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BRITISH COLONIST PUBLISHED DAILY BY DAVID W. HIGGINS. TERMS; WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY.

English Mail Summary. The Active brings us London dates to the 30th May: Politics in England have been in complete abeyance, the Ministers, with the exception of Mr. W. E. Foster, making holyday during the Whitsuntide recess. The North Norfolk election inquiry was concluded on the 29th. Mr. Justice Blackburn declared the sitting members, Hon. F. Walpole and Sir E. Lacon, duly elected, and condemned the petitioner in costs Mr. W. E. Forster, in a speech to his constituents at Bradford, strongly resented the demands made upon Great Britain by Mr. Sumner in the United States Senate, and declared that, although he had ever been a fervent partisan of the cause of the Northern States, he could not admit the justice of the charges now made against Great Britain The investigation of the charges made against the Secretary and late Directors of the English Joint-Sock Bank has brought to light some strange transactions, of which, however, the Directors do not appear to have been cognizant. Mr. Peter Cunningham, the well-known antiquarian whose sudden disappearance caused divest a certain fragrant vegetable of its much excitement a short time siace, has outer covering and deal in erocodile tears just married. The episode of the Mayoralty of Cork has been closed by the election of Mr. Heganty, a Moderate Liberal: Several of the persons wounds ed in the late riot near Tralee are in a dangerous condition. Threatening notices to landlords are said to be of continual occurrence in Tipperary. A Bombay telegram informs us that Shere Ali is preparing to attack Tuskistan, and there are rumours of the onward movements of Russian troops. The police in London have now to a great extent adopted moustaches and beard, the compulsory use of the razor having been abolished by the new Commissioner. Street assaults and robberies still continue to be very frequent in the metropolis. A subscription has been commenced to provide an un uity for Mr. G. Hudson, the once Railway King, who is now in great poverty. The Manchester Guardian says: The exodus of work people from Preston is expected to be on a most extensive scale when the arrangements which are to be submitted to the public meeting in Preston to-night [May 28th] are completed for granting free or assisted passages for cotton operatives. This desire to emigrate results, as the operalives themselves express it, from a firm conviction that the late reduction in that town in the rate of wages arose, not so much from a depressed and unremucerative state of the market, as from an inclination on the part of the masters 'to punish the workingman; and they having practically failed to get an even-handed adjustment of their claims by resorting to the imperative and deva-tating arbitrations of a strike, assert that nothing will now ameliorate their present distressed condition but some great scheme of free emi-gration to the West. They say that nearly one-half of the operative weavers in the town would, if free passages could be got, at once leave Preston for the labor markets of America.

The Manchester Examiner states that Messis

Wallace and Murray, manufacturers of Glasgow, have suspended with debts and liabilities of £12,000 to 15,000. Mes-rs Carter and

Gathwaite, Manchester warehousemen, have also succumbed, but their liabilities are al-

leged to be small. Mr Shackleton Smith, of

Butte Mill, Gomersall, has colled a meeting of

his creditors. Messrs. Hatton & co., of Beiley Hall Mills, Halifax, woollen manufactu-

turers, have made an assignment. The Bir-miagham Post says it is feared that the es-

tate of Messrs Hallam Mudge & Co., tin

plate workers, of Morristown, near Swanses,

is likely to be thrown into bankruptcy, owing

to the necessity to decide some asserted pre-

ferential claims. The total liabilities reach.

£100,000 of which about £40,000 are report-

For pure, anadulterated impudence and self conceit, commend us to our morning cotemporary. A three-months' convert to the cause of Free Trade, he already arrogates to himself the title of leader of the party, and proceeds to read out of the organization any one who disputes his right to the title, or ventures to auggest that he should furnish some more tangible proof of his sincerity than mere words will convey. Here, is a paper that for years has striven with all the energy of tooth and nail against Free Port he right to speak and set for Victoria

man may have been a lifelong Free Trader, incurred sacrifices as such, and advocated in opposition to our cotemporary the very principles' he now professes so much anxiety to uphold-should he refuse to bow down and blindly worship this modern Moloch, he is denounced as an enemy to Free Trade and his country. As Squeers would say, "here's richness." Should you attack the Columbian; remember, it is not the Columbian you attack: It is the concentrated essence of Free Port, done up in rather dingy look ing shop paper and retailed in homeopathic doses at the rate of two bits a week. When Augustus wished to rid himself of an enemy he took care to do it not in his own name but in that of the Roman people. He thus engaged the world as a partisan in his quarrel, and dignified his private hate by giving it the air of patriotism. So with our cotemporary; when brought to book for inconsistency, hypocrisy and double dealing, he seeks to make the Free Traders believe that it is they and not himself who are insulted, while he nobly opposes his back to the stripes intended for them. But, though martyrdom may have paid at the late capital, it will not be found a profitable investment here, if we may judge from the remarks indulged in towards the paper thus courting immolation at the public expenses Our cotemporary may carry a blacksmith's bellows about in his bosom and "heave dead. The Rev. Mr. Speke, deep sighs' without stint. He may even at the rate of "forty buckets for one dol" lar." but he will soon find to his cost that Victorians ask no man to play the role of martyr for t'em. A word or two as to Confederation-In his discussion of the Free Port question our cotemporary sinks the great principle of Confederas tion entirely. He says that Confederation without Free Port will never answer. Why does he say this? Because he seeks to betray the mercantile class into taking their affairs out of their own hands and entrusting them to "feckless" politicians from whom there will be no rescue. and who would Confederate them at any cost. That he will fail in this attempt we are certain. The merchants have had enough of professional politicians and middlemen, and intend to manage their little matter of Confederation and Free Port themselves and in their own way.

MR. BRIGHT'S LETTER .- Here is a synopeie of Mr. Bright's letter to the Birmingham meeting, which created so great a "bobbery" in the House of Lords :- "Mr. Bright has written a letter to a meeting an Birmingham, in which he save that if the House of Lords delay the passage of the Irish Church Bill, they will stimulate a discussion of the subject which might slumber for years. The walue of a Constitution which gives a majority in one House power in the other House against a given policy, may be questioned. Why is it that when the Crown and Commons harmonize with the nation, Lords are in direct opposition? As long as the House of Lords are in harmony with the nation, the country may go on for a long time; but when they thwart its course they may meet unpleasant accidents. Mr. Bright concluded with the counsel that the few good, wise men in the House of Lords may prevail,"

SETTLED .- Lammon, the prosecuting witness in the Greyhound case, is said to have cleared for Portland. It is presumed he was well paid for going.

CAPT. R. W. TORRENS, formerly Clerk of the Vancouver Island Assembly, has been appointed head Constable of Salford, EngMan St. John's Day. P. 11

Yesterday, the anniversary of the Natal day of St. John the Bapitst, was celebrated in a manner becoming the event by the Masonic Lodges of this City, assisted by Masonic friends from other parts of the Colony. At the hour of 9 a. m., the Members of the Order met in Masonic Hall and the City of the prisoner, when called on to plead to the prisoner was arraigned tor trial on an indictment charging and soak your head!" "Go home and soak your head!" "Dry up!" "Go on." "Shut up that English mug." "Go home and soak your head!" "Dry up!" "Go on." "Shut up that English mug." "Go home and soak your head!" "Dry up!" "Go on." "Suddenly a bright idea struck Mr. Gillard the would try Train's tactics with the audia to the control of the prisoner, when called on to plead the trial on the twelfth of February last.

The prisoner, when called on to plead the trial on the twelfth of February last. celebrated in a manner becoming usual ceremonies having been gone through, formed in procession to Christ Cathedral. The Masonic Lodges repand Victoria's best interests, claiming resented in the line were the District Grand Ledge, E. R., the Proviocial

> Lodge, E. R. the Vancouver Lodge S. R. besides visiting brethren of the Nanaimo. New Westminster and Cariboo Lodges. The R. W. District Grand the Masonic exercises, assisted by the Provincial Grand Master Dr. J. W. Powell, and the Deputy District Grand Master, Hon, Mr. Holbrook. The procession was formed under the direction of L. Franklin, Esq., acting District Grand Master of Ceremonies he saw the prisoner shoot the woman. and was preceded by the Volunteer Band. Upon arrival at the Cathedral, a portion of the Church of England Service was read by the very Rev. Dean Oridge, assisted by Rev. Frank Gribbell, District Grand Chaplain, after which Mr. Gribbell delivered a sermon upon the character and works of St. John the Baptist, from the 5th chapter of St. John, 35th verse :- "He was a every respect a remarkable man; one whose character it was impossible to study without deriving advantage therefrom. His lot fell upon exceeds ingly corrupt and difficult times. His advent was foretold by Isaiah and by Malachi; and an angel appeared to the prisoner.
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> After able addresses by the Attorney General, for the prosecution, and by Hon. Mr. Wood, for the defence, the Chief Justice charged the jury, who, after a brief absence, returned a verdict of guilty.
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> The prisoner wept when the verdict of the jury was announced, and said he did not kill the weman. Ani-che-chest and Katkina was the sentenced to death. The Sait every respect a remarkable man; one by striving each in his own sphere, as

taken up, and the Brethren reformed and returned to Masonic Hall, where they were dismissed. and nous

The brethren and friends, to the number of 250 proceeded by the Enterprise to San Juan Island, where they were received with every courtesey by Captain Delacomb, at the British Camp. The visitors engaged themselves till about 9 p. m., when the steamer left on ber return to Victoria. Everything assisted in making the pic-nic a per-

THE Chief Justice on Wednesday, at the conclusion of the Barc'ay Sound murder trials, warmly enlogized the conduct of Cap horrible series of crimes on the west coast was traced out, and two of the savage perpetrators brought to justice. Capt. Christensen is justly entitled to the praise so genereusly bestowed upon him by his Lordship. His conduct throughout the whole of the been wrapped in mystery. at

ARRIVAL OF THE S. S. ACTIVE. - The N. P. Transportation Company's steamship Active. Capt. Peter Mackie, arrived at Brodrick's wharf at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, having sailed from San Francisco on the 18th instant. The Active brings 25 passengers, a heavy express and mail, and a fair freight. A pleasant and smooth passage is reported. Captain Mackie is an old acquaintance in these waters having ran on this coast many years ago in the capacity of mate. The passengers speak highly of him. Dr. Turner, of Wells, Fargo & Co., has placed us under obligations for usual favors.

THE Assizes. - The Assizes closed yesterday with the trial of George Williams for larceny. Medical testimony proved that the prisoner's mind is unsound. The jury convicted him and he was remanded to await hisses. The orator assumed an attitude of the disposition of the authorities.

Before Chief Justice Needham:

Tuesday, June 22, 1869. THE BARCLAY SOUND MURDER.

went to help him. He shook his head at sains I will be heard!" The upro

wrecked bark, John Bright.

It will be remembered that the trial of this

man was adjourned to await the return of Dr. Comris, Surgeon of H.M.S. Sparrow-hawk, who was absent on the North coast, Master, R. Burnaby, Esq., conducted in attendance upon the late Governor. The Attorney General stated the circumstances of Dr. Comrie's absence and the Chief Jus-

tice accepted the apology.

The prisoner, Ani-che chest, in the most emphatic manner, pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney-General appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Wood for the defence. he entire afternoon was consumed in the

examination of an Indian witness who swore At half past four o'clock the Court adjourned till 11 o'clock this morning.

Wednesday, June 23rd. The Court was occupied throughout the day by the trial of Ani-che-chest one of the Barclay Sound Indians, indicted for murder. Matakin, an Indian witness, was recalled and told substantially the same story as before, as to the circumstances attending the

killing of the woman. The indictments against two other In dians were quashed and they were accepted as Queen's witnesses. They gave a circumburning and a shining light" The Rev stantial account of the murder of the woman Chaplain said that St. John was in which fastened the crime unmistakeably up-

career of the Prophet, the congregation were exhorted to so act before men by deeds of charity and benevolence and J Langley, G R Fardon, M Moore, B F Griller, Stable whole thing is put up. You appear on the stage as a representative for England, but you are far from being anything of the kind.

J Langley, G R Fardon, M Moore, B F Griller, You play off against Train, and Train against train, and Train against trains.

Gillard, a former Victorian, beards

or country's lame as thenruter ai be.

From the San Francisco Times, June 7th. The most successful farce which has yet been produced before a San Francisco au-dience was performed at the Metropolitan

Theater, last evening. The play was entitled ed "The Great Challenge Lecture; or, a disbetween George Francis Train and Hardy Gillard. The theater was densely crowded from

gallery to pit-there was not even standing tain Christensen, through whose exertions the room when the curtain rose at eight o'clock. The debate was opened by Mr. Gillard, a rather good looking gentleman, who possesses a decidedly English air, and whose haccent is unmistakable, Mr. Gillard advanced trying scene has been noble, and it is but the slightest intention of giving the oppojustice to him to say that, but for him, the nent of Mr. Train a hearing. The reading fate of the John Bright's people would have being filled up with should, yells, hisses, datcalls, cheers, derisive cries from indignant Fenians, and counter cries of encouragement from patriotic Britons. The gentleman had scarcely finished a page before "time" was called, and he took his seat. What he said while on the stage it is impossible to report. We cannot do the subject justice.

The great "star" actor now danced nimbly forward and commenced to repeat the lecture which he has delivered seventeen times in San Francisco. Here Mr. Train had his opponent at a disadvantage. The subject was one with which he was thoroughly acquainted, and he was not for a moment at a oss for language. His sympathising hearers cheered again and again, and, at the end of his speech, he threw himself back upon the sofa with that inimitable expression of self satisfaction, which George Francis Train alone is capable of assuming. And now came the richest part of this altogether rich performance.

Mr. Gillard arose to reply. The audience encouraged him at the outset by a storm of severe dignity. Folding his arms upon his

breast, "all calm and beautiful he stood" for full five minutes. Then, with a wave of the hand, he said: "Ladies and gentlemen" A pause ensued which was filled with shouts and hisses from the enthusiastic hearers. "Let him go on." "Give the man a show." The prisoner, when called on to plead through an interpreter said, "I shot the man, Ae was coming ast one from the wreek. I "Silence! I command silence! This house me and then I shot him." The prisoner was ed. The experiment did not work. There is but one George Francis Train and no removed.

A new jury was feeble imitation will succeed. Mr. Gilhis hand—it wes of no avail. The reading was continually interrupted, and the speaker was only able, after Mr. Train had appealed to the audience for "more time" for Mr. Gil lard, to make the somewhat astonishing point that "Ireland was better off than England, because more troops were quartered there, who, of course spent their money in the

Train then spoke for thirty minutes in reply, repeating portions of his seventeen times spoken lecture, and in addition scoring Mr. Hardy unmeterfully on the advantages derived by Ireland from the presence of British troops." At the conclusion of Train's res troops." At the conclusion of Train's reamarks, he informed the audience "that the debate would be concluded to-morrow [this] evening at the same place, when the "dis-tinguished orator" would possibly answer some of his [Train's] arguments.

During Mr. Train's speech he was loudly cheered, and one enthusiastic Ferian in the

audience proposed to "hang Prince Alfred," when he arrived in this city.

than attended the evening previous. It is useless to report the "debate". Gillard apocru'dhes on which he leaned. He also apo ogized for England's manner of conductin the Abyssinian war, and said that Theodore' advent was foretold by Isaiah and by Malachi; and an angel appeared to Zachriah, his father, announcing his birth with the assurance that he should be a distinguished Prophet and the Most High. After briefly sketching the career of the Prophet, the congregation of the Court, the following and discussed birth with the career of the Prophet, the congregation of the Court, the following addressed bir substantially as follows: "This substantially as follows: "This whole thing is put up. You appear on the by striving each in his own sphere, as to be a light in the world like St. John. W C Ward, L Franklin and J Gillon.

Tallsop, H B Good, T Nuttell, R Beaven, and you're a sweet duck. There's a pair of you." A good many in the audience thought We regret that our limited space will not admit of a more extended allusion to the reverend gentleman's remarks.

After the service a collection was day at 11.

day at which he went into a fauciful and lengthy narrative of the Abyssinian war. Gillard got Train in his Ben, and gets beard- up to say a few words and succeeded in emptying a good many seats. After ans nouncing that, so far as he was concerned, the debate was ended, he was squelched by some one calling him a "first-class bass," and ine viting him a "list class bass," and indiviting him to sit down. Then the "Great Incoherent" came up to time again, and again detailed his plan to capture British Columbia. He appeared to grow more and more frantic as he proceeded; and called for three groans for the British Consul, which were given, and invited his excited audience not to commit a breach of the peace when they passed the Consul's office—not to throw stones and break the windows—in a tone and manner which showed that he would be happy to have them act contrary to his advice. announced that a young man named Curtis would on Thursday evening debate with him to the front amid a storm of mingled applause and hisses, and proceeded to read from a large relt of manuscript. It was evident that the majority of the ancience had not their shoulders in a way that must have been the Coolie and greenback question, he (Train) to his hetelplocomethnally holsting him on their shoulders in a way that must have been very uncomfortable.

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