

The Weekly British Colonist AND CHRONICLE

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European Mail Summary.

The latest mails from South Africa bring us the news that there numerous claimants for the great eighty-two carat diamond recently found and valued at £20,000.

The "military spirit is the triumph of noble over vulgar passions." "Fidelity to the standard is devotion to one's country."

THE death of the British Columbian ought to convince even the most obtuse or prejudiced person that Victoria is unable to support two daily newspapers.

THE LAW is supposed never to be vindictive, and its machinery is put in motion against malefactors to furnish an example that will deter others from the commission of crime.

NAVAL ITEMS.—H.M.S. Zealous, after leaving Payta, Peru, under steam for Callao, encountered a heavy gale and was three days in making 100 miles.

THE BARCLAY SOUND MURDERERS.—These doomed men will be placed on board H. M. S. Sparrowhawk to-day, conveyed to the spot where the blood of their victims cries aloud for vengeance.

The Pic-Nic.

The Annual Picnic for the benefit of the charitable fund of the Victoria Fire Department was, as it should be for the credit of the city, perfectly successful.

- STANDING JUMP. 1st Prize, Zeigler distance 10ft 5inches. 2nd " J Madden " 10 4

- BOYS' RACE. 1st Prize, Durban; 2nd Prize, Hattris.

THE SEWARD PARTY reached Nanaimo on Friday (after having made the round of the Sound and being well received at every port).

THE stench on Yates street, between Langley and Government, is perfectly overpowering.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

The steamers Enterprise and Sir James Douglas arrived on Saturday. From New Westminster we learn that forest fires prevail to a great extent along the banks of the Fraser.

SOUTH SAANICH.—The hay crop is all in and is a heavy one. The barley is being harvested; the yield is light.

THE CAMP MEETING.—About 350 ladies, gentlemen and children have congregated at Maple Bay for the purpose of taking part in the Wesleyan Camp Meeting.

EXECUTION.—Leh-yet-ah, the murderer of Wm. Robinson, was hanged Saturday in front of the police barracks.

THE name of the late U. S. Revenue Cutter Joe Lane has been changed to H. M. Hatchinson.

FIRE BUCKETS.—Mr. William Dalby, of Yates street, is making from Island leather a dozen fire-buckets for the use of the Hook & Ladder Co.

RETURNING OFFICER.—Hon. A. T. Bushby has been appointed returning officer for the ensuing New Westminster Municipal Council election.

THE Moses Taylor's freight was brought from Esquimalt by the steamer Otter.

THE U.S. Pensacola is daily expected to arrive here from San Francisco.

THE decision of the Chief Justice in the suit of Dassol vs. the S.C. & V.L. Mill Co. is expected to-day.

TEX GUSSE Tellair probably connected with the Pacific from San Francisco at Astoria on Sunday.

An old and experienced physician says, "much that he learned under the name of Hollosway has died out, but his simple homely experience has largely taken the place of that scholastic knowledge to which he had recourse."

HOLLOSWAY'S OINTMENT.—Turn which way you will, where you please, persons will be found who have a ready word of praise for this Ointment.

British Columbia.

From the Montreal Gazette.

We have received a letter from a well informed correspondent at Victoria, British Columbia, under date June 3d, from which we make the following extract:—"I have not written for some time, for the simple reason that nothing has occurred worth writing about for many months past—everything being unutterably dull.

That here will be, and that in the immediate future, a dense population settled on the fertile lands and in the favorable climate of the North West is not a question which, in our minds at least, admits of a doubt; and things move very quickly in these days on this continent.

These are the dreams of the future. We cannot say how soon the facts will come. The physical and climatic conditions are there, but the energy of man is yet to be loosed.

There comes another practical question and that is communication by roads. We believe one good road has been in a great part constructed on the British Columbia side; and the Canadian Government are going to make a summer road to the Red River territory.

Whatever may be the means taken it is greatly important that the British Columbia should act in unison with the Dominion, and unless there is some question if the Colonies on the Pacific will remain British; and this, we repeat, would be a serious if not a fatal blow to the future independence of the Dominion.

A gentleman, in the course of a journey in the West, one day suddenly descried a country tavern, in the porch of which sat one of the oldest white-haired men he had ever seen, crying like a child.

FRANCE.—The alarming condition of affairs among the working classes throughout the Empire is attracting serious attention.

CHARLES DRETSCHER, late of New Orleans, dying, left valuable property to his heir, then in France. A clever fellow personated the legate, and lived, and recently died in possession of the estate, leaving it to children of his own.

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SPECIAL TO

BURREARD INLET. terday at Stamp's Charlton, they take Sydney. Sailed morning, bark De The fire is still ra

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The Transport ed that emigrat the Pacific States of 50 and over, fo Hongkong to Sa to \$100 each. Kim Orr, a Ch two years in th Louisiana, addr and stated that o now in the West distress prevaila selected with pro ed to describe the of the Chinese, adapted to the products of ways similar to S Mr. Koopmans also addressed th that his house b engaged in me work. They are \$1 10 per day, it can be induc to month, but ca cheaper in Chi contract they cou per month. One of the Alexandria held to see what shou members who ve ticket in the re Church Treasure and was remov

THE rejection of the Lords' amendments to the Irish Church Disestablishment Bill by the Commons, will surely bring matters to a deadlock, and, perhaps, weaken the co-ordinate power possessed by the Upper House.

THE British Ministry, which boasts of large majority, is sometimes liable to the chastening effect of an occasional defeat. An English paper says:—"The Government sustained a severe and well merited defeat in the House of Commons yesterday."

THE Ottawa Citizen of June 28th says:—"At the Privy Council meeting yesterday, several matters connected with the Customs Department were under consideration."

THE TERMINATION OF THE HOLIDAYS.—The school vacations are rapidly drawing to a close, and the youth of our city will be called upon to resume their studies.

STAMPSHIP MOVEMENTS.—The Gussie Telfair did not connect with the Pacific, the latter not having arrived at Astoria.

NORTH PACIFIC RAILROAD.—We have seen a copy of the Burlington (Iowa) Free Press, in which an article concerning the exploring parties sent out by the Pacific Railroad Company, one of which was recently here.

THE MISSING ATLANTIC STEAMER "UNITED KINGDOM."—The Anchor Line (as) United Kingdom, Capt. Stenhouse, which left New York for Glasgow, on the 19th of April, is still unreported, and grave apprehensions are felt for her safety.

A FLYING MACHINE.—The editor of the San Francisco Newsletter, an Englishman, has invented a flying machine which is pronounced a success by the most experienced engineers and scientific men of California.

AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—No friend of the country should fail to be present to-day at the meeting of the Agricultural and Horticultural Society.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP GUSSIE TELFAIR.—The steamship Gussie Telfair, Capt. F. C. Scholl, arrived at 6 o'clock yesterday morning from Portland and Puget Sound, bringing 20 passengers and a quantity of freight.

THE NEW DELEGATE.—Hon. S. Garfield reached Port Townsend on Monday and was greeted with the firing of cannon and the cheers of the people.

GRASSHOPPERS are so numerous on the great American Plains as to actually prevent the Pacific Railroad cars from running.

TRAIN is still going it. His last epigram is on "Two dogs at San Juan."

Six steamers were on the eve of starting from San Francisco for Japan to find a market when news arrived that steamers in Japanese waters were so numerous that they were sold by the cord for firewood, and the Californians retained their vessels.

THE steamer Enterprise left her wharf at 10 o'clock yesterday morning for New Westminster, carrying a few passengers and a fair freight.

THE WATCH MAN.—Nathan Weiss yesterday pleaded guilty to obtaining a guinea from Thomas Innes under false pretences, and was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labor for three months.

THE steamer Sir James Douglas, on her way north to-day, will receive on board at Maple Bay the Nanaimoites who have been worshipping at the Wesleyan camp meeting.

THE SAN JUAN MURDER.—The trial of Watts for the murder of Hibbard, on San Juan Island, will take place in a few days before a Military Commission of U.S. Army Officers.

The Tree Vandals. EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—In yesterday's paper an item mentions that trees at Ogden Point and Medina's Grove are being cut down. This statement, I am sorry to say, is too true, and has been the case for at least the last five or six years.

Dr. Thom and the Overend-Gurney Prosecution. From the London Times, June 25th. It is startling enough in all conscience, considering the magnitude of the interests at stake, to find that the great Overend and Gurney case is in danger of coming to an untimely end, or what would be still worse, of being so conducted that its trial will degenerate into an unmeaning farce.

Stricken Dead in a Gambling Hell. From the New Orleans Picayune, June 20. About half-past nine o'clock last night an unknown man fell dead at the gambling house at No. 66 St. Charles street.

One of the most Brilliant Beauties. Among the fashionable throng at Saratoga Springs, in the summer of 1866, declared to a friend, that she ascribed the beautiful complexion and richness of her complexion more to the use, in the bath, of MERRILL'S LAXATIVE than to drinking the water of the Spa.

because of a flaw, for which the public is responsible, in our system of jurisprudence. And, even if the Chief Justice would waive his objection and allow Dr. Thom to conduct the prosecution in person, the concession would, to our thinking, only make matters worse.

As a witness, Dr. Thom, in the Overend and Gurney case, is in a position to do much good, and it is to be regretted that he is not more generally known.

THE "TIDES" OF INDIA, STATES. CHLORODYNE is a great blessing to the human race, and is the only remedy for Cholera, Typhoid, and other diseases.

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OUR correspondent doubtless feel highly allusion to his letter in "Billet" is charged with the preemption James Bay, known as Ogden Point, &c. "Billet" is a James objects to shade upon what he considers private property. "Ogden Point" is stated soon coming up by the Works Department to the care of improvement right. The case has been land laid idle long enough, and settled, and settled looks as if the Government want of energy in putting an issue, feels the case. This may or may not certainly appear so, no interest one way. The question arose in 1859 Governor De la Plante authorizing of land in certain after the Indenture in son Bay Company which conveyed lands not disposed of by Bay Company, a seal was issued by Governor all the Crown-lands. Among the lands the Company were acres lying between Beacon Hill Park, were pre-empted by Mr. Nias,—the Land the legal amount pre-emption. Since the date of improvement by the Government, tors have settled on occupation of the land of a certificate of im be tantamount to grant hence the object of We are glad to know prospect of the case before the Chief Justice be honestly and legal.

THE Agricultural Society meeting of yesterday was successful in choosing a getic gentlemen as in deciding upon hold in September next. is large and valuable favorable for the exhibit itself will attract many auxiliary attractions dance, a la the Firemen Gathering, might substitution. Staid, settling folk may with progress eyes on mammoth hogs; fine breeds of Spanish hens, but you becoming too "man and passed over at tainment. To render successful there should attractions introduced. Agricultural and Horticultural ought to be one coin with enthusiasm.

HEAVY RAINS have This circumstance in mining season. The year was disastrous many rich claims where, could not was meet current expenses great results to flow work in the mines. creased confidence an consequence of success Increased prosperity follow as a matter of

THE WEATHER at the Sentinel of the 14th July state of the weather: is falling fast, and appearances we may have time yet. A good m throw out of work drought, but will now be their occupation. Piping, which had been continued, have been through the increase of encouraging.

