of starvation from the failure of crops.

The Franco-Chinese and Imperialist forces were encamped, May 18, some distance from the city of Hoochow. The rebels were strongly posted on the adjoining hights. The Futai of Keangsop was about to dispatch 40,000 men to aid the Chekiang troops in the

Sankolinsin had entered the Huquang province at the head of an army, in obedience to imperial order, to assist in restoring order about one hundred miles from Hankow.

A surveying squadron was busily employ ed in and near the entrance of the Yanktsze.

A correspondent writing from Tientsin, under date of May 27th, says the two Danish vessels seized by the Gazelle-the Caroline and Catherine-have been released, and now sail under Prussian colors.

The storm of Saturday night and Monday morning inflicted great injury in the colony of Hongkong. The damage is roughly estimated at \$500,000. Many Chinese lost their lives, and more their homes and property. Although the storm lasted long, it was purely local. At Canton and Whampoa it was not felt at all; but on Monday afternoon waterspout descended at Whampoa and drowned about two hundred Chinese.-Ore-

A battalion of 269 men arrived on the developed by one company with much vigor, and good results, and other companies are 11th at Panama from Buenaventura. expected soon to begin work.

The Wentworth gold fields are stated to be the most flourishing of any in the colony.--Coarse gold has been discovered in the Uape The papers were still occupied in describ-ing the visit of President Dueflas to the De-Otway ranges, but not in large quantities. The epidemic "serampion" has been The quantity of gold dust delivered by the escorts from the general gold fields during the month of May amounted to 27,058 ozs. For aging in the city of San Salvador. On the 10th there was a banquet in celethe corresponding month of the year 1863, the receipts reached 34,414 ozs. During the bration of the anniversary of the pronuncianiento of Santa Anna in favor of the present administration. It was well attended, first five months of the present year, the quantity of gold received by the escorts and the enthusiasm exhibited on the occasion in favor of the Duenas government and the

amounted to 131,170 ozs. For the same period in 1863, 192,641 ozs. The diminu-American cause was general and emphatic. tion in the yield of the gold fields is still at-tributable to the small quantities that are The government has issued a decree (2d now received from Forbes, Burrangong, and July) extending a general pardon to all per-

Braidwood, as compared with last year. sons who had committed criminal offences The amount of gold coin issued by the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint during the posterior to the 5th of February of last year. provided that after the commission of the week ending May 27th, was 80,000 soveroffence they had lent their services in the eigns. The quantity of gold dust imported into the same establishment during the war egainst the late government of Gen. week, for the purpose of coinage, was 45,-The visit of Gen. Carrera to the depart-

ments has tested the adhesion of the country 198 ozs. The war in Auckland continues, but no material conflicts are chronicled.

Mr. Coppin was the latest reigning star at the Prince of Wales Theatre in Sydney. Mrs. Kean had been very ill, but was convalescing June, we learn that persons entering the De-partment of Nueva Segovia from the Repub-Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dillon were playing at Cleveland at the Royal Victoria.

> ANOTHER PRIVATEER .- The San Francisco Flag has the following :

districts have been exposed by the presence At the north side of the wharf, at the foot tinize rigorously all anknown persons arrivating there who cannot give a good account of 3d street, lies a top-sail schooner-rigged steam propeller, which it may be well in themselves. OREGON ITEMS. PROGRESS OF THE TELEGRAPH NORTH.—The line of telegraph from this city to Victoria is being of telegraph from this city to Victoria is being for the men and crew. Her engine

being rapidly pushed forward, under the and boilers are in, and no name of the maker supervision of Mr. R. R. Haines, and will could be found on either. She is nearly probably be completed as far as Olympia by completed, and those employed about her the 12th proximo. On Saturday last the give conflicting accounts of her destination, wire extended to a point above Monticello character, etc.

fity or sixty miles. The connection between this place and Vancouver, by sable across GENERAL SCOTT, now in his 78th year, is spending the summer at West Point. He the Columbia river, will be made to-morrow. rises early and breakfasts at 7 o'clock-an The coils received by the last California hour when most of the guests at the hotel steamer have been framed on a scow, for suc- are still in their rooms. At about 9 he rides essful laying, which will be taken in tow of up to the Military Academy, where he spends steamet from Couch's wharf. SALEN, Aug. 12.—A serious affray occur-d yesterday afternoon between Indian terials for his "Life," on which he has been a steamer from Couch's wharf. red yesterday afternoon between Indian

Superintendent Huntington and W. H. Wat-kins, in Heath, Dearborn & Co.'s store Watkins made personal and abusive remarks

in Huntington's presence about the verbatim publication of a letter in the Statesman purporting to have been written by Watkins. Huntington slapped Watkins in the face, abundance on the hills in Carson Valley. The when the latter knocked him down with a stalks are upward of three feet in length, are muchan bottle, striking him several times. mucilage bottle, striking him several times. Huntington's face is seriously cut up. FATAL ACCIDENT IN LINN COUNTY.—The Al-bany Journal says that Charles C., son of James M. Elliott, was thrown from a herse on and windlass rope.—Oregonian.

NATIVE FLAX .- The Nevada papers tell

self government and the inhabitants had h collision with Imperi tle, indeed, of intelled fallen upon a Secretar onies. The office see ally reserved for the mongers of every Mir. has been almost igne after diplomatic vic Instead, therefore, of al policy, we have of makeshifts, which colonial and Impe leaves us to that ce every day taking away from the Mot

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