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REPORTS

Wright from Portland—George Holliman Godfrey, A. McKookie, Mrs. J. S. Clair, Miss Brewley, Col. J. R. A. J. S. Reid, Robert Moore, Ernest O. Webb, Thomas Turnbull, and A. San Juan.

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The War in New Zealand—State of Feeling in the Colony.

From the London Weekly Register.

We are asked to publish the following letter which was received by a lady in Lancaster a day or two ago from a gentleman in New Zealand, who left England a few years ago to reside in that colony.

THE BIG CAULIFLOWER—Letter from the Farmer who Grew it.

Fragmore, October 5th, 1869.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST.—In your issue of Tuesday morning you have an item about a fire cauliflower raised by me and ask, why was it not sent to the Exhibition? I will answer your question (Yankee-like) by asking another: Why was the Enterprise so much ahead of time? I really intended to have sent the cauliflower, as well as a number of other things—such as a cabbage 41 lbs, a parsnip 27 inches long, squash and vegetable marrow rotting on the ground of enormous size, some very fine flax and hops and several other things; but the Enterprise went so hurriedly that I could not possibly get them on board.

Strange Phenomenon in Central America.

has the annexed account of a strange phenomenon which occurred near the town of Apaxaca:

At about noon on the 3rd of August, the atmosphere being heavily charged with electricity, there came down from the Volcano of Ahuachapan, near which the above town is situated, a dry whirlwind toward the place called Sisinapa, about five blocks distant to the southwest of Ahuachapan, and increasing in its course it finally became so large as to cover a circumference of thirty yards.

THE PERTICOTAT MOVEMENT.

Women's rights has broken out in a mild form in France. A number of restless females tired of hugging their chains and panting to assert their freedom, have met together in Paris and opened the campaign after the manner of the American specimens of a similar persuasion by a grand feed, in which several gave in their experience, and were followed by 'able and eloquent' male speakers, who have turned their attention to this business with a view of making money out of it.

VICISSITUDES OF FAMILIES.

There has just been published in London a new and remodelled edition of Sir Bernard Burke's "Vicissitudes of Families."

JEW'S THAT MAKE CHRISTIANS BLUE.

Some time ago we published an account of how a Jew, being a spectator of the procession of the Host around a church in Paris on Corpus Christi day, knocked down and beat an irreverent Gentile who insulted the clergy in the procession; and now we hear of another Jew acting the part of the good Samaritan to a poor Catholic priest in Florence.

BOOK BINDING.

T. N. Hibben & Co have, in connection with their Book and Stationery Business, added Book Binding, and the various branches connected therewith, and will add the mechanical parts and material necessary for meeting the requirements of the Colony, guaranteeing neatness, dispatch and satisfaction in all work entrusted to them.

The Political Outlook.

British statesmen have only now been brought to make a public confession of what we have been consistently preaching for a decade of years, and what history and experience have proclaimed for more than a century, viz, that the colonial policy of great Britain has proved a gigantic failure.

Says the awful magistrate, "Do you know the nature of an oath?" Says the dippant witness, "Guess I do; my father is the awfulest swearer in these parts." Well, there is something in it; and if we fit the remark to the present occasion, substituting the word "loyalty" for "swearing," we shall have a tolerably correct representation of the age in which we live.

For venturing to assert far less than Mr. Gardwell asserted the other day many a good colonist has been denounced as discontented and disloyal. "What is truth?" is a question which was asked upon a very memorable occasion, more than eighteen hundred years ago, and to which a verbal answer has never been returned.

To answer it in the negative is easier than to answer it in the affirmative. In every age men have been searching after it, and to-day there are as many answers as there are shades of religious belief. What is loyalty? It is not an unreasoning sentiment which gives blind submission to usurpation and injustice. In this sense Britons were never loyal. Nay, it is the glory, as it has been the strength of the nation that Britons would never be slaves, that they would never submit to a surrender of their political rights. It was true loyalty which led them ever to prefer open revolt to a surrender of constitutional and inherent rights and liberties.

The great problem British statesmanship is now called upon to solve is "What shall we do with our colonies?" Have the colonists no voice in the matter? So far as British North America is concerned, the fate of the Colonies may be regarded as decided. On this continent it is to spring up a second Britain, a "Greater Britain." Here the nation is to reproduce itself, on a larger scale. "Westward the course of empire takes its way," and by the time that the sun of Britain's glory shall have set in the eastern hemisphere, a few ages hence, more or less, and before Macaulay's New Zealander shall have perched himself upon a broken arch of London-bridge to sketch the ruins of St. Paul's, these colonies stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, will have grown into a powerful British nation, in the bosom of which the ancient Crown will find a safe asylum and an honorable dignity; and where that flag, which some English writers and English statesmen are now dragging in the dirt, may take another lease of a "thousand years." But, in order to bring about such a glorious condition, statesmanship, both in the old world and the new, must rise to the occasion. Byron's forecast was not reliable; but there was, after all, some two-edged truth in that old jingle of his—

"The world is a bundle of hay, Man kind are the asses that pull, Each tugs in a different way, And the greatest of all is John Bull."

This British North American nation—this gigantic John Bull of the coming time, who is going to bathe his head in the Pacific and his feet in the Atlantic, must be the child of a great and liberal national policy. It is utterly folly otherwise to expect that a new nation is going to spring up alongside the United States. If the Imperial Government would not see all hope of the fruition of the great Confederation scheme extinguished it must aid and encourage the establish-

Friday Oct 8th

County Court.

Before Hon. A. F. Pemberton.

Thursday, Oct 7, 1869.

Daily vs. Gaston.

This was a suit to recover the sum of \$300, amount alleged to have been paid defendant by plaintiff for certain shares in a coal company, which sum, failing a certain contingency, was to have been refunded plaintiff. Drake, Jackson and Aikman for plaintiff; Mt Bishop for defendant. This case was continued from a previous sitting. Decision reserved till Tuesday next.

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