The Weekly Colonist.

Tuesday, February 7, 1865.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Friday, February 3. J. C. RIDGE IN MEXICO.—Our morning cotemporary has contradicted the statement that the Major Ridge mentioned in our California exchanges as the agent of Louis Napoleon in Sonora is the J. C. Ridge formerly member of Parliament for this city. We are, however, assured by a gentleman long resident in Victoria, that he has positive information from a triend in San Francisco that the parties are identical. Mr. J. C. Ridge left California for England, where he received his appointment under Mr. Gwin, as agent for the French Emperor; he then went to Mexico, from which place he wrote to the gentleman in San Francisco, telling him of his appointment, and on his arrival in that city recently, as announced in our late exchanges, he called per onally on his friend, from whom our informant received the above particulars.

BURNT TO DEATH .- Information reached the police yesterday that an Indian woman had been burnt to death near Lang's ship building yard. On the police going there to make enquiries they were told that the woman's clothes had caught fire, causing her death, and that her body had been removed by her friends and buried.

NEW BAND-Wilson's band, of 8 performers, which has recently been organised in this city, played through the streets last night. executing several pieces in very good style. We understand it is their intention to offer their services on any public occasion when music is required.

NANAIMO. - The steamer Caledonia arrived yesterday from Nanaimo, having been unable to obtain a cargo of coal. The strike of the miners still continued, and efforts were to be made to prevent the miners who went up on the Fideliter from working.

NAVAL .- The Gunboat Forward came in to Victoria harbor yesterday morning from Esquimalt on her way to San Juan Island.

Saturday, February 4.

THE NEW MAGISTRATES .- The appointment of Stipendiary Magistrates at Cowichan and Comox, contemplated in the Estimates, has been negatived by the House, the salaries of \$1700 for each official having been struck out yesterday. The House most wisely considered that all necessary magisterial functions in the rural districts might be most easily and efficiently performed by Justices of the Peace, who would be remunerated, as in the older colonies, by the fees of office. The Sooke magistracy was combined with the Gold Commissionerabin, and His Excelvenue, as the Government had stated that the Mining License receipts belonged to that ties shall, when pe fund.

NANAIMO.-The steamer Fidelider, Capt. Loudon, arrived last evening from Nanaimo and the settlements with 25 passengers, including Mesers. C. W. Wallace, Franklyn, J. P., and Captain Nicol. The miners who were still on the strike, held a meeting on Thursday morning and passed a resolution to adjourn until the 1st of March, a committee of six being appointed to see if any terms could be arranged with the company. The miners were not at all pleased at the appearance of the Mexican miners who went up on the Fideliter. These men were to commence working yesterday morning.

HABEAS CORPUS-Henry Simpson, convicted by the magistrate at Saanich of whiskey selling, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 or twelve months' imprisonment, was yesterday brought before his Honor the Chief Justice by writ of habeas corpus. Mr. Cary, instructed by Mr. Copland, appeared for Simpson, and the Chief Justice ordered that he be liberated on bail until Monday next to allow of the appearance of the com mitting magistrate.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—From our report of the proceedings of the House of Assembly, published in another column, the public will learn the particulars of the vote on the salaries asked for the various officials, a matter which has been regarded with no little interest in the community. It will be seen that the offices of Superintendent and Inspector are to be combined, the salary being fixed at \$2000. Several other reductions have also

GRANT TO THE RIFLE CORPS.—The House yesterday voted \$1,000 to the Volunteer Rifle Corps, to be placed at the disposal of Capt. Lang. The amount in the Estimates was \$2,500, but Dr. Powell stated that he believed the Corps did not expect to receive so large a sum.

Geing Home.—Capt. Nicol, brother of the Manager of the Vancouver Coal Mining Co at Nanaimo, came down on the Fideliter last evening en route for England, his term of sick leave drawing to a close.

THE SURVEYING STEAMER BEAVER, having been placed in proper repair, was yesterday taken to Esquimalt to refit.

Monday, February 6. HOUSE TO BE ADJOURNED .- The House of Assembly will meet to-day at the usual hour, presided over by the Chairman of Ways and Means, to pass a resolution of condolence with Dr. Helmeken in his severe affliction. The House will then, as a mark of respect to its Speaker, adjourn for a week.

THE DIRECT LINE-Captain Nicol, with a few friends, will take a short trip outside the harbor this morning on the steamer Thames with a view of ascertaining her capabilities for the line between San Francisco and New Westminster.

POSTPONED .- Miss Belle Divine's Concert and Ball has been postponed to Monday evening, the 13th inst., in consequence of the political meeting to be held to-night in the

IN FOR A SPELL-John Butts on Saturday was enlisted for three months in Pemberton's irregulars for appropriating a case of spirits from Lovett of the Bank Exchange.

THE PRINCESS ROATL made her appearance in the Straits yesterday, and was all the afternoon beating up against a northerly

THE SUPPOSED ERUPTION OF MOUNT BAKER. -Mr. Alexander C. Anderson of Rosebank, Saanich, writes us as follows :- On the evening of Thurrday last, a broad glare of light was visible from this point, its centre bearing south east by east (true). Its greatest intensity was about eight o'clock, gradually subsiding afterwards between 9 and 10. Its apparent altitude above the horizon was about 30 degrees. I assume this appearance to be identical with that noticed in your paper as having been observed the same evening at New Westminster " in the direction of Mount Baker." It must have originated considerably to the southward of that moun-

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AT NEW WESTNINS res.-We recently alluded to a case of attempted suicide in New Westminster gaol. The following reference to the event appears in the N. P. Times. An inmate of the debtor's prison recently attempted to commit Flour 2311 sacks ... suicide by swallowing four-fifths of a drachm of strychnine. When medical assistance was called, tetanus had already set in, and the body of the unfortunate man was rapidly stiffening. A liberal use of hot coffee, how-ever, had the desired effect, and the poison was dislodged. The man is recovering

APPOINTED TO KOOTENAY .- The Government Gazette of British Columbia contains an official notice that Governor Seymour has been pleased to appoint the hon. Peter O'Reilly to be Gold Commissioner and Police Magistrate for the Kootenay District for the year 1865. William George Cox. Esq., will remain in charge of the district of Cariboo East during Mr. O'Reilly's absence.

ROYAL ASSENT .- The postal service ordinance, passed by the Legislature of the Coal 236 tons Chickens 1 coop ... sister colony has received the consent of the Queen and has been proclaimed accordingly.

JAPAN.-The China papers publish the ext of the short treaty concluded by Ad-miral Kuper after the capture of the forts of to pay the salary from the Crown Lands re-1. For the future the ships of all nationali-ties shall, when passing through the Straits of Skins 6 bdls Shimonosaki, be treated in a friendly manner, and shall be allowed to buy coals, provisions, wood, water, and every other requisite. Moreover, as the harbor is frequently the scene of violent winds and currents, no opposition shall be offered to any one anxious to land during stress of weather. 2. The forts lately destroyed shall not be reconstructed, nor shall new forts be built, nor guns mounted. 3. The town of Shimonosaki, which having first fired on foreign ships might justly have been destroyed, has been spared. A ransom shall be paid for this, and all the expenses of the expedition shall also be defrayed by the prince, the amount to be decided by the foreign ministers at Yedo. I agree to abide by the decision of the foreign ministers at Yedo with regard to the points mentioned in paragraph 3. This agreement, referring only to the cessation of hostilities on this special oecasion has nothing whatsom ever to do with any other questions affecting Choshiu which may require to be arranged between the native and foreign officials.

(Signed) SHIOHIDO BIZEN. MORI IDZIMO.

The oldest newspaper in the world is pub-lished in Pekin. It is printed on a large sheet of silk, and, it is said, has made a weekly appearance for upwards of a thousand

COMMERCIAL.

FROM ALBERNI-The steamer Thames arrived on Saturday, bringing up the men from the only logging camp at the settlement. She will return to Alberni to-day and will bring back the four families still there, leaving only two men in charge of the establishment.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The schooner L. B. Hastings, Sherman master, sailed last night for San Francisco direct, with 60 tons potatoes from Leneveu & Co. . NOTATIVAL

FROM PUGET SOUND .- The steamers Eliza Anderson, Captain Finch, and Jenny Jones, Captain Jones, arrived yesterday from Olympia and way ports, with passengers and freight.

FOR THE SOUND,—The steamer Eliza Anderson will leave to-day, at 11 a.m., for ports on the

FROM NANAIMO-The steamer Fideliter arrived last night from Nanaimo with twenty passengers, forty-five tons of coal, and a quantity of produce from the coast settlements.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Business still continues stagnant. The trade with British Columbia, owing to the closing of the Fraser by the ice, is at a stand still, and the local traffic is unusually quiet.

THE IMPORTS for the past week have only been the usual shipments of stock and farm produce from Puget Sound for city consumption, amounting to \$7,261. The Imports for the month of January amounted to \$218,727, of which \$108,767 were from San Francisco and \$53,474 from

THE EXPORTS for the past month amounted to \$20,177; of which \$15,653 were to San Francisco.

FLOUR—Extra \$14@14 50 p h; superfine, \$12 50@13 do; Oregon brands, \$11@12 do
OATMEAL—\$9 50@10p100 h
CORNMEAL—\$8@9, do
RICE—(Very scarce) \$10@11 do
BEANS—White 5%@5% p h p sk; pink 3% 24 do do BRAN—(Scarce) 3@3%c, do do; Middling, 3% GROUND BARLEY-4% do

BARLEY—\$3%@4 do do
OATS—3% do do
WHEAT—4½ do do
HAY—1½@2½ p bale
POTATOES—2½@2½ p sk
ONIONS—5@6 do do
TEA—37@40 do p chest
COFFEE—22@25 do p sk
SUGAB—(Raw) 74@9 p bb)

SUGAR-(Raw) 71@9 p bbl; refined, \$14@ BUTTER-42@47 do per case or firkin CHEESE-25 do per case BACON & HAMS-16@25 in moderate quan-

IMPORTS

To the Port of Victoria, V. 1., for month ending January 31st, 1865. FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

293 | Lard 53 cs 237 Lamps 38 cs 1468 Leather 1 roll 51 Mdse 683 cs..... 50 Millinery 3 cs.... 424 Matches 1 cs..... Acid 4 cs...... Brooms 92 doz.... Butter 187 cs..... Boots, &c, 176 cs... Bitters 156 cs..... Biscuits 80 cs..... 5368 | Matting 1 cs Barley 249 sacks... Beef 32 bbls..... Bags 1 cs..... Bacon 5 cs...... Brandy 10 cs..... Beans 3 sacks.... Clothing 18 cs Cornmeal 71 sacks.

Chickens 4 coops...

Drugs 1I cs...... Eggs 7 cs..... Express matter 64 8864 Trees 7 pkgs 421 Tea 233 bxs.... 154 Tobacco 18 cs Trunks 20 nests ... Trunks 20 nests ...
14258 Tubs 11 nests ...
16975 Turpentine 2 cs ...
319 Vegetables 2 sacks
1016 Vinegar 1 cs ...
1619 Wagons 3 pkgs ...
1871 Wagon material
326 73 pkgs ...
5560 Wheat 49 sacks ...
439 Wearing Apparel Fruit 8 bxs...... F.incy Goods 11 cs Furniture 147 cs... Glassware 33 cs... Groceries 429 cs... Gin 100 cs Hardware 287 cs.. Iron 100 bdls.... Wheat 49 sacks...
Wearing Apparel
5 cs..... Liquors 24 cs.....

FROM PORTLAND. Apples 396 boxes.. \$796 Flour 1748 sacks .. Butter 82 cs 2901 Grain 106 sacks .. 52 Lard 28 cs Bags 18 pkgs..... Bacon 240 sacks ...

Total \$ 20,905 FROM PUGET, SOUND. Apples 93 bxs \$240 Hay 108 tons..... Bran 50 sacks..... 270 Hogs 43 hd......

375 Lumber 33 M..... 397 Potatees 2305 bush 500 Oars 2922 sacks... 11513 Oysters 200 sacks... 1416 Sheep 898 hd..... 25 Vegetables 634 bus 530 Wheat 747 bush... Groceries 1 cs Total FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.

lotal.....\$ 4,107 FROM ENGLAND.

Champagne 102 cs 1472
Clothiag 17 cs ... 2780
Confectionery 1 cs 60
Candles 4 bes 1472 Pertumery 3 cs...
3789 Pictures I cs...
60 Powder 50 bbls...
18 Paper 40 bls...
50 Pianos 5 pkgs...
17067 Private Effects 2 cs...
2045 Soap 119 cs...
2045 Stationary 11 cs...
2040 Stationary 11 cs... Candles 4 bxs Iron 689 bars..... Matches 2 cs

Total\$58,474 RECAPITULATION. From England ... 53,474
San Francisco ... 108,767

 Portland
 20,905

 Puget Sound
 31,574

 British Columbia
 4,107

 Grand Total.....\$218,827

EXPORTS o American Ports for the month ending January 31st, 1865, compiled from the

books of the U. S. Consulate. TO SAN FRANCISCO. Total \$15,653 56

TO OREGON.

Ale and Porter . 212 62 Household Effects 200 00
Brandy... 101 75 Iron... 448 90
Coal. 634 62 Merchandise . 800 01
Hardware. . 290 00 Red Herrings . 23 50 Total\$2,711 40 TO PUGET SOUND. Ale and Porter 38 50 Harness 30 00

Belting 41 62 Looking Glasses 82 50

Beet 30 Merchandise 481 14

Confectionery 8 00 Sugar, Tea, ac 575 25

Casks (empty) 103 85 Seeds 35 00

Groceries 81 66

Hardware 280 79

Total\$1,812 46 RECAPITULATION.

Grand Total \$20,177 42 Of the above Exports, \$9,064 were from England: \$6,901, chiefly furs and skins, from this and the neighboring colony; \$3,794 from the United States; and \$378 from the Sandwich

IMPORTS

Per schr GROWLER, from Port Townsend-12 tons hay, 50 bxs apples. Value, \$400. Per ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound —49 head cattle, 247 head sheep, 8 calves, 20 scks oysters, 2 bxs butter, 17 scks wheat, 33 seks oats, 20 half sacks flour, 1 horse, 6 boxes eggs, 1 coop chickens, 50 bxs bread. Value \$4819.

Per stmr JENNY JONES, from Port Townsend -104 head sheep, 20 sacks flour, 7 bdls trees.— Value \$451. Per stmr CYRUS WALKER, from Port Townsend—5 tons bran. Value \$256.

Per sloop LETITIA, from Port Townsend—700 bus potatoes, 350 do wheat, 35 do oats, 200 do turnips. Value \$1335.

PASSENGERS.

Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON, from Olympia —Capt John Fleming, M Packshun, M McGee, — Carson, Mr McNab, Jas Frins, H Wells and wife, Messrs Knight, Katchmer, Harmen, C Hor-lore, Mrs McCurday, Porter, Jas Katchy, Walker, Pettygrove, P Cronan, McDonald, S E Dyer.

NANAIMO EXPORTS.

Statement of Vessels departed from Nanaimo, V. I., during the month of Jan., 1865.

Date. Name of Vessel Master Tons, Cwt. Destination 3 Sch Onward, McKay Schr Alpha, George 4 Sloop Alaım, Hollins, Schr Alpha, George 71 5. Esq'int 4 Sloop Alarm, Hollins. 17 00. Victoria 5 Schr North Star, McCulloch 74 15. Esq'int Star Caledonia, Frain 55 00 Victoria 6 Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 87 10. Victoria 7 Schr Goldstream, Caffery 76 00. Esq'int 11 Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 16 00. Victoria Schr Alpha, George 72 15. Esq int 7 Schr Goldstream, Caffery 76 00.
11 Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 16 00.
Schr Alpha, George 72 15.
Slp Alarm, Hollins 16 10.
12 Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 189 5.
13 Schr Onward, McKay 103 15.
14 Stmr Caledonia, Frain 57 15.
16 Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 12 05.
18 Schr A Crosby, Ketchom 97 05.
Slp Hamley, Dolholt 25 0.
Slp Alarm, Hollins, 15 10.
19 Stmr Caledonia, Frain 54 00.
20 Schr Meg Merrillies, Pamphlet, 64 00.
23 Stmr Emily Harris, Hewitt 67 05.
Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 20 15.
26 Schr Alpha, George 69 15.
27 Stmr Fideliter, Loudon 6 10.
Stmr Caledonia, Frain 56 00.
Slp Alarm, Hollins 15 05. . Victoria . Victoria . Victoria

> Total..... 1473 15 MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Slp Alarm. Hollins ... 15 05... Victoria Schr Meg Merrilies. Pamphlet. 68 00... Esq'mlt Stmr Caledonia, Frain ... 3 05... own use

Jan. 30-Bark Rival, Blair, San Francisco Schr Matilda, Everstein, Sooke
Schr Growler, Williams, Port Angelos
Schr Parmiter, Haden, Peddar Bay
Stmr Fideliter, Loudon, New Westminster Jan. 31-Stmr Cyrus Walker, Gode, Port An-

Sloop Letitia, Adams, Port Angelos Stmr Jenny Jones, Jones, Port Angelos Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Angelos Sloop Northern Light, Montford, Port Angelos Schr Alpha, George, Nanaimo Schr Sweepstakes, Keffer, Saanich Jan. 31—Schr J K Thorndike, Thornton, San

Sloop Alarm, Hollins, Nanaimo
Feb 2—Stmr Caledonia, Frain, Nanaimo
Schr Laurel, Spain, San Juan
Sloop Eagle, Wright, San Juan
Schr Eliza, Marsdon, Saanich
Schr Meg Merrilies, Pamphlet, Nanaimo
Feb 4—Stmr Fideliter, Loudon, Nanaimo
Stmr Thames, Henderson, Alberni

Jan. 30-Stmr Caledonia, Frain, Nanaimo Stmr Fideliter, Loudon, Comox Schr L B Hastings, Sherman, San Francisco Stmr Thames, Henderson, Alberni Jan. 31-Stmr Cyrus Walker, Gode, Port An-

Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Angelos Schr Discovery, Rudlin, Comox Sloop Thornton, Warren, New Westminster Jan. 31—Schr Growler, Williams, Port Angelos Canoe Fly, Rutlin, San Juan
Feb. 1—Stmr Jenny Jones, Jones, Port An-

Bark Rival, Blair, Port Angelos Schr J K Thorndike, Thornton, San Juan Feb 2—Schr Alpha, George, Nanaimo February 3—Schr Meg Merrilies, Pamphlet, Feb 4-Schr Eliza, Carleton, Saanich

Stmr Fideliter, Loudon, Nanaimo Slp Letitia, Adams, Port Angelos **SEEDS OF 1864.**

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