

The Weekly British Colonist AND CHRONICLE. Saturday, March 20, 1869

Upon the Drawbacks' Bill there was yesterday a conference between his Excellency the Governor and the Council. The Governor, it appears, sent down a message recommending the addition of a suspending clause to the bill, referring it to the Home Government for approval or disapproval. To this recommendation, which would delay the operation of the bill, the Council naturally excepted, and so a Conference with his Excellency was proposed and carried. His Excellency met the Council in a very cordial manner, but whether in the course of the interview the Council succeeded in convincing his Excellency that a delay of a twelvemonth in bringing the bill into force would be prejudicial to the commercial interests of the Colony; or whether both the Council and his Excellency decided to recede from their positions, does not appear. The Council, however, upon their return passed a resolution referring back to the Executive the bill in the form in which it had passed—that is, without the addition of the clause suggested by the Governor. Wherein lie the objections of the Executive to allowing the bill to pass immediately into operation, we are unable to see; but there can be no objection found with it for want of precedents. Abundant precedent is found in the Customs Amendment Act, which before the Union was hurried through the Mainland Council, was signed by the Governor the same day, and at five o'clock of the same afternoon was carried into practical operation upon the steamer Enterprise, then landing a cargo of goods from Victoria upon the wharf at New Westminster. That bill, though signed only by Governor Seymour, continued in force for more than a year, to the great annoyance and injury of the commerce of Victoria, and was subsequently disallowed at the Colonial Office as unconstitutional and un-English in its form and working could be passed with railroad speed and remain in force more than a year with only the Governor's signature attached, is it not a little singular that a measure perfectly constitutional and so just, equitable and necessary as the Drawbacks' Bill has been shown to be, should require to be sent home and receive the approval of the Colonial Office before coming into effect? We hope that the Executive will ponder well the effect of a twelvemonth's delay might have upon the commerce of the Colony, and that in the face of the precedent we have cited, the gubernatorial assent to the Bill as it stands will not be withheld.

On the 10th inst., only two days ago (the reader will observe by turning to the telegraphic dispatches) one of the severest snow-storms of the season raged in Canada. The railroads were blocked with snow, and the inhabitants could only communicate with each other in sleighs. For many weeks to come the snow and ice will hold Canada in close embrace, and long after we shall have welcomed early vegetables and fruits to our tables, the hardiest Canadian plants will have just begun to push their shoots through the ground. Montreal, where our dispatch is dated, and where the storm appears to have raged most furiously, lies below the 47th parallel of latitude; while the latitude of our own city of Victoria, where the sun is shining as warmly and brightly as in midsummer and the air is soft and balmy as that of June;—where vegetation is springing up on every head and flower appears in full bloom in every garden—is nearly 49. What an extraordinary contrast;—and how wonderful it seems that while we here enjoy the climate of Southern Italy, people residing on the Atlantic slope should be shivering before the rough blasts of a winter truly Siberian in its character. In extending over us the fostering arm of their Government, we trust the Canadians will not compel us to accept their climate as a part of the compact.

SHIPMENT OF WHALE OIL.—By the steamship Active, on Wednesday, Messrs. Lowe Bros. of this city shipped 7,500 gallons of oil taken by Dawson & Co, along the East Coast of this Island. The oil was in 60 large casks of Islay wood, and manufactured by it was sold to a party who intends shipping it to England from San Francisco, in a vessel now loading at the latter port. A portion of Dawson's oil was sold recently at Portland, Oregon. The entire lot bought down last fall is now exhausted. We may mention, as encouraging to those contemplating investment in similar enterprises, that the prices obtained have been highly satisfactory.

FIRE AT YALE.—Our special telegram from Yale announces a fire there yesterday, which, fortunately, was confined to the building in which it originated. The auditor, (Mr. Seton) is at present in Victoria. The dispatch says:—About a quarter to one this morning, the large building situated on Douglas street, in this city, the property of W. H. Sutton, was discovered to be on fire. The flames issued from the rear through the walls and roof, giving evidence of its having become lighted on the inside. In thirty minutes the building and contents, consisting of one Concord coach and a quantity of hay and grain, were in ashes. Nothing saved of the night favored the endangered city, and with the exception of a small cabin or two partially damaged, the fire was confined to the building in which it originated. Origin unknown; a supposition inclines to incendiarism.

A Rumor current yesterday stated that the naval forces were to be withdrawn from this station, and the Colony left in the future to such protection as an occasional visit from a man-of-war may afford. We believe the rumor arises from the avowed purpose of the Gladstone ministry to reduce the Naval and Military expenditure of the United Kingdom £2,000,000, and not from any steps having actually been taken towards a reduction so far as relates to this Colony. We can scarcely bring ourselves to believe that any such step is likely to be taken—at any rate, not while the San Juan question remains in abeyance.

NAVY v. TOWN.—The Cricket Match between the Navy Eleven and Town Eleven will come off punctually on Saturday, the opportune arrival of the Spirituohawk from the North with several crack players rendering a postponement unnecessary. This match will be the more than usually interesting from the fact that several gentlemen from the Town who propose to take part in the International Match will put in their appearance on Saturday.

The bark Cocrops was towed in by the Fly yesterday, and took up her station at Junion, Rhodes & Co's wharf, where she will commence discharging to-day. The vessel presents a very neat appearance, considering the rough handling she experienced on the passage. The hatches were surveyed yesterday and all the powder on board discharged.

QUARTER SESSIONS.—At a sitting of the Court of Quarter Sessions, yesterday, — Stephens applied for a retail license at the Half-Way House and was refused. The following applications were read and postponed for one week: J. Odell, Tom's Saloon, Yates street; Charles McHardy, Carroll's Saloon, Yates street.

LOCAL MARK.—Mr. J. S. Drummond has completed a velocipede after the California style, and as he has become expert in managing the "new-fangled animal," expects to make a tour of the city and environs in a few days.

LECTURE.—Rev. Mr. Somerville, last evening, in Yates' Building at Esquimalt, delivered a lecture, taking for his subject "Talk and Talker." The attendance was large and the audience appeared to be highly pleased with the rev. gentleman's effort.

FOR THE N.W. COAST.—The steamship Otter will sail on Saturday night at 10 o'clock for Nanso, Comox, Q.O. Island and Sitka. She will have a large freight, a portion of which is shipped by the Queen Charlotte Coal-Mining Coal (Nil desperandum) for the prosecution of their works.

A Meeting of the Victoria Cricket Club will be held at the Garrick's Head to-night, at 8 o'clock, to select an eleven to represent Victoria in the Intercolonial Match.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—At the change of seasons many persons feel oppressed without knowing why they are so—they are aware something within them is wrong, though they cannot detect the defective organ. A few doses of these powerful purifying and emollient cooling Pills will restore regularity to every part of the system, will cast out all impurities lurking in the frame, and will thoroughly expel the last traces of disorder, however hidden the disease may be—however obscure its cause. With Holloway's medicine relief is insured without risk; erroneous action is rectified without disturbing natural regularity, health is re-instated, and with it return the cheerful feelings which unmistakably tell the recent invalid that all within is right again.

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This wonderful Ointment acts like magic in relieving itching, sore, wounds, bad legs, ulcers and eruptions of the skin; when rubbed on the surface it penetrates and purifies each pore, and passes, and exerts the most wholesome influence over the internal structure of the body, and thereby promotes a sound and permanent cure.

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Many years ago, the writer of these lines and an invalid physician, while visiting the Island of St. Croix for their health, experienced and witnessed many surprising and beneficial effects of the Balm there produced upon many of the invalids who were (like ourselves) seeking health; and upon inquiry and investigation, obtained a full history of its medicinal virtues. He was delighted and surprised, and after his own recovery, which soon occurred, determined, if possible, to procure the sole right to manufacture and sell it in the United States. The result of his labors was a glorious success for himself and suffering humanity. For the purpose of procuring the Balm, the writer of these lines, in 1860, visited the Island of St. Croix, and there, in a position to supply their laboratory with all the perfectly pure St. Croix Balm needed in manufacturing the GREAT DYSEPTIC TONIC AND INVIGORATOR. The above cut represents the natives crushing the sugar-cane and otherwise preparing it for the stills and presses. As an antidote to Fever and Ague, Intermittent and Malarious Fevers, Dyspepsia, and other kindred diseases, the use of the PLANTATION BITTERS is unsurpassed in the history of the world. Over five million bottles are disposed of annually. They are adapted to old and young, male and female. They are agreeable in taste, and always produce an immediate beneficial result.

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SPECIAL TO THE DAILY

Eastern S. New York, March 10. Foster from Liverpool the lower bay, she lost and twelve of her crew, a remaining passengers are A. T. Stewart has been an immense hotel, with a Fourth Avenue extending Second and Thirty-Third party will be managed in working women and boys as possible. WASHINGTON, March 10. A resolution directing the military importance of the Senate should not hastily of its greatest Constitutional took the same view passed the House under tion, and had probably no Judicial Committee. WASHINGTON, March 10. has sent the following Senate to-day, all of which Hamilton Fish, Secretary Boutwell, Secretary T. Rawling, Secretary of War, Minister to France, General Schofield will be command of the Pacific General Halleck. ATLANTA, Ga., March 10. Message strongly urges the amendment as the best recognition as a State. made the special order in and in the Senate on Friday. NEW YORK, March 10. from Jacksonville, Florida one hundred Cuban settlement of war material. Cepeda is waiting to Cuban are all armed with. AUGUSTA, Maine, March of the Maine Legislature Fifteenth Amendment. HARRISBURG, March 10. ate has ratified the Fifteenth a strict party vote. NEW YORK, March 10. pointment is received with had a beneficial effect. McCORMICK, the Reap Dodge, late Congressman new Directors chosen by Railroad Company. WASHINGTON, March 10. bills were introduced into the following:—To re Department; granting to public lands for the schools of the District of establish a Department of I Senate took up the public credit. Sumner on the second election legal on the ground that a late preme Court made it man and Williams favore section was finally strie nos 17. Morton offer ment to the first section, a discussion ensued, termin of the amendment with the bill. The Senate the Mission is greater than Commissioner Delano is run with visitors. Brevet General George is transferred to the district and ordered to report with The Post's special says that Bancroft still remains; Hele, Minister in St. Minister in Italy. Chang the Mini 555 to England and Portugal. Governor not sent in as Minister to ported. There is a great office of Commissioner of The diplomatic corps dent to-day, presented by Baron Gerolt of Prussia, legation, presented their hopes for a continuance of lions now existing. The ded briefly, thanking the kind wishes, declaring it, strict endorser to maintain of peace and friends. President Grant, in reg letter of resignation, says regret that his health will burn to continue in the Our personal relations with the rebellion have been idea presented negli news of my election to the that I should continue to and assistance. He con sions of continued confide an early restoration of W. Baltimore, March 10. Johnson arrived in this o to-day, and was recei Bowie, Mayor Banks and officials. The processio imposing, comprising a two regiments of the Sta Department and a large r. During the afternoon Jobn tion at the Exchange. upon him. On the Tribune's New York appointment of Hamilton Bets, are being made that the Cabinet will occur. There is excellent author nomination of Horne Poland will be set will decline. Nowing hard to do show that the st nation's special are about political action to was terms the