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THE Council's reply to the Governer's Speech preserves the same stereo lation is fettered and a majority of the into the hill opposite his claims, and on the expression. Let us have peace, he sincerely legislature is composed of the very day that Bartlett left had struck paying dirt meant it, and apprehended no trouble in any class-indeed, the very men-who are called on to pass upon and (of course) are not over plenty in the camp; what there tion, while at the same time the rights of all approve their own acts. The con- is selling at very high rates. About 75 men classes and of all communities shall be prehackneyed, the majority taking care of miners from Montana have secured claims: to stick well to the text before them they will return in the Spring to work them. and touching upon and reviewing in Mr B. says that a regular stampede is exand touching upon and reviewing in pected from Montana early in the Spring. a most delicate manner several of the The Hudson Bay Company have a store aisubjects so ably and skillfully advanced by his Excellency. A popular legislature would have sought out the three and sold goods at enormous prices. Flour or four weak places in his Excellency's was sold as high as 50 cents per pound, and armour and would have pierced him with the dart of disapproval to over \$1,200 from the sale of five kegs of its very hilt. But our Council washes down the Speech with a benediction and swallows it wholus bolus. It is well, perhaps, that it is so. We would have the Council legislate like freemen; but we would not have them hypocrites;and such, whatever we may think and say of their principles (!) and their independence (!) they assuredly are not. The clerk had acarcely ceased reading his Excellency's rejoinder, when Dr Helmoken came forward with a broad and liberal measure for popular-izing the Council by the election of sixteen members by the popular voice and the appointment of eight by the Governor. The bill took the official members by surprise; but it failed to disconcert at least one of their number—the hon, Attorney General— a gentleman afflicted with a sort of mania for interposing 'constitutional objections' to the passage of popular measures. The bill. he thought, was unconstitutional, and as the Council is an intensely constitutional body, the best plan would be to withdraw it and bring it in egain in a constitutional form. Some time was occupied in discussing the bill upon a point of order, and it finally went over until yesterday, when the hon, promoter nted to bring it forward in the form of without, however, in any manner receding from the principle. The same hon-member has given notice of a bill to repeal the Crown Salaries' Act, in order that the Governor may be enabled to reduce the salaries ary officers and d'scharge those not nired. When retrenchment was urged upon the government two years ago, it was replied that the Governor's hands were tied,—that under the Crown Salaries, Act be could not displace Orown officers and could only partially carry out the wishes of the tax-paying community. The notice will low the clay the miners have not gone, but erve the treatment the bill will receive. The Hon Attorney neral will, no doubt, be prepared with his stitutional objection, to ward off he can; but should it come to a direct vote, et the officials will emulate the examwho laid it down that 'servants ot vote upon their master's salary, the bar when the Civil List was under discusion leaving the popular members to settle the question themselves. Mr Drake's Drawback Bill was brought in on Monday. The bill proposes to allow a drawback on all goods on which duties have been paid and sold for exportation. The measure is designed for the relief of the mercantile community who have suffered heavy pecuniary losses through the loss of the foreign trade which was driven away by the tariff. The bill provides a rigorous system of checks, and its passage would be an act of justice to the creantile class as well as a real benefit to the community. The bill is so equitable and beneficial in its character that we are surprised the Government did not deem it advisable to introduce it as a Government measure, and thus furnish an additional guarantee of the sincerity of its professions to administer affairs in accordance with the

THE Canadian News, of Nov. 5th, says that Mr Hensley, of Prince Edward Island, who has just been to Washington with reference to the laying of a submarine cable between the island and the mainland, reports. that when at Washington he had an interview with Mr Thornton, the British Minister, and that that gentleman assured him that the reported negotiations with Mr Seward, in reference to reciprocity had not taken place, and that there was no probability of the question being opened up. If this be so. the question of reciprocity may easely enough be considered an adjourned, at all events until the coming in of the new Administration at Washington, and probably for some time longer. Then, however, we have reason to believe the matter will be seriously taken up between the Governments of the States and the Deminion of THUNK CHICANG

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- Wednesday Dec 23 More About the New Diggings.

ations are all commonplace and will winter in the camp. A large number served. ady in the camp, and until the trains from Walla Walla arrived, did a good business, other goods in proportion. They received liquor. Mr B. has left his partner, Mr Hewith, in camp with a large and well assorted stock of merchandise. They are putting up a store 40x30, and intend to establish themselves permanently in business at that camp, believing it equal, if not better, than any other mining district in the northern country.

ANGELA COLLEGE.—The pupils of this establishment commenced their winters' vaca- and 'The Steeple Chase.' The principal tion on Monday. The occasion was one of characters will be sustained by Messrs unusual interest to both parents and pupils, Brodie, Stopford, Dickens, Jauncey, Walker, as being the termination of Miss Pemberton's Berkeley, Stork, Logan and Pirie. A deconnexion with the college. This estimable lightful evening is anticipated. lady, who has so long presided over the institution with honor to herself and advantage to the children, we regret to learn, her health requiring relaxation from the duties she has assiduously performed for years. agement, she leaves it with seventy pupils. ed number of tickets will be disposed of. A handsome and costly album, containing the portraits of the officers and pupils of the College, with scenes of our harbor and town was presented to Miss Pemberton by the bildren: It is understood that Miss Gribbell, sister of Rev F B Gribbell, is on her way from England to take charge of the college, and may be expected in a few

ADDITIONAL NEWS FROM KOOTENAY .- We have much pleasure in laying before our Creek, Kootensy, dated 27th Nov. 1868. Below these falls the gold is like cucumber seeds and found within 4 to 6 feet of the surface, in the gravel on a bed of clay. Bethe hope of the creek lies on the bed rock beneath. Above the falls the gold is lower, and is found on the bed rock. The ground here is shallow. I saw one piece taken out by our friend ____, which weighed \$18 25. Several companies were at work and making good wages. Mr _____, of Colville, took out \$156 day before yesterday : Mrand two partners, \$116. The above news may be relied on as correct, and shows the cation from this point.

News from the Maritime Provinces is Printer for Nova Scotia, a zealous supporter Printership. Mr Blanchard has published a journed until Monday next. long letter on the Inverness election, in which he declares that, had it not been for the influence employed by the Catholic Olergy against him, he would have been returned. Lord Monok left for Rogland on Saturday. His successor is expected in a week or so. Newfoundland has returned a Confederationist to her local Parliament from a strong anti-Oonfederation district.

uestion often asked and never to our knowdge answered in the affirmative. We believe the belief is general in Engalad that donkeys-like the sempero viva plant mentioned vesterday-never die; but this belief would be shaken if not entirely dispelled by a visit to the south side of James' Bay, where, we are informed, a defunct jackass lies so still and cold nor kick nor blow can awake him to action again, Savants and quidvuncs should go and see for themselves to that another popular fallacy may be exploded by science.

A HIGHLY respectable audience assembled at the Albambra to hear it choruses executed by the choir Church. The music was executed very oreditably, two or three of the pieces receivng well merited encores, We sincerely trust the laudable efforts of the ladies and gentlemen who kindly lent their aid on the ecasion, will result in a handsome sum for the praiseworthy object intended.

GENERAL GRANT'S VIEWS ON THE RESULT OF THE ELECTION.-A Washington special to the New York Herald save :- In conver-The Walls Walls Statesman has fresh ention a few days ago, General Grant exnews from the new Kootenay diggings. 'Mr pressed his impression that the result of the Bartlett, who returned from the new camp late election had quieted down the state of on Thursday last, reports eight claims open-ed, two of which pay over \$100 per day to a condition of sober and contented acquies the hand. Mr McCauly, an old Cariboo ence in the declared will of the majority, and miner, is working with sluices and employ- that an improved tone in the political as ing some five or six men, averaging, so far, well as in other relations in life will soon be \$90 to the hand; he is also running a shaft made manifest. When he made use of the with very handsome coarse gold. Provisions section of the country under his administra-

> A LETTER from an eminent San Francisco physician appears in the Alta of that city. The writer gives it as his opinion that the pestilence now scourging that city is a new disease, possessing characteristics both of the small pox and the Chinese black measless Its ravages continue unabated : death some exudes from the skin after death: Vaccination will prevent the disease, but the lymph must be of the purest kind.

THE holiday season is not to be allowed to pass by unimproved. In addition to the Governor's and Masonic balls, an Amateur Dramatic entertainment by gentlemen connected with her Majesty's fleet at Esquimalt will be given under the suspices of Admiral and Mrs Hastings, at the Albambra Hall, on the evening of the 29th. The pieces selected are the farce of ' Pinkins' Rustic Retreat.'

GRAND BALL - We learn that the ball to be given by the members of Vancouver Lodge, on Monday evening next, promises eaves for England in the course of a month, to be a very successful affair. His Excellency the Governor and Mrs Seymour, and Admiral and Mrs Hastings will be present Much of the prosperity of the college is due Those who desire to participate will reto Miss Pemberton, and it speaks volumes in paire to make early application to the comher praise that on retiring from its man- mittee, as we are informed that only a limit-

> THE severe illness of Captain Metzger, of the Continental, prevented the departure o that vessel yesterday morning as announced The captain has taken rooms at the St George, and should be be pronounced no better this morning the steamer will proceed on her voyage under the command of M

recorded that Harriet C Nelson was granted eaders the following extract from a private a divorce from Charles Nelson on the ground letter from the falls of St Mary on Perry of extreme cruelty. The parties were forhere about four years ago.

> THE attempts to elect a Metropolitan of enable to arrive at a conclusion, separated on the second day without making any apintment. Their next meeting is fixed for the first Tuesday in May.

THE BRITISH COLONIST has entered upon the eleventh year of its existence. No better medium for the dissemination of general information exists on the northern coast. We hope the worthy proprietors receive the great importance of securing easy communi- support they so deservedly merit, - Seattle

COUNTY COURT. - One case -- brought to rethe effect that Mr E M McDonald, M P cover damages for trespass of a cow-was editor of the Halifax. Citizen; and Queen's the only one before the County Court vesterday : it was left unfinished. a necessary of Mr Howe, is about to resign the Queen's witness being absent. The Court stands ad-

BEAUTIFUL ORNAMENTS .- Among the ingenious devices which the present Christmas season has brought out, we have sean none more beautiful than the caudy flowers for ornamenting cakes or dinner tables, now now on exhibition at Piper's.

Arras the trial of the Tiger steamer to day at 11 o'clock, a collation will be spread 'Drn anyone ever see a dead donkey?' is a strike Afhambra Hall for the friends of the company. The Tigers never do anything by

> THE United States Government is about to enforce its Stumpage Act, which is \$2 50 on every 1000 feet of timber out on public lands. This is good news for our lumber-

PROPERTY SALE .- Mr McCrea yesterday sold a farm of 250 acres with offices, recently pre-empted, in the Comox settlement, for \$900, exclusive of charges thereon.

FROM THE SOUND .- The steamer Eliza Anderson arrived from Puget Sound yester day morning. Thirty-four passengers and small amount of freight came across.

REMOVED-The small-pox patient was yesterday removed from the Continental to the Female Infirmary for treatment. The case is pronounced to be confluent.

THE G. S. Wright arrived at Portland on Monday night. The Active sailed for the same destination early yesterday morning.

By Glectric Telegraph

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

Eastern States.

MEMPHIS, Dec 19.—The Avalanche's Little Rock special, on reliable information, states that on the morning of the 16th four companies of militia, a portion of them colored, entered Lewisberg, shooting in every direction; they burned two stores and killed the proprietor of one, throwing his body into the flames. The town is still occupied by ilitia who allow no one to leave without a pass. All is quiet at Augusta,

NEW YORK, Dec 20 .- The Herald's Havana letter says, it is a fact that a gigantie insurrection exists in Cuba, supported and countenanced by the great mass of the native population.

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PARIS, Dec. 19-A letter from Athens of the 12th represents the city as a scene of great popular animation : bands of men are coming in from the interior and parading the streets; great bitterness of feeling is shown against the French Admiral, on account of the demands he had made on the Greek Government to preserve peace.

LONDON, Dec. 19-The French official journals say that the changes in the Ministry are in confirmation of the Emperor's programme of policy, which is liberal at home and pacific abroad

Despatches report that the Turkish ships have been sent to the Greek waters to establish a blockade, and that Turkish troops are collecting on the Greek frontier to prevent volunteers making incursions into Thessaly and Macedonia:

LONDON, Dec 19 .- The utter inability of the Great Powers to control the acts of Greece in the pending troubles with Turkey excites distrust in figancial circles. The London papers urge the Great Powers to make a final remonstrance with Greece, to prevent war, and if rejected to leave Greece to her fate.

MADRID. Dec 19 .- Elections for members of the Cortes are proceeding in incorporated cities with no disorder. A large majority of those elected are favorable to the formation of a monarchial form of Govern-

LONDON, Dec 19-Despatches from Constantinople report that Omar Pacha has been forbidden by his Government to invade the Greek territory, unless armed bands of Greeks

CONSTANTINOPLE. Dec 19-The Greek ambassador in this city to day demanded of merly residents of Victoria, and were married the international powers protection for the Greek subjects in Constantinople, The French envoy on the part of his Government declined to move in the matter, and the Subthe Anglican Church in Canada, have, one lime Porte demands the banishment of all Leache from Relevade

> London, Dec 19-The Times, in commenting on the the speech recently delivered by Reverdy Johnson at the Birbeck Institute. save that the sum of Johnson's policy is that trifles might not prevent the preservation of eaceful relations between England and the United States. The Times thinks that American obstacles to the treaty should therefore hawithd tawnings ageen

PARIS. Dec 19-The Patrie says the Porte will submit to the great powers documentary proof that Greece intends to incite insurrect ion in the Turkish lands, and then take pos, ession of them. The war excitement is great in Constantinople and Athens. The Russian flag had been publicly burned in the streets of Constantinople

London, Dec 21 .- A message from President Johnson is received. The Times refers to the President's stubbornness, and denounces his repudiation proposition. It approves the action of the Senate and House in their disposal of the document.

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Arrived, Dec. 19-Stmr Oriflamme, from San Diego; schr Ida, from Boston, Sailed-Stmr Orizaba, San Diego SAN FRANCISO, Dec 21-Legal Tenders 73@74 Cleared-Bark Anglo Saxon, Port Town edi to acitaco ese cavo sace

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CHICAGO. Dec 21-The Tribune has disnatches from Cuba, showing that the insurrection cannot last much longer unless civil war should break out in Spain.

Washington, Dec 21-Congress adjourned to January 5th.

Canada.

TORONTO, Dec 21-The Court of Queen's Bench to-day refused to grant a new trial to Whelen, the murderer of D'Arcy McGee. The prisoner was remanded until Thursday, when he will appeal against this ruling to the Court of Error and Appeal.

Ir the whole body of the Liberals act well together now their course in future will be easy, and their power unassailable.—John Bright.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

lp Ocean Queen, Evers, San Juan a, Barlow, San Juau ma, McIntosh, Jan Juan Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan ilp Invincible, Coffee, San Juan Rimr G S Wright, Langdon, Nevaimo Jec 18—31p Adeline, Falleur, San Juan Ilp Eliza, Middleton, Saanich r Emma, McIntosb, San Juan Eagle, Evers, San Juan 22—Sip Harriet, Kamaian, San Juan r Eliza Andersou, Finch, Port Townsend

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Sch Eagle, Greenwood, San Juan
Stmr & Wright, Langdon, Astoria
Dec 18—Sch Eliza, Middleton, Saanich.
Dec 12—Sch Eliza, Middleton, Saanich.
Dec 19—Sip Annie, Smith, San Juan
Stmr Emma, McCulloch, San Juan
Schr Invincible, Coffee, Burrard Inlet
Stinr Metrimac, Barna, Pt Townsend
Sip Mist, McKensie, San Juan
Stmr Emma, McIntosh, San Juan
Stmr Continental, Metzger, Astoria
Stmr Active, Sholl, Astoria
Schr Clara Light, Mitchell, Pt Townsend
Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Townsend

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Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget So. 19 scks oysters, 12 hd fowl, eggs, &c.

BIRTH.

In this City, on Dec. 17th, the wife of the Rev. Frank

In this city, on the 21st December, Con O'Donnell, a native of County Bonegal, Ireland, aged 70 years. New York papers please copy. At San Francisco. Dec. 8, Mary A B, wife of F B Austineditor of the New Age, I O O F official organ.



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