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bodings. Yet wo know the case is not ib fancy. We see that a more temperate style
of living, a more healthful exercise, and a
more strict regard to nature's lawe, will bring about a oure. The history of the world is
full of such cases. How uften has not Eng. hnd been ruined, if we accept the languag lears that the national debt, when it was a very the Brifish Empire-how nothing short irrotpievabie, hopeless bankruptoy stared the How the dobt doubled and quadrupled, an History furioisese as with sbandant iastance
of counaries in time of war, in times famine, and in times of financial depression and under the inflaence of an imaginatio dibeased by exaggerated fears, looking for and flourisbing. In our own times have aeen Galifornia burst forth ibto a sudden
blase of prosperity, and we have seoen Ler youth, decline in splendor, and, in the par-
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destraction bort history of Anstralis preseats. The with e mining in ont, and as there wae no other interest ez isting to maintain a fraction of the popul
tion, the eontivens wae doomed the count and "ciaved," Avother y y ar elapsed, and he conntry recovered, and it has "gone in poople, like the Irishman that was used to their prosperity
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VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND. TUESDAY, APRLL 11, 1865. No. 22.
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nothing in the future but a gradaal relapse
into that into that stage which preceded the immi-
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Men, are really but "children of a larger growth"-easily elated and suddenly depres-
eed. To-morrow news that fresh and extensive diggings had been struck at Cariboo
would set the tide in the opposite direction
and the rery individuals who are now impressed with the idea that the country has seen its best days would begin to compar
their chances with the Califoroians of '49;
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general cootent which form so much an ele-
ment in European life ; but. we do expect to courage that is not dismayed by a temporary
reverse, and a vigor that is not destroyed by contact with the first obstacle. Men who
become the fonnders of communities in the widerness must be prepared for oceasional
disappointments. They cannot, any more the flow without the ebb, the wheat without he chafi. It does well enough for romanti

y credible. Whether we cenfine our Age to the Pacific coast or stretch it to the
Anstralian continent, we do not know to-day a place that offers more inducements to the
manof small or large capital than Vancouver
Island and British Columbia. The circumstances that have led to ang portion of our -spect exceptional, and in the other, uur own lack of knowledge. The first cause will, we
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dition before the sear expires, and the has made a sacrifice to teave the country. is immediate energy on the part of the Goexploration for which the Assembly has provided; and what is necessary in the of the paople, and a healibfal and vigorona Wntagonism to anyithing that savors of den
apondency. We have had our period of enervating effeets ; it is time fthe imapina tion had recovered its normal functions, and pressions of "gone in" and "played out"
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