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y my legal adviser. came forward, and ause. He said the l, (Hear hear,) the map, made over in-(Hear, hear,) the ded by the city, not nent. He would do Church Reserve for onent, although he inst him personally, public man. Mr. ard by Mr. Green, of the Bishop, (Mr. built a house on the had acted as the

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ed to argue that the the city, and that machinery all ready dollar, to secure the Government would be robbed, and an ouncil would always thts. (Hear, hear.) give an opinion on would ask his legal Green, he supposed. o questions Mr. Copn the Johnson street the city.

g taken, the Sheriff of Mr. Copland, and Mr. Franklin. ates for Councillors

ctors, and a show of each, resulting as Ward-James Thorne.

Ward—Robt. Layzell, bout 10 or 12 hands these condidates and ree hands for W. B.

rd-J. W. Carey and

d on behalf of the h ward, and after a eriff, the large assemthe proceedings with perfect order

PROCEEDINGS.

s. Needham, C.J.) he bankrupt passed Second examination ovember inst. Messrs.

—Application for an weeks was granted to to be negociated. Mr.

Bishop made applican to allow of a comto San Francisco for I. Ordered that upon the amounts proved paid into court, all

The bankrupt appeared. he 22d. Mr. Courtney

rupt.
amined at length, when
nd Culverwell had had It is likely that Mr. I be paid a dividend.

a concert at Ostend d met with a very en-Among the audience chess of Brabant, the urtemburg, and the

novement, which has sgow and other great London. On the 28th mpany open a fourth at the (former) Portstreet, which has ac-ng 4,000 persons daily. n the forests of Romore, during the past 23 royal stags. All andant in these forests

with the Grand Adis cruising in the Bal-Stockholm.

aptain Cook, the great in Nile street, Sunderin her 75th year, and in the neighborhood. e deceased was Cars the daughter of Mars to the distinguished

RFALLS-A lady, bathon a recent occasion ned, but was resued by ching the shore her first ill the salt water hurt The Weekly British Colonist.

Tuesday, November 14, 1865. MUNICIPAL TESTS.

Paris of olden days once every year. The

citizens assembled together for a great an-

nual holiday, and appointed one among their

number to the high office of king or master of

the ceremonies. This distinguished charac-

ter was selected in a very original and at

the same time very amusing manner. A

hole, large enough to admit a human head.

was made in a door, and the candidates, one

give us Fra Poco, and Mr. Copland "John

Anderson my Jo." The question to be de-

cided by a show of hands. Much time would

be saved, and the Prince of Wales' birth

ditties as "Wait for the Waggon," or

We are, however, by no means wedded to

any particular scheme for securing the best

municipal men: We merely put the above

suggestions forward in the hope that they

may lead to something more rational in the

way of amusement than the Sheriff has

promised us to-day. If the grinning or the

morals—the question of "respectability.

Let all the candidates appear this morning,

at eight o'clock, with their pedigrees in their

of those who can show that they are lineal

descendants of either William the Conqueror.

Sir Robert Brace or King Ollum Foddh. If

their geneaology cannot be so traced, let an

anatomical examination then be made, and

lowed to gentle blood; let us examine

carefully for tapering fingers. almond shaped

nails, a Grecian or an aquiline nose, and other

indications of noble lineage. If it can be

proved by two creditable witnesses that any

of the aspirants to-day have ever been known

to soil their hands with work-have ever

shown a capacity to earn their daily bread by

the sweat of their brow, let their pretentions

be at once struck from off the Sheriff's book. If it can also be proved that they have ever in a public assemblage, in a municipal or other body, shown the ill-breeding of that

disrespectable gathering known as the House

of Commons, by making cat-calls, drawing

their feet along the floor, coughing or adopt-

ing other but no less disgraceful expedients for

interrupting or bullying a speaker into silence

well-trained London waiter, let their names

order and good government" we should also

wish to see applied. We wish to see every

candidate put through the Municipal cate-

chism. b For instance-if when asked "What

is the chief duty of a City Councillor" the

person (we speak advisedly when we do not

that public property is rigidly guarded, let

the test of respectability be carried so far

to look up with awe to everything that re-

presents wealth or authority. We want a

"There's a good time coming boys."

and how can we establish a better standard than this ? Let the two hundred municipal assessment voters to-day, who re-present somewhere about one-third of the Legislative electors, see to it. A weighty contest, is on hand. A Mayor and Council have to be elected to keep the Council Chambers warm until the advent of a new To-day is the twenty-fourth anniversary of the birthday of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and the good people of Victoria, as dutiful and loyal subjects, will celebrate the occasion by a municipal extra-

Act, when they will have to vacate their important seats. Let the electors vote often and vote early—let them give all their late and to the big rains which fell some two influence to the Church without "reserve;" vaganza. Victor Hugo gives us a very and it will astonish them to-day how happy amusing and very interesting description of they will feel at the consciousness of having made the Council "respectable!" a ceremony which used to take place in the

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The steamer Enterprise arrived last night from New Westminster with 130 passengers, bringing a Cariboo Express and a few thousand dollars in treasure.

(From the Columbian.)

was made in a door, and the candidates, one after the other, presented their faces at the aperture. The one who could display the broadest grin, and show the greatest flexibility in his facial muscles, was selected as the person upon whom the honor was to be conferred. We do not know whather a compare the balls and been struck in the high ground adjoining the Diller claim ferred. We do not know whether a some-what similar system might not be adopted in parations for working during the winter.— The Yellow Virgin claim was yielding from our municipal contest to-day with advantage. 50 to 70 ounces per diem. Provisions were The Church reserve party might introduce firm at former quotations. Some snow fell Mr. Lumley Franklin to an admiring at Quesnellemouth on the night of the 29th crowd, and Mr. John Copland would ult., and things began to wear a wintry as-

find no end of supporters among the ob- pect. struction removers. If grinning is too unannounces that the Ordinance passed during the last session of the Legislative Council to dignified a test, although there are the fine arts, let us change the base, and as establish a decimal system of accounts in this many who are ready to put it down among colony, has received the Queen's sanction, both gentlemen are vocalists, put them and notifies the public that on and after the through a singing contest. Let Mr. Franklin colony will be kept in dollars and cents.

EXPORTS-The ship Aquila, Captain Sayward, cleared on Saturday for Cork with the following cargo :- 251 spars ; I38,705 feet fir lumber; 435 hides; 57 bales wool; 12 boxes coal; 1 barrel salmon; 3 barrels cranberries. The ship was loaded by Captain Stamp. The day would be celebrated in a more legitimate and more amusing manner than by going schooner Marcella, Captain Moore, cleared on the 31st ult. for Nanaimo with 110 bbis. through the tedious monotony of an eight hours' polling. We would recommend the

singing test; because as the Mayor is to do ROAD TOLLS-The amount of road tolls nothing until a new Incorporation bill shall collected at Yale during the month of September last was \$3612 40, and during Octohave been passed, it is just as well we should have some guarantee as to his qualifi-

A Noble Stag-We learn that about two cation for warbling forth such appropriate weeks ago Mr. William Anderson, of Green Lake, shot a stag which weighed 300 lbs., with fat one and a half inches thick on the

> THE QUESNEL ELECTION—Through private channels the information has reached us that the election of a member to represent the District of Quesnel in the Legislative Council was appointed to take place on Monday last, and, moreover, that it was highly probable that Mr. Robert Smith, contractor for the Alexandra road, would be returned.

singing does not meet with the approbation of the inhabitants, then let us have another test. Let us try the great question which has been ding 30th September last amounted

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS for week ending Saturday, November 4th, 1865 :- Duties (import) hands; and let the decision be given in favor £865 15s 4d; duties (export), £172 15s 5d harbor dues, £38 12s; headmoney, £15 8s; tonnage dues, £74 0s 6d; fines and seizures, £2 12s 11d; total £1172 4s 2d. Number of passengers entering at the port during same

see whose feet do not exceed the limits al- LETTER FROM THE MOUTH OF OUESNELLE.

September 30th, 1865.

THE TELEGRAPH CO.'S EXCITEMENT. An individual in the employ of the Telegraph Co. created a kind of excitement here in the early part of last week by reporting that he had struck a new gold bearing creek some fifteen miles from this place. On my arrival here I met with two friends of mine ready to set off on a prospecting tour for the supposed new gold field. On their invitation I joined their party. I am sorry to state that we could not raise the "color" though we washed up several pans of dirt in differsucceeded in doing so he was more fortunate than we were; that's all. This new creek is of the same size and presents the same outline as Canoe Creek. The bed rock we saw only in one instance; it is a kind of decomposed granitoid. The country is a slidy, flat interrupting or bullying a speaker into silence—if in fact it can be proved that they have at any time conducted themselves in a different manner from what might be expected of a well-trained London waiter, let their names cality, I mean only to say that chances seem be expunged at once and forever from the candidates list. They are unfit to breathe to be rather rough, and that there is no cause whatever for an excitement on the reported the refined and rarified atmosphere of Van- discovery. Parties who speculate on the couver Island "respectability." There is another test which, for the sake of 'peace, I can find for the author of such a report is that he has never had any experience in mining. Until we receive some more grati-fying intelligence from this new creek we shall let it rest.

FARMING ALONG THE ROAD. Judge Heat and Mr. John Boyd, who have bought the premises formerly occupied say gentleman) should answer—to devote himself to the weifare of the city, to see that the streets are kept in good order, that sanitary measures are carried out, and the streets are carried out, and the streets are carried out, and the streets are carried out, and the sanitary measures are carried out, and the streets are carri teamsters, horsemen and travellers. They him be struck from the list. Let, in fact, have now 25 acres of land under cultivation and intend to have fifty next season. During as to exclude every man who is not ready, raised over 20,000 lbs. of turnips and every like a free and independent Briton, to sacri- kind of kitchen vegetables.

fice his manhood and the interests of his The Cottonwood ranch has fifty acres of fellow-citizens to toadvism ;-who is not ready land under cultivation, where they raise oats, barley, and almost every kind of vegetables to bow in adoration before a colonial bishop, On the 13 mile ranch there is only a small to prostrate himself in the dust at the bare patch of land under cultivation, scarcely mention of His Grace of Canterbury; and worth speaking of.

AROUND THE MOUTH OF QUESNELLE Farming is going on perhaps more briskly

Mr. Pollock, who keeps a livery stable at the Quesnelle Month has a good ranch on the other side of Fraser river. He had this season 30 acres of land sown with oats and one though the grain is rather soft. Mr. Pollock accounts for this by saying that if the wheat weeks ago.

Some colored people have ten or twelve acres of land under cultivation.

Messrs. Dragon and Baker have 80 acres under cultivation altogether. They raised during the present year 25,000 lbs. of barley and vegetables of every kind to a great ex-

Charles Donaldson had from 25 to 30 acres down in barley, oats, turnips, potatoes and

Robb had about ten acres, three being barley, oats, turnips, carrots and cabbages.

There are around the Mouth of Quesnelle no less than ten Chinese ranches where they grow barley, oats, potatoes, turnips, onions, salad, &c.

The Chinese are in a fair way of monopo lizing the country here as far as vegetable growing is concerned, the whitemen are not in a way to compete with the Celestials, who are enabled to sell them a good deal cheaper owing to their cheap mode of living.

THE COUNTRY GENERALLY. If I was disappointed in my late ramblings as far as gold is concerned, I was most highly pleased with the general appearance of the country. I should think that about 6000 acres of good arable land are lying idle DECIMAL CURRENCY-Saturday's Gazette around and north of Quesnel city, and was told that from 3000 to 4000 acres of similar land are to be seen around Fort Alexander. The upper soil is a description of rich loam, several feet deep, the under soil being of a clayish character. The great fault with the land in this colony in regard to farming lies in the under soil being of a sandy, gravelly nature. Should any important permanent settlement be attempted in British Columbia, which must be the case sooner or later, t will most likely be tried in this section of

the country.

Some people are led to think that it is rather too cold here to carry on tarming operations on a large scale, although the Hudson Bay Company winter their animals at Fort Alexander without much inconvenience—a fact that would tend to remove such doubt. For my own part, I do not find the cold at this time of the year greater here than in Picardy—a northern French province—one of the main granaries of France. It would be worth while, I should think, to sow fall wheat, as we used to do in the northern countries of Europe. Should the experiment succeed, as I have but little doubt it will, an era of unparalleled prosperity would be open to the country. As long as we are bound to depend on foreign importations for our main supplies we may not reasonably expect to see the development of our mineral resources receive any great impetus.

QUESNEL CITY.

is built upon a most favorable location, at the angle formed by the Quesnel and Fraser IMPORTS—According to the returns published in the Gazette, the value of goods imput forward by some refined censors of public ported into this colony during the quarter ing been constructed on the western side.— Notwithstanding its fine location, the city has not materially improved since last fall. As it is now, there are here eight storekeep-ers, three hotels, eight restaurants, supplied with bar rooms, one kept by Chinese, another one by colored people, and the third one by white men, Messrs. Brown & Gillis, two scions of Great Britain, who keep a first rate house; one bar room, one shoemaker's shop, two breweries (one being shut up for the present), one drug store, one bakery, one livery stable, two blacksmiths, two butchers' shops—one being kept by Mongolians—one saw mill, one telegraph effice one post office, one express office, one carpenter's shop, one barber's shop, with a bath house. The population consists of about 100 white people and 100 Celestials. The fair sex is represented by six white ladies, two colored, one Chinese and I do not know how many " belies of the

foresty matribet I was shown yesterday, at Goudie's store here, a turnip raised at the Spring Ranch, below Sods Creek, weighing 39 pounds. Mr. Perrodin raised one here last season of the weight of 25 pounds. These phenomena of the vegetable kingdom demonstrate that British Columbia is not behind California as far as mammoth vegetables are concerned vl was also shown by the same gentleman some most beautiful tomatoes raised in this place.

DEATH: I regret to state that a Frenchman by the name of Paed, once a baker at New West-minster, died on Tuesday last at Richfield from a neglected cold which settled on his lungs.

has been laid over 20 miles above the Mouth

The writ for the election of the District of

of Quesnelle. The company have stopped operations until the early spring.

Cox. Within a month the electors of the District of Cariboo West will be called upon to elect a member to fill the vacancy caused in the Legislative Council by the resignation of Mr. Moberly. Two candidates, Capt. Evans and Mr. Robert Smith, a road cou-Mr. Smith says that he is also in favor of channel. female immigration. Female immigration, says he, "is an enterprise that should be particularly and liberally encouraged by the Government, from the fact that such a measure, if adopted, would be the means of bringing about a retrenchment of our evil communications, which have a strong tendency to corrupt our morals and will have the effect also of bringing about a complete the thing very silent.

principles he lays down, one fact is certain that Mr. Smith is, at any rate, a humanitarian candidate and should he carry the day and do as he says I would strongly urge that fourth of an acre in wheat. I was shown at old bachelors in this colony and all old his ranch a most beautiful sample of wheat, maidens at home would vote him a civic crown as a great benefactor of humanity.

Our Cariboo Letter.

[From our regular Correspondent.]

TO THE EDITOR OF THE BRITISH COLONIST. I started the day before yesterday from Williams Creek on my way down. The weather was dry and beautiful though rather cold, having frozen heavily during the night. The frost was beginning to tell very severely on some of the companies, who were speaking about stopping work for the season. No snow was to be seen on Bald Mountain, a most extraordinary, I may say an unheard of fact in the annals of Cariboo.

VAN WINKLE CITY. There are at Van Winkle City three stores, two butchers' shops, and three bar-rooms, all doing a good business, though "on jawbone." LIGHTNING CREEK.

The following companies were at work, the most part making preparations to wind up

for the season, viz:—
The Dutch, California, Pat Kelly, Dis-COVERY (a hill claim), and the AYRSHIRE Lass, who were making wages. The BUTCHER CLAIM had been laid over

for some time past.

The old CAMPBELL CLAIM was sold one day last week to some "Celestials" for the sum of \$1000. Good for the Johns!

CHISHOLM CREEK.

One single miner (an Italian) was mining on Chisholm Creek. He has been working there alone for the last two years, doing well. This misanthrope, we must confess, is a per-severing fellow, and will surely work his way through life, the los dos

BURNES CREEK. I chanced to meet with a friend of mine at Van Winkle from this creek who supplied me with the following information :--

The DISCOVERY Co. were making good wages; the CANADIAN Co. were not doing quite so well. These two companies were making preparations to work the whole win-

The DELATRE Co. were not doing much.
The McLeon Co. were taking out good
pay, ground-sluicing, at the head of the creek. About 30 or 35 miners were still stationed on the creek.

NELSON CREEK.

From the same party I picked up the following respecting this creek:— Three companies were working, doing very little. One single company is to work during

the winter.

LAST CHANCE CREEK. All the companies but the Australian, composed of 16 members, have ceased work for the season, owing to a scarcity of water. About 30 men during the season mined on

this once famous creek. The DISCOVERY Co. made from \$20 to \$40 a day washing old ground. They intend its discovery \$75,000. An old man did very well above the Discovery claim. The other

companies, except the Australian, have taken out about expenses. The AUSTRALIAN Co. are running a tunnel from the mouth of the creek, on the left bank. Their tunnel is already 1500 feet in length, the longest in British Columbia. They have been two years at it. Before undertaking such a gigantic work they sank three shafts, The first at the head of their claim, where they got a big prospect, and the two latter in the centre of their ground, in which they found some nice gold. They are now within a few feet of good paying dirt. Of late they have been making almost expenses. They are prepared to work the whole winter.

DAVIS CREEK

A company of three men have been hydraulicing during the season, making good wages. Another company have just brought in a ditch from Chisholm Creek, for the purpose of hydraulicing next season.

ANDERSON CREEK. One company only is at work on this creek, and intends doing so during the winter.

Is located opposite Beaver Pass. There are two companies, the SMITH Co., which took out last week a nugger weighing \$61 50, and a company of Wel-bmen who are running a tunnel from their shaft and finding gold all along, but not in paying quantities. I was told by the owner of Beaver Pass Hotel that it was rumored they had "struck it big" on Peters Creek, and such has been the rumor every spring and fall for the last three years. The Beaver Pass House changes hands every season, but the same story is invariably told, by every new owner, as if it

were a family inheritance. For the sake of variety, I would advise the gentlemen to vary Cariboo West is now in the hands of Judge the trace of their sorg. or will have long tono telegraph the

There are three men engaged putting up a bed rock flume. Two men too are prospecting within four miles of Beaver Pass.

CANON CREEK BED ROCK FLUME CO., tractor, are in the field soliciting the suffrages of the electors. The political platform of Lapt. Evans has been laid before the public. Capt. Evans has been laid before the public. Here is a synopsis of the principles on which stands Mr. Smith: Union on a wholesome basis if such a union is deemed advisable by the people; repeal of the Gold Export Tax and retrenchment of all those taxes which have a tendency to interfere with the work instead of the fifteen they had during the capture of the captur proceeding faster is that they have been obliged to blast the bed through a canon 60 welfare of the colony; and to culminate all, the season engaged in sinking a shaft in the

Seven or eight miles from Canon Creek there are two men working in a stream with

reformation, it being a well known fact that it is the only means by which the colony wilf from Williams Creek to the Mouth of Quess

beld and energetic population to work out the salvation of these two colonies, and how can we establish a better the produce farmers can raise.

beld and energetic population to work than in any other section of the colony owing be permanently settled." Of course, ol fiscast the greatest credit on the inspector of the produce farmers can raise. flects the greatest oredit on the inspector of the British Columbia roads. Tom Spencer, who is very particular, I am told, in seeing the contracts carried through to the very letter. Such are the kind of officials we

ROAD SIDE HOUSES-SKINNER'S.

From Williams Creek where meals are charged \$1 50 each, to Quesnelle Mouth, the miners are made to pay \$2 for every meal notwithstanding the low price of provisions and vegetables, except at the 13 mile house and at Judge Heat and John Boyd's, four miles the other side of Cottonwood, who preserve Williams Creek prices. The latter house is under the superintendence of Mr. nouse is under the superintendence of Mr. Boyd, an ex-California and Cariboo miner, who knows well how to treat the boys.

STILL POURING IN.

I met on my way down several pack trains going up, all loaded with provisions and vegetables.

Mr. Gentile, with another gentleman, lost his way a few days ago on the top of Bald Mountain while engaged in taking photographic views. The result was that they had to camp out on a cold frosty night. Next day they retraced their footsteps and fortunately found their way back again.

TO RETIRE. Mr. John Woolsey, Clerk to the Magistrate here and acting Postmaster, is to retire from service I am sorry to say. Mr. Woolsey acted 13 or 14 months as Registrar in Carie boo, and discharged his duties in that capacity in a most courteous, gentlemanly man-ner. The Government loses in him a most faithful servant.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED LETTERS RE MAINING IN THE POST OFFICE FROM 28th OCTOBER. TO 4th NOVEMBER, 1865.

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Ford, J Franklyn, Miss Fraser, A Foreman, J Falshaw, R Fanning, J Gibson, W Gilmore, A Gerow, Mr Giffin, W Gatenby, S P Giger, T Goudie, J

Heywood, Mr Holden, E C Hickling, J L Heyward, Mrs T Jenkinson, R Johnston, A Johnson, J D Jungerman, Mr Joyce, TF Johnson, T Kwong Lee Kennedy, R J Lamplough, Mr Lange, G

Lacharme, M London, W Meeson, Mr McTiernan, Mr McAuley, A 2 Mitchell, Mr McNaughton, D McGee, M McIlmoyl, J McGuire, C McKinnon, H

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HENRY WOOTTON, phioto A rend Postmaster.

esterday received the rites of Chris Sporborg & Rueff. COMMISSION MERCHANTS

Groceries, Provisions Boots and Shoes. WHARF STREET........................VICTORIA, V.II

Michael Fitzpatrick!

INFORMATION WANTED OF MICHAEL
who left Clayton, Contra Costa County, California, two years ago last August. A little more than
a year ago he was in Victoria, V. I., intending to
go to Sooke river. Information, addressed Patrick.
Fitzpatrick, post office San Francisco, California.
will be thankfully received by, his father and
sisters. octol Ind&
section 1.