

The Weekly British Colonist AND CHRONICLE.

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"Diplomacy."

Webster defines the meaning of this word to be "dexterity or skill in managing negotiations;" and with a proper feeling of respect for the representative of Her Majesty in this highly favoured Colony, we submit that His Excellency Governor Seymour, by the able manner in which he has managed our affairs, has earned the enviable reputation of being a skilled and dexterous diplomatist.

an unappreciative and ungrateful, not to say obtuse, people. Like the over-ripe cucumber, it is "running to seed" here.

Thursday, Sept 26th.

Mechanics' Institute.—At this period of general depression it is very gratifying to be able to point to this popular institution as having come unscathed through the troublous times and as being now in a stronger and better position than ever for continued and extended usefulness.

The MADON GOLD MINES.—Mr Glass was out to the Richardson mine yesterday, and while there a blast was made in some overhanging rock about fourteen feet above the surface, which detached some two tons of rock.

The FRENCH have, it is said, conquered three more of the provinces of Cochinchina—three in the west. They intend apparently to take the whole Peninsula, and if they do will want Siam also, for the sake of revenue.

DISPROVED.—A respectable looking man, who gave the name of Henry Morgan, was arrested by Sergt Bowden, in the vicinity of the Government Buildings on Tuesday evening, on a charge of being a suspicious character.

WILL NEVER CONSENT.—Mr. Tilly, the Dominion Minister, in his letter to Mr. Seelye, of this city, says, with emphasis, that "the Dominion will never consent to hand this fine country over to the Americans."

SALE OF STRAMBOAT STOCK.—Mr. Jacob Kamm, one of Portland's wealthiest residents, yesterday purchased, for the sum of \$20,000, a one-half interest in the Puget Sound Steam Navigation Company's steamer New World.

THE GOVERNMENT DESPATCH.—We experience considerable pleasure in announcing that the Government despatches were not left behind yesterday. They were, in fact, on board half an hour ahead of the time set for the departure of the steamer.

THREATS.—Chief Justice Cameron having preferred a charge against two farmers of Methowin District, who made threats of violence against him. The men were arrested and admitted to bail until to-day.

The ship ANDA Dorothea, bound for Sydney, Australia, is awaiting a crew in the outer harbour. The ship is lumber laden.

Big Bend.

There were several arrivals from Big Bend, on Monday, per steamer Onward from Yale. The news generally is not very encouraging.

The Napoleon company are taking out wages. The Discovery company were taking out small wages. The Colorado co. were ground sluicing, expecting to strike pay soon.

The Old Thomson co. have been taking out from 12 oz. to 14 oz. a day—six men at a day to the hand. The St Germain co. four men, were making wages.

The Black Hawk co. took out \$300 for the two weeks ending August. All the fore part of the season they had been busy fixing a flame, ditching, etc. They have got considerable ground that prospects from \$10 to \$20 to the pan!

The Fort Yale Co., have had three blind shafts sunk in their drift from the main shaft. They are drifting from their bottom blind shaft, and were in three or four sets of timbers and expected to have the ground thoroughly prospected in a week or ten days.

Flour—Colville, 20c; California, 25c; bacon and hams, 62 1/2 @ 75c; sugar, 50c; beans 40; fresh butter, \$1 50; English candles \$1 retail; tobacco \$2 50; beef 15 @ 25; mutton 35c; new potatoes, 25c; tea H. B. \$1 50; coffee, \$1 25. Plenty of vegetables.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.—A meeting of this body, on business of importance, will be held this day, at 12 m., in the editorial rooms of the Colonist. A punctual attendance is particularly desired.

JUDGE BEEBE has declined to come to Victoria and hold Court. He so informed the Governor and Council at the late meeting.

TREASURY.—Yesterday the Bank of British North America shipped \$13,326 and Wells Fargo & Co., \$21,500.—Total, \$34,826.

The ALEXANDRIA arrived at 4 o'clock last evening—too late to connect with the mail steamer.

The Northern line was down yesterday, and we failed to receive any intelligence from Cariboo.

The Northern horizon was brilliantly illuminated last evening by the aurora borealis.

The Isabel departed for Nanaimo yesterday to tow down the coal laden ship Helios.

The Divorce Suit.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—In reference to the brief notice which appeared in a recent issue of your paper, of the result of a suit which has for months past engaged the public mind, as well on this side of the water as that of our neighbors, across the Sound, permit me to make a few remarks.

During a short visit at Port Townsend last week, I had the opportunity to be present at the trial, which was probably one of the most important legal investigations that has ever occupied the attention of the Court of Washington Territory; important not only so far as it concerned the parties immediately connected with the suit, but much more important in regard to its bearing and effect upon the social and domestic relations of society generally.

Investigation, without being thoroughly impressed with the truth that the Judiciary of Washington Territory contains upon its rolls one whose ethical and legal code, if not of the most depraved, is, at least, of the most equivocal character; and as a man laying claim to manly honor or any regard for female virtue, his mean attempt to cover his base and unmanly conduct behind the frailties of a weak and powerless woman—the victim of his own machinations—as manifested through every stage of the suit, from the first appeal to the law to the end of the testimony, of which he was the head and heart, I think will forever forbid his attaining that distinction.

Without making any comment upon the facilities which the statute laws of Washington Territory afford for marital dissolution, or the more notorious cases of divorce at sight, which were disclosed at the investigation, I would just say that the presiding judge deserves well the thanks of the friends of domestic peace for his decided disapprobation of granting divorces except upon the most warrantable grounds, and in no case upon the application of the party causing the evils complained of.

Omer Pasha's Report of His Victories and Work in Candia.

A telegram from Constantinople, dated on the 22d of July, says the following official despatch has been received from Omer Pasha, dated Sphakia, July 18:—Our soldiers, after two fights, have routed the insurgents and occupied the heights of Calikratic and Spendo, and, after securing possession of the mountains and villages of the same name, they proceeded across the plain of Askigo, where they effected their junction with the corps which came from Apocoron.

All the villages of the eastern part of Sphakia, and lastly, the whole district of Sphakia, excepting eight villages, which will easily be reduced, are now in the hands of the imperial troops. The only resource left to the insurgents is to take refuge in the rocky and narrow valleys of the village of Samasia, where they can only remain a few days, after which there will be nothing left to them but submission.

The insurgents, who had taken refuge in the caverns at Pachtanos and Caposussu, submitted to day to the number of two hundred and fifty men and women, and among whom were Captain Annagostis Papadarki, a member of the so-called provisional government; Captain Manosidi and several other chiefs. Their wives and the property which they had placed in the caverns have been and will be religiously respected.

Up to the present time forty seven barrels of gunpowder and twenty-five cases of other ammunition have been discovered there.

The third division have effected their junction with the corps at Calikratic. The number of muskets sent to the authorities amounts to six thousand.

The Ferekale Boni Pasha has subdued the district of Kissamo.

Colonel Mustapha Bey has just cut off the four hundred Hellenic volunteers lately disembarked on the island, together with their commander, Captain Miotti, and two Greek officers. He also captured three hundred tons of biscuit, four hundred overcoats and twelve thousand rifles.

AN OLD MAN KILLED BY HIS CHILD OF SIXTEEN YEARS.—A brutal murder case occurred at Peoria, Mahaska county, Iowa, on Tuesday morning, July 23. It seems that an old man by the name of Jones had deeded away all of his property to his sons, with the condition that they should support him the rest of his life.

On Tuesday morning a quarrel arose between the father and a son, sixteen years old, about a most trivial matter. During the altercation the son drew a pistol and shot his father in the left side, inflicting a wound which caused his death in six or eight hours. Public opinion in that neighborhood seems to incline to the belief that the affair was a premeditated one, concocted by the brothers, and that the boy who committed the act was merely made the tool of the older and more cowardly ones.

LORD BELMORE, THE NEW GOVERNOR GENERAL OF AUSTRALASIA.—Had Lord Belmore's former services lain in the colonies, there would be no objection on principle to his present great preferment. But when it is considered that, without any colonial service, and still more, without any special aptitude, he carries off the second, if not the first, prize of colonial appointments no just and reflecting man can fail to recognize the unfairness of the proceeding. Lord Belmore's appointment fits a merited reward from many diligent public servants. He comes in as an intruder from a distinct service, into which no ordinary colonial official has a chance of intruding himself. More than this he precludes the promotion of colonial governors whose time of service in their own colonies has expired, and thus deprives them of the chance of the pension which Mr Cardwell's not very liberal bill provides for them after a certain service.—Saturday Review.

As a specimen of the attractive now offered to the church or chapel-going public, we (Court Journal) abridge a late announcement in the columns of a paper published in our northwestern metropolitan possession or colony: "Next Sunday, sermons will be preached—afternoon, by Mr. —, a black brother from Jamaica, son-in-law of the late excellent Paul Bogie. Evening, by Mr. —, the butcher from Notting-hill, whose words sink like flame-tipped darts into the souls of his hearers." A pleasant sensation for the audience to have flame-tipped darts run into them by a preacher.

Detectives dressed as waiters officiated at the supper given by the Prince of Wales to the Belgian officers, to keep an eye on the plate, which was valued at \$125,000.

THE WONDERS OF THE MICROSCOPE.—We understand it in through the agency of this marvelous viewing instrument that Dr. Ayer has at length succeeded in finding the PALUDAL Miasm and determining its character. Of its effects we in this section have abundant evidence in the FEVER AND AGUE which it alone produces when absorbed through the lungs into the blood. It has long been held to be a vapor or something in the vapor of water from decayed and decaying vegetation. Under a great magnifying power, the Doctor has found this vapor to contain distinct organisms or living bodies, corresponding precisely with those found in the blood of Ague subject. They are 13,000 times less than visible to the naked eye, but have distinct character and form.—He thinks they are reproductive in decaying matter or in the blood, and hence their long continued life or the remote effects of them in the system. He maintains that they resemble in character the other fermentative poisons, or such as the virus of rabies or of a dead body, &c. all of which are known to reproduce themselves with great rapidity, like yeast in moistened flour, so that the slightest quantity impregnates the whole mass. Yeast though a powerful magnifier is seen to be a forest of vegetation which grows, blossoms, and goes to seed in a short time. Miasm is not so distinctly vegetable, but has more the appearance of animal life, although its motions cannot be perfectly distinguished. What the Doctor claims to have settled is that it is an organic substance and has further found and embodied in his "Ague Cure" what will destroy it.—[Leader, St Louis, Mo.]

THE PEOPLE'S FRIEND.

PERRY DAVIS' VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER.

The Greatest Family Medicine of the age

Taken internally, it cures sudden colds, coughs, etc., weak stomach, general debility, nervous sore mouth, cancer, liver complaint, dyspepsia or indigestion, cramp and pain in the stomach, bowel complaint, painter's colic, Asiatic cholera, diarrhoea and dysentery. APPLIED EXTERNALLY, cures felons, boils and old sores, severe burns and scalds, cuts, bruises and sprains, swollen joints, ringworm and tetter, broken breasts, frosted feet and chilblains, toothache, pain in the face, neuralgia and rheumatism. IT IS A SURE REMEDY FOR AGUE AND CHILLS AND FEVER

Howlars' Pills.—The Perfection of Medicine.—Nothing can surpass this restorative of the invalid;—let the invalid, purifying Pills will add a themselves to its removal and steadily accomplish their purpose. They cleanse the blood, and by that means not only prevent the deposit of unwholesome materials, but stimulate the absorbents to remove all corrupt or worn-out matter. Thus have Howlars' Pills won their way to public estimation, which is obtainable and retainable alone by what is intrinsically good. The significance of these testimonials will be appreciated by thousands who took these Pills as a last resource, and derived from them renovated health, after hope was almost abandoned.

A Card for the Dressing Room.—Ladies, your attention is invited to the special advantage of Murray & Lanman's Florida Water over every other perfume. It is manufactured from fresh floral extracts, not from unwholesome chemical combinations intended to counterfeit their odors. Besides being the most delicate and delightful of floral waters, it has important sanitary recommendations. Its aroma relieves head ache, prevents fainting fits, promotes sleep, and soothes the nerves. Infused into the bath it renders it invigorating and refreshing. Combined with water it imparts whiteness to the teeth, preserves the enamel, and renders the gums hard and rosy. No other perfume retains its fragrance so long after contact with the atmosphere.

Chronic Eruptions, from whatever cause arising, are the most obstinate of external remedies. The great self-believers in mercury admit that it cannot control them. The iodine and bisulphate of that mineral, as well as corrosive sublimate, all heretofore given for scrofulous and syphilitic eruptions and diseases, have been abandoned, and in all parts of the continent physicians are curing the most confirmed and violent chronic eruptions on the skin with Bristol's Sarsaparilla, which acts directly upon the blood and discharges it. The use of Bristol's Vegetable Pills at the same time with the Sarsaparilla will greatly facilitate the removal of all eruptions, pimples, blotches, etc., etc., as they carry from the system the vitiated matter set free by the Sarsaparilla. For sale by all Druggists.

Between Health and the Grave there is but a thin partition, and all who value life are willing to do their best to prevent disease from breaking it down. Who so mad as to await the final attack, when the first onset can be repelled with Bristol's Sugar-Coated Pills, a preparation so genial and balsamic, so searching yet so invigorating, that while it lights down the most delicate and delightful of floral waters, it has important sanitary recommendations. Its aroma relieves head ache, prevents fainting fits, promotes sleep, and soothes the nerves. Infused into the bath it renders it invigorating and refreshing. Combined with water it imparts whiteness to the teeth, preserves the enamel, and renders the gums hard and rosy. No other perfume retains its fragrance so long after contact with the atmosphere.

THE MILLS ON PUGET SOUND, we learn, have orders on hand for lumber and spars sufficient to keep them running for the next six months.

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English and Continental

Our London files reach August, and contain a most interesting matter. The Peasants' Dinner has been Derby, being ill with the at home, and Mr Disth honors with an unusual good humor. The Reformers' amendments to the Commons' amendments to their discussion, as being moment either way, and words from Lord Salisbury, Stanhope, the House approved the Bill, which received the Royal assent.

