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A Dishonest Policy.

The utter recklessness that characterizes the course of the New Westminster contemporary of the Examiner...

believe there would be two votes to one cast in favor of abandoning the subsidy altogether, rather than continue it at the present ruinous rate.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Tuesday, Jan 15.

Wreck of the Cyclone.—Twenty Lives Lost.

Most of our readers will remember the clipper ship Cyclone, belonging to Aberdeen...

On Saturday, we found the body of Joseph Mananara on the beach, and we buried him in the afternoon...

(Signed). FREDERICK TAYLOR, Second mate. THOMAS GUYMAR, A. B.

Petition from the Settlements.

The following petition from settlers and residents in Chemainis district has been brought down by Mr. T. G. Askew...

At present the only means we have of communicating with Victoria and Nanaimo is with our boats or canoes...

And further, we beg to state that our settlement is often the scene of the most fearful intoxication amongst the Indians...

Signed by John W. Edwards, H. Fuller, C. Loat, and sixteen other settlers. Chemainis, V.I., 10th January, 1867.

POLICE COURT.—Jim, a Fort Rupert Indian, was fined \$10, or in default, a month's hard labor...

THE BOAT.—It appears that the shalab has been reached at this institution at last...

Municipal Council.

MONDAY, Jan. 14.

Council met at 7:45 p. m. Present, His Worship the Mayor and Councillors Gowen, Lewis, Layzell and Hebbard.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mr Gowen stated that a Committee of the Fire Department, headed by the Chief Engineer, had an interview with members of the Council...

MUNICIPAL BY-LAW.

Council then went into Committee of the Whole on this by-law, and after passing some amendments, reported progress and adjourned till Monday evening next.

Summary Court.

(Before Chief Justice Neidham.)

MONDAY, JAN. 14.

Rabson vs. Williams.—Action to recover \$112, value of a load of potatoes which it was alleged defendant failed to deliver...

Ewing vs. Wilson & Murray.—Action to recover a balance of account alleged to be due for labor performed by plaintiff while in defendant's employ in Big Bend.

Trade assignees of "Grotto" vs. King.—Action to upset a bill of sale of effects alleged to have been improperly made by bankrupts to defendants.

King vs. McCann.—Nonsuit ordered.

COMOX.—A correspondent writing to us from the above settlement, says: "It is a great pity that the settlers in a district like this cannot have a justice of the peace and constable the same as in Cowichan...

THEATRICAL.—Everybody, of course, intends going to the theatre to-morrow evening to see the entertainment given by our Amateurs for the benefit of that useful and deserving institution, the Fire Department...

WESTLERN MISSIONARY MEETING.—The Rev. Mr. Hines, an eminent and gifted speaker from the American side, the Rev. Mr. White, of New Westminster, with some able laymen, will address the meeting in the Wesleyan Church this evening.

DIRECT TAXES.—The Assessor has left notices demanding the returns for transactions under the Trades' License and Salaries Act...

ENGLISH SHIPPING BOUND HERE.—The Hudson Bay Company's bark Princess Royal, loading at London, will be commanded by Capt. Anderson, formerly of the sch. Alberni...

Snow continued to fall throughout Sunday night, and how lies fully six inches on the ground.

The "Grotto" will be reopened to-day under the proprietorship of the two Messrs Messrs McNiffe & McDougall.

THE REBUS.—The answer to the enigma propounded in yesterday's Colonist is thus furnished by the author: Yacuna, Iris, Caligula, Terminus, Odysseus, Rha, Ilione, Astyages.

AUCTION SALE OF TOYS.—The remainder of Zinn's stock of toys will be sold by J. P. Davies & Co., at the store, Government street to-day.

THE DRY DOCK.—Necessity of. MESSRS EDITORS.—I am glad to see by your issue of this morning that the opening of the Butte Inlet road is to be carried into effect.

The opening of the Butte Inlet road is to be carried into effect. This will unquestionably be one substantial step towards progress in the Colony. Its ultimate consequences are incalculable.

ON THE UNION ACT.—The Imperial Act that united the Colonies of Vancouver Island, British Columbia under one government, provided that the executive section should enjoy a representation of eight members in the Legislative Council.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Star tells of an old lady who lives somewhere in Norway, who sent her husband to the search for eggs.

The Portland papers recommend that an effort be put forth to keep the Fidelity in the Victoria trade.

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The Firemen's Benefit.

Our amateurs are public benefactors. There is not a public institution in the city that has not at one time or other been indebted to them for material aid, and it must be a source of gratification to the members of the Thespian Club that while they can afford fun and amusement to themselves, they can at the same time effect so much good in this little community.

PROGRESS.—The Lord Mayor of London, a Jew, ruling over a Christian city; King Leopold I, a Protestant, ruling a Roman Catholic people; Saxony, a Protestant country, ruled by a Roman Catholic; Rothschild, a Jew, lending money to the Pope; a man of Hebrew birth being Chancellor of Exchequer and leader of the English House of Commons; and the Catholics of Ireland banqueting the Quaker, John Bright.

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THE FRENCH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.—The French people are proverbial wherever they go for the careful provisions they make for their own sick and needy. The pedestrian wending his way to Beacon Hill, must have often seen the tri-color fluttering in the breeze from a building near Humboldt street, and probably concluded that it indicated the French Consulate, but such is not the case; this same flag is the flag of humanity, unfolded over the abode of the sick.

THE GENTLE RESIDENTS OF Salt Lake City are preparing to sell out and leave. Brigham Young is jealous of them.

ENGLISH EMIGRATION.—It appears, says the Monitor, from an official report lately published in England, that in the last 51 years the number of emigrants who have left the United Kingdom was 5,901,510 from what the English papers tell us of the distress that at present exists there, we may partially conceive what would now be the state of things if to the existing British population these 6,000,000 nearly, and their natural increase, were added. Above 3,000,000 of the above mentioned emigrants sailed for the United States, and above 2,000,000 for the various British possessions.

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Direct and Indirect Taxation.

Messrs. Editors.—I have just had left at my place of business one of those interesting documents, emanating from the Government, containing enquiries for returns of my transactions in business during the last six months; the character of that business; the name of the individual doing that business, and in what part of the world this business has been done;—to all of which enquiries I am requested, to the best of my knowledge and belief, to give a true and faithful account; and in return for which, as a slight acknowledgment, at a certain date, of which I shall be duly informed, I shall enjoy the privilege of paying over certain sums of money, the amount of which will be duly specified. I had hoped, sir, that this system of direct taxation, with its many disgusting interrogatories, was what, in vulgar parlance, is called "played out";—that it belonged to the past—was identified with the Kennedy dynasty; that under the new Seymour regime, with its direct taxation, these obnoxious papers would never more meet our gaze.

NECESSITY OF A DRY DOCK.—Having had several years' experience in dry docks and patent slips, I beg to offer a few facts to confirm Doctor Davie's remarks as to the advantages of a dry dock, which we will suppose large enough to take out any ship now afloat in the Pacific.

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A Lady about to be Married Receives the Dead Body of an Infant by Express

(From the Chicago Times, November 17th.) On Thursday forenoon an express wagon wound its way leisurely down South Clark street and came to a halt in front of the Morrison Building, situated on the east side of the said street, between Washington and Madison streets. The driver as leisurely dismounted from his seat, and taking a small fourteen-by-sixteen-inch box from the vehicle he mounted two flights of stairs and stopped before No. 38. He knocked and gained admittance. The lady knew him not, and he knew not the lady; but that made no difference—he had received orders to deliver the property to Mrs. James, room 38, Morrison Building, and all he wanted now were his charges, amounting to seventy-five cents, which were paid, and bowing his adieu he came down stairs, again mounted his vehicle, and drove away as leisurely as he came.

Mrs. James was of course in a great desire to know the contents of a box so mysteriously delivered. For a moment she could not surmise who could have sent the same; but all of a sudden the mystery was apparently explained. Was she not to be married in a few days, and who but a lover would pretend to use such caution! It was, no doubt, intended for a surprise, and magnificent wedding tresses danced before her sparkling eyes. She procured a hatchet, and, with trembling hands, pried open the top. The sight that was presented spread a blush over her fair features. It was a steel plate engraving, representing some rude heathen goddess, in an amorous attitude on the back of a noble swan, toying in the waters of a beautiful lake. That was surely a strange present for a lover—but, she could excuse it in him in these degenerate days, and she quietly puts it on one side. Next there came a layer of straw, which, on being removed, revealed a glass jar. A jar! What need to require such extraordinary caution? She could think of no suitable wedding present that required a jar, and her wonder increased. But hold, there was a slip of white paper pinned to the top, and something was written thereon in a neat female hand. She read, and a sickening sensation overcame her; she lifted the glass jar from the box, and had barely time to place it on the table before she fell fainting on the floor. The noise occasioned by the fall attracted the attention of some ladies living in the same portion of the building, who, on entering the room, found Mrs. James in a deep swoon. They attempted to revive her but before this was accomplished they also observed the contents of the jar, and were hardly able to take care of themselves. But in the course of time Mrs. James revived, and the ladies, after regaining their composure to some extent, attempted a more careful examination of the contents of the jar; but the object was so shocking that they could scarcely believe their own senses. This extraordinary disturber of female composure, was the body of a male child about seven months old, preserved in alcohol, and on the slip of paper were these words, written in a neat female hand: "I am in search of P. Clark. Will my future step-mother tell me where I can find him?"

The feelings of Mrs. James can be imagined when it is stated that this P. Clark is her affianced husband. After a lengthy consideration of the subject, as to what they should do with the strange and unnatural object, the ladies concluded to notify the Coroner, who subsequently took the contents of the jar in his charge.

The matter is undergoing careful investigation by the authorities, but, as yet, the perpetrator of this disgusting and terrible outrage has not been discovered.

A SAD STORY.—Spiridon, the Parisian correspondent of the Boston Saturday Evening Gazette, relates the following sad incident as having just occurred in the French capital: "You know how many families in Europe have been ruined by the events of the last six or eight months. The association of brokers here has seen its common fund (which was near \$2,000,000) destined to aid their more unfortunate members, entirely destroyed by recent losses. It is said the brokers themselves have suffered so severely they are unable to reconstitute this fund, and have prayed the Emperor to create five more offices of stockbrokers and allow them (the old stockbrokers) to place in the common fund the money produced by the sale of these offices. The business of stockbrokers is a monopoly lodged in the hands of 60 men. Each office is worth from \$200,000 to \$600,000. Among the persons ruined by recent commercial disasters was a merchant who reckoned on the bills receivable in his hands to meet the bills payable. The drawers of the former became bankrupt. The bills of the unfortunate merchant were noted for protest. He asked and received six hours further grace. It had been in his power to render important service to the French Emperor when the latter was Prince Louis Napoleon. He determined to appeal for assistance to his majesty. He required \$40,000. No reply came from his majesty. As time wore on and no answer came, the unhappy man loaded a pistol and placed it by his side, determined to blow out his brains when the clock struck the last hour of grace. Five minutes before the time expired he heard the notary public's voice in his front office talking to his clerks. Sure he came to declare protest, the merchant shot himself through the head. To guard as he thought against all possible danger of being late, the Emperor sent the \$40,000 direct to the Bank of France to take up the matured notes, and the notary had come at once to bear the glad tidings to the merchant."

LYING IN PARIS.—A Paris correspondent writes: "A new man who has a house, between court and garden, in the Rue Neuve des Mathurins, was lately 'ex-proprised' or 'Hausmannised,' and turned out of his garden. He had \$40,000 for the property, and received \$40,000 for, have the garden alone. Formerly the Parisians allowed a tenth of their income for houses rent; now they calculate that they must pay half if they wish to be decently lodged. If prices keep on advancing at this rate, I think a race of Arabs, who dwell in tents, will rise up in the Tierce, and in the forest of Boulogne."

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The Bane and Antidote. Philosophize as we will, necessity is a hard task-master, and to follow its dictates sometimes requires more stoicism than our frail natures can summon to our aid.

not enough houses in the city to supply the demand, now there are hundreds empty and their owners unable to pay the onerous taxes laid upon them. To meet the evil the Municipal government has been compelled to abandon necessary public works, and to observe rigid economy.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN JAPAN.—To the great conflagrations that have marked the year just passed away, we have to add another equally in its destructive results any that preceded it.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. Wednesday, Jan 16. THE BRITISH IRON CLAD FLEET.—Additional particulars have been received at Chatham respecting the final trial of the ships comprising the Channel squadron, under steam, during the run from the coast of Ireland to Plymouth.

THE THEATRE.—Apart from the laudable character of the institution which it is proposed shall be benefited by the proceeds from the performance this evening, the bill is most attractive, and should in itself fill the building.

WESLEYAN MISSIONARY MEETING.—A most agreeable meeting in support of the missionary cause was held last evening in the Wesleyan Church, of which Rev Mr Brown is pastor.

SUPREME COURT.—Trade Assignees of the "Grotto" v King.—Action to set aside a bill of sale of effects of the Grotto to defendant by bankrupt Crooks.

RIFLE VOLUNTEER CORPS.—A meeting of this body was held on Monday evening, at the rooms of Corporal Norris, on Government street, to consider the financial state of the Company.

QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA.—Riots have taken place at Brisbane, in Queensland, among the unemployed immigrants. The volunteers and the Fire Brigade were called out and pelted with stones.

CAVED IN.—The roof of Lachapelle's boat building shed (formerly the James' Bay Saw Mill) succumbed beneath the weight of snow yesterday for the second time.

LIQUOR LICENSES.—Mr Treasurer Watson gives notice that the third quarterly instalment for liquor licenses granted for the current year, is payable on the 21st inst.

LETTER FROM PARIS. PARIS, NOV. 9, 1866. NON POSSUMUS. The recent allocation of the Pope, soundly rating the Italian Government for not wishing to remain in the darkness only suited to the middle ages, has excited a lively emotion in the Italian Peninsula.

GENERALITY OF WASHINGTON.—Joseph Chester, an American, living in London, has been looking up Washington's lineage, and proves to his own satisfaction, at least, that the received genealogy is incorrect.

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