

By Electric Telegraph

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

Mexico.

MAXIMILIAN ABDICATES.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The Mexican Minister has received a letter from Vera Cruz, dated October 25th, stating that Maximilian left the city of Mexico on the 23rd ult., resigning virtually in favor of General Bazaine.

General Castelnau reached Mexico soon after Maximilian left, and took possession of the place, and assumed the reins of government. The French soldiers who had enlisted under Maximilian's colors will be returned to France.

General Diaz had captured the city of Oaxaca. Canadian dates are to September 28th: The Globe speaks of the great preparations making for the reception of the "Pinnegans."

Canada.

TORONTO, C. W., Nov. 5.—The Fenian trials were resumed to-day. The jury of Benj. Farry was proceeded with; the trial retired for an hour, and returned a verdict of not guilty.

A letter has been received by Harrison, one of the Crown prosecutors in the Fenian trials, informing him of an organization in the Western States for the purpose of assassinating those engaged in prosecuting the Fenians in Canada.

The 10th regiment, just out from England by steamer Pennsylvania, arrived yesterday. There are now in British America about 15000 troops of the regular British army, of whom 9000 are in Canada.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—General Grant has gone to Baltimore to see if he can't arrange the difficulty between the police commissioners.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The President today issued an order for the reinstatement of General Sweeny to his former position in the regular army.

The Tribunes says the hunting party including Viscount Conthwell, Baron Holstein, and Count Montague who were reported killed, or captured, returned in safety yesterday.

The Herald's Toronto special says another raid was expected from Buffalo on Saturday night during the Fenian demonstrations on the occasion of the arrival of the captured arms recently restored by order of President Johnson. Mass meetings of the Brotherhood were held at Buffalo and Indianapolis on Saturday night, in which retaliatory measures were threatened if the execution of Lynch or McMahon took place.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—General Sherman and Colonel Campbell, our new Ministers, will sail for Mexico in a few days, to assume the protectorate over that republic.

Europe.

LONDON, Nov. 5.—Consols, 89½; 5 20's, 68½.

China.

A regular horse express runs from Shanghai to Kiaochow, where it connects with the Russian telegraph. At a late meeting in Shanghai, Mr Grant said they had two hundred and eighty horses and forty employees, who performed the service for a portion of the distance. The remainder was worked by coolies. The expenses came to exactly the sum he had estimated—10,000 taels a year. The cost of a telegram from Kiaochow to London was seven roubles. He could not promise to give telegrams in the winter from Chefoo, unless he could be sure that there would be a steamer leaving that port on any certain days.

Japan.

The following are extracts relating to Japan, from Shanghai papers: Sir Harry Parkes and M. Roebes, the French Minister, had visited Simonosaki and had interviews with Chosin.

The import of rice had been prohibited, but prices were still very high. Yokohama papers, received by the Nepal, confirm the intelligence which reached us from Nagasaki, of a considerable success obtained by Chosin over the forces of the Tycoon. The latter, under the leadership of I-kamon-no-kami and Saki-bara, made a descent on Chosin's territories from the north; but were caught by the latter in a defile and routed with heavy loss.

The North China Herald says: "The origin of the disturbance which has recently occurred between the populace and the American missionaries at Tung-chow-foo, in the Shanghai Province, savors strongly of official or some other influence. The head and front of their offending seems to have been a desire to rent more houses than they are now occupying, and on this slight foundation arose a dispute which led to the breaking of the tombstones in the cemetery and to the present demand for reparation.

West Indies.

A very severe storm, almost a hurricane, had been experienced in the West Indies, causing great destruction of property. At St. Thomas the W I and P Steamship Co's fine new iron wharf recently built, was completely demolished. The steamship West Indian of the same company, was driven ashore, but was got off again without serious injury, and the Royal Mail steamship Tyne was detained in port nearly two days. The next arrival from the West Indies will bring a sad list of disasters caused by this storm.

From Jamaica our dates are to the 6th inst. Some of the failures, caused by the late financial troubles, were turning out rather unfavorable.

From Hayti we have intelligence of a most disastrous explosion which occurred at Port-au-Prince on the 12th of September. According to official accounts thirteen persons were killed and as many wounded, and a great number of houses destroyed.

Letters from Port au Prince, dated Sept. 18th, state that the Arsenal, containing a large quantity of gunpowder, took fire and exploded. The fire spread and destroyed the greater part of the town. Several vessels were burnt. The loss of life is reported as very heavy.

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Canadian dates are to September 28th: The Globe speaks of the great preparations making for the reception of the "Pinnegans."

A burglar was caught in the house of and mortally wounded by H. E. J. Jackson, of Berlin, C. W. Mrs Jackson beat a light while her husband shot the villain.

Mrs Phoebe Weaver, Miss Southworth and Robert Hunter have been committed at London, C. W., on a charge of causing the death of Samuel Howell Post. Weaver was Post's mistress, Southworth was his adopted daughter, and Hunter was a friend of both "ladies." Howell was an amorous old fool, and the murderers wanted his property.

The crops throughout the Provinces promise well. A destructive fire has occurred at the goods depot of the London and North-Western Railway Company, in Haydon square, Minorities. In the immense warehouses which have perished it is estimated that there were about 4000 bales of wool, mostly, if not entirely, Australian, and of the best quality, which at £25 a bale, would make the loss in that commodity alone amount to £100,000, less the salvage, which it is said will be considerable.

There were in addition about 350 casks of whisky destroyed, of the probable value in all of £10,000, and the buildings which have perished were worth about £20,000, thus making the entire loss, roughly estimated, amount to £130,000.

By a decree of the 26th July, the Emperor of Mexico intrusted the portfolio of war to Gen. Osmont, of the Expeditionary Corps, and that of Finance to M. Frial, Military Commissary. The military duties of these two officers being incompatible with the responsibilities of the new functions sought to be imposed upon them, they have not been authorized to accept them.—Paris Moniteur, Sept. 15.

Joseph Mazzini is circulating a fierce invective against King Victor Emanuel, his cabinet, generals, army and volunteers, for concluding a peace which "overwhelms their country with dishonor." The London Times disposes of M. Mazzini's most prominent arguments in a very severe and personal article. Highly important experiments with British naval guns and targets have taken place at Shoeburyness. A stronger target than the broadside of anything afloat was thoroughly pierced and broken up by Palliser's projectiles.

A letter published in a New York paper, signed by Daniel Byrne, late warden in the Richmond Bridewell, Dublin, relative to the escape of Head Centre Stephens, created some sensation in Dublin, and had brought forth a letter from Patrick Byrne, brother of Daniel, in which he asserts that the letter must be a fabrication, as his brother, the alleged writer of it, had gone to Australia.

The London Times says that the falling off of £520,000 in the stock of bullion in the Bank of France return is assumed to be consequent, for the most part, on payment for foreign grain.

The expenses of the War Department in Italy, from May 13 to September 15, amounted to 505,000,000 francs.

Some of the German papers say that the landwehr system is to be adopted to a certain extent in France, so that the standing army shall consist of 316,000 men, the reserve and the first levy of National Guard 521,198 men, and the second levy of the National Guard of 677,000 men. Thus the whole armed force would consist of 1,515,198 men.

Mr Bright having received a letter from 36 members of Parliament and a number of other distinguished Irish gentlemen, inviting him to a banquet to be given in his honor in the course of next month, he has accepted the invitation.

The man who attempted to assassinate the Czar of Russia several months ago has been executed.

There has been a grand popular demonstration of respect to the Emperor, and joy at the punishment of his would-be murderer.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 7.—The California State Telegraph Co. have received official information that the rates of the Atlantic cable have been reduced from 20 pounds to 10 pounds for telegrams not exceeding 20

words sent between New York and England, including address, signature and date exceeding 100 letters, and each additional word not exceeding 5 letters, ten shillings will be charged.

Arrived, Nov 5—Bark Architect, Puget Sound.

Canada.

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—The Fenian trials in Toronto continue. Stephen Denis was yesterday sentenced to be hanged on the 13th Dec. Several others have been acquitted, including the Episcopal Minister, Lumsden, who was proved to have been on a drunken spree at Buffalo, and not responsible for his actions.

New trials have been demanded for Col. Lynch and Father McMahon.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The Susquehanna; now in Brooklyn navy yard, is nearly ready to depart for Vera Cruz, with Minister Campbell and Gen. Sherman, who expect to proceed direct to Mexico and help the Liberals out.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The Great Republic, the first vessel of the Pacific Steamship Company's new line, will be launched probably to-morrow morning. This ship is the largest and finest ever built in the United States.

Mexico.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Mexican despatches via Havana confirm the news that Maximilian has abdicated.

Europe.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—Great Britain has withdrawn her legation from Saxony by agreement with Prussia.

It is said preparations are quietly progressing in Ireland to meet the probable rising.

It is said that the insurrection in Candia has ended.

The Czar of Russia has formally recognized the Hoepadar Romanio Ramanica.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—The British Government has renewed its proposition for a mixed commission to arbitrate the Alabama claims.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Gen. Sherman arrived here last night, and the frigate Susquehanna lies anchored off the Battery awaiting the departure of our distinguished envoys.

Mexico.

A correspondent who left the city of Mexico on the 22nd ult., and Vera Cruz on the 26th, says that Gen. Castelnau arrived at the capital on Sunday night; everybody was excited there, and all were awaiting developments, with all sorts of rumors as to what the new policy will be. The whole country is infested with guerrillas, professedly Liberals, but really bandits, who are using these unsettled times for personal plunder.

Europe.

LONDON, Nov. 8.—The drafts of Dent & Co., of China, have been refused acceptance. Their engagements are heavy.

The case of the rebel steamers, seized at Liverpool, which was brought before the Admiralty Court, has been allowed to stand over, and it is believed will be properly adjusted.

VENICE, Nov. 8.—The King of Italy entered Venice with great pomp yesterday.

PARIS, Nov. 8.—Transports are ready to bring the French troops from Mexico.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—Arrived—British whaling bark Endeavour, 21 days from Oohotsk Sea; brig Hugh Barclay, 21 days from Port Ludlow; brig Hattie Jackson, 22 days from Potropanouski.

Europe.

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—A recent Constantinople letter gives the following account of the Eastern question: There is now no prospect of the reopening of the Eastern question. In general there will be active interference in favor of the Christians in Candia, but it will be with the object of putting off the Eastern question, not of opening it. England and France are urgent upon this point.

Neither of those powers are ready for any general clearing out in Turkey; but both fear that Russia would gain what was lost by Turkey, and both are of opinion that Russia is strong enough already. If Lord Lyons had been removed to Paris, it would have given color to the report of M. Moustier to the European powers, especially as he has just been called from Constantinople to be Minister of Foreign Affairs in France; Moustier is really opposed to the renewal of the Eastern question. This is so well known here that when he went to Athens on his way to Paris, the mob would have torn him to pieces if they had dared to do so; as it was they howled and hissed at and cursed him, &c.

Russia is doing what she can both here and in Europe to compel the great powers to take up the sick man's case, for she has everything to gain and nothing to lose in the settlement of this question. The Russian Ambassador here is uniting in his efforts to stir up a difficulty in European Turkey and to encourage the Candians and to force the question upon England and France.

Canada.

Toronto, Nov. 8.—The Leader says the Fenians will not be hung, but punishment will be proportionate to their crimes with perhaps an admixture of royal clemency. The Government has resolved to commute the sentences of Lynch and McMahon.

Eastern States.

In the late elections in the East, New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois, have given very large majorities for the Republican candidates, Missouri, Minnesota and Kansas give majorities for the Radicals, Maryland and Delaware for the Conservatives.

Canada.

The Herald's Toronto special says great dissatisfaction exists in the case of Lumsden. The Catholics of the city assert boldly that Lumsden was discharged on religious grounds and that the evidence against him was stronger than that against McMahon.

The World's Toronto special says in consequence of threatening letters sent to witnesses for the crown in the Fenian cases, they refuse to give evidence unless assured of adequate military protection at Fort Erie.

India.

A Calcutta paper says it is estimated that three quarters of the lower population and half of the lower class of agriculturists perished or will perish before the calamity is stayed.

Europe.

The Mechanic's Magazine says the British Government has ordered a fifteen inch Rodman gun with improved carriage, shot and powder from the United States gun factory, which will probably arrive in five or six weeks, when we hope for a settlement of the question between British and American ordnance.

The War Secretary has invited proposals for breech-loaders to replace the present rifles used by the British army.

Prussia conscription in Schleswig-Holstein is decreed from January 1st, in conformity with Prussian military regulations under the Prussia-Saxon treaty. Persons politically compromised during recent events will suffer no molestation.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The Tribune's New Orleans special says it is troubled by very good authority that the President has ordered General Sheridan not to make any arrests under General Grant's famous order, which affects 44 persons accused of committing murders on the 31st of July.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—Sanford Conover alias Dunham, who was arrested last week in New York, charged with receiving a bribe for swearing to a false statement implicating Joseph Davis in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, is now in jail to await the action of the grand jury.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—The Washington special of the Herald says—General Grant has at last, probably by order of the President, taken up the Mexican question in earnest, and will attend to it with great zeal so far as he is concerned. On Saturday he invited Senor Romero, the Mexican minister, to a confidential interview at his headquarters, which lasted some time. After Romero's departure there was a staff meeting. What connection this may or may not have had with the Mexican question, I can't say. One thing more; there is no reason to believe that the Mexican question has been just where the last published note from M. de P'nyus to Mr. Seward placed it.

The Government is waiting to see how the French will act up to the first of the coming year, and if at that time there is any bad faith exhibited or tendency to duplicity, then such action will be forcibly recommended as will insure our feelings and interests to be respected.

President Juarez has written a letter in which he again asserts his willingness to consider any projects looking to the cessation of the Northern States of Mexico to the United States.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 4.—The Grand Jury have presented to the County Court an indictment charging C. B. McDonald, D. O. McCarthy, Merrill, Wm. Cochept, McCarthy, and J. H. Joselyn, of the American Flag, with the crime of libel of Wm. C. Ralston, of the Bank of California. The defendants were all admitted to bail in the sum of \$1000 each.

The Wine Growers' State Convention adopted memorials to Congress and the Pacific Congressional delegation asking a reduction of the tax on the manufacture of grape brandy to the rate in force last year, costing 50 cents or less per gallon to specific duty of 50 cents.

This morning the grand jury of the United States presented a number of indictments against prominent citizens for fraud against the internal revenue laws.

The first issue of a new morning journal, called the Daily Times, made its appearance in San Francisco to-day. It is a good sized sheet and of respectable typographical execution, and begins its career with a brief and modest salutatory. It is put forth by the Times Publishing Association.

THE U. S. Revenue Cutter Lincoln came in from Port Angeles on Saturday.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—These pills are more efficacious in strengthening a debilitated constitution than any other medicine in the world. Persons of a nervous habit of body and all who are suffering from weak digestive organs, or whose health has become deranged by biliousness, indigestion, diarrhoea, or liver complaints, should lose no time in giving these admirable pills a fair trial. Constipation, colds, asthma, or shortness of breath, are also not unattended by these pills. They are not superficial or temporary, but complete and permanent cures of the most chronic and delicate female and young children. Their action on the liver, stomach and bowels, is immediate, beneficial, and lasting, restoring order and health in every case.

COAL EXPORTS.

From Nantaimo, V. I., for the month ending Oct. 31, 1866.

Table with columns: DATE, VESSEL, MASTER, T. C. DESTINATION. Lists various ships and their destinations.

Shipping Intelligence.

Table with columns: ENTERED, PORT OF VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND. Lists shipping arrivals.

MEMORANDA.

Star FIDELITER, from Portland—Left Portland Nov. 7th, at 5 p.m.; arrived at Astoria Nov. 8th, at 8 a.m. left Astoria, at 10 a.m.; crossed Columbia River Bar at 12 m.; at 2:30 p.m., Nov. 9th, arrived at Victoria.

PASSENGERS.

Per star FIDELITER, from Portland: Mr. Durang, Rom. Harvey, W. B. Blaisdell and wife, E. B. Blaisdell, Wm. Tyler, John Godley, Frank Mayo, Miss Clara, Wm. Kohl, B. Payne, Geo. Preston, R. Harris, F. McNeil, R. H. Ball, T. Stafford, H. T. Osham.

Per star ACTIVE from San Francisco—Tal, Song & Co, Casamayor, Bossi, Order, Martin, Kwong, Lee & Co, Wilner, Seliz, Crosson, Wilson & Ryckman, Wolf & Morris, Wells, Fargo & Co, Baker, McQuade, Parker, Hanson, Love, Bros, Boscowitz, Lewin & Anthony, Manuelli, Braverman, Dwyer, L. Lewis, Schultz, Banster, Unknown, Coleman & Co, Tai Song & Co, Makto, Greyley & Flattery, Casamayor, Bossi, McQuade, Kwong, Lee & Co, B. B. Wallace & Stewart, Ordley, A. J. Ralston, J. G. L. C.

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Per star JOSIE MCKENAR from Puget Sound—Johnson, Beckrick, Motzke, Armstrong.

IMPORTS.

Per star FIDELITER, from Portland—Capt Greg 7 pgs: P O D 1736 pgs; Mc 43 pgs; A 43 pgs; L B 10 pgs; J G 43 pgs; TR 20 pgs; L 20 pgs; Robert Herron 2 pgs; Wilson 43 pgs; Dr Barrard 1 pg; H G Coburn 1 pg; W F 4 pgs; V P 8 pgs; H O 13 pgs; St Nicholas Hotel 13 pgs; Marine Mills 400 sacks flour; M Gunmore 2 pgs; B & P 7 pgs; F D 3 pgs; H 12 pgs.

108 lbs boots and shoes, 3 do lanterns, 5 do potatoes 2120 lbs flour, 47 do cheese, 20 do cigars, 23 do bt te, 43 do tobacco, 1 do jars, 35 do coffee, 5 do sugar, 40 do skins, 2 do hops, 1600 lbs rice, 50 do oil, 100 do hats, 40 do pickles, 50 do provisions, 40 do syrups, 48 do yeast powder, 20 do salt, 20 do pills, 10 do barley, 1 do towels, 20 do onions, 200 do raisins, 50 do tea, 53 do starch, 15 do dried apples, 3 do card, 14 do beans, 20 do dry goods, 40 do coal oil. Value \$30,000. 21 do coffee, value \$40,000.

Per brig W D RICE from San Francisco—350 ccs coal oil, 542 ccs rice, 125 lbs soap, 1 lb cheese, 50 lb candles, 1 ccs butter, 50 ccs champagne, 16 ccs absynth, 12 lbs plaster, 2 lbs oil, 20 lbs oakum, 23 ccs tobacco, 11 lbs ginsew mules, 57 lbs ship chandlery, 33 ccs beans, 40 ccs groceries, 48 ccs bread, 12 lbs bran, 9 lbs glass ware, 1080 or 1200 lbs nails, 120 lbs do, 4 stoves, 4 ccs mds, 6 ccs clothing, 30 lbs nails, 8 lbs hardware, 12 do brooms, 12 do pairs.

Per star JOSIE MCKENAR from Puget Sound—43 sheep, 8 hd cattle; 1 cow and calf; 21 bbis flour; 2 qrs beef; 300 lb butter.

Per star ELIZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound—6 sheep; 13 ccs oysters; 38 lbs fruit; 210 ccs bran; 2 coops chickens; 1 hog.

DEATH.

On Friday, Nov. 9, the wife of Mr P. Welch, Bridge Tavern, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

At the residence of F. H. Lichtenstein, Esq., Pandora street, Nov. 8th, by Rev. Thomas Somerville, Capt. W. J. Deane to Miss Elizabeth Fenner, aged 21 years. At San Francisco, Oct. 29, Alexandre McKenzie, ex Williams & Co, of Cariboo, to Agnes Candlish Lonati, lat of Victoria V. I.

DEED.

At Fort Garry, Red River Settlement, August 11th, of dysentery, William Jeffrey Ward Graham, aged 41 years, 4 months and 7 days. At same place, August 17th, David Work Finlayson Graham, aged 3 years, 5 months and 14 days. (The deceased were sons of James A. Graham, Chief Factor H. B. Co.)

NOTICE.

At Stellacoona, W. T. Oct. 30th, at 1:30 p. m., Mr Alfred W. Webb.

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NOTICE.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE I WILL ONLY accept COIN for RENTS as well as for any other payments to be made to me. LD LOWENBERG. Victoria, Oct. 1st, 1866.

THE WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST. HIGGINS, LONG & CO. OFFICE: Colonial Building, Government street, adjoining Bank of British Columbia.

Governor Seymour and the New Minister Council. We have perused the congratulatory address of the New Westminster Council to Governor Seymour... the reader of the address can detect the same old spirit of... the people of New West... to notice the untruth... by the people residing on the... a hint to His Excellency... should expect no favor... the statement of the... "that the past year has been peculiar anxiety to us" (them), readily believed by all who watched the tone of the public at the capital, or listened to the marks of its public men when with the question of Union. I reply to their reminder the Council expected an assurance from His Excellency that their superior claims be recognized and fostered, the been quietly and diplomatically... ced, and their "anxiety," which fore was "peculiar," must now be solely overpowering. In relation to the condition of affairs at the time, Mr Seymour frankly acknowledged that while in England he was by the "somewhat over-sanguine expectations of some of my [his] pondents," which "have not been realized." By this candid admission Mr Seymour shows that he understands the blunders into which he was betrayed by placing reliance in the statements of intimate men writing from New Westminster. The unfortunate position in these correspondents, by their statements—which we believe wilful and not merely overzealous have placed His Excellency, is to be deplored. It was on the basis of these misstatements that the celestrial letter to the Colonial Office from was written; and it was this which created a feeling of indignation in the minds of the Islanders to Governor Seymour, and of hostility to Union that at one time threatened to culminate in open rebellion. Happily that danger has blown away. After calm reflection, the promise of sober second thought prevailed, and to-day, we vent to say, there are no more loyal than those of Vancouver Island. None more disposed to accept the conditions—distasteful though they are—and assist in restoring the colony to its former prosperity. The decision by His Excellency of "a delicate promote harmony and good-will between two English communities which will meet with hearty approval this city and elsewhere throughout Vancouver Island. Our people know that there can be no remedy if they offer a factious