Tuesday, August 21, 1866

The Claims of an Agitator.

A young barrister was sagely advised on launching into the troubled waters of his profession, that whenever he lacked argument he must abuse his opponents. The former editor of the Gazette, Times, Press, Colonist, and present editor of the Telegraph, acts upon the same principle; do harm by complicating the difficulbut what may be good policy in the practice of the legal profession is country is laboring, instead of paving the worst policy in public journalism, the way as the people and their repand it is this same cacoethes that has resentatives ought to do, for prompt led to the rapid and perceptible wane and vigorous action to save the Colof the several papers which the ony from impending ruin. For this same editor has conducted in these Colonies. In yesterday's Tele- to our contemporary, we have a string graph, on the subject of the non- of such choice epithets applied to confidence resolutions, our contema us, as "every species of scurrility," porary administers one of his characteristically abusive but innocuous lign the whole country," "to please doses; the component parts of the the dispenser of public advertisenostrum being in the following proportions: One grain of common en and assail," "despicable" "traducsense, to six of clap trap and twaddle, tion of the people, etc." It suits our mixed with vanity and vexation of contemporary's policy no doubt, to spirit. Every reader of the prescrip- make it appear that we are "at the beek tions that have emanated from the and nod of those in power." We can same source during the last few years, afford to smile at such pitiable insinuhas discovered their dangerous ten- ations. So far as Governor Kennedy dencies, and avoided tollowing them, is concerned, we care not if his rewith the shudder that one turns from moval takes place to-morrow, we seek the medicaments of all quacks. What no office, ask no favors, and expect have been the topics upon which this none from him; but we have the inself-constituted censor-this custos of terests of the country at heart, and the public interests—has been most shall continue to raise our voice rabid and violent in his advocacy since against a continuance of the blind the part he took in the delegation to suicidal policy pursued by a class of remove Sir James Douglas? Is it new political trichina, whose appetites cessary to mention more than the will never be satisfied until they have "unconditional Union resolutions?" reduced the body politic to anarchy the unconstitutional raising of money and confusion and gnawed away the votes? and the non-confidence Minis- vitals of the country. terial Council hobgoblin? With all the big words and threats so bombastically paraded in the House and in the columns of newspapers, with all the bunkum about the people! and the people's rights, which the editor in question makes his watchword, in what have they result of confiscation of property and banishment of ed? Have the people been bene persons without a hearing, either by military few weeks for the purpose of publishing a fitted? indeed, have their interests not or civil law, and other high-handed measures suffered by the misguided and false as unworthy the service as they are degradadvocacy of their would be champion? ing to the Territory and humiliating in the To what good end too did his per- eyes of their British neighbors who, under to conduct the business at the gallery on sonal attacks and rude onslaughts, in monarchical rule, have privileges denied to Government street. Mr Shakespeare holds the matter of the Church Reserve, republican citizens. "No civilized people most flattering certificates of his ability as a lead after the title had been secured? Did it do the cause any good? did it not as is practiced upon the residents of San tend to breed discontent in the Juan. While the British residents resort to first place, and to a ratification of the their civil tribunals for settlement of their title by the Crown in the second? quarrels, and are by the military command What measure has this modern Ly- sent to the courts for trial on criminal accusenrgus ever succeeded in advancing ation, the Americans are denied all law, and that has really benefitted the people, subjected by the force of the bayonet to obey whose interests alone, are his (?) We defy our censor to point out any good that he has done for them, ever since he either mounted the editorial triped or attached M P to his name, whereas, there is not a person in the shall take place on San Juan without his concommunity but will agree with us sent is first obtained? Most of all, by what that the constant agitation which he and his ultra radical cabal have fostered, and the discontent which he has done his best to encourage ever be ruined by his absence if not already consince he assumed a public character, fiscated by personal malignity?" have seriously retarded the progress of the country and injured the status of the inhabitants. Four of his editorials Lowman. From the evidence of the comout of five have been nothing but a plainant it appeared that the parties were Series of taunts, sneers and lampoons playing "seven up" for the drinks at the levelled at men in high places-a dema- Pony Saloon, when the complainant was askgoguic pandering to the tastes of po- ed a question as to the game, and Foster litical hucksters and malcontents jumped up and struck Lowman twice. Mr with small interests at stake. Gov- Bishop defended the accused and pleaded ernor Douglas would not do and must provacation, and that a knife was drawn. be replaced. Governor Kennedy is Mr Smith, who was one of the players, the worse, and he too must go; in fact if a Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 and informnew Governor was sent out to-mor- ed Mr Smith that it did not look well for the row, the same mouth-piece would be proprietor of a public house to play cards for found within twelve months telling the drinks. him to pack up his traps, and calling me Mr J H Todd, husband of the amiupon the Colonial Office to name his able lady whose demise we recorded on successor on pain of annexation to the Monday, arrived yesterday by the Alexandra. United States. Freedom of speech to be present at his wife's funeral. Mr Todd and opinion is necessary, we admit, was advised of Mrs Todd's indisposition, and in all well regulated communities; it hastened down from William Creek, but is by such means that abuses are exposed and remedied, but there is a will be followed to the grave to-day, by limit to all things, and it is not by per- friends of the deceased, and the scholars of netually trying to set the people the Wesleyan Sunday School, of which Mrs against those who have the adminis- Todd has been a teacher for four years. tration of public affairs, and caus-

perity of the country is promoted. Abuse is the weakest kind of argument, and yet whenever any public man or writer entertains different views from our contemporary, he immediately resorts to his vocabulary of Billingsgate to attain his end. We condemn the Want of Confidence resolutions because we believe, and most sensible men hold the same view, that under existing circumstances they will accomplish no good for the Colony, and are calculated to ties under which the unfortunate reason, although we made no allusion "silly abuse," "contemptible," "malments," "feeble and childish," "black-

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Wednesday, Aug 15. Affairs at San Juan.—The Washington Standard complains bitterly of the conduct of the commanding officer at San Juan, and says it is sick and tired of hearing recitals on earth," says the same authority, "are subjected to the same degrading petty despotism the caprices of a petty military officer; and their persons and property subjected to outrages nowhere else tolerated among civilized people. By what authority can a military officer require that no sale of property, nor lease, nor erection of a fence, nor building, authority can a captain of infantry banish from the Island, without a hearing civil or military, the late U.S. Postmaster, depriving him of the use of his property destined to

CHARGE OF ASSAULT.-Robert Foster was charged yesterday with assaulting Henry After hearing the testimony of the proprietor.

received a telegram at Yale, conveying the sad intelligence of her death. The remains

The number of votes polled at the ing a breach between the rulers recent election on William Creek, amounand the ruled that the happi- ted to 408, of which Richfield gave 109, ness of the people or the pros Barkerville 156, and Cameronton 152.

A CHALLENGE.—The editor of the Tribune offers to place \$1000 in the hands of terday the Speaker having counted out. the Rector at New Westminster, if the Messrs Young, Dickson and Pidwell, were the same hands. If the first-named fails to Powell. prove that he did not write a certain Union letter that appeared in his columns, the \$1000 to be forfeited. If he proves that he did not write it, then the \$100 of the Columbian man will be forfeited. If, after the money is staked, there be any "dust" in the Colony not in the hands of the Rector, we propose that our brother professionals toss a few nuggets in this direction.

GERMAN UNITY .- A correspondent from London, telegraphs the following to a New York paper :- " Have you noticed the rapid concession of the English press to German worked remarkably well. France hung out all her flags, and placarded the results in arge letters to show the grand position of the Emperor, but the people of all Germany have shown their disgust at the idea of a French protectorate, and Bismarck has become stronger than ever, so that he has refused the programme with impunity and submitted his own."

OFFICIALDOM RAMPANT .- Advices from New Westminster report that little burgh to be in a state of tremendous enthusiasm over Governor Seymour's despatches and dog's tails have been used up at an alarming rate, to say nothing of the Old Rye that has been punished in honor of the "esteemed

THE AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS .- An imression having gone abroad that none but agriculturists will be admitted to the meeting to be held at 2 p. m. to-day, in the Mechanic's Institute, we are desired to state that the promoters hope to see all gentlemen present who feel any interest in the subject, that the matter may be fully and intelligently discussed, and a remedy for the present anomalous state of affairs provided.

ELOPEMENT .- The steamer Fideliter was searched yesterday by a policeman, attended by an anxious father, for a young Victoria girl who had clandestinely left her home, and it was feared, was about to elope with a man to whose honor, it was stated, she had "trusted not wisely but too well." A close examina tion failed to discovered the truant young lady, and the steamer sailed at the usual hour. The girl has not yet been found.

PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY.-Mr C. Gentile. who will leave for Europe in the course of a series of views which he has for a long time made arrangements with Mr N. Shakespeare final action.

THE Assizes .- Reging v Jim .- The Indian Jim who was acquitted of the murder of Urin was arraigned yesterday on the charge of robbery. The evidence was concluded at noon, and the jury after being absent for over two hours brought in a verdict of guilty. The Judge fully concurred in the verdict and having thanked and dissmissed the jury, sentenced the prisoner to two year's imprisonment with hard labor, sint of

EARLY VEGETABLES .- A correspondent writing from Lillooet says : We had green corn on the 30th of July; cucumbers on the 16th; string beans on the 3d; new potatoes on the 2d; turnips and strawberries on May 31st; radishes. China cabbage and May 31st; radishes, China cabbage and young onions on the 8th; wheat cut on 25th July, barley on the 19th. The dates are correct.—Columbian.

RACE.—The steamers Josie McNear and the Alexandra entered the harbor at nearly the same hour yesterday—the Alexandra a few lengths behind. She overhauled the tew lengths behind. She overhauled the large strikes are being made, as was at first Josie rapidly, and had the latter had two hundred yards further to go, she would have opened and in working order is yielding good sustained a clean "beat," The race was watched with much interest by a crowd of considered big pay. The utmost confidence persons on the wharf.

DEPARTURES .- The steamer Fideliter. Capt. Erskine, sailed at noon yesterday for lage has sprung up lately, containing a Portland with 45 passengers and a fair liquor saloon, butcher shop, blacksmith shop, freight. Among the passengers we noticed store, and restaurant, the latter establish-Col Hayward, Judge Brockway, Mr J. ment, kept by Mr Kelly, is driving a good Street and Mr Mc Worthy, Californians, who have been on a visit to this place, and climate and the people.

and dancing .- Cariboo Sentinel, 6th.

FROM HONOLULU, S. I .- The bark Consti-

THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY did not meet yes-

The steamer Diana proceeded to Port Angeles yesterday under special charter, and returned last evening. On the way across she raced with the Fideliter and beat

has been put in working order.

THEIR PILES .- Two Fremchmen left on the Fideliter yesterday with \$30,000 in creek and are now down 30 feet. Thistle co'y unity? That poisoned gift of Venetia has their possession. They came from Cariboo, have struck a heavy wash of gravel and boul and are on their way to their own country to ders at 20 feet.

> DAMAGING CLOTHES .- An Indian named Charley was yesterday fined \$20, or in default of payment two months imprisonments for damaging the wearing apparel of a man whose hat he attempted to steal.

GOVERNOR SEYMOUR.—A letter received at New Westminster from this gentleman states that he will leave England for British Columbia in September.

DANCES.—The only dances now tolerated the terms of the Union Bill. Bonfires have at the Queen's State Balls, are Quadblazed nightly since the arrival of the mail, rilles, Waltzes, Lancers and Galops. The and gunpowder, tin-kettles, turpentine and Polka, Schottische, Mazurka, etc., have been

> BIG BEND .- Mr S Marks and others arrived yesterday from Big Bend. The counts from the mines do not improve.

> THANKS to Mr B Bettman of Olympia, for copy of the Oregonian newspaper of Saturday last.

We are indebted to Mr Wm. Farren for late S. I. papers. Bishop Postlethwaite's furniture has

reached New Westminster.

The Active will leave San Francisco for this port on Saturday next.

Legislative Council.

TUESDAY, August 13th, 1866. Council met yesterday at 2:30 P. M. ney General, Treasurer and H. Rhodes. UNION OF THE COLONIES.

A message was received from the Governor enclosing copy of Despatches in relation to the Union of the Colonies of Vancouver Island and British Columbia. Laid on table. HOMESTEAD BILL. A message was received from the Lower

House, with the Homestead Bill as agreed to. The amendments were agreed by the been engaged in taking in these Colonies, has Council to be brought up at next meeting for HARBOR DUES AMENDMENT BILL.

This bill was received from the Lower House and read a first time. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT.

having been passed without amendments and was ordered to be sent up to the Executive Council adjourned till Friday at 2 P. M.

This bill was received from the Assembly

CARIBOO.

Mining Intelligence.

[From the Cariboo Sentinel.] WILLIAMS CREEK.

We have only heard from a few claims this week, among which are the Cornish co'y at Richfield, who cleaned up on Saturday about 100 ounces. The Cariboo co'y washed up for week 80 ozs. Never Sweat co'y made for week over wages. California co'y washed up for week 43 ozs. Last Chance co'y washed ad up for week 50 ozs. The Bed Rock Drain are hindered greatly by having to blast through hard bed rock.

GROUSE CREEK

Considerable work is going on throughout this creek at present, and although but few wages, and in some instances what might be prevails among the miners generally respecting their claims, and few evince any desire for selling, which is a good indication of the contentment that exists. Quite a little vil-The first claim on the list is the St. Law-

rence co'y, who have been sinking several who leave us favorably impressed with the shafts on the hill side, but in every instance coming down on bed rock within a few feet of Sparring Exhibition.—On Saturday last channel. Hard Up co'y are down 30 feet a grand sparring exhibition came off at with their shaft and are annoyed with water, Martin & Cook's Saloon, Barkerville. The Heron co'y have got back to the high rock on the further side of the channel, which programme consisted of a match between is over 30 feet wide; they cleaned up on Geo Baker and his pupil Sam Walker, and Thursday 60 ozs, and are now engaged in sundry other friendly bouts between ama-teurs, concluding with songs, recitations, with a narrow drift they have taken out altogether 210 ozs. American co'y are making a ounce a day to the hand. Bed Rock tution, 21 days from Honolulu, arrived yes-terday at Port Angeles. We have papers to sinking a shaft in the bank. Cameron co'y the 14th July. A Ministerial crisis has oc- washed up for week 26 ozs. Wild Goose co'y curred on the Paper Money Bill, and the Minister of the Interior has resigned. The Schooner Onward, wrecked at Kauai, has co'y have run 119 feet of a tunnel, and just beingelse vidgid saw struck the pitch of the rock on Thursday

last. Discovery co'y are in 100 feet with their lower tunnel and have found a channel containing 9 feet of pay gravel; they washed up a little of the dirt taken out and had 30zs; editor of the Columbian will place \$100 in alone in attendance, and subsequently Dr Auch or French co'y are now making over wages. Caroline co'y are doing very well? Hepple co'y have commenced to clean up their ground sluice. Cascade co'y have run 85 feet of their bed rock tunnel, and will have 20 feet more to run. The Robin co'y are making good wagers. Rankin co'y, just starting a drift on west side of creek opposite er badly:

Ontario co'y washed on Saturday night \$20 out of five cars of drift. Salt Spring co'y have been cleaning up bed rock all the week were received yesterday afternoon, dated and washed out about 50 ozs, Ontario co'y London the previous evening. By this, it is are in 65 feet with their tunnel, the rock has evident that the Gulf of St Lawrence cable been very bard, almost every foot had to be blasted. Imperial co'y are starting a new funnel on a level with the creek, the former one being too high. Robin Hood are sinking a new shaft about 100 feet back from the

STOUT'S GULCH.

The North and South Wales co'y located on the north branch of the gulch, which cons nects with the head of Lowhee Creek, bottomed their shaft last week, at 44 feet and washed up \$16; they are busy erecting machinery. Several claims have been taken up above them during the week.

CONKLIN'S GULCH.

The Reid co'y have just started to work from their middle shaft and will be taking out pay this week. New Zealand co'y have set their drift which caved lately, cleaned out and are just commencing to take out pay. Renfew co'y have bottomed their shaft on Saturday at 49 feet and will start drifting

ANTLER CREEK

There are about 50 white men and 60 Chinamen at work on various portions of this creek. One party of Chinamen are working over some old ground, a short distance below the Bed Rock Flume coy's ground, and are making about \$5 and \$6 a day. KEITHLEY'S CREEK

At present there are not more than four white men at work on this creek, who persist in hunting for the old channel.

LITTLE SNOW SHOE CREEK. On this creek there are three white men at work, each of whom has a separate claim from the other but are very friendly and neighbory to one another notwithstanding one is a "Fenian," another a "Live Yans kee," and the other a "John Bull." Live Yankee" has every faith in his old quartz lead on Snow Shoe, and intends to resume work on it as soon as he makes a

NORTH FORK QUESNEL RIVER.

There are about 40 Chinamen at work on this river between the Forks and Keithley, all of whom are taking out a little gold. GOOSE CREEK

On this creek, which is situated two miles above the Forks of Quesnel, there are 15 Chinamen who are doing well; the gold they take out is very rough and of superior SPANISH CREEK,

Situated about 14 miles above Mitchell's bridge, on North Fork of Queenel river; a party of 9 Chinamen are at work, making Chinese wages.

SWIFT RIVER.

About 90 Chinamen are at work on this stream, below Davis' crossing on Keithley

Legislative Assembly,

Wednesday, August 15th. Speaker took his seat at 1:15 p. m. Present,-Messrs Stamp, Cochrane, Ash, Pid-

well, Trimble, Carswell. APPROPRIATION BILL.

The report of the Select Committee on the appropriation act, was brought up and read, and on question put, the bill to apply the sum of, \$244,463 32 to the service of 1866:

Ayes-Pidwell, Cochrane, Ash, Stamp. Noes-Carswell.

This bill passed the third reading.

Dr Trimble here came in.

CORONERS JURY BILL This bill after some objections raised by

Dr Ash, which were answered by Messrs Pidwell and Trimble, passed the third read-

On question being put by the Speaker, that this bill be read a second time. Messes Stamp, Cochrane and Ash, abruptly left the House, leaving the Speaker and the other members in mute astonishment. Speaker (bursting out into a hearty laugh)—"well what's the meaning of this? They can sit and discuss Coroners inquests, but when it comes to births and marriages, the hon.

BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES

gentlemen leave!
Dr Trimble—Highly respectful to the Speaker, I must say. This is my last day in the House this session. Speaker-Oh! you will attend the pro-

ogation won't you?

Dr Trimble—No! not even that (Exit Doctor. Mr Pidwell drew the attention of the Speaker to the fact of there being no quorum and the House adjourned till Friday at

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RAVAGES OF CHOI

PER ATLANTIO C. The latest telegrams from state that affairs are unchang London, August 9th-Cot truce between Italy and Au

extended to I0 days. Liverpool, August 9-The British CustomsService have s ade runners at this port on United States Government. The ship Fairlight, Capt. I to sail from Hongkong,

London, August 10-Parlie adjourned [prorogued? | The concludes with thanks to the Government for its action in t

Shanghai, was lost in the Chi

London, August 11-Conso

New York, August 11thpapers have the following de Enrope by cable.

London, August 9th-Ther citement here this evening of an attempt to blow up the liament by packages of gun a fuse partially burned, whi near the entrance of the Lord office in the House. The me liament have fears of another gunpowder plot.

Deaths from cholera in Lon last week were 1033, and from

Europe,

Berlin, July 26 .- Official G justify the course pursued by ing a war contribution of 25,0 upon residents of Frankfort of accounts: Systematic hosti shown towards Prussia by the of Frankfort; toleration by the cles in the Frankfort press, insia, and in violation of treaties to Prussian property, and Fran

against Prussia. Londor, Aug. 8 .- Relations Governments of Austria and suming a more threatening at Liverpool, Aug. 9.-Ship Bristol for the United Stat ourned at sea; the passenge saved and brought to this por

Comper from Mobile. Eastern State Chicago, 10th.—The Presid ary Seward have definitely pro the Douglas monumental cere

cago in September, when they visit also to Kentucky and

New York, August 10--Re indicate a general abatement Mexico

Consul Godoy yesterday remunication from President Jus 7. at Chihuahua, from which were leaving that day for Esp Last dates from the city of cate its probable immediate the French. They were ende

up a Mexican force to garri after their departure, but it thought it would not be succe The Liberal Government wi to do with Santa Anna.

California The Chimahuevis Indians a numerous murders in San Ber and parts of Arizona above They killed three soldiers in ( the Mojave road, a few da

wounded others. The California subscription payment of the national amounts now to \$14,523. Th be converted into two bars an by the next steamer.

Eastern Stat Major General Francis H soldier of Democratic anteced settled on the Red river since lately appointed a delegate fro the Philadelphia Convention. and General Dick Taylor belo delegation. Herron subseque

Washington, July 30, 1866 S. Herron, Attorney General You will call on General She ever may be in command, for to sustain the civil authorities alon of any illegal or unlawful keep, or assume to exercise, authority without first having