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RETIREMENT OF SIR JAMES DOUGLAS

The Banquet of Thursday evening may be said to have been the close of Sir James Douglas' official connection with this colony, in as much as we shall not in all probability have another opportunity of meeting him in public as the Governor of this colony; although until the new Governor actually arrives Sir James nominally retains his position virtually he has retired from public life in this colony. For the last five years the Governor has exercised a great influence amongst us, an influence greater than any future Governor will be called upon to exert. We have now settled forms of government with which in 1858 we were not familiar except from our experience of their working at home, and consequently much was left for the personal direction of Her Majesty's ReENGLAND AND GERMANY.

By the arrival, on Thursday, of the bark Architect, the statement previously made of a proposed armistice by England in the affairs of Schleswig-Holstein, has been confirmed. That proposition takes for its basis, the evacuation of Schleswig, except Olsen, or more properly speaking Alsen, by the Danes, and is supported by France, Russia and Sweden, Austria, it is said, assents to the armistice; but Prussia reluses. In the meantime, the Germans, with large reinforcements are preparing to attack the very island which England stipulates should be retained, during the armistice, by Denmark. Alsen lies within a mile or so of the main land, and stands at the entrance of the Little Belt. Should the Danes persist in their present determination to fight for it, their assailants will have someto do before they gain possession of

which the late news gives us, of the determined spirit of aggression on the part of the Germanic powers, there is little ground to hope for a peaceful issue, and we may in all probability, through Prussia's folly, have a European war, as devastating in its effects as that which now rages on the American continent. The cause of the Schleswig-Holstein imbroglio will be speedily swallowed up by greater interests, and the conflagration which has been lighted by the vanity and ambition of a few petty princes, will in all liklihood assume such dimensions as have not been witnessed since the first Napoleonic period. It is by no means strange this should be so. Wrongs have been accumulating in almost every part of Europe, which, like that great outrage that cried for redress on the American continent, only need the opportunity of the noise and smoke of battle to right themselves by the dernier ressort.

It matters little on what pretence the torch is lighted. When Beauregard attacked Fort Sumter it was only the evacuation of a few unharmed Federal soldiers; but the far-seeing presentative in this colony, which for the observed in this almost trivial incident, the future will be regulated by the local legis- death-blow of slavery on the American conlature. It must be admitted by all impar- tinent. The present war in the North of tial judges now that the whole of the Europe has commenced on pretences just as administration of the present Governor can | wide from the real issue as those which first be reviewed that his away has not been up- urged South Carolina to take the aggressive sful. There was a time when Mr. step, and will in all probability advance to-Douglas was not so popular with the general | wards as grave results. In both cases good public as he now is, but there are few Gover faith was broken by the aggressors. The

its individual rights as determinedly as ourselves. We can have no sympathy with these Bismarks and their slaves; and if the dream of German unity in the probable ap-

roaching general conflict becomes forever lissipated, and the Rhine forms the boundary of ambitious France, German vanity and badfaith will have to charge themselves with the

No doubt we have to thank Lord John Russell for this prospective general European war. It is his nervous and timid policy that has encouraged the Austrian and Prussian to become suddenly so belligerent. Not content with turning our expensive Crimean var to the most profitiess account; not satisfied with assuring the Russians that no breach of treaty, no inhuman cruelty on their part to an oppressed race could induce England to declare war; this specimen of ocratic statesmanship now as before at-

of humiliations. If, however the Ger as appearances indicate, and as we might expect from powers who have been so frequently beaten in war, are determined to push heir temporary advantages against a weaker nation, no British Cabinet could hold together one week that would desert the Danish cause. The next news will, therefore, decide the matter. In the meantime Louis Napoleon has a quiet laugh at our predicament, biding his own good time to turn his neighbors' misfertunes to his own profit.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, March 10, 1864. House met at 3:15 p.m. Members present -Messrs. Young, DeCosmos, Franklin, Foster, Dennes.

TRLEGRAPH REGULATION BILL. Mr. Young asked leave to introduce bill for the regulation of Telegraph Lines in the colony. Granted. The House went into committee on the

Mr. Dennes in the chair. Clause 8 provides that if the company shall fail for six months to keep the same of some other line in order they shall forfeit

TELEGRAPH BILL

their exclusive privileges.

Mr. Franklin moved an amendment striking out the words "six months" and inserting a provision against the effects of public war or any other unforseen event.

Clause 9 provides that the charge between

Clause 11 provides that if any person shall wilfully injure or damage the line or anything connected with it, or obstruct or prevent the ransmission of messages, said person shall mprisonment, and also liable for fifty times the amount of damage done. Passed. Clause 12 provides that every officer of the

ollection or custody of tolls and charges shall enter into bonds in \$500 for the faithful execution of his duty. Passed. Clause 13 provides that the company shall seep full accounts of receipts and expenditure, accounts to be balanced at least once a year.

ompany in the colony who is entrusted with

Clause 14, provides for the auditing of these accounts at least once a-year, and the ap-pointment of an auditor by the Colonial ecretary. Passed.

Clause 15, providing for the production of

hese accounts, with all the books and ouchers, to the auditors, was passed. Clause 16, providing for the payment of the auditors out of the funds levied under

Clause 17, providing for an annual abstract f receipts and expenditure, with statement f balance, to be transmitted to the Colonial Secretary before January 31st, in each year. under a penalty of \$250, was passed.

Clause 18, providing that the penalty for any breach of clauses 12, 13 and 15, shall not

exceed \$250, to be accountable before any ustice of the peace, was passed. An amendment by Mr. Franklin to have the chief office of the colonial line in Victoria, was adopted; also an amendment providing was adopted; also an amendment providing for the precedence of government despatches over all other messages in and through the colony. An amendment to have pasts of sawn timber within the city, was rejected.

The bill, to be cited as \*The First Telegraph Act, 1864," \*\* The Print Telegraph Act, 1864, \*\* The Pri

amended, and was reported.

The standing orders were then suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and

House adjourned till to-day (Friday.) FRIDAY, March 11, 1864.

House met at 3:15 p. m. Members present—Messrs. Young, DeCoemes, Tolmie, Trimble, Street, Bayley, Dennes. ADDRESS TO SIR JAMES DOUGLAS.

Dr. Trimble considered it a duty of this louse, on the approaching departure of His Excellency, to testify our respect and esteem for him by presenting him with an Address from the Legislative Assembly. He would therefore move that such an address be pre-

sented,
Dr. Tolmie seconded.
A committee of the mover and seconder,
was appointed to draw up the address. RECEPTION OF THE NEW GOVERNOR.

A communication from the Reception Com-

mittee was laid before the House, inviting the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly to take part in the reception of Governor Kennedy. The House took no action on the invitation. MOUNT DOUGLAS RESERVE

The Speaker read a Message from His Exllency in reference to the above Reserve, stating that His Excellency had set aside the Mount Douglas Park expressly for the use of the citizens of Victoria, and had caused its boundaries to be distinctly marked on the official map, a copy of which he now sent down to be placed among the records of the House. SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES. '

The Speaker laid before the House the folvote for mayor shall be taken in Yates street ary Estimates:

VICTORIA, 11th March, 1864. To the Honorable the Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I have the honor to forward to you here the present year; and also for certain mis-

cellaneous services not included in the esti-

mates already submitted to the House. 2. The further expenditure contemplated under the Head of Education is designed to provide for the construction of a new School House with play ground, &c., on the School said expenses in Reserve in Victoria District and to make a \$100. Passed. small grant towards the establishment of a

3. An additional sum in aid of the Roya Hospital at Victoria has been placed upon the estimate at the earnest request of the Committee of Management, who represent that this valuable institution is still in debt to the amount stated.

4. In consequence of the want of Munici pal Revenue the Fire Companies have ceased for some months to receive aid from the city. would therefore submit to you the propriety of enabling the Executive to grant relief to the extent named in the estimates to meet for the extent the requirements of that efficient erganization, upon the understanding, if de sirable, that the amount be repaid by the city so soon as sufficient revenue is col-

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, Your obedient servant, JAMES DOUGLAS.

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE o provide for Works, &c., proposed to be unde taken during the year 1864:

For Roads	\$14,000
TO BE APPLIED AS FOLLO	ws:
Saanich Road	\$5,000
Socke Road	
Metchosin Road	3.000
From Metchosin to Albert Head	500
To open Wagon Road to Gold	NEGRALIZATA
Stream	1,000
McKensie's to Naval Hospital	1.000
McKenzie's to join Burnside, cross-	
ing Colquitz river near its mouth	500
Mount Tolmie Cross Road	600
Casual repairs	<b>5.400</b>
	200
Total	14,000
Education	85 000

Royal Hospital 2,500
Pire Department 2,000
Mail Communication along the Coast 2,000
Miscellaneous services, refund of taxes overpaid. &c..... Total..... \$26,000

INCORPORATION ACT. The House went into committee on the bil e regulate the incorporation act, Mr. Bayley

The bill was taken up at the qualification section, 2nd clause, which enacts that the qualification shall be, having been rated on to those formerly taken up, and neglected for the municipal assessment roll for three months a time. We have been shown by one of these before election, in respect of real estate to he value of \$500, or leasehold of \$1,000. Mr. DeCosmos said he thought the qualifi-

secure men who had some stake in the coun Mr. Dennes moved that the clause be expunged. He thought we were all well enough known here, and it did not require a proper

The amendment was rejected, and the clause passed as read. DISQUALIFICATIONS .- Being a

qualification to make a man a good council

any religious denomination.

Mr. DeCosmos was opposed to preventing iny gentleman whom the citizens may please appoint from being elected.
Mr. Street and Mr. Young were oppose

o political parsons. Clause passed. Being a Sheriff or Sheriff's Passed. Being a member of the Legislative Council r Assembly. Passed.

Being a bankrupt, insolvent, debtor, felor routlaw. Passed. Having taken an oath of allegiance to any foreign State, unless he shall have subsequently taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty six months before election. Passed. Having directly or indirectly any contract with the Corporation. Passed.

Being a naval or military officer, or the Judge of any Civil or Criminal Court, or in the receipt of any allowance from the Corporation.
On motion of Mr. Young the words " on ull pay," were added after officer; and clause was passed as amended.

Clause 10 was amended by the introdu tion of the clause from the old Act in eference to the election of Mayor. Clause 11, limiting the number of coun illors to two in each ward, was passed.

Clause 12, providing that the councillors in each ward receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected. Passed.

DURATION OF OFFICE.-Clause 14, providing that the councillors go out by rotation. was amended by the introduction of the

Clause 15, rendered unnecessary by the passage of the amendment, was erased.

Clause 16, providing that the present.

Mayer and Council shall hold office till November 9th, 1864, was amended by the words subject to the previsions of this Act." and

TIME OF ELECTION .- Clause fixing the day of nomination on the 8th of November, was

PLACE OF VOTING,-The clause fixing the place of polling, was passed.

The clause providing that the outgoicouncil or the sheriff shall give seven de notice in the public journals of the days of nomination and polling, was passed. The clause, from the old act, that the

vard, and no other, was passed. The clause for the appointment of returning officers was amended by the words, and intment of returnshall give public notice thereof previous to the election, was passed.

The clause providing for the nomination is Yates street ward of the candidates for course voter on his behalf may demand a pell, was

The clause providing that in case of an equality of votes the sheriff shall have the casting vote, was passed; also the clause providing that the candidates shall bear in equal proportion the expenses of the election, said expenses in any ward not to exceed

QUALIFICATION OF VOTERS.—The qualification of being a male British subject, of full age, and having resided in the colony for three months before the election, was passed. The committee here rose and reported

progress. THE ADDRESS. The committee laid before the House the

ollowing address to His Excellency, which they had prepared for the adoption of the To His Excellency, Sir James Douglas, K. C. B.,

Governor of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, etc., etc.
We, the loyal and faithful subjects of her Majesty, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, in Parliament assembled, desire on the occasion of your Excellency's retirement from office, most respectfully to express " our high appreciation of the great administrative qualities and the uniform urbanitys hewn by your Excellency during the many years you have filled the responsible position

of Governor of the Colony.

We consider the great prosperity of this portion of her Majesty's dominions during: the past few years as mainly ascribable to the wise policy which your Excellency inau-gurated, and we trust that the continued adancement of this colony may be equal toour Excellency's good wishes in and prosperity may attend you for vears to come.

Address adopted unanimously, and the members to meet to-day (Saturday); at 2 o'clock, to present it to His Excellency. House adjourned till Monday.

GOLDSTREAM .- The news of the richness of

the Parmiter Quartz vein has caused quite and excitement in the community, and sent out large number of prospectors to Gold Stream prospectors, a large lump of fineslooking quartz, taken by him from a vein he discovcation too low; the object should be to ered close to the Parmiter location. The vern is three feet wide at the top, and shows itself? down the face of a bluff, widening as it descends; should it prove as rich as the Parme iter has done, it will be a most valuable lecation. There are 7 claims at work now na the mines. The Douglas Company have got their errastras almost ready, and expect to goto work in a day or two. The Britannia Company have a new and comfortable house built, four men at work, and a large quantity of rock blasted out; they intend to begin erecting their errastras to-day. Our informant distinctly saw gold in the casings or walls slate surrounding the quartz in this claim. The Parmiter Company have two men in possession, awaiting the decision of the meet ing of shareholders to-night, as to getting up a machine from San Francisco. The Canadian Company were out in for yesterday to resuscitate their claim, which they had suffered to lie in abeyance is a while; they intend to go to work immediately and got out rock. Miller, the inde-

fatigable prospector, has got the best house on Gold Stream; he has got out a good deal of fine looking quartz, and has burnt quantity of it; he has made several assessed getting gold each time. His company, the Vashoe, intend going to work vi Washoe, intend going to work vigorously.

The Muir Company are doing nothing at present. Several other companies are at work the American and others, but our information. did not visit them. Smallbones is hard at work digging as immense ditch to turn the stream from its bed, and is confident that he can make \$5 to \$6 per day, if grub does not fail him before his task is completed. Becomplains bitterly that the people of Victoria Clause 13, fixing the qualification of voters was amended in consonance with the clause in the old Act, and passed.

do not support him in his efforts for the public weal. Mr. Thomas has substituted a good comfortable los house. good comfortable log house for his old tent.
The roads are frightful in some places, being flooded with water. The people at the diggings are full of hope and sanguine.

judge of the past actions of the Governor, by aries of the disputed Duchies? the results, and in sincerity and truth are able to accord him that meed of praise which is so much more gratifying to offer, than are reflections upon shortcomings. His Excellency has lived amongst us long enough to gain the respect of all whose respect is worth having. Whilst Sir James Douglas has held the reins of Government we have at times differed from him in opinion as to what was expedient for. the interests of the country, and have felt it our duty to oppose his administration of affairs: but whilst differing from him in politics, we have ever been ready to acknowledge and recognize his many good qualities; we give him full credit for honesty of purpose in all his actions, and are free to acknowledge in looking back upon his past carser, that some of those public acts which at the time did not appear to us to have been conceived with a view to the interests of the people, and which at the time we opposed. now that we have a clue to the motives, and are able to judge them by their results, have turned out better than we anticipated. We do not intend to say that we look upon Sir James Douglas as a model Gevernor; such praise would be but fulsome flattery, which is by no means acceptable to a straight-forsay that our retiring Governor will bear com parison with any Colenial Governor of the present day. So far as the press of Victoria is concerned, during his rule in Vancouver Island, as it has spoken out freely and boldly against him as occasion arose, so now on hi our respect and best wishes will accompany Sn James Douglas in his retirement.

towards the Crown and the public of this treaty. Whether the Danes have broken colony when the interests of the Hudson Bay their stipulations, as the Germans allege, is Company came in conflict with those of the a question for the Powers to consider; at all colonists. Many held the opinion, previously events Austria and Prussia have violated to the publication of these despatches, that their engagements, and assisted the bumthe Governor had leaned towards the Hud- bailiffs of Prince Augusterburg in carrying sen Bay Company more than his position as out a forcible ejectment. In the meantime Governor justified him in doing. Human affairs are not by any means in the best of ornature is weak, and those who were so ready der in other parts of Europe. When we look to accuse Sir James of unpatriotic conduct, in at the still active insurrection in Poland; at all probability judged him by their own the aspect of Hungary, with Kossuth again standard of morality, and did not give him in activity; at the unsatisfactory state of credit for that zeal for the interests of the affairs at Rome; at Garibaldi on the qui vive, country, which it has since been proved that and the Italian question still an unfinhe warmly exerted upon this mest trying and ished problem; who can say where war is important occasion. We are now able to likely to terminate, if once beyond the bound-

Had England, as a free country, exerted herself more in the cause of the suffering and struggling nationalities, she would not today have been so nervously anxious at every ndication of disturbance in Europe. We are sorry to say, however, through Court influence, dynasties, and not peoples, have benefitted by our policy. Hungary and Poland might have been now greater conservers of peace and more effective preservers of the much-talked-of balance of power than that Germanic Kingdom, which we have always felt so deeply interested in having preserved intact. The advantages of our quasi-alliance with this race may be summed up in complications and pension lists ending at length in our being placed in the present most awkward and serious dilemma. For if we allow Denmark to be overpowered by Germany we ferfeit every claim to honor and-courage, and become the quiescent spectator of an outrageous violation of good faith, in which the victim is our closest foreign relation. While on the other hand, if we take up arms in the cause of Denmark, we give to Louis Napoleon that much coveted opportunity of enlarging his territory at the expense of Germany. Looking at these alternatives, however grave the latter may be, what British subject does not rather wish to risk it than see these potvaliant bullies of the German Principalities -these men, who have, with their Prussian and Austrian confreres, submitted at home to political degradations that whould not have been borne by the subjects of the Emperor of China-conquer a race that has preserved

ed his duty guaranteed her, under certain conditions, by

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Tuesday, March 15, 1864.

Arrival of the "Eliza Andurson

BASTERN DATES TO PEBY. 25th

Indications of Another Battle at Bull Run.

POLK OUT-GENERALLED BY SHERMAN.

TUNNEL HILL CAPTURED.

AFFAIRS AT KNOXVILLE, TRNN.

Wreck of the "Bohemian," and Loss of Life.

THE "TUSCALOOSA" SEIZED BY THE BRITISH.

The steamer Eliza Anderson arrived Tuesday from Olympia, W. T., and way ports. By favor of Capt. Finch we are in possession of files of the Portland Oregonian and Olymdespatches to the Oregonian:

NEW YORK, Feb. 18 .- The World's Nashville letter says:-The army of Chattanooga is well stored with munitions of war. The roads in Georgia are improving. The writer thinks Gen. Logan, with the Fifteenth Army Corps, which moved from Huntsville, would strike for Rome (Georgia) to eperate on Johnson's flank. Assuming that to be Logan's destination. Grant will march against Johnson

with 80,000 men. It is whispered among military men that there would soon be a raid into Onio, that the fight in Mississippi on the 13th. No partipontoons referred to would be drawn overland o either New or Kanawha rivers, and would be floated down the Ohio, and that river crossed at two points-one column going by way of Barberville and Gindothe. It is rumored and expected that troops would arrive for concentration from both Eastern and West-

ern rebel armies. . In regard to the above report, a correspondent says that rumors have been in eirculation for some time past, of mysterious movements on the line of the Virginia and Tennesse railroad.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19 .- The Atlantic, from Hilton Head, Feb. 17th, has arrived. The Florida expedition met with complete success. Several ports besides Jacksonville were recovered. No particulars of the expedition have been received. The following has

been received at head-quarters: BALDWIN, (Fla.) 9th Feb. To GEN. HALLECK,-I have the honor to report that a portion of my command, under Gen. Seymour, covered by the gunaboat Norwich ascended the St. John's river on the 7th and landed at Jacksonville on the same day. The advance, consisting of two regiments and one battery, pushed forward into the interior. On the 8th they passed by the enemy drawn up in line of battle at Camp-Vinegar, seven miles from Jacksonville, and surprised and captured a battery three miles in their rear; started about midnight and reached this place about sunrise. At our approach the enemy absconded, after scuttling the steamer St. Mary, and burning 270 bales of cotton. We

have taken, without the loss of a man, about one hundred prisoners, nine pieces of artillery, in serviceable condition, and other valuable property to a large amount. GILMORE. NEW YORK. Feb. 19 .- By the Roanoke we

learn that an official named Preston, claiming the rank of Major-General in the Confederate army, arrived at Havana, via Nassau. It is said that he bears a commission to Mexico of great importance. He left for Vera Cruz'on

The Herald's special Washington despatch says:-Something of a sensation was created in the Senate to-day by the statement of Conness that the authorities have positive information that several rebel war steamers have left Asia for the Pacific coast, and they fear San Francisco will be menaced before protection can be afforded.

In the House Mr. Garfield stated that there would be \$74,000,000 in the Treasury byJuly 1st, according to the present rates of increase. NEW YORK, Feb. 19 .- The Creole, from New Orleans Feb. 11th has arrived. Admiral Farragut, with the greater portion of his fleet, had left New Orleans.

There is nothing of interest from Texas : not even a skirmish is reported. Nearly a mile of the levee at Point Coupee recently fell into the Mississippi. The levees at Baton Rouge are sadly out of repair, and overflows are apprehended

The Herald's Key West correspondent mentions the capture of the steamer Cumberland. Her cargo cost £70,000 in England. It includes 1000 barrels of gunpowder and a large quantity of Enfield rises, army clothes, boots and shoes.

Several hundred copies of the Amnesty Proclamation have been sent to Lee's army within a week, and the effect is already perceptible in the increased number of deserters. CAIRO, Feb. 19 .- It is ascertained that 14 lives were lost by the sinking of the steamer Orient-mostly deck hands and firemen.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF THE WEST, Feb. 19.—From reports of deserters and refugees. it is evident the rebels are making extensive preparations along the line of the Tennessee and Virginia railroad, either apprehending an advance from us or preparing for an offensive move themselves.

pedition, reports that fifteen millions of gold step backwards. present from a miner to President Lincoln. Fiske estimates the emigration to Idaho this summer at a hundred thousand.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19 .- A Chattanooga telegram says Sherman's troops destroyed the

and Mobile. Great constarnation exists in and exhorting non-combatants to leave. consequence.

tory of Washington, in place of Sparks.

Conness, of California, introduced a joint

esolution which was passed, authorizing the President to transfer persons from the land to the naval service. He explained that the resolution was to give discretionary power to the President to transfer seamen enlisted in the army to the navy, and to make up crews for ships of war to be sent to the Pacific Coast. He said the Navy Department was ready to send ships to that coast for its protection, but The Expedition to Florida by reason of the great bounties paid to sol- 15,000 troops had been sent by rebels to diers the Navy Department could not get Tallahassee, Fla., to dispute advance of our gailors, and this resolution was to meet the difficulty and enable the Government to send is said, have been sent from Georgia and such a fleet to the Pacific as would give that Beauregard's army. coast ample protection against attack.

> that vicinity. Gen. N. B. Buford's cavalry were equally active in attending to them. From Memphis we learn that Forrest, when last heard from, was at Panola, Miss., His command, numbering 8,000, was scat-

and pillaging." WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .- Gen. Harney is

seriously ill in this city. CHATTANOOGA, Feb. 19,-Adjt. Gen. Thomas and staff arrived yesterday from Knoxpia papers, from which we cull the following French Broad river, to avoid a contest with gers saved. About 200 steerage passengers intelligence, received by Overland Telegraph our greatly superior forces. The bridges at London will be completed within a week, and railroad communication between Nashville and Knoxville will then be perfect.

> Johnson has concentrated his forces at Dalton, Ga., and advanced his picket lines to Ringold. Fearful of an attack, he cannot spare reinforcements for Polk. The Mebile News says Polk has been shamefully outgeneraled by Sherman; who had advanced beyond Meridian, and got be-

ween him and Montgomery. The Marietta Rebel has rumors of a hard ticulars.

Rebel papers contain the following: CHARLESTON, Feb. 12th .- Our batteries opened fire on Morris Island for two hours this morning. Only four shells were fired by the enemy into the city.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 13 .- The enemy have withdrawn their forces from Johnson's Island. and are reported to have gone off in gun-boats. The Yankees at Morris Island are engaged in repairing injuries to their batteries caused by our shelling.

MOBILE. Feb. 10 .- Wirt Adams attacked a Federal train near Meridian yesterday, destroving 50 wazons, and capturing the mules and drivers. Reinforcements coming up he was compelled to retreat. He managed, however to carry off some prisoners. Our loss was six killed and wounded.

The Montgomery, Ala., Mail curses Polk for permitting Ges. Sherman to proceed thus far without attacking bim.

Washington, Feb. 21st .- Prominent citimond, say the rebels are preparing to attempt to drive the army of the Potomac back on Washington by demonstrations along the Blue Ridge and if possible to force battle at Bull Run.

The rebels have almost entirely suspended work on their iron-clads. Three are completed at Charleston and one is in process of onstruction. There is only one iron-clad in James river. One at Richmond is nearly completed but the guns have been removed to the fortifications of Charleston.

Rebel deserters state that Fitz Hugh Lee' cavalry has been disbanded until the 17th March, in consequence of the scarcity of forage. Rebel cavalry are scattered through the country in Lee's rear to procure forage until spring.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22 .- Washington disatches say there were eleven blockade runners on the lower Potomac with a large amount of goods and a rebel mail The Herald's Texas letter save : Deserter

eport Magruder's forces at 30,000. Craney Creek has been occupied and 5,000 men car be concentrated there in two days.

Louisville, Feb. 21.—Official information from General Dodge was received at General Logan's head-quarters to day, to the effect that the rebels, supposed to be Reddy's command, attempted to cross the Tennessee river at three different points, but were driven back by Dodge's troops. Our loss is slight.

The court martial in the case of Crittenden

and McCook will adjourn to morrow. Outsiders say both Generals will be vindicated. CHICAGO, Feb. 22 .- A Knoxville telegram says: The rebels are in force at Strawberry Plains. They completed a postoon bridge

there and two brigades of infantry crossed; also some cavalry, which had skirmish yesterday with our cavalry six miles from here, and were driven back to the river. General Haskall with a regiment of infantry and a battalion of cavalry encounter ed the rebel forces two miles out, killing seven and capturing nine. It is reported that reinforcements under Buckner have arrived, but this is discredited at head quarters.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Several ladv refugees have arrived from Richmond via Fredericksburg. There is a report that the rebel authorities within the last month have seized all the meat in Richmond markets and

forwarded it to Longstreet's army. WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.-Richmond papers have official despatches to the War Department, dated the 18th, announcing that Sherman had arrived at Quitman on the Ohio and Mobile Railroad without opposition, but that he won't take Mobile without a desperate battle. His advance is without exception the boldest movement of the war: He has from twenty-five to thirty thousand men, Capt. Fiske, of the northern overland ex- and moves along, evidently meditating no

dust are at Idaho awaiting transportation to Major General Scammon and Staff had New York. Over 12,000 miners are on the arrived at Richmond and were lodged in ground, mostly old Californians. Captain Libby prison. Fifty escaped Yankee officers Fiske has a nugget valued at \$250, as a have been returned to Libby prison. The Enquirer of the 17th has the following

despatches : MOBILE, Feb. 15.—Meridian was evacuated lossa Springs road further to the left. No Mobile, Feb. 16.—Governor Watts issued skirmishing of sonsequence took place at half-past eleven, when our ferces had reached yesterday-Government property saved.

Chas. Hutchins, of Oregon, as Indian Agent Navy. Preparations have been made to confrebel cannon were planted the day before. for the Territory of Idaho, and G. H. Moore, struct the new vessels entirely of iron. They Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Terri- are not intended to participate in actual bat-

FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 23-Dispatches appounce the arrival of six more prisoners. Richmond papers say forty-eight men were recaptured, leaving eleven still out.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23-Newbern letter of Feb. 18th says rebels are said to be at Kings ton. Force estimated at 25,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23-Washington letter say : From near Charleston, advices report 15,000 troops had been sent by rebels to forces on that place. Part of those troops it a portion of our forces, they fled, and our

to the Herald, dated Knoxville, Feb. 17th, formidable character. CAIRO, Feb. 19.-Helena, Arkansas, letters report that the guerrillas are very active in says : Affairs at Knoxville for four days past have been threatening, but the enemy who appeared in ferce at Strawberry Plains, recrossed the river owing to freshets in the Holston. The enemy are now reported moving towards Georgia with their cavalry on the tered over the northern part of that state in Marshville road and their infantry are passing small detachments, engaged in conscripting near Smoky Mountain. There is no anticipation of an attack which may be made, however, after the river falls.

PORTLAND, MAINE, Feb. 24-The Bohemian, from Liverpool, struck a rock four miles outside Cape Elizabeth last evening, and sunk ville. Longstreet had retreated beyond two miles from shore. All the cabin passenwere on board. Boat swamped along side. Cargo valued at one million dollars. The account is mostly Canadian. Among names of steerage passengers was that of Martin, wife and children, of California. It is not known if any of them are saved or not. Three mail bags saved; one of them for California. It is thought but few passengers were lost, except those in beats. Some of them

> Boston, Feb. 23-Vessels arrived bringing news frem Capetown, Africa, Dec. 26th. Strength of Lee's army is now 25,000. He They state that the privateer Tuscalosa was seized by British authorities, for violation of by the middle of March, at which time he neutrality laws in landing portions of her has ordered all his men to be back. Stuart's

cargo on the coast. Washington, Feb. 24-The Court at St. Chesapeake pirates to prison to await a requisition from the United States.

Washington, Feb. 25-Gov. Johnson and the Tennessee delegation had a long interview with the President relative to the restoration of Tennessee to the Union. It is understood that while they do not favor the plan of the President, vet the interview was agreeable. They say Tennessee will soon be formally restored with a civil government.

Louisville, Feb. 25-The Freedom Conhopes of peace until the principles of free-dom, as announced in the Declaration of In-which are nearly ready. They are to move the Constitution of the United States to be ures to impede the progress of these iron so amended as to secure freedom to all with | clads, for wh in its jurisdiction; that during the war the jointly with land forces, on three of the most rebellious districts, and they are thereby in- Newbern, Plymonth, and Washington. It the present Rebellion the power should be exto the President's Amnesty Proclamation, it for a permanent organization in slave States of Freedom Conventions, with a committee consisting of one member from each slave State to carry out its principles. The Con- of whom belonged to the Twenty-second vention declared itself favorable to an North Carolina Volunteers. The report has British policy rests with the House of Comamendment to the Constitution making the created considerable excitement, and, if con-President eligible for only one term. The proceedings were generally harmonious. wards the close considerable confusion prevailed, principally upon minor points.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25-Gold, 157.

## Later War News by Brother Jonathan.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE ALTA.] CHICAGO, Feb. 25 .- Tunnell Hill was capured on the twenty-fourth. Three hundred prisoners were taken. Our loss is reported at seventy-five killed and wounded .- RANKIN. News of February 25th.

NEW YORK, February 25 .- The Senate yesterday passed the Lieutenant-General Bill after striking out the provision recommending the President to appoint Gen. Grant.

Six more of Farragut's fleet are ready for sea. His fleet will comprise nearly forty vesbeen ordered to China. Special despatches say that of 20,000 veterans whose time expires street's forces. It is reported that they are within the next nine months, 2,500 have reenlisted. Special despatches also deny the report from England that minister Adams withheld any of Seward's despatches from Russell on account of their offensiveness.

It is officially announced that Gen. Sigel has been appointed to the command of the Department of Western Virginia.

A despatch from Knoxville yesterday, says a recennoissance in force, under Gen. Stone-Silverville. It was discovered that the rebel cavalry had retreated beyond French Broad River. Longstreet began to retreat on the 20th, from Strawberry Plains towards Bull Gap, he first destroying the bridge, and report says, his camp equipage. Scholfield moved to the Plains with Union forces today. There is a rumor of a raid in Longstreet's rear now current, which it is supposed will account for his precipitate retreat.

A despatch from Tunnel Hill, Ga., yesterday, says: Our troops having advanced to Tunnel Hill on Tuesday, fell back in the evening four miles. Joe Johnston's command having abandoned their position at ten o'clock yesterday morning, the advance was again resumed, a portion of Baird's, Davis' and Johnson's divisions moving forward on the main road from Kinggold, while Cruft's command of Stanley's division, marched by Ca-

bridge on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, sev- a proclamation to citizens this morning, the immediate vicinity of the town of Tun-ering the connection between Polk's forces stating that Mobile would soon be attacked, nel Hill. As soon as the infantry in sufficient Mobile. Great conststnation exists in and exhorting non-combatants to leave.

Within a few weeks the Secretary of the Senate, in Executive Session, confirmed Navy has decided to add another fleet to the road in plain view of the hill on which the immediately opened, throwing a number of shell with great accuracy into our ranks. Part of our artillery coming up opened on the enemy with some effect, lessened someworks. Their left being also threatened by whole line moving forward, occupied without further contest the ridge of Tunnel Hill. The NEW YORK, Feb. 23-A special dispatch rebel works along the creat were of a telerably

At four in the afternoon the rebels were re treating along the Dalton road, and our troops pursued within three miles of Dalton, where the rebels were found very strongly posted in Georgia, through the high, precipitous range of mountains called Rocky Fall. Our advance was met by a sharp musketry fire, which was vigorously replied to, and the first rebel line was driven back on the second. The enemy immediately opened a furious fire of shot and shell from six pieces, compelling our skirmishers to retire. The fire was kept up till sundown. McCook's and Morgan's brigades taking up a pesition at the mouth of the gorge, may have heavy fighting to-morrow, unless they can turn the enemy's position, which now seems scarcely practicable.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25-Vicksburg letters mention the arrival of a courier with news of the capture of Selma, Alabama. "It is possible but I do no vouch for it," says the correspondent.

News of February 26. NEW YORK, Feb. 26 .- Washington special despatches say that Lee's orderly had deserted and arrived at Washington. cavalry had used up all the forage, and the horses had been sent South for forage. Lea Johns, New Brunswick, has committed the expects by March or April to have 60,000 men to check any advance of our army or drive it back on Washington and invade Pennsylvania.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25 .- Gold, \$15734.

News of February 27th. New York, Feb. 27th .- The U.S. corvette Housatonic was destroyed, in Charleston harbor, on the 18th, by a rebel torpedo. It struck her starboard quarter, and in a short time she sunk off the Beach Inlet.

News from Newbern, N. C., to the 24th vention adjourned on Tuesday. A resolution says: Gen. Peck has received information of was passed declaring slavery to be the the intention of the enemy to make another strength of the rebellion; that they saw no effort to dispossess us of our position at Newdependence are carried into practice by the simultaneously down the Neuse, Tar, and Federal Constitution; that it was proper for Roanoke rivers. Gen. Peck is taking meas-President has full power to free slaves in the important rebel points on these rivers, at wested with all the rights of freemen; that in appears to be the impression, both inside and the present sehelling the nower should be exercised to the fullest extent; that with respect uated and the battle ground transferred to North Carolina-hence the desire of the enehas injured the Union cause, its operation is my to make a desperate effort to obtain posunjust and humiliating to loyal men and we session of this productive portion of the would urge its suspension until armed rebel-lion is crushed. Another resolution provides tions, before Federal forces can arrive.

Intelligence has just been received that the enemy has hung fifty-one soldiers, captured in the recent movement against Newbern, all firmed, must result in the hanging of the same number of rebels by Gen. Butler.

The Times' Paris letter says since M Mercier's arrival from America he has joined his efforts with Mr. Dayton in setting the government right on the state of the American war, and is using his influence to prevent a breach of international law, in connection with the Confederate ships in the vention. French ports. The decision of the government in the case of the Rappahannock has been changed. She will be detained.

CINCINNATTI, Feb. 27 .- A Nashville telegram of yesterday, says scouts who arrived rom General Grant's headquarters, say that General Sherman struck the Mobile and Ohio road, and cut Polk's army in the middle. Sherman subsists on the country, which abounds in stores. Great excitement is reported at Montgomery. Scouts also report that a heavy attack is progressing on the forts at Mobile. News from Huntsville, the Rumor says that the Vanderbilt has 25th, says most distressing stories are brought in by deserters as to the condition of Longnearly naked, and frightfully worn down by the exposure of the winter campaign. Men naked to indecency, and barefoot, compose

his rank and file. A General officer who arrived here yesterday states that the object of General Sherman's expedition is not to attack Mobile but to capture Selma, which is the most important manufacturing point for cannon and small arms in the Confederacy. He designs, man, was made on Monday night towards also, to destroy all the railroad communication with Mobile and with the navigable waters by which supplies and reinforcements can be forwarded to it. After the capture of Selma, Sherman's movements are discretionary, and as he cannot secure ferage sufficient to maintain himself while besieging Mobile, it is scarcely probable that he will make any real demonstration against

> Hardee's and Claiborne's divisions have been sent to reinforce Polk. The Memphis Bulletin says: A Vicksburg letter mentions high military authority as the source of knowledge that Sherman is in full

> possession of Selma, Alabama; The letter adds that the occupation of the place was gained after a severe fight. It is understood that the next place to be attacked is Montgomery, which is one hundred miles distant from Selma.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27 .- A special des-

patch to the Bulletin, last evening, from Chattanooga, says: Tunnel Hill commenced on Monday. A strong column of infantry preceded by the cavalry, moved out from Chattanooga near the old battle field of Chickamauga, and took the direct road from Tunnel Hill to Dalton. A party of rebel cavalry were driven in confusion Chickamauga, through Ringgold Gap and Tayler's Ridge, by the advance under Col. Harrison, which rested that night at Ringwhat by the apparent imperfection of the gold. The next morning the cavalry in adshells, very few of which exploded. Two vance had several lively skirmishes with the pieces of the Ninth and Tenth Indiana Bat- First Tennessee, but were, however, conery afterwards were placed in position to tinually pushed back until four in the afterthe left of the road and materially assisted in noon, when our force arrived in sight of dislodging the rebel battery. The infantry Tunnel Hill. Here a good deal of fighting now advanced, taking the rebels on the right was done, but with but little loss on either flank, and boldly marched along the crest of side. Colonel Harrison finding that the enemy Tunnel Hill, completely turning the enemy's outnumbered him, fell back to his infantry support, and again pressed forward and drove the enemy out of the town of Tunnel Hill. The enemy had an entire brigade of cavalry under Wheeler, with four pieces of artillery, and opening with them, checked the further progress of our forces. As soon as our artillery arrived, its fire was directed at Boone's (rebel) cavalry, who had advanced upon Col Harrison's right. At dark our forces retired about four miles, to await supplies. In the meantime Stanley's command advanced from the vicinity of Cleveland, preceded by cavalry, under Colonel Long of the Fourth Ohio Cavalry. The latter is said to have penetrated to within three miles of Dalton to-

day.

A despatch from Buzzard Boost, Ga., the 25th, 9:30 p.m., says General Craft is in the valley beyond Rocky Face, where he found the enemy in heavy force, and awaits reinforcements. Morgan and McCook are feeling the enemy at Buzzard's Roost, and skirmishing lively.

Important from Europe.

### HOSTILITIES COMMENCED IN SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN.

An Armistice Proposed. RUMORED DIVISION IN THE ENG-

LISH CABINET. SANDY HOOK, Feb. 19 .- The City of Manchester, from Liverpool Feb. 3rd, and Queenstown Feb. 4th. bas arrived. The news is

highly important. An engagement of six hours' duration had taken place between the Danes and Germans at Husum. The Danish outposts were driven in by the Germans, but the Danes repulsed

their assault on the place. LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4.—There has been a general attack on Husum by the Germans .-Their loss was 150 to 200. The Prussian loss was 250 to 300-some accounts say much

London, Feb. 4 .- The Austrians attacked Bustorf yesterday. The Danes held their own. An attack on the whole Danish line, rom Husum to Agel, is expected to take

It is asserted that England has offered to guarantee all that Austria and Prussia have demanded of Denmark.

The Alabama was on the watch for vessels 150 miles south of Rangoon, on the 5th January. The ship Morteban, formerly an American, and the bark Texan Star, had been destroyed by her.

The Morning Times has the following temperature of the description of the state of this day, the Austrians attacked the position of Bustorf, one English mile south of Schlenwig. The Danes held their ground, with sharp fighting, until dark. The Danes lost one field-piece. The wounded are being brought

The Times seems inclined to cast upon Parliament the task of deciding the policy of the Cabinet. It says the future course of mons. All that a neutral State may do will, no doubt, be sanctioned by Parliament and public opinion. There is great anxiety in England for the meeting of Parliament, to learn the policy of the Government on the

Danish question. The Herald says the Government will do nothing for Denmark. The Peace Society has memorialized Lord Russell against inter-

It was rumored that Disraeli and Derby will make strong attacks on Russell, and that the Cabinet, except Russell and Gladstone, is prepared to support Denmark.

The Times says : The question whether a state of war on the part of Austria and Prussia against Denmark, now definitely existing, is such as to imperil the ships of those nations at present in the ports of this country, if they should put to sea and meet Danish cruisers, has been the subject of anxious discussion.

Field-Marshal Wrangel, in a proclamation to the Schleswigers, says he is there to protect their rights and civil privileges. Austria and Prussia will assume the ad-

ministration of the Duchies of Schleswig and Holstein. It is asserted that Napoleon was more resolved than ever to take no active part in the Danish question, but to leave the difficulties

of the settlement to England. NEW YORK, Feb. 19-'t'he following is a summary of the Virginia's news, which left Liverpool 2nd:

Marshal Wrangel, on the 31st January, commanded the Danes to evacuate Schleswig forthwith. General Demeza refused, whereupon the Prussians passed the frontier, and shots were exchanged without effect. The Danes retreated after blowing up a large bridge. The Prussians, on the 1st of February, advanced to Gettorf and Eckinforde, establishing their head-quarters at Getterf. The Danish ships at Eckinforde, after exchanging shots with the Prussians, sailed away. The that city.

The Gazette's Chattanooga despatch says entire Austro-Prussian cavalry entered Schles wig through Rendsburg on the 1st, and large masses of troops were pressing forward.

The London Morning Post thinks the diffi-culty looks threatening, but believes that the German powers profess to enter Schleswig not with the intention of dismembering Den. mark, but only to seize a material guarante for the performance of engagements. The Post says England is in honor bound to furnish material support to Denmark.

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barked their stores to Olsen Island. LONDON, February 12 .- The Morning Post says that the basis of England's proposition for an armistice is the evacuation, by the Danes, of Schleswig, except Olsen Island,

Dates to February 11th. NEW YORK, February 24th .- The Heela, country. with dates from Liverpool to the 9th, and from Queenstown to the 10th, has arrived.

The parliamentary news is unimportant. In Holstein, affairs are under the control of the German Diet. Prussia has positively de-clared that she would respect the integrity of

Danmark. It is fully confirmed that the Danes had retreated from Schleswig, evacuated Danners werk, and blown up their works at Missunde. The Germans followed the Danes to Fluesberg, when the latter retreated to Dussel .- at 149. Several severe engagements had taken place, with considerable loss on both sides. The Germans secured great booty, and a large number of prisoners. According to some authorities, the Danish possession of Schleswig has ended. It is thought that the Danes will anxiety existed at Copenhagen, caused by the telligence, Danish retreat.

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proposed an European Congress relative to Schleswig.

The London Times says that the Danes have lost everything in Schleswig except honor. The Post says the situation is informal [and urges a] suspension of hostilities. It says the time has arrived for the basis of arrangements to be discussed. The Herald contends that if Austria and Prussia repudiate the treaty of London, a general war can hardly be avoided.

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The Paris correspondence of the London Times says: At a ball on the 3d February the Emperor said to his Grand Marshal, "General they have begun the exchange of cannon and cannon shot at the North; let them go on; it is no affair of ours; our policy

In the course of debate in the House o Lords Earl Derby reviewed at length the foreign policy of the government, contending ish troops had taken possession of the towns that it was injurious and humiliating to England. The rejection of the Emperor steamers. The towns were in ashes when Napoleon's proposal for a European Con- the troops entered. gress, and his invitation to recognise the Government of the Confederate States, together with fruitless negotiations with Russia regarding Poland, and interfering in Dansish difficulties were severally referred to, and of Amoy.

everely censured Russell's foreign policy. The Queen's Speech is said to have caused disappointment in Denmark.

Lord Manners expressed the hope that the government would lose no opportunity in giving friendly advice to American belligerents with a view of drawing the centest to a

#### CALIFORNIA NEWS

FROM THE OREGONIAN. SAN FRANCISCO, February 20 .- Gold was queted in New York yesterday at 158 a 159; urrency bills, 50 a 52. The steamer California, from Panama, arriv

ed to-day, with bulk freight only. The Golden Age will sail for Panama or the 22nd.

San Francisco, Feb. 20.—The steamer Senator, from the south, has arrived, bringing a large amount of gold from the Colorado SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.-R. P. Moore.

wife and child, were overturned on the New

Ocean Road to-day. The wife was severely injured. The Golden Age sailed to-day, with forty passengers and \$940,000 treasure.
In the review to-day, 1,800 soldiers parad-

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—Private despatches quote gold in New York yesterday

The Russian clipper ship Czarewitch, has arrived from Sitka, with a cargo of general merchandise. The steamer Pamama, from Crescent City,

arrived this evening. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—The Eastern make a formidable stand at Dussel, where line being out of order east of Fort Kearney they will be supported by the fleet. Great this morning, we have no later Eastern in-

A courtezan named Mary B. Smith, was It was reported at Paris that a revolution this morning found dead in her bed with her had broken out at Copenhagen, but it is no throat cut from ear to ear. Jealquey is supposed to be the cause of the suicide. The English jeurnals continue to be very was aged 32 years, and is a native of Massa-

The War Department has directed General Wright to take military possession of the is-Liverpool, February 10.—The Prussians land of Santa Catalina, for government purhave occupied Fluesberg. The Austrian poses. This action will require the immediate removal of all persons now on the island.

that Minister Adams had thought it prudent wine have been seized and libelled by the to withhold Mr. Seward's offensive despatch. revenue authorities for being in quantities Earl Derby was indignant that it never had less than fifteen gallons. The owners will

time since we noticed the arrest of Captain New York, February 24.—The steamer Ozias Blake, of the bark W. B. Scranton, on City of Washington, with one day's later the charge of setting ashore a seaman from that vessel on the uninhabited coast of Earl Russell and Lord Palmerston had Washington Territory. Judge Hoffman, on

burg.

The Germans had decided to raise [the to-day, removed an eye of the murdered subject by Portland capitalists.

The Jight House at the most courtesan, Mrs. Smith, and after dissecting it obtained a photograph of the retina. The result is a man's whiskers, nose and legs are discernable, but the picture is not sufficient for a clust the murderer. These weeks ago, from being gradually undermined by the action of the water upon its sandy foundation. The lamps, lenses &c., had been previously removed.—Statesman. it obtained a photograph of the retina. The Danes in great numbers had arrived at Alser.

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> be divulged. James Grant, a pioneer and in early days County Recorder of San Francisco, died today of erysipelas.

Captain J. Sewell Reed, of the "California DONDON, Feb. 11-The Florida left Brest Hundred," was killed while leading his men on the night of the 9th. It is supposed the against a body of guerrillas on the 22nd

Turpentine scarce at \$3 20.

Miles Willoughby and Andrew Olscan are death in Toronto on January 14th. arrested for obtaining money under false pretences, and William Manning for in-Brig -- arrived 54 days from Tooshan,

with teas to Macondray & Co. No later news about the Alabama. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26 .- Brig Glenco arrived to day, 39 days from Kanagawha, and also the ship Henry Brigham, 49 days from Shanghae via Kanagawhs in 28 days. The latter brings Japan dates to the 27th January. The Captain reports that the mail try and desolate home, is lying in this city at the QUEBEC, Feb, 4th.—The Danes have evacuated Schleswig, and Dennewick is falling was when the Brigham sailed, but he was bach to Flanders. The Germans are pursu- unable to procure any late China papers. In the House of Commons Mr. Cobden January were received on board and are now

In the House of Commons Mr. Cobden centended that the Queen's Speech should have made some reference to American af fairs. He complained of silence on this and other important subjects. Palmerston replied that the government only depression of the sailing of the Glencoe. Up to that time there was no confirmation of the solution of t plied that the government could have repeated capture of the Alabama. The following is what had often been said, but could see no from a correspondence dated Kanagawa, occasion for doing so.

Uan. 15th: We regret to say that the news In the House of Lords Earl Derby repu- as to the capture of the Alabama was not

> From the Mexican Coast. The steamer Illinois from Aspinwall the 17th has arrived. She left in port the Champ-ion awaiting the California mails and passen-

The French flagship Pallas left Panama fo

San Domingo advices state that the Span-

From China. Later news from China make no mention PORTLAND NEWS

Is it Possible?—The telegraph gets off the following improbable yarn. We say say improbable, because vessels have crossed and recrossed the Columbia river bar, with slight interruptions, all the time since Dec. 17th: San Francisco, Feb. 19th .- The bark Iwanowna sailed hence for Columbia river Dec. 17th, returned to day for supplies, having laid off the bar 34 days, unable to cross, on account of rough weather.

NARROW ESCAPE .- On Saturday, while the steamer Onward was receiving flour at Fair- which he calls upon his Hungarian compafield, Mr. Church, the purser of the boat, was triots to shake off the detested yoke of Gerprecipitated about twenty-five feet down the man domination. The sensation in Vienna at bluff and escaped death almost miraculously. The cargo is transferred to the boat at that place by means of a shute, some one hundred feet in length, very steep, alongside of which is a path for pedestrians. Mr. Church was proceeding up the path when a sack of flour bounded over the shute, and striking him from the English papers on the Denmark riolently upon the shoulder, threw him backs wards, with a summersault a distance of 25 feet, and then continued its bounding course

but was soon enabled to attend to his duties. Nevada were presented with a highly gratiying address by the passengers on the voyage from Victoria to Portland.

The Williamette Theatre, after undergoing repairs, was re-opened by Mr. Ward's com-

Mr. Thayer, the actor, was married to Miss Sallie Goodrich the actress. The bride and bridegroom appeared on the boards shortly

The missing man Smyth had "turned up" in charge of Recorder Reynolds. He had lowing on this subject :been fraudulently passing away iron shavings for gold dust. DEPARTURE OF THE CALIFORNIA STEAMER .-

The Sierra Nevada left this port Saturday evening, having en board 6,000 boxes of apples, 20 cases of cider, and an assortment of other freight, amounting in all to a full round cargo. She carried away in treasure, the sum of \$104,000. BURNED TO DEATH .- Mrs. Connor, wife of the otorious Connor who was shot at Centerville in a house at Pierce City on New Years' day. It was supposed that she had got drunk as usual, and accidentally set her bed-clothes on fire. The house

was entirely consumed. Deceased was formerly Meeny, at that time proprietor of the Western by trust it may not be so in this genealest. Their windows broken. The covered way from the stage at Woodside Ferry, which was IMPORTANT SUBJECT FOR PORTLANDERS .-The steamship Sierra Nevada left about two hundred tons of freight in Victoria, that she could not and gloom on all sides. There is not a quarbring, consignments for this city, A. B. Richardson being the principal consignee. So a "hat-full" of invoices were about all our merchants received from Victoria. This was unavoidable, of course, the steamship brought all she could carry, But the circumstance substantiates what we have urged heretofore, that our facilities for transportation

Earl Russell and Lord Palmerston had both made explanations relative to the Danish question, denying the right of Austria and Prussia to abrogate the treaty of 1852.

Both Houses of the [Danish] Rigsraad the Court in the case, and her passed over the adopted resolutions exhorting the resolutions and the process of the passed over the court in the case, and her people are beginning to feel the importance of sections, denying the resolutions exhorting the people to will be considered to the case, and her people are beginning to feel the importance of sections, that there in Portland. Victoria being a free port, offers us great inducement in the way of trade, and her people are beginning to feel the importance of sections. adopted resolutions exhorting the people to under which the complaint was drawn was tranquility and order, and pledging itself to intended to apply to the landing of men on the energetic defence of the country. An address to the King was voted.

The Anstrian head quarters on the 0th SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25—Dr. Shelden, We should like to see some action taken upon this

# CANADA.

Our Canadian exchanges are to January 15th. The Manitoulin Indians have sent a protest to the government against the survey of their lands on the Island, signed by 173 names. They had also warned the surveyor not to proceed with his

The man Greenwood who was tried lately in Toronto for the murder of a woman named Walsh, and the setting on fire the house where her body lay, has been sentenced to seven years' imprison-

The imports of free goods at Detroit for the lay of erysipelas.

A telegram to Lieut.—announces that
Captain J. Sewell Reed, of the "California" effects and baggage, \$522,196.

The government have appointed a day for the inspection of the volunteer forces of the country, by officers selected from the regular army. \$5000 will be distributed in prizes on the occasion.

Dr. Daniel Wilson has been lecturing to crowded and gratified audiences in the Lowell Institute,

A grand Draught Tournament had been held in Toronto, resulting as follows: First prize, Wm. Patterson, Galt; second do., Lott Dean, Toronto; third do., R. Fleming, Scarboro; fourth do., James Aikens, Galt.

The Montreal Gazette says: We regret to learn that the Hon. J. B. Clay, late Senator from Kentucky to the United States Congress, son of Henry Clay, America's greatest statesman, now

murdered in Detroit. The English Government has recalled His Ex-

#### EUROPEAN SUMMARY [DATES TO JANUARY 16TH.]

The news by this mail is not of such an graphic items, published in the Californian

papers, which announce that war has commenced in Europe, arising out of the Schleswig-Holstein difficulties. The Germans and Danes had commenced hostilities, and it seemed to be expected that the disturbances would extend further than the north of dressed seemed to agree with him.

Acapalco, to entorce the blockade. The U.

Addresses in toply to the Queen's Speech were adopted in both Houses without amendations.

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S, frigate Lancaster was at Acapalco, watching the movements of the French.

Those whom he addresses in toply to the Queen's Speech ing the movements of the French. Mr. Gladstone, who represent a very strong section of the liberal party, being strongly averse to any interference, whilst the re-mainder of the Cabinet support Lord Palmerston's views, which are more in accordance with those of the Conservative party, and a strong attack was expected from the Conservative leaders in both Houses of Parliament, aimed against the peace section of the government. In the meantime, excitement is great on the European Continent. Garibaldi is resigning his seat in the Turin

"It is not only the affection which I awe to Sicily, the courageous initiator of so many revolutions, but the thought that they have wounded in her the right and the honor in compromising the safety of all Italy, which me from finding myself with the people in in the town were shattered in all directions, arms on the road to Rome and Venice. Adieu .- Yours, G. GARIBALDI."

Kossuth had issued a proclamation which is published in the Alleanza of Milan, in this publication is intense, and coupled with Garibaldi's hints that he is in readiness, seem to point at some combination of action which augurs ill for the success of the Germans in the struggle upon which they are entering. The following are some of the latest items

question :-Lord Robert Cecil has addressed a letter to the Times correcting more apparent inaceuinto the river. Mr. Church was slightly hurt racies in its special information from Hamnt was soon enabled to attend to his duties. burg. It is obvious from the tone he adopts, Capt. Johnson and officers of the Sierra that the section of the Tories which he representations of the contract of sents-Tories who distrust Mr. Disraeli-intend to support the Danish side. The mass of the middle classes seem, on the whole, to be of the same opinion, which is also Lord Palmerston's. The Court-the Prince of Wales excepted-entertain a different view, as does that considerable section of politicians which gunpowder explosion on the river; the desholds that Germany is in all cases the natural truction to property, however, on both sides ally of Great Britain, the only real defence of the Mersey is immense. The quantity of against the ascendancy of the Western and gunpowder on board the Lotty-Sleigh was Eastern military monarchies.

> No reprehension can be too strong for the conduct of the Princes who have placed the Post-office, and several others were themselves at the head of this intemperate slightly hurt by falling glass. The excitemovement in Germany. Their office was one | ment in the streets is intense. of conciliation and restraint, and they have chosen the place of popular incendiaries.-There is a time at which these movements Cheshire side also. As yet the damage to get beyond the control of Princes, or Parliaments, or any other power. But until they life, are unknown. In Birkenhead and the have reached that stage it is nearly always neighborhood the damage has been still more possible for Sovereigns to arrest the danger extensive than in Liverpool, most of the by the conciliation the Emperor speaks of. It is certainly not too late in the other diffi- their windows broken. The covered way ly trust it may not be so in this senseless

Schleswig-Helstein dispute. The New Year opens with threatenings ter of the world free from war or the imminent danger of war, and the sole hope of preserving or restoring peace rests in the hands of the different rulers and ministers. If they will, however, act in the conciliatory spirit ascribed to them by the Emperor of the French, there is no difficulty that may not be settled without war. The speech of the Emof theorists. May he be true to his own Saturday Evening, January 16th

The Paris correspondent of the Sun points out the importance of Thursday's debate in the Legislative Body, a resume of which is takes no pains to conceal its "formidable an-tagonism." Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at that the policy of the government as to its future action is much speculated upon.

The King of Denmark, on Thurday, gave

a dinner to the members of the Rigsraad, during which the King and the people's res presentatives announced their determination to maintain the independence of Denmark against the attacks of Germany. A telegram rom Fluesburg states that cannonading has been heard in the direction of Rendsburg. We do not, however, think that any aggressive attempt on Schleswig is likely to be made by the German troops now stationed on the Eider without the authority of the Federal Diet; and Saxony declared at the last meeting of that body that the troops of Prussia and Austria should not pass through Holse tein, to occupy Schleswig, without the con-

An attempt has been made upon the life Louis Napoleon. Mazzini having been imolicated in the conspiracy, has written the

ollowing denial to the English press: SIR,-Accusations of every description have been, since the arrest of four Italians at Paris charged with an attempt against Louis Napoleon, heaped upon me by the organs of the French Government and repeated by the

English press. It has always been my known habit not to discuss accusations put lorth against me by avowed enemies, and I feel a special dislike to do so when the accusations come from the agents of a man who, as far as in him lies, s by mere brutal force depriving my country of the unity which she claims, and making of Rome the basis of operation of the brigandage infesting the south of Italy. Yielding, however, to solicitations of dear

English friends, I do declare:-That I never did instigate anybody to kill Louis Napoleon; That I never did give to any man bombs

air-guns, revolvers or daggers for that purpose;
That Trabucco. Imperatori, and Gaglio are

entirely unknown to me. That, therefore, the meeting summoned at viven to Imperatori in a brigade of four men, and the giving of photographs to the men, are absolute falsehoods:

That my photographs, with my autograph at the bottom, are sold for the Venice Emaucipation Fund at the office of the Unita Italiana and elsewhere;
That no letter, with or without money,
has ever been addressed by me to Greeo in

Greco I know. Hundreds, I may sav thousands, of young men belonging to our national party of action are known to me. Greco is an enthasiastic patriot, who took and active part in the enterprizes of 1860 and 1861 in the South of Italy, and he has had, as such, contact with me. Any note of mine in as possession, if there is any, must, however, belong to at least nine or ten months ago. Enough in reply to accusations bitherto merely grounded on French police reports.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully, Jan. 14. JOSEPH MAZZINI. Liverpool was the scene of a terrible explosion on the night of the 15th January. A

Parliament, closes his address in the following | vessel, of about 120 tons burden, lying in the Mersey, and about to sail for Africa, with tent tons of gunpowder on board, caught fire. The crew consisted of fourteen men; but they knowing the nature of the cargo, appear to have quitted the ship at the first alarm, and the vessel was left to her fate. The fire reached has led me take this resolution. There is, the gunpowder about half-past seven in the however, nothing in this which will prevent evening, when the windows of the buildings the gas lamps put out, and several people thrown down by the violence of the shock, but happily no lives were lost. It will be seen by the latest reports that the damage extended to an immense distance, which is not at all surprising seeing that there were between 11 and 12 tons of powder on board. The following further particulars are given

in the papers of the 16th Jan .: LIVERPOOL, Friday Night. This afternoon the Lottie Sleigh, 120 tons, ying in the Mersey, outward bound for Africa, with a crew of 14 men, and several tons of gunpowder on board, caught fire. The crew were taken off, and at half-past seven the vessel blew up with a fearful report. Thousands of windows in shops, public buildings, offices, &c., were shattered; all the street gas lamps were put out and illuminated church clocks were extinguished. Several people were blown down, but no fatalities or serious accidents are as yet reported.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, 12 p.m. No serious disasters to life or person have as yet been reported in connection with the 9401 kegs, or 11 1-2 tons. The ship was The Times of the 2nd January has the fol- blown to atoms, and portions of the iron work scattered over both sides of the Mersey. Several persons were thrown down in

Another telegram says :shipping in the river, as well as the loss of houses and all the public buildings having all only glazed a short time back, has lost every pane of its glass. No loss of life or other accidents have been reported, although there were several narrow escapes from the bolts, which were thrown a considerable distance."

Another despatch says: "The vessel belonged to Hatton and Cookson, and only left dock this afternoon. The steward was trimming a paraffin oillamp, when it capsized, and the can containing the oil fell into the lazarette storeperor discloses the only ray of hope amid the room in the cabin. The flames caught the madness of nationalities, and the recklessness captain's clothes and bedding, and spread rapidly. The pilot signalled to a passing ferry steamer, which took all hands on board and landed them at Liverpool. The vessel was burning for nearly two hour before blowing up at 7.22, but no one dare approach. Vessels in the Sloyne and other parts of the given. The government and M. Thiers are river received damage from the flying mateat daggers drawn, and the former, it seems, rials. Great damage was also done to the river.'

The following are the latest European telegrams forwarded by our London correspondent, whose letter will appear in tomorrow's issue.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS-THE BADEN ARMY. CARLSRUHE, Jan. 16.

The Ministry have determined that preparations shall be made for placing the army upon a war footing. The Ministers at Vienna and Berlin have been instructed to make representations to the respective governments relative to the intended occupation of Schleswig.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Jan. 15. The debate on the Constitutional question

closed to-day in the Senate. The government motion that the Bill on the Constitutional reform should be voted article by article, has been thrown out by 93 against 53 votes.

The final vote will take place to-morrow. Rumors of a ministerial crisis are again current. DENMARK.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 16.

Among the Bills submitted to the Rigsdag is one for the introduction in Denmark of trial by jury on the English system. THE EXECUTION IN HOLSTEIN.

KIEL. Jan. 16. Duke Frederick received a deputation of Holstein Clergymen to-day. The Danes are reported to be busily engaged in breaking up the ice upen the Schlei. The order for the evacuation of the castle of Gottorp has been revoked.

TAKEN FOR A PIRATE.—Capt. Pearse, of

the rakish looking little iron craft the Fideliter, informs us that on several occasions during the voyage from England he hoisted the English ensign and endeavored to exchange signals with other ships, but they invariably showed him their stern and made off with all speed. It became evident that Lugano, the absurd place of under-lieutenant | the appearance and rig of his vessel caused him to be taken at a distance for one of the noted Confederate cruisers. The Fideliter is rigged as a three-masted schooner; her dimensions are as follows: length, 121 feet, beam, 18½ feet; depth of hold, 8½ feet; gross tonnage, 141 58-100, deducting 45 31-100 for propelling power; registered carry-ing tonnage, 96 22-100. Capt. Pearse describes her as a fast sailer, and a good sea boat. She has her boilers and engines ready fixed on board, and can be fitted up for steam propulsion in a few days. She will however require cleaning, as she is very foul after a voyage of so long duration. The Fideliter is owned exclusively by the Vancouver Coal Mining and Land Company, Limited. VALPARAISO .- Capt. Pearse, of the Fideli-

ter, visited Valparaiso just after the frightful calamity which occasioned so great sacrifice of life at Santiago. He says that the populace were almost in a state of tumult, and an outbreak was considered not improbable. The sad event caused intense excitement at Valparaiso.

force. Thousands of windows in Birken-

OBITUARY.

demonstration has brought the Daimios to

their senses, and they are prepared to do

what the English agents demand of them.

especially as regards the murder of Mr

OUR LONDON LETTER .- We have much pleas\_

STEAMBOAT COMBINATION .- We learn that the

wners of the Flying Dutchman and Lillooet have

formed a combination to run off the Reliance or

force her into the compact. The Lillooet is to

carry freight and passengers to the mouth of

Harrison river, where they will be taken by the Flying Dutchman and carried to Douglas. The Lillooet will run on to Yale, in opposition to the Reliance. The combination is to last sixty days. We hope that Capt. Irving will refuse to enter

into this scheme to take advantage of the public

and trust that the travelling community and mer-chants generally will uphold him in this course.

United States STEAMER NARRAGANSETT.

This steam vessel is now lying at Mare

Island refitting and repairing previous to her

voyage round the Horn. She is not to visit

his place but is ordered to report at New

York. Commauder Wordsworth has applied

for change and will, we understand, be ap-

pointed to the command of the monitor

THE SALMON FISHERIES .- Every prepara-

tion has been made for the vigorous prose-

cution of the fisheries at the mouth of the

Fraser as soon as the season opens. The

company intend to establish fishing stations

at various points along the coast as well as

Comanche.

literary experience having been twenty years

cessor has been appointed.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.] LONDON, January the 16th, 1864:

THE BIRTH OF THE PRINCE. The accouchement of the Princess of Wales the 8th instant, and the birth of a young expected, and the prince child is what is the possession of the Duchies several years ago. Earl Russell, although he peremptoring, and is both healthy and strong. It was reported that the visit of the Princess with the Congress proposed by Louis Napoleon, has been dand and a large party of friends to the author to the relative which several years ago determining that "it should be lawful for the Home Secretary to reprieve a criminal east of the Russell, although he peremptor and is both healthy and strong. It was passed a few years ago determining that "it should be lawful for the Home Secretary to reprieve a criminal east of the Russell, although he peremptor of the Ru the princess herself was propelled several dimes along the frozen lake in a sledge, was the imprediate cause of bringing about her the the tribe in the tribe by prognosticative of so early an accouchement hurry-skurry at Frogmore is very amusing, where no preparation had been made for the arrival of "the little illustrious stranger;" but the maternal care of the Duchess of Moulesfield-supplied all the necessary articles of clothing, and rendered the arrival of " the wathings" that had been prepared, of no great moment. Up to the time of my writing, "mother and child are doing well;" the terms of the last bulletin being that "H. R. H. contimaes to make an uninterrupted recovery, and

THE CRAWLEY COURT-MARTIAL: The Crawley court-martial has been again brought up by the publication of the sentence by authority of the Commander-in-Chief, with Her Majesty's sanction. The Colonel comes off scot free, as you will see (since I enclose the letter itself), whilst the officers who gave the principal evidence against their superior officer are most severely censured La Major Swinley's and Dr. Turnbull's cases this censure may not be too strong, inasmucl as they certainly, to use a common saying. parted with the hare and ran with the accounts," but Lieut. Fitzsimon is most hardly ased, for his evidence was given with straightforward candor, and the manner in which he condured the bullying cross-examination of Col. Crawley was most commendable. He vie, however, another victim to might "overcoming right," since, although the Colonel has been acquitted, it is clear that the courtmartial never touched the main features of the case. Of course Colonel Crawley returns to his regiment, but that he will long remain in it, is not very probable. Even supposing that the can get rid of the officers with whom he

the infant Prince is quite well." No other

Coulletin will be issued until to-morrow, which at is expected will be the last.

THE ALEXANDRA CASE. The Alexandra case gives another instance off the blessed uncertainty of the law. It had been transmitted to Lapear whence they came on for judgment on the 11th, when, on were preparing to start, to the effect that the question of granting a new trial, as insisted upon by the Attorney-General (Sir R. arrival in Paris these men were watched Palmer), the Court of Exchequer was equally divided in opinion, the Chief Baron Pollock and Baron Bramwell being opposed to, and Baroas Chandler and Piggott in favor of a that there could be no mistake about mehearing of the entire case. This was to their purpose. Very little has been refese a new trial, but as this was deemed to allowed to transpire about these four men; be mexpedient the junior judge, Baron Piggott, withdrew his opinion. The application for another trial was refused, and the finding of the jury on the original trial-That the Litting out of the Alexandra was not a violation of the Foreign Enlistment Act, and that the vessel was illegally detained, is allowed to stand. This result having given the right of appeal, the Attorney-General intimated his intention of immediately taking proceedings in that direction. An appeal will necoesitate a rehearing of the entire case in the Exchequer Chamber, and doubtless a and accords Mazzini as having been the infinal reference to the House of Lords, so that many months must elapse before anything disc a settlement of so vexed a question is

WEETING OF PARLIAMENT, AND GOSSIP ABOUT MINISTERS, ILLNESS OF LORD PALMERSTON

AND THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE. Parliament is to meet on the 4th February. but nothing of any especial moment is likely to transpire before Easter. The Conservatives cannot agree amongst themselves upon any immediate course of action, but the younger scions of the party shew strong symptoms of being disinclined to submit to the continued leadership of Mr. Disraeli in the House of Commons. Lord Derby, however, is not likely to forsake his lieutenant and thus, if there are any chances of upsetting the government, there will in all probability be a compromise. Both sections of the House of Commons, the Ministerialists and the Opposition, if such these may be called who are seated on the left hand of the Speaker's chair have, it appears, made up their minds to require no aid from the kindly offices of Messrs. Cobden and Bright, and other small following." The Pope's brass band, as the Roman Catholic Irish members are called, are as usual open to the highest bids from those either in or out of office, who will lend the most willing ear to the demands for increased patronage for the members of their church; but the government can scarcely count upon whilst Lord Palmerston lasts, however, there is not much prospect of any change of government. A dissolution at the end of the session should the Premier last till then, (he has been very ill again, and quite confined to his room by gout) will make a strange alteration

an ministerial affairs. A ministerial change at the Colonial Office as expected, as the Duke of Newcastle is not likely to get permanently better. Mr. Card-well and Lord Woodehouse are named as likely to succeed to the seals of this office.

SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN AFFAIRS. The Schleswig-Holstein dispute is not at all nearer a solution than it was when the last

files from this side reached you. The Prince the execution of Wright on the merning of Augustenburg has taken up his residence in a private house at Kiel, whither hosts of disatisfied Germans meet to pay him homage; is greatly stirred by the penalty of the law has no move at present showing being carried out in the one care whilst pardon but he makes no move at present showing being carried out in the one case, whilst pardon that he intends to resort to arms. In the was se readily accorded in the other; and, meanwhile the determination of the Danish use what arguments the friends of Sir George

is on the increase, but Austria and Prussia jects on this, as it will also on your side of declare against England who by the mouth the Courts where the crime was perpetrated and pen of Earl Russell expresses a determi- (Derbyshire) but an overwhelming majority place at least two months earlier than was nation to adhere to the Treaty which settled Wirginia Water, where a game of hockey was Great Powers in order to bring about a setplayed upon the ice by the gentlemen, and tlement of a matter, which shews positive signs of bringing about a continental war; thing to do with the attempt at an arrangement, by asking to be permitted to see the
programme before he decides. My next the sentence of the law should take its course as actually took place. The account of the communication will tell you something more because the Judge who tried the prisoner, herry-skurry at Frogmore is very amusing, definite, but as to the present aspect of all Mr. Justice Blackburn, had informed him parties, it may be represented by one single that had not the wretched man pleaded guilty word of command-" as you were !

FRANCE. Things do not look very pleasant in France. M. N. Thiers, Jules Favre, and a few other members of the apposition in the Legislative Chamber are giving Louis Napoleon some uneasiness. In a recent debate a and the Coroner's inquest had ended, he was greater amount of liberty than Frenchmen arraigned at the Ceutral Criminal Court, in enjoy was claimed by these active spirits, spite of the interests of Mr. Campbell Sleigh, and the ministerialists, although they are the counsel for the prosecution, that the trial strong enough to defeat any motion intended to hamper and impede the government, made but a sorry attempt to defeat the plans and very little effort was made by arguments put forward. That the tendency to demand larger freedom of discussion has troubled Louis Napoleon very nearly is to be interred from his having broken intough his usual taciturnity. On the occasion, two days ago, of a cardinal's hat being conferred on M. Bonnechose, Archbishop of Rouen, "the depositions were most meagre, and so far from the judge being right, there man of marble" could not refrain from letting is every reason to believe, had the man been man of marble" could not refrain from letting it appear how deeply M. N. Thiers and others had wounded his honor, and how resolved he is to exercise his power with unfling resistance to advancing oninions." Parliament meets the Home Secretary must flinching resistance to " advancing opinions." As the address he delivered is too long for give a better reason for his stubborn obstiinsertion in this communication I send it as extracted from the London journals of this government of which he is a member, will morning. The reference to the men of the Orleans period is so marked that there is no prevent either the minister from yielding in things have small beginnings. mistaking the meaning. That Louis Napon future too easily to humanitarian pressure, or leen is in a cleft stick and knows himself to a hard doctrinaire from turning aside the be so, is the general impression here as in true course of nature. France, where freedom of opinion is at last beginning to try to make itself heard. In the midst, however, of all this entanglement, most disastrous explosion, which might have which would dishearten many a man of a been attended with most fatal consequences. more impetuous temperament than that The Lotty Sleigh, a vessel lying off Wooddisagrees, he cannot send the rank and file to the which Louis Napeleon possesses, he goes at the rank and he will not find that he shout in public almost unatiended, and and laden with eleven and a half tons of shours. has made for himself amongst them "a bed shews no symptom of fear, although if the gunpowder intended for South Africa, caught

another narrow escape from assassination. Four Italians were tracked to Paris by the police, after a telegraphic communication they might be permitted to leave. On their ore wat once took to the boats and escaped. night and day, and at last when the pear "seemed ripe" enough they were arrested with sufficient proof about them to indicate serted in yesterday's issue,-ED. Col.) but enough has oezed out to let it appear that a most craftily laid plan was prepared to strike a blow against the life of Louis Napoleon. Not only were bombs, of a new construction, found in the prisoner's apartments, but several air-canes and ponjards. seeming to have been poisoned, were also di-covered. Upon the supposed conspirator, a Chief Greco, a cipher is reported to have been found in the letters from Mazzini, as also a portrait of that vehement Red Republican Prince Satsuma pledges himself that full sat-Greco, which disclosed the whole plot at once isfaction to British demands shall be given, a portrait of that vehement Red Republican stigator of the proposed murder, and of having supplied him and his associates with pledge. That we shall hear more, however, funds to carry it out. Great indignation has of the recent affair in the Japanese waters naturally enough been expressed against when Parliament meets, there is very little Mazzini in this country, and several of the doubt, although the sting will be taken out morning papers have gone so far as to insist of the Opposition by success," all being well upon his either being sent away from Eng- that ends well." land or brought to trial, as Barnard was, for

Richardson, and the Tycoon confirms the conspiracy. This has moved Mazzini to denv ure in laying before our readers a very able and all knowledge or complicity in the plot. interesting letter from our special correspondent forward his letter-Published in yesterday in London. The gentleman whom we have enissue-ED. CoL.) There the matter rests for gaged to correspond for us is possessed of great the moment, but it cannot do so long, inasmuch as unless Mazzini can bring strong evi ence to confirm his assertions, his mere the editor of a leading weekly metropolitan jour-nal. Our letter contains the latest English dates, and through the attention of our correspondent we were on Wednesday enabled to place before our readers Reuters telegrams, in advance of the ipsi dixit will not go for much. Probably very little more will be heard of the affair pefore the four miscreants be brought to trial. In the meanwhile Mazzini cannot do better than show cause of his never having been at Symondale, and of not having written to Greco for several months, he being the only one of the number of whom he admits any

knowledge. POLAND. From Poland there is little news favorable to the cause of the insurgents to hand, yet the insurrection is very far from being crushed, although the popular leaders continue to fall, either in fair fight or after being

captured, by the halter or the bullet. PRUSSIA. Prussian affairs do not go on a bit more swimmingly than they did when your last despatches were forwarded. The Minister Bismark is as obstinate as ever, and has witnessed another defeat, the Committee of Commerce still persisting in the refusal to furnish the funds which the King requires for the fulfilment of his purposes Of the King himself but little has recently been reported, but it is currently said that the Crown Prince has thrown himself heart and soul into the Prince of Augustenberg's claims, which, should it turn out to be true, must greatly complicate affairs.

THE LATE MURDERS-REPRIEVE OF TOWNLEY AND THE EXECUTION OF WRIGHT. The reprieve of the murderer Townley and on the river.

WEDNESDAY, March 9. A DEAD LOCK IN COURT .- An amusing day. During an elaborate and lengthy disking is growing stronger not to yield and pre-parations are made to cut the banks of the Eider if hostilities are commenced. The German confederation now sitting at Frank-for the rich, and another for the poor. The for the rich, and another for the poor. The man was "wasting his sweetness on the lying around, and the excited state of the fort continued to debate the question, and two eases are far from being identical. If the vehemence of most of the paltry states ever there was a cold-blooded deliberate the "specials," doubtless finding the address murder done, that of Townley's unhappy vic-tim must be pronounced to be so. Not only for the adjoining brewery to quench their prince, heir presumptive to the throne, has have not definitely spoken, and it is thought to be most improbable by those who profess to be pervade all classes of Her Majesty's subbest." The proceedings, of course, were at once arrested, and the Sheriff and the Attor-(Derbyshire) but an overwhelming majority have signified their disapprobation of the nevs on the case were dispatched in quest of have signified their disapprobation of the the recusants, who were speedily brought in, Home Secretary's conduct. The excuse put looking mightily refreshed after their liba-Another "Bull."-Yesterday morning as Home Secretary to reprieve a criminal east a number of cattle were being landed from

for death, if it could be certified by two the Eliza Anderson, a wild bull, infuriated medical men and two Justices of the Peace by the barking of several curs around him, that he had become insano." Sir George charged furiosely along the wharf, making directly at a bystander who happened to be in his way. The man endeavored to escape far fixed, and her machinery placed in sufbut "Taurus" was too quick for him, and catching him a pesteriori, thew him with vio-lence some distance ahead. Not content The Fideliter is a strongly built vessel, steams with this, the vicious brute attacked the pros- well, and from all accounts is an excellent trate man in the most furious manner, and sea beat. She will now be fitted up for pashad he not been driven off by the presence sengers' accommodation, and we doubt not Mr. Justice Blackburn, had informed him of a heavy club in the hands of a ceurageous so soon as she commences making regular a jury would not have done their duty had individual the poor man might have been trips to Nanaimo and other ports she will be they not found him so-a prejudgment of the seriously injured, as it was, he fortunately well patronized and become a favorite with the case which neither finds favor with the escaped without further damage than the the travelling public. public nor in legal circles. The unhappy utter ruin of a pair of " inexpressibles." man was taken red handed, and immediately his case has been settled at the Police Court,

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and defendant was examined for three hours, when on account of the arrival of the mail steamer. His Honor adjourned the case till Thursday.

will present to-day, through one of the city members, a numerously signed petition, praying the legislature to reduce the present burdensome spirit license. At the meeting held on Monday evening it was determined to invest a portion of the funds of the Assoeiation in mortgages on real estate. Large in that light and as an enlightened act of

THE FIREMEN'S BALL.-The second ball given by the Deluge Co. No. 1, took place last night in the Lyceum Hall, and, as we have it on efficial authority that His anticipated, passed off brilliantly. The at- Excellency will leave for New Westminster. tendance was very large, and dancing was by the Enterprise to-day at noon. maintained with the greatest spirit until the

FRIDAY, March 11. head as also in Liverpool, were demolished in an instant. The street lamps were extinguished, and the illuminated clocks stopped. The fire spread with such rapidity that the No lives are said to have been lost, but the damage done to preperty is immense. I send you the latest telegrams up to to-day. (In-Dr. Turton, the learned Bishop of Ely, died last week in London. At present no suc-I close my letter with good news from India and Japan. The hill tribes in the former country are subdued, and tranquility vance of their brother red-skins on the sea culars for the present. s restored, whilst in the latter the recent

> INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS .-The first Lodge of Odd Fellows in this City was instituted last evening under the sanction of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of the State of California. Bro. A. H. Guild, was duly commissioned by the R. W. Grand Mester as Deputy Grand Master for Vancouver Island, with power to institute Victoria retireme Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F. The following gen colony. tlemen were duly elected and installed as officers of said Lodge : J. S. Drummond, N. G., Sam. Goldstone, V. G., N. Koshland, Sec., Alex. Phillips, Treas., M. Sporborg,

ACCIDENT TO THE RELIANCE.—This favorite steamer broke her rock-shaft during her last up trip to Yale, but managed to reach her destination. - Capt. Irving is now in the city procuring the necessary castings to repair th damage.

SATURDAY, March 12. peared yesterday in the Police Court to answer a charge of being feloniously possessed of a musical box of the value of \$14—the property of Charles Ryan a 'Tsimpsean Indian. Mr. Bishop appeared for the accused. gratifying reminiscence of your official con-The Rev'd Mr. Cunningham, of Metlakahtla. and several other witnesses were examined. but the evidence did not amount to a satisfactory solution of guilty intent on the part of the accused, and the Magistrate remanded of your Excellency, as its first Honorary the case for one day to enable the parties to settle the case amicably. Mr. Bishop stated that he was not only prepared to show the falsity of the charge, but should bring a counter charge against the Indian.

1ndian Troubles at Salt Spring .- Capt. Hollins, of the sloop Alarm, whose father is Hollins, of the sloop Alarm, whose father is chiefly through your agency, and hitherto located on the above Island, reports that a developed under your care, may receive as large number of the Cowichan Indians have formerly the benefit of your local experience taken up their abode at Salt Spring Island. and have become very troublesome to the honors with which the labors of your public settlers by their thieving propensities. Mr. life have been rewarded by an approving Hollins had his whole crop of turnips cleaned out by them in one night.

Sovereign, and moy your future be crowned with tranquility and happiness. out by them in one night.

HYDAH PATLATCH .- Yesterday, a "Cultus Patlatch" took place at the Hydah Camp. The Indians seated themselves in a circle. scene occurred in the Supreme Court yesters while some of the elders harrangued the assemblage, and vatious kinds of "muckamuck," with ardent liquids to wash the same play of forensic eloquence by one of the down, were freely dispensed. Large bexes learned cousel in the case before the Court full of biscuits and other edibles were thus disposed. While the number of "marines" participants was a proof of the facility with

> REPAIRED .- H.M.S. Beaver, having completed her repairs, steamed out of the harbor yesterday morning to try her engines.

tives, are evaded.

which the liquor laws, as applied to the na-

MONDAY, March 14. THE . " FIDELITER." - This handsome little ron propeller having towed the Lockett out from Esquimalt on Saturday, returned to this harbor and moored alongside of Messrs. Dickson, Campbell & Ce.'s wharf. It certainly reflects great credit on all concerned that within six days from her arrival after a lengthy passage the Fideliter has had her ficiently good working order to enable her to

THE TELEGRAPH BILL PASSED .- On Satur SUPREME COURT. - Holbrook v. Bushell- day His Excelleney gave his assent to the This was an action brought before a special Telegraph Bill lately passed through both ury for £170, principal and interest on note Houses, and it is now the law of the land. It and for goods sold. Cary for plaintiff, in- is to be hoped that the construction of the structed by Drake; Ring and McCreight for telegraph line will be commenced and carried lefendant, instructed by Bishop. The dispute on with a like commendable despatch, and arose is respect of goods shipped to the that we may before the close of the present Crimes, during the war. Witnesses were year be enabled to exchange greetings with examined for plaintiff to prove handwriting, our Eastern neighbors and perhaps even with the old folks at home.

Pilor Acr. - This Bill has received His Excellency's assent, and is placed LICENSED VICTUALLERS .- This Association among the statutes of the colony. It is to be hoped that our pilots will lose no time in placing a proper boat on the cruising ground in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

NANAIMO A PORT OF ENTRY .- The public will be pleased to observe that Nanaimo has been at length created a port of entry. This commercial policy it deserves the approbation of the entire community.

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS' DEPARTURE. - We

## FROM CARIBOO.

We have received a letter from Williams DISTINGUISHED VISITORS .- We were yester- Creek dated February 24th, containing intelday favored with a visit by two Indian chiefs ligence of a startling nature, but inasmuch from British Columbia, named "Tsoluhusalis" as the information conveyed is at variance chief of the Lafontaine tribe, about 7 miles with letters from our special correspondent above Lillooet, and "Como," chief of the Port and the reports of miners and others who Pemberton tribe. These illustrious person- have recently returned from Cariboo, we do ages were introduced to us by the Right Rev. not feel ourselves justified, until confirma-Bishop Demers, who explained to them the tion shall have been received, in making the manner in which the work was carried on in announcements it contains public. When the typographical department. The two vis- we state that among other items of news it itors were much astounded at what they saw, is asserted as an indubitable fact that one of and the Power Press in particular seemed to the companies now working on the Creek excite their wonder and admiration. "Tsolu- had on that day, February 24th, taken out husalis" is a fine muscular man, with broad a piece of quartz weighing 38 pounds which shoulders and expanded chest, stands very contained 32 pounds weight of gold! (about erect, and has a pleasing and intelligent face. \$6,400), the public will, we feel satisfied, Both of the chiefs, in intelligence, manner and coincide in the wisdom of avoiding any un bearing, appear to be many degrees in ad- due excitement by withholding further parti-

> ADDRESS OF THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

The following is a copy of the Address presented on Friday, to His Excellency Sir James Douglas, K.C.B., by the St. Andrew's Society, of this city, on the occasion of his retirement from the government of the

Governor Sir James Douglas, K.C.B., &c., &c. MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY. In anticipation of your approaching retire-

ment from the high trust so long and effi-

ciently sustained by you in the colony as representative of Her most gracious Majesty, we the officers and members of the Andrew's Society in this city, in connexion with all other fellow subjects who have shared the advantages of your Excellency's government, beg to tender you our heartfelt congratulations on the signal prosperity which has distinguished the country during the period of your administration, and to A MUSICAL Box. - Fabian Mitchell ap- record the warm esteem we cherish for the illustrious virtues of your Excellency's personal character; and while contemplating amidst an honorable seclusion and repose, the rapid progress made by the colony in wealth and enterprise, we trust that not the least nexion with Vancouver Island may be that so large a measure of success has attended the benevolent exertions of the national association we represent, under the direction

> President. While deeply regretting the termination of your functions as Governor, already ex-tended much beyond the usual term pre-scribed by the Imperial Government, we venture to indulge the hope that your resi-dence among us may be continued as a private eitizen, and that this colony, planted

and valuable counsel. May you be long spared to enjoy the The Weekly C

Tuesday, March 1 PIREMEN'S DEMONST

The Victoria Fire Departm presented a farewell address lency, Sir James Douglas, in his leaving the colony to-day. sion formed at the Hook and L house, at 12-30 p. m., and round by Wharf and Yates stre by their fine brass band, u leadership of Mr. Maguire, t along government street to th buildings, where the firemen f circle in front of the main Excellency having made his a the platform, the band greete "God Save the Queen." A de sisting of Messrs. J. C. Keens gineer; S. B. Abbott, Assistant-Thain, Foreman of Union Hoo Company; J. S. Drummond, Deluge Company, No. 1; S. L. man of Tiger Company, No. McCrea, Charles Gowan, Joh Malowanski and J. N. Thain, forward from the ranks, and gineer read the following : FAREWELL ADDRES

To His Excellency Sir James Do May it please your Excellen members of the Fire Departmen Vancouver Island, who consi valuable institution owes its exi Excellency, under whose fosteri attained its actual respectable condition, would think ourselve common gratitude, did we no Excellency's retirement from public acknowledgement of th with which all the reasonable of the Department under our been attended to, of the courte officers have ever received at you of the paternal interest your E ever displayed in the welfare tion, of which a gentleman pos sagacity could not fail to percei tauce. Thanks to a kind Pr services, thus far, have been but and we pray that this young an city, which has reached its p may be long spared from that d ment, which, in a case of great it ever should be our painful tas upon we trust that previded as shall be enabled to render effi and to convince the inhabitant that they as well as ourselves, a obligations to your Excellency and prudent precautions take avoid the progress of an enemy often committed its fearful neighboring country, and by w not at what time we may be as the assurance that a retrospect of with your Excellency is and source of pleasure to us, and wi for the health and happiness of

family, We have the honor to be. Your Excellency's Devoted and ob JOHN K

J. A. McCres, C. M. Wallace mond, Charles Gowan, W Philip Hall, S. L. Kelly son.—Committee on beha Department.

The Chief Engineer then h dress, which was beautifully illuminated, into the hands of Secretary, and His Excelle following reply: "Gentleme Department; I feel greatly of mark of respect you have s the kind address and for the fla in which you allude to my p In alluding to these services y to thank me for being a friend Fire Department; I have a friend and supporter of the D I am glad to say now that I to withdraw that confidence You have ever been ready rescue of the lives and property citizens. I am highly gratifie the Fire Department has for administration. Continue, my

my esteem and the gratitude d Three hearty cheers and a then given for His Excellency Lady Douglas, the band p Britannia." After three ch Majesty the Queen, the band Save the Queen," the process and marched back to the city fore the residence of Mayo giving him three cheers, which responded to by His Worshi affair passed off in the mo Fire Department. We may maddress, which was beautifully ornamented, was the work of

GRAND BANQUET TO DOUGLAS.

organist of St. John's Church.

The grand Banquet given of Victoria to his Excellen Douglas, K. C. B., on the o retiring from the government took place Thursday in the T a glorious and brilliant affair was most elegantly decora Driard of the Colonial Hote entire management of all the under the supervision of the it is but due to that excellent that nothing was wanting to fort and enjoyment of the gu

The entire building was bos the stage, and a herseshoe to whole length. At the end o hind the chairman, was a the Royal Arms, supported cartoons, and national flags. festoons of evergreens and a

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PIREMEN'S DEMONSTRATION.

lency, Sir James Douglas, in anticipation of least 200 persons took their seats. his leaving the colony to-day. The procession formed at the Hook and Ladder Truckhouse, at 12-30 p. m., and after marching Douglas, His Honor Chief-Justice Begbie. round by Wharf and Yates streets, preceded B. C., Captain Hardinge, R. N. Hon. by their fine brass band, under the able W. A. G. Young, Celonial Secretary, &c., leadership of Mr. Magnire, they proceeded and on the left, Thomas Harris, Esq., Mayor, say that he was despised by one half of Vicbuildings, where the firemen formed a semicircle in front of the main entrance. His bly, &c. Excellency having made his appearance on the platform, the band greeted him with "God Save the Queen." A deputation, consisting of Messrs. J. C. Keenan, Chief-Enman of Tiger Company, No. 2; J. A. and Allen. McCrea, Charles Gowan, John Dickson, J. Malowanski and J. N. Thain, then stepped forward from the ranks, and the Chief-Engineer read the following :

FAREWELL ADDRESS. To His Excellency Sir James Douglas, K.C.B .: May it please your Excellency: -We, the members of the Fire Department of Victoria, May it please your Excellency:—We, the members of the Fire Department of Victoria, Vancouver Island, who consider that that lency the Governor, the guest of the evenvaluable institution owes its existence to your ing. Excellency, under whose fostering care it has public acknowledgement of the promptitude stration they were now engaged in. with which all the reasonable requirements heen attended to, of the courtesy which our "Auld Lang Syne."

Your Excellency's Devoted and obdient servants.

son.—Committee on behalf of the Fire

JOHN KEENAN,

The Chief Engineer then handed the address, which was beautifully engrossed and illuminated, into the hands of the Colonial mark of respect you have shown me; by here would be to encourage "female immi- drank with great applause." Fire Department; I have always been a service. o withdraw that confidence and support. ceived with much applause. You have ever been ready to rush to the rescue of the lives and property of your fellow by A. C. Anderson, Esq., Vice Chairman. citizens. I am highly gratified to know that Band—"Victoria March." the Fire Department has formed under my dministration. Continue, my friends, to do the Council, responded.

responded to by His Worship. The whole boys, cheer!"

affair passed off in the most orderly and Dr. Helmcken responded in his usual liveaffair passed off in the most orderly and Dr. Helmcken responded in his usual livecreditable manner and reflects honor on the ly manner. He would simply say that the
this sentiment he felt this the proudest day of organist of St. John's Church.

# DOUGLAS

The grand Banquet given by the citizens it is but due to that excellent purveyor to say a position to pass the telegraph bill. (Great that nothing was wanting to ensure the com- applause) fort and enjoyment of the guests.

the Royal Arms, supported by two smaller the name of the honorable Chief Justice, ishing state; our mines were so promising that into Rock Falls Valley, down which they cartoons, and national flags. Overhead were lency in his arduous duties. As to the Bar festoons of evergreens and artificial flowers; they culled the best intellects from the whole (applause.) As to the agricultural interests, arrived near the line where the Cleveland

circle was also chastely festooned, and decorated overhead with flags of various na-

His Excellency entered the room a few The Victoria Fire Department Thursday presented a farewell address to His Excel-

The chair was filled by Alfred Waddington, Esq., on whose right sat Sir James Helmcken, Speaker of the House of Assem-

During the repast, the dress-circle and boxes were filled with ladies, and the pro-Thain, Foreman of Union Hook and Ladder ceedings were enlivened by the admirable Company; J. S. Drummond, Foreman of performances of an excellent band, under the Deluge Company, No. 1; S. L. Kelly, Fore-skilful direction of Messrs. Palmer, Sandrie gentleman rose and said, although unpre-

As soon as the table was cleared, the chairman proposed the "Queen" and "the Prince Excellency Sir James Douglas "Gentlemen Family," which toasts were received with unbounded demonstrations of loyalty.

attained its actual respectable and efficient in a very felicitous manner, alluding to his not expect the maturity of manhood in so condition, would think ourselves deficient in common gratitude, did we not, before your was happy to know that he was not preclusives only a child (laughter). The Cerporation was only a child eighteen months old (great Excellency's retirement from office, make a ded from entering heartily into the demon- laughter) and we must not expect too much

of the Department under our charge have with hearty cheers, the band striking up uproarious mirth.

officers have ever received at your hands, and of the paternal interest your Excellency has company most cordially for this sincere exever displayed in the welfare of an institu- pression of their good will. It was highly tion, of which a gentleman possessed of your gratifying to him to see so hearty a demon | ner in which they had received the toast. He sagacity could not fail to perceive the impor- stration of approval of the policy of his gov- could look back to the time, 5 years ago, when Thanks to a kind Providence, our ernment, and to know that the community ap- he and many of his fellow citizens landed on services, thus far, have been but little needed. proved of his course during the long term of what might be called a tent. Did they then and we pray that this young and interesting his protracted administration. This docu- expect to see a city such as we have now city, which has reached its present proud ment is associated with the most gratifying lishowed the wonders of the works of the may be long spared from that devouring element which in a case of great emergency if ment, which, in a case of great emergency, if or to Her Gracious Majesty, whom he had it ever should be our painful task to be called the honor to represent. It assured him in hear]. He hoped all his friends before him upon we trust that previded as we are, we shall be enabled to render efficient service, and to convince the inhabitants in general, the community was prepared to support those great principles of free trade, of mining enterprise, and of the settlement of the country flourish after us. When he country which his administration had enavoid the progress of an enemy which has so often committed its fearful ravages in a neighboring country, and by whom we know not at what time we may be assailed. With the assurance that a retrospect of our relation with your Excellency is and will long be a source of pleasure to us, and with best wishes upon we trust that previded as we are, we language more eloquent than words that had grown as the colony had, and that our source of pleasure to us, and with best wishes for the health and happiness of yourself and family,

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellenger's

That the community were disposed to place a higher value on his services than they described and happiness of yourself and due rather to the efforts of their highly patriotic Legislature (applause). In closing his pose the teast of "Our Sister Golony." He manked the company individually and respectively, and would drink each of their good healths [great applause] which was called on to propose the teast of "Our Sister Golony." He manked the company individually and respectively, and would drink each of their good healths [great applause] which is a service of the individually and respectively, and would drink each of their good healths [great applause] which is a service of the individually and respectively. retain a grateful recollection of this day's with British Columbia would reflect even proceedings, and of the high honor conferred more honor on him than his connection with Chief Engineer V.F.D.,

J. A. McCrea, C. M. Wallace, J. S. Drumupon him, and in whatever part of the world he should spend the remainder of h s days, he six years ago, what some had called a howlmond, Charles Gowan, William Wilson, would ever rejoice to hear of the welfare and ing wilderness, [laughter] and under the Philip Hall, S. L. Kelly, John Dick-progress and prosperity of this cology. (Tre-government of his Excellency we had seen

mendous cheering.)
The Chairman briefly proposed the toast of "The Army and Navy."
Air-"Red, White and Blue."

the kind address and for the flattering manner in which you allude to my public services. Loud calls being made for Lieut. Pender,

friend and supporter of the Department, and | Col. Foster, M.P., responded for the army I am glad to say now that I have no reason in a few well-timed remarks, which were re-"The Legislative Council," was proposed

Hon, Chief Justice Cameron, President of

as you have done, and you will always receive "The Legislative Assembly," was pro my esteem and the gratitude of the public.

Three hearty cheers and a "tiger" were toast with the name of Dr. Helmcken, the then given for His Excellency, and three for bonorable Speaker of the House. These Lady Douglas, the band playing "Rule gentlemen had been selected by their fellow Britannia." After three cheers for Her citizens to legislate for them; and although Majesty the Queen, the band playing "God all their efforts may not have met with their Save the Queen," the procession reformed approbation, they deserve the cordial approand marched back to the city, pausing be-bation of the community for devoting their fore the residence of Mayor Harris, and time and trouble to the duties of their posigiving him three cheers, which were suitably tion, [applause], Music by the band "Cheer,

entire management of all the arrangements to the courtesy and urbanity of His Excelunder the supervision of the Committee, and it is but due to the committee, and fulness and attention that the colony was in

the stage, and a herseshoe table spread the whole length. At the end of the stage, behind the chairman, was a large cartoon of the stage, behand the chairman, was a large cartoon of the stage, behand the chairman and the stage of the stage, behand the stage of the stage, behand the stage of the stage of the stage, behand the stage of the sta "The Bench and the Bar" was proposed

Music by the band - "The Cameroniau March." The Hon. Chief Justice Cameron res-

onded. He felt grateful for the kind manner in which his friend Dr. Tolmie had alluded leave to younger men. The hos. gentlemen alluded to the early period in which he had been called to the Bench in this colony, and to the arduous duties he had performed, representing half a dozen judges in one (great applause) how he had done it he would leave t to the public to say. [immense applause. Mr. Cary responded for the bar. He would

along government street to the government His Honor Chief-Justice Cameron, Dr. toria, and feared by the other, (great laughter.) For three years he had used his utmost endeavors to forward the interests of the colony; and he was sure that all would join Grace having been said, the dinner was him in the wish that should His Excellency return to this colony, he would see that it had progressed as fast as his heart could wish .-He could only say that he would never wish to serve a kinder master than Sir James Douglas, (great applause.)

> pared for any remarks, he would bear testimony to the ability and unswerving courage which had marked the admistration of His and Princess of Wales and all the Royal what more do you want from me !- (great laughter.)
> "The Mayor of Victoria," by Dr. Dickson.

He had great pleasure in bearing testimony to the earnest and honest manner in which the Mayor had filled the civic chair, (hear, hear.) Although the Corporation was in that state which physicians call " atrophy," Dr. Evans, in presenting the address spoke new act would soon set them right be could from it. The Dr. sketched the rapid growth The reading of the address was received of the colony in an elaborate manner, amid

Band-" For he's a jolly good fellow." joined by the company.

Mayor Harris responded to the toast. He thanked the company for the handsome man-

progress and prosperity of this colony. (Tre-government of his Excellency we had seen its rivers thronged with steamers, and its wilds pierced with roads, and for this they had to Athank his Excellency, and for this his name should echo Capt. Hardinge replied for the Navy, in a through the mountains and over the valleys Secretary, and His Excellency made the few humorous remarks. The Navy had ever of the whole colony [applause.] He would following reply: "Gentlemen of the Fire found Vancouver Island a favorite station, but propose Our Sister Colony," coupling it with Department; I feel greatly obliged for this he would say that the best way to keep them

Band-"There's a good time coming." His Honor Judge Begbie responded. Although he had differed from His Excel-In alluding to these services you are pleased that geutleman rose and briefly thanked the Although he had differed from His Excelto thank me for being a friend to the Victoria company for the honor they had done the lency in many points of policy, he would still wish to part from him as friends. This gentleman went on for some time in a very rambling manner, amid considerable impatience

exhibited by the audience.
"Our Foreign Residents" was proposed by D. B. Ring, Esq. The toast, said the proposer, embraced the civilized nations of Europe and America. (Great applause.) The presence of so many foreigners here to-night was the best tribute to their appreciation of the government and policy of our present respected Governor. [Applause.] National prejudices were disappearing fast before the progress of civilization, and the world was rapidly progressing, freed from their retardng influence. He proposed with a proud pleasure "The Foreign Residents of Victoria."

[Great applause.]
Band — "The Star Spangled Banner," Partant Pour la Syrie" and "Deutchen Vaterland."

Fire Department. We may mention that the House of Assembly had been engaged in a his life [applause]. He thought the audience address, which was beautifully executed and ornamented, was the work of Mr. Rhynd, the ing after their money for them, [hear, hear] good citizens [great applause]. The Americans at from 500 to 1300. They had also been looking after the Tele- had come here to make what they are very graph Bill (hear hear) He could recollect fond of—"the almighty dollar," and thanks Mobile, to the 16th, says the Hartfort, with GRAND BANQUET TO SIR JAMES the time when the only means of mail com- to the Governor and the Hudson Bay Com- Farragut and six mortar schoolers are with munication we had with England was by a pany, they had made it. [Great applause the fleet, and it is rumored they will engage and laughter.) He was astonished that so Fort Gaines to-day. Deserters state that short years ago. How much of the present little had been said this evening of the min- twenty thousand troops are in and around of Victoria to his Excellency Sir James of the Legislative Assembly was not for him say that Victoria and Vancouver Island. He would Nashville are in the harbor. The former Douglas, K. C. B., on the occasion of his to say, but he attributed in great measure the richest country in the world [great apmounts ten guns. Forty-five of the riagretiring from the government of the colony, the rapid progress of the colony to His Explantation of the colony t took place Thursday in the Theatre, and was a glorious and brilliant affair. The Theatre was most elegantly decorated by Mons.

the rapid progress of the colony to His Explanes, and if we only had the weath of the weath of the country that the colony to His Explanes and the colony to His Explanes are under sentence of death. If executed, were bound to go ahead. Common sense was one of the greatest qualities in the world, and the weath of the colony, the rapid progress of the colony to His Explanes, and if we only had the weath of the colony, the rapid progress of the colony to His Explanes, and if we only had the weath of the colony, the rapid progress of the colony, the rapid was most elegantly decorated by Mons. In governed the country. (Hear, Hear.) therefore Sir James Douglas was one of the Colonial Hotel who had the Legislative Assembly, he could always testify greatest men in the world, for he had always divisions and procuring supplies for future shown that he had plenty of that quality.

begged to propose "The Commercial, Mining, and Agricultural Interests of the Colony."— He was sorry that this toast was placed so ishing state; our mines were so promising that

our farmers would find an ample market in Victoria for all they could produce. The hon. gentleman closed with a hearty tribute to our oreign residents, who had ever been ready to join in all enterprises to develop the country.

Mr. J. D. Walker responded, and alladed to the commercial progress this colony had made by the wise pelicy pursued by His Excellency the Governor. He referred to the benefits of the free port system, and that taking San Francisco as a stand point, Victoria would soon have ceased to exist, had it not

been for her free port. Mr. Walker adverted briefly to the commercial position of the co-lony, and concluded by saying that as he had only a third of the toast to answer for, he would leave the rest in the hands of the gentlemen who were to follow. Mr. C. B. Young next followed, and said it had been asked what would Victoria do with-

would British Columbia do without Victoria? (cheers.) Mr. Young descanted at length, upon the mining resources of both colonies; his speech, however, was inaudible at the reporters' table. Mr. A. C. Anderson responded for the agri-

out British Columbia, but he would ask what

eultural interests.

Mr. J. G. Shepperd proposed the toast of "The Press." He alluded to the great power for good or for evil wielded by the Press, and dilated at some length upon the status of the Press in Victoria. We regret however, that the speaker was not sufficiently audible to be understood.

Band-"Good St. Anthony."
Mr. Harries, of the Colonist, and Mr Bell, of the Chronicle, replied. Mr. Cruickshank, in a neat speech, pro posed the health of the ladies, in the course of which he quoted Scott's well-known lines

"Oh, woman, in our hours of ease, Uncertain, coy and hard to please, And variable as the shade By the light quivering aspen made; When pain and anguish wring the brow, A ministering angel thou!'

Air-" Here's a health to all good lasses. Mr. S. Franklin responded and said he did not know whether it was his good fortune or misfortune that he was invariably fixed upor to return thanks for the ladies. Mr. Franklin made some humorous and well timed hits. Mr. Holbrook responded for the ladies of the sister colony, and in the course of his remarks said that he was opposed to union.

This produced roars of laughter]. Chairman-What sort of union does the speaker allude to ? Mr. Holbrook endeavered, amid confusion,

to explain, and made a very amusing speech. At its conclusion His Excellency and friends and took leave of the com; any, the band playing the National Anthem. The Theatre was empty very shortly after the departure of the guest of the evening.

# ARRIVAL OF THE ARCHITECT

LATER FROM THE EAST.

# Federal Defeat in Florida.

GRANT MADE LIEUT. GENERAL.

The bark Architect, Capt. Hoeg, arrived Thursday morning from San Francisco, after relations with this colony, he would ever said that the connection of his Excellency a fine run of nine days. She brings several passengers and a large and valuable cargo of merchandize, particulars of which are furnished in our commercial column.

We are indebted to Capt. Hoeg for copies of San Francisco papers of the 29th February, containing the following later despatches from the East:

The steamer Golden City left Panama on the 15th for San Francisco. The New York Times says the steamer Fulton, from Port Royal, Wednesday last, brought information of sad reverses to our Florida expedition. We are unable to give details it save, because after the Fulton went out into the bay she was boarded by the Provost Marshal with orders from Gen. Gilmore to deprive passengers of all private letters in their possession. From passengers by the Fulton we are indebted for the following main facts of the battle on the afterneon of the 20th. Our troops, under Seymour, met the enemy 15,000 strong, fifteen miles beyond Jackson ville, and eight miles beyond Sanderson, on the line of the Jacksonville and Tallahassee Railroad. The battle was desperately fought during three hours, and at sunset our forces, overpowered by numbers, retired to Sanderson, taking with them the greater part of their wounded. Col. Fribey, of the Eightn United States, was left dead on the field. Col. Reed, a Hungarian officer, was mortally wounded. All the officers of Hamilton's battery were wounded. The Cosmopolitan arrived at Beaufort on Monday evening, with 240 wounded, Col Reed being among them, who was living when the Fulton left on Wednesday. The enemy's loss is not known. They captured five guns. It is supfield, having come to Florida on a visit to

The Herald's correspondence, dated off

divisions and procuring supplies for future contingencies. A despatch dated Tunnel Hill. Ga., says:

Early yesterday morning, Generals Craft and Baird crossed Tunnel Hill Bridge with their commands, and marched through the gap in Rocky Falls Range, driving the rebels from the Cleveland road into Rocky Falls Valley, thus turning the streng position the enemy occupied on the road from Lower Tunnel Hill to Dalton. Marching back again along the Cleveland road, our troops descended

on either side of the proscenium were cartoons of the American Arms; the dressof us all (applause).

he was sorry he could not say much yet, but road descends into the valley. At eleven in as soon as we had reads through the colony, the morning, Colonel Gross' brigade was orthe morning, Colonel Gross' brigade was ordered to charge the rebels on this hill, which they did in gallant style, driving the rebels before them. With his Indiana battery he immediately followed to the top of the hill, whence he carried on a fierce artillery fire for the remainder of the day. The infantry skirmishing continued until half past one, when Turchin's brigade, of Baird's command, was ordered to drive the rebels from the hill nearly opposite that occupied by Gross. The order was obeyed with a will, the brigade charging the enemy from the foot of the hill. and driving them across the summit, but when they reached the top they were met by the enemy with a destructive fire from a superior force, posted half way down the other side, which compelled them to withdraw .-The enemy did not attempt to follow. This was the severest conflict of the day. Heavy skirmishing continued until night, when our troops began to retire, and to-day we are no further advanced than Tunnel Hill. As a reconnoissance affair, it has been entirely successful. No further doubt remains of the enemy's presence at Dalton in strong force; at least there are four divisions there. The country around Dalton is a succession of narrow valleys and rocky ridges, exceedingly available for defensive purposes. A party of Claybourne's division, sent to reinforce Polk returned in time to take part in the fight .-Our whole loss will not exceed three hundred, whilst that of the rebels is greater.

The Committee of Conference on the Lieutenant-General bill, agreed to the Senate's amendment inserting the clause recom-mending Gen. Grant. The report was accepted, and the bill passed the Senate, and was signed by the President, who immediately issued a commission to General Grant. Gold quiet at 1581/4 to 1581/4.

#### CALIFORNIA ITEMS.

THE EARTHQUAKE IN THE COW COUNTIES. -Passengers by the Overland Stages from Los Angeles report that the earthquake which gave San Francisco such a shaking up on Friday merning last, was felt strongly as far south at least as San Luis Obispo, and it was probably felt in a less degree of force as tar down the coast as Santa Barbara.

DEAD STOCK.—So great a number of cattle are dving in the lower part of this State, that the crows, buzzards and covetes are absolutely fattening themselves to death. They will not eat anything now which has been dead over three hours, and go in for nothing but the choicest tit-bits at that. A gentleman who has just past over the route between Los Angeles and this city, says that he counted one hundred dead animals by the roadside, in a single hour's travel, near San Luis Obispo.

BOAT RACE.-A very large number of people congregated at the foot of Vallejo street yesterday noon to witness the boat race around Yerba Buena Island, between Thomas Kirby and H. C. Hoyt, for \$250 aside, or the round sum of \$500. Hoyt won the race in 55 minutes and 30 seconds, beating Kirby by seven minutes.

A DESPERATE ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE .-Last evening, about half-past five o'clock, officer Brant, while walking along Valleje street, found a Frenchman who had opened the main blood-wessel in his left wrist with surgeon's bistre, causing a wound from which blood was flowing in a stream which had already run along the side-walk a distance of twelve feet or more. Syncope was fast approaching, and in a few minutes more the assistance would have been too late. The man was unknown to the police, but a paper found on his person gives his address, and unmistakably indicates his intention to commit suicide: "D'TOR GRANIER, Vallejo, No. 434. Je ne puis register plus long temps a mes souffvrances.—FE. GRANIER" port of the above is substantially this: "I can no longer endure my sufferings." The officer removed the unfortunate man to the County hospital, and in spite of the great less of blood which had occurred before the discovery of his attempt at self-destruction, his life is not considered in any serious

QUARTZ CRUSHING - Yesterday we paid a visit to Messrs. Spratt and Kriemler's foundry, to take a look at the quartz-mill, which that enterprising firm have just completed. It will be seen by advertisement these gentlemen are now prepared to crush any quantity of quartz, and extract the gold contained therein, for a moderate compensation. They have all the apparatus required for the operation, and through their aid we will soon be able to ascertain the real value of the quartz mines of Goldstream. There is now in the mill orushed ready for amalgamation, about, three tons of quartz, from various companies ; two tons being from the Maple Bay Co., Cowichan, half ton from the American Company, and a half ton from Williams Creek. The Maple Bay quartz is now in process of amalgamation, and the American and Williams Creek is ready for the process—the latter being intended for the Assay Office, New West ninster. The apparatus of, the crushing mill is complete, from the stampers to the retort for separating the gold from the quicksand, and we may soon hope to hear favorable results from its operations. In passing through the Foundry wo observed the cylinders for the steamer Alexandra being finished. They are the largest of the kind yet manufactured on the Pac fic Coast, beingl inches in diameter, and 4,200 lbs each in weight. The Foundry is capable of turning out castings of 6,000 lbs. weight, and with the boring tools now in operation Mr. Spratt. tells us he can turn out any evlinders in the figet which may require the operation. The whole establishment is a credit to the colony, and deserves the liberal patronage of the com-

NAVAL.-Capt. Jones, R. N. who arrived by the Brother Jonathan, has assumed command of H. M. S. Cameleon, H. M. ships Topaze and Hecate, had both reached England in safety, and Captain Richards of the latter ship was comfortably installed in the Hydrographic Department. H.M.S. Tribune was hourly expected at Panama on February 2. and after remaining there a few days would sail for Victoria. There is no probability of her bringing the new Governor.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENTERPRISE.

Later from Cariboo. The steamer Enterprise arrived Wednes-

day from New Westminster, bringing about twenty passengers, amongst whom were His Excellency Sir James Douglas and suite, and the Honorables P. O. Reilly and Jas. Orr. M.L.C. She also brought Barnard's Cariboo Express with \$20,000 in charge of Mr. Humphrey, who left Williams Creek on the 25th mlt.

The intelligence from the Creek which is somewhat meagre will be tound in our correspondent's letter.

CARIBOO LETTER.

[From our Special Corresdondent.]

RICHFIELD, WILLIAMS CREEK, EDITOR BRITISK COLONIST—There is but little news since I last wrote; business on the Creek is dull, very little money in circulation.

WEATHER. The weather during the last few days has been very mild, occasional snow storms, very little frost, the san shines strong and warm every day.

MINING INTELLIGENCE. There is very little doing in mining: the Cale-donia paid no dividend for two weeks. All the ground about the Court House above the town of Richfield has been taken up and resorded, and the parties who have taken it up intend commencing

to work it to-morrow.

A company of ten have taken up 1,000 feet of ground adjoining Major Downie's old claim, about a mile above Richfield; last year the same ground went by the name of the Chadwick claims; they are down about 70 feet, and expect to have to go

I have heard from good authority that some men on Lightning Creek struck rich pay in ground adjoining the Butcher Company.

Hard Curry & Co. are prospecting the hill on right hand side of the Creek, at Marysville.

The Pochahontas Company, situate between Barkerville and Camerontown, have commenced work; they are sinking a new shaft.

The first law suit of the season was heard before Judge Cox on Saturday last. The following is the substance of the action; Frank Fulton and others staked off 300 feet of ground in the Kinvan company, situate between the Point and Steel claims, the same in their epinion being vacant ground, inasmuch as the ground was not recorded by the original preemptors since September, 1861; (the law requires that all claims should be recorded annually). Fulford and others were sued for trespass, by parties holding under bills of sale; Mr. Courtney appeared for defendants; a gentleman—not a professional—for plaintiff. The plaintiff failed to prove any title to the ground. The Judge decided in favor of the plaintiffs, although the defendants had law on their side. The Judge in giving judgment said he would give the ground to the plaintiff for the purpose of putting a stop to jumping. I understand the defendants intend appealing the case.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY. LEGAL MATTERS.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY. The 22d February was the anniversary of Wash-The 22d February was the anniversary of Washington's birthday; on account of the dearth in the money market it went off peaceably; the fact is few men have money enough to get drunk upon. Mr. and Mrs. Brooks of Cameron Town gave a ball on the occasion in their new saloon. The room was handsomely decorated with the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes; they kept up dancing until about five o'clock in the morning; everything went off with the greatest good feeling. THE THEATRE.

performance was given on Saturday night last to a crowded house; the proceeds went to aid the sick now in the hospital.

# LATER FROM CARIBOO.

[From the Columbian.] Mr. Humphrey arrived last evening from Cariboo, in charge of Barnard's Express, containing \$20,000. He left the Creek on the 25th ult., arriving at Yale in 9 days. The weather on Williams Creek was dry and pleasant. Only two companies at work .-The bed-rock drain is progressing slowly but steadily, as they can only work in one place, where they employ nine men in three shifts."
They have 1,000 feet to make before reaching the Raby Claim, which is the first claim where they strike the bed-rock, which it will take at least two months to accomplish. The price of provisions has declined, and the supply is very abundant. Mr. Wright is running in a large quantity of goods to Vanwinkle. There are 150 tons between Beaver Pass

and that Creek. An Indian committed for murder last fall, effected his escape from the Williams Lake jail on the 27th, carrying off a lot of stuff belonging to Gompertz, the officer who had him in charge. This is the third prisoner that officer has allowed to escape within about as many months. How long will the government retain an officer who is notoriously unfit for the post he occupies?

Mr. Spence had commenced operations at the bridge. He has 35 men at work.

Customs receipts for the week ending 5th March, 1864: Dnties, £2669 18s. 10d.; harbor dues, £16 10s. 2d.; head money, £38 8s. tonnage dues, £95 15s.; warehouse fees £10 0 4. Total,£2810 16s. This is, we believe the largest amount yet received in one week, and a little more than double the receipts for corresponding week last year.

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE.-We record to-day ANOTHER PIONER GONE.—We record to-day the death of one of our Pioneer Steamboat Captains—J. K. Riddle. Capt. Riddle has been long and favorable known upon the Lower Fraser as the Commander of one or other of the "Steam Navigation Company's boats." By his gentlemanly deportment and amiable disposition he had endeared himself to a large circle of friends. The flags in the harbor and throughout the city were put at half-mast as soon as his death became known.

BRITISH COLUMBIA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

[From the Columbian.] MONDAY'S SITTING.

Members present, Hons. Attorney-General H. Nind, J. A. R. Homer, J. Orr, W. S

Black. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. Hon. J. Orr introduced a petition from E.

Picht and L. Hoyt praying for the remission of excise duties apon liquors manufactured in this colony for export. The bill for the establishment of a mounted police force, was laid over till the 16th inst.

The steam traction engine bill passed second reading. The bill amending the act respecting the

Hon. J. Orr gave notice that he would inroduce a bill to allow the remission of excise duties on liquors manufactured in this colony for exportation; also that he would ask for an appropriation of £8,000 for a road from Hope to Yale.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Hon. H. Nind gave notice that he would land system.

TUESDAY'S SITTING. Members present, Hons. Attorney-General. Collector of Customs, P. O'Reilly, H. Nind, J. A. R. Homer, J. Orr and W. S. Black.

Minutes of previous meeting read and con-Hon. J. Orr moved, seconded by Hon. J. A. R. Homer, that the Governor be requested to appropriate £8,000 for the purpose of constructing a waggon-road from Hope to Yale.

Carried unanimously.

The California State telegraph bill was read a third time and passed.

proposing to place these engines upon the roads. The House then adjourned till Wednesday

the 23rd instant.

LATER FROM SANDWICH ISLANDS From our Honolulu exchanges to the 30th

January, we collate the following : The funeral of his late Majesty King Kamehamaha IV. was pestponed until February and imposing sight.

his late Majesty's funeral are to be as follows: The mausoleum and cemetery are to be formally consecrated by the Bishop of at Loochow, and remain, in haste, Honolulu on Monday next, at 3½ p. m. On the day of the funeral, the body will be met at the door of the cathedral by the bishop and clergy, who will precede it into church. The burial service will be then commenced, followed by a celebration of the holy euchar ist. Two chorales from Mendelsohn's St. Paul, and Mozart's Agnus Dei, and other music appropriate for the occasion will be sung. The choir, clergy and bishop will then walk before the royal remains to the mausoleum, where the rest of the service will be chanted. It is intended the previous night to have a processional litany and other solemn

thrown open .- Polynesian. The publication of the Polynesian was to cease on the 6th February. The editor's valedictory address appeared on the 30th January. [We regret to learn the anticipated demise of our able contemporary .- ED. COLONIST.

observances at the palace, which is to be

SNOW STORMS IN THE TROPICS. - Mauna Lea and Mauna Kea, the highest mountain peaks on Hawaii, and Mt. Haleakala, on Maui, are represented as now covered on their summits with beautiful while mantles bill for carrying on the corporation. There of snow, the drifts in the guiches and valleys are also two new law bills, originated in the not very cool here in Henolulu, (the thermometer ranging at night from 650 to 700. yet the presence of snow on these mountains have for a long time been anxious to know indicate cold weather higher up, their altitade being from 10,000 to 14,000 feet. There have been several snow storms on them dura assays of quarts brought from Goldstream. ing the past few weeks, and the scene is rep- which from time to time have been made resented to be one of indescribable grandeur. Those living on the island where they occur can seldom see these sterms so well as those who chance to be passing in schooners. To result of an analysis of a quantity of rock the former the scene is generally obscured by forwarded by the Parmeter Company to San clouds overhead; but to the latter the sight Francisco for assay by Mr. G. W. Bell of at a distance is magnificent. As the dark heavy masses of clouds roll and tumble over and around the lofty summits, they drop their snow mantles, which lower down into rain or melt away as fast as it touches the surface On some occasions the lightning darting 2,000 lbs. gives silver 17 61, gold 36 75, value On some occasions the lightning, darting around from the celd upper strate of clouds three and four miles high to the lower and three and four miles high, to the lower and warmer ones, is said to be splendid, and unequalled in any other country or latitude Snow storms in the tropics are among the most beautiful sights imaginable, and the few who are privileged to see them, witness some

Mitchell, Manager of the Britannia Quartz Mining Co., we have the following information. This company have now about 20 tons of rock ready for crushing, and will commence building an arastra immediately. Specimens of rock taken from the vein, indicate very encouraging prospects. The Parmeter Co. Creek twice a week. This will no doubt be have two men prospecting with Mr. Parmeter, and report having found something very good. The Douglas Company have erected ance in a much shorter time than hereto an arastra capable of crushing half a ton per fore. day, and will commence next week. The American Company are still getting out rock. On February the 28th, the government prospecting party passed Mr. Mitchell's cabin on their way to Nanaimo. Since Thursday last learn from the President of the Company the weather has been very boisterous, and as that a violent gale which prevailed on the 3rd

of nature's grandest exhibitions .- P. C. A.

known proprietor of Eberhardt's Hotel on Mayor of Portland. Langley street, died in San Francisco on the that he was becoming worse he sent for Mrs. Eberhardt, who arrived in San Francisco only to receive the melancholy intelligence of her husband's death and burial. The deceased was much respected in this city, where he

has a large circle of friends. THE ALABAMA. The latest intelligence teceived at San Francisco from China contains no confirmation of the Alabama being and as a Mild Aperient for delicate constitutions, more especially for Ladie and Children Combined with the received at San Francisco from China con-Wyoming and Jamestown. It is, however, stated that the Alabama put into some other Chinese port. The Vanderbilt has been despatched from New York in search of this dreaded cruiser.

The Surveyor-General and Mrs. Pemberton will probably leave England by the same steamer which conveys Capt. Kennedy. FROM CHINA.

[From Correspondence of the Alta.] SHANGHAI, 5th Jany: 1864. EDITORS ALTA: Since my last of the 9th ult., Shanghai has been remarkably quiet, and

by this vessel I have but little news to communicate. By a recent arrival from Hongkong we have at last some reliable news of the far famed Alabama. She had been heard of at ntroduce a bill for the purpose of altering the the Straits of Sunda, and had burned in the waters adjacent, the Amanda, a Beston ship, November 6th, 1863; the Winged Racer, November 10th, and more recently, the splendid clipper ship Contest, of A. A. Low & Bros. China Line, which vessel has frequently been in your port. The Wyoming at the time was on the track of the pirate, and the Dacotah and Vauderbilt [the Vanderbilt is in port at New York, - EDITORS ALTA. | are also somewhere in these eastern waters-some hope that some one of them may be able to corne her-she,however,has such a wide range that it appears almost a fruitless undertaking .-Should the Alabama come in Shangbai, there The steam traction engine bill was read a there being an organized party having this as third time and passed. This bill confers the its object. Shanghai shipping people are rights of common carriers upon the company greatly exercised on this subject, and many vessels have changed their flags, among them the Fokien, one of the finest steamers out here, that has been plying on the Hongkong route for a year past. Captain Potter, of the Henry Brigham, has no fears, however, and goes out boldly, directly in the teeth of what is reported to us as the Alabama's cruising ground. From the up river ports we have no news except that the tea season is drawing toward its close; large quantities, however, continue to arrive here. From Japan,no news 3d. The papers publish the order of proces- whatever. Probably you will have corression which must have formed a most grand pondence from there by this opportunity. A and imposing sight sold at auction, for 14,000 taels-she was We are authorized to state that the bought here two years ago for 80,000 taels. ecclesiastical arrangements connected with This is a good example of the depreciation of steamer property in our market.

I append you latest news from the rebels

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL .- The report of the first open meeting of this body will be found in another column. The Council consists of the following gentlemen:- Honorable Chief Justice Cameron, President, Messrs. R. Finlayson, Donald Fraser, A. J. Langley, E. G. Alston, Alex. Watson, Attorney General Cary, and Assistant Surveyor General Pearse. Of these eight gentlemen three were present yesterday. The work accomplished during he past sessaion of six months consists of two pills, viz: the Representation Act and the Pilot Act, both from the lower House, and the Bridges Protection Act, originated in the Council. The following bills from the lower House have been thrown out : the Bills of Sale Amendment Act, John Copland's Relief Act, The Oaths Act and the Writs of Capias Restriction Act : the rest of the bills sent up are still before the Council. The bill to Incorporate the Chamber of Commerce was read a first time, but was thrown out on the second reading on account of an informality, there being no officers named in the upper House, in process of deliberation.

whether reliance could be placed on the public. It is with no small degree of pleasure therefore that we give the following that city. Gross weight of ere crushed. 940lbs : before melting 240zs. 30 : after melts ing, 22ozs. 72; yields silver, 282-1000ths: copper, antimony, and one or two other baser metals, and Mr. Pochin, a shareholder in the company, who went to San Francisco for the purpose of seeing the assay made, assures us that the assay was looked upon as so satisfactory that a full share in the LATER FROM GOLDSTREAM.—From Mr. \$1,000. This intelligence ought to infuse fresh vigor into the companies who hold

slaims on Goldstream. STAGES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA .- We understand that Mr. Barnard, the Expressman, is about to establish a line of four-horse stages to run from Yale and Lytton to Soda a great boon to travellers, as we learn that Mr. Barnard expects to accomplish the dist-

THE TELEGRAPH TO PORTLAND. - The California State Telegraph Co. completed the wires to Portland on the 1st inst., but we much as one foot of snow lay on the ground. instant, had done some damage which it DEATH OF MR. EBERHARDT.—We regret mentary messages had been exchanged by would take a few days to repair. Complia to hear that Mr. Joseph Eberhardt, the well different tewnships on the route with the

GOVERNOR KENNEDY .- Private advices in-20th ult. Mr. Eberhardt had been in declin- timate that Captain Kennedy would leave ing health for some time, and proceeded to England by the West India boat of the 17th San Francisco for change of air, but finding January, he may therefore be looked for on

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MONDAY, Mar The House met at 3:15, p. present: Messrs. Young, DeCos Powell, Tolmie, Trimble, Str. Bayley, and Dennes.

The Indemnity Bill, and the Pension Bill passed their third

INCORPORATION AC The House went into commit to regulate the Incorporation A Bayley in the chair.

Dr. Trimble moved that after pealed," all the rest of the claus making the clause read "That Incorporation Act, 1862, and therein enacted, be and are here Mr. De Cosmos objected to the of the hon. member for Victoria were now called upon to delib ject which if not treated with so and discretion, may do an incal to Victoria. The hon, membe District's amendment propose repeal the Act, but also all the city is now in debt to the amou On looking at another departn taxes received by the Trades I is \$15,000. If we annul all the parties who have paid taxes un can compel the Corporation amount. By this means every the held liable for this \$15,00 been already expended. The the real estate tax, an amount been collected; if these taxes I funded, we will thus create a city of \$42,000, if we repeal whereas, if we collect these bad will be sufficient money to pay debtedness. If the House do the Council to collect the Re Trades License taxes, they mall the money collected, and th city's indebtedness to the ar stated. He (Mr. DeCosmos) the following amendment to after the word "excepted," be

words "or enacted." Mr. Young said that he had to hear some arguments or add ments by the hon. member for trict, but having heard none, h the conclusion that his object disincorporate the city of Vic hear.) He thought that it mu anybedy in this House that thi the credit of the city to a de incalculable. If the city has no the debentures, even althoug ment should make good the credit not only of the city but Island would be most mate abroad. As to the amendment hon. colleague, he was wholly He would, however, suggest th introducing the amendment

Mr. Franklin said the presendone their duty according to th been cast upon the Act it w support and assist them, and p their past proceedings. (The amendment of his hon. colleag did not legalize the by-laws, bu the collection of meneys. He propose to pass the clause as make his hon. colleague's am

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Mr. Young said the hon.

mark carried its own answer.

Dr. Trimble-To-morrow (Laughter.)
Dr. Helmcken—I'm afraid Mr. DeCosmos' amendme words "or enacted" after the and to leave out all of the

word "repealed," was carried Mr DeCosmos moved the fo ment, to stand as clause 3: That the Municipal By-law Mayor and Council of the C

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Pension Bill passed their third readings.

Bayley in the chair. Victoria. The hon. member for Victoria have elapsed.

city is now in debt to the amount \$20,130.— He would therefore oppose the amendment. On looking at another department, the total The amendment was passed as read, Mr. taxes received by the Trades License by-law Dennes only in the negative. Clause 3, of is \$15,000. If we annul all these by-laws, all the printed bill was passed with some trifling parties who have paid taxes under this head amendments, and with the addition of the oan compel the Corporation to refund this following amendment by Dr. Helmcken. amount. By this means every tax payer may "Provided always that no money or arrears be held liable for this \$15,000, which has been already expended. Then, looking at tion, unless the said moneys or arrears of the real estate tax, an amount of \$7,000 has moneys shall have arisen and have become funded, we will thus create a debt on the visions of said by-law, before the 31st day of city of \$42,000, if we repeal the by-laws, December, 1863; and provided also that the will be sufficient money to pay the city's in- imposed in case of default, shall not be endebtedness. If the House does not enable forced until 30 days after the passage of the the Council to collect the Real Estate and Trades License taxes, they must pay back all the money collected, and thus increase the Young said the words incorporating the incity's indebtedness to the amount already habitants as a city were simply nonsense; it stated. He (Mr. DeCosmos) would propose was impossible to make human beings a city; the following amendment to clause 1, that he proposed to leave out the words "inhabiafter the word "excepted," be inserted the tants residing thereon."

Mr. DeCosmos looked on it as a sort of le-

to hear some arguments or additional amend- the satisfaction of every one. ments by the hon. member for Victoria dis- The clause was passed with a few immatriet, but having heard none, he had come to terial amendments. The committee here rose anybody in this House that this would injure e credit of the city to a degree which is incalculable. If the city has no funds to meet the debentures, even although the government should make good the liabilities, the credit not only of the city but of Vancouver Island would be most materially injured Bayley, Dennes. abroad. As to the amendment offered by his hon, colleague, he was wholly in favor of it. introducing the amendment as a distinct the House.

Mr. Franklin said the present Council had a second time and committeed to morrow. done their duty according to the present Act, wisely and judiciously, and as doubts had amendment of his hon. colleague (Mr. Dec.) did not legalize the by-laws, but only legalized the collection of meneys. He (Mr. F.) would class propose to pass the clause as it stands, and make his hon. colleague's amendment come ward), and that out of the number they shall

in in a subsequent clause. Mr. DeCosmos was still in favor of bringing in his amendment as first proposed, but possible with the views of his hon. col-

leagues and other hon members. Dr. Powell had also been waiting for some argument from the bon member for Victoria heard any. This was simply a question of after mentioned. he thought it would be better to come in as a amendment met the end. There were a mayor, they would exercise more care in putgreat many objectionable clauses in this bill, ting in good men. and many he would be disposed to amend,

Mr. DeCosmos said in order to facilitate business he would propose to withdraw his amendment, and bring it in a distinct

Mr. Dennes said he would certainly support the amendment of the hon. member for Victoria district.

Dr. Trimble said he was not opposed to municipal institutions, but there were so many objections to the Act of 1862, that he Mr. De wished to throw it out and introduce a fresh bill de novo.

Mr. DeCosmos said the hon. member was opposed to any incorporation, a fact which his amendment showed; the hon, member and the city would be left unincorporated (Hear, hear.) It was a common enough thing in all corporations to amend defects in their laws, not to repeal them.

Mr. Dennes said the hon, members wished to cure bad by laws, which had been declared by the highest legal authority illegal. Mr. Young said the hon. gentleman's remark carried its own answer. He would ask the hon. members if it were not their especial

duties to cure bad laws? incorporation of the city, it was now too late

Dr. Trimble-To-morrow or Wednesday.

The House of Assembly.

Monday, March 7, 1864.

In certain trades, callings, or professions, in certain trades, callings, or professions, in the City of Victoria, were declared to be liable to pay license moneys to some person appointed by the said Mayor and Council, striking out this word, was to make the provisions of the said By-law by any person, and privileges after one year's residence, and now the hon. gentleman opposed this very principle. He (Mr. DeC.) said his sole object to one on the British, still he thought they should not have the exclusive privilege of the said By-law by any person, ganizing party factions. This clause did not affect aliens, but it affected naturalized citic through the said By-law by any person, ganizing party factions. This clause did not affect aliens, but it affected naturalized citic through the most poposed this very principle. He (Mr. DeC.) said his sole object to one on the British, still he thought they should not have the exclusive privilege of talking over the line.

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Dr. Helmcken said he would not hav paid; and that the Mayer and Council for the time being for the City of Victoria are hereby authorised and empowered to collect, in conformity with the provisions of the said Bylaw, all arrears of license moneys which any The Indemnity Bill, and the Chief Justice person, corporation, or body politic, shall have declared, in the said By-law, to be liable to pay to some person appointed by the aforesaid Mayor and Council to receive the same; The House went into committee on the bill Provided always, that no license moneys or to regulate the Incorporation Act, 1862, Mr. no arrears of license moneys shall be collected under this section of this Act, unless the said Trimble moved that after the word "re- license moneys or arrears of license moneys pealed," all the rest of the clause be erased, shall have arisen and shall have become due making the clause read "That the Victoria and payable in conformity with the provisions Incorporation Act, 41862, and all by-laws of the said By-law before the thirty-first day therein enacted, be and are hereby repealed."

Mr. De Cosmos objected to the amendment sixty-four; Provided always, that the penalof the hon member for Victoria District. We were now called upon to deliberate on a subject which if not treated with sound judgment license moneys shall not be enforced until and discretion, may do an incalculable injury thirty days after the passage of this Act shall

District's amendment proposes not only to repeal the Act, but also all the by-laws. The power to the corporation to make By-laws.

been collected; if these taxes have to be re- due and payable, in conformity with the prowhereas, if we collect these back taxes, there penalties mentioned in the said by-law to be

Mr. Young said that he had been waiting gal fiction, which was perhaps necessary, for Messrs. Young, DeCosmos, Franklin, Trim-

the conclusion that his object was simply to disincorporate the city of Victoria. (Hear, hear.) He thought that it must be plain to the bill to-day (Tuesday). House adjourned.

> TUESDAY, March 8th, 1864. House met at 3:15 p. m. Members present, Mesers. Young, DeCosmos, Powell, Franklin, Trimble, Jackson, Foster, Street, Carswell,

The private bills committee reported in He would, however, suggest the propriety of favor of the telegraph bill being accepted by The Speaker said the bill would be read

The House went into committee on this been cast upon the Act it was our duty to support and assist them, and protect them in

their past proceedings. (There, han) The Clause 6, dividing the city into three amendment of his hon. colleague (Mr. DeC.) ward, and defining their boundaries, was Clause 8, providing that the council shall

elect by ballot as Mayor the councillor having the greater of votes, was taken up. Mr. Dennes moved to strike out the last he was willing to harmonize it so far as clause; he believed the mayor should be elected by the people.

Mr. DeCosmos moved in amendment that the council shall consist of a mayor and six councillors, possessed of the qualifications and district, but was sorry to say he had not subject to none of the disqualifications herein

whether we shall have an incorporation or Mr. Young said the object of having the not. He (Dr. Powell) was in favor of the mayor elected by the council was to give the amendment of his hon. colleague, although
he thought it would be better to come in as a second clause. It was necessary to enable the corporation to collect the taxes, and this

Mr. DeCosmos said the present system had but he was heartily in favor of passing the worked well, and he did not see why we should change it. He considered it highly necessary that the people should his estimated the election of mayor in their own hands.

Dr. Powell supported the amendment.

When the city had assumed much larger proportions than it now possesses, the clauses, providing nine councillors might be wanted. Mr. Franklin also supported the amend new bill. Although he had voted for the bill
ment, as the present system had been found to
now before the House, he believed on second
Pilot Bill as sent back by the House of As-

Mr. DeCosmos' amendment passed, Dr. Helmeken and Mr. Young dissenting,-to stand as clause 8. QUALIFICATIONS .- On clause 9, providing that the Members of Council shall be male

British born subjects of full age, &c. knew well that if this bill were thrown out, be struck out. This was an attempt to perpetuate political and sectional animosity in the colony. It was taking a direct step backward in the policy of the country. Dr. Powell supported the amendment as calculated to diminish national prejudices

and ill-feeling.

Mr. Franklin said he was surprised to see the word "born" introduced into the bill before the House; when he was before his constituency the question was brought up as to aliens sitting in this House, and he was Dr. Helmcken said if the hon member for Victoria district wished to do away with the But he did not think naturalized subjects should be excluded from the Council; if it pany should make so liberal an offer. If they

oppose it.
Colonel Foster said he could not see any Dr. Helmcken—I'm straid that wont do?

Mr. DeCosmos' amendment to insert the sure that there was not an alien in the sure that there was not an alien in the

he civic government.

Mr. Franklin said there was a class of telegraphs, or anything else. aliens, or naturalized subjects, who did not Mr. Street did not like to hear so much and dictate to the rest of the community.

Mr. De Cosmos said he had only one re- Victorian enterprise. (Hear, hear.) mark to make to the hon, gentleman's statement. He would call to the hon. gentleman's 30 or 40 of this very class were brought to the polls by the hon, gentleman's friends and Dr. Helmeken said his opinion was that voting for it; Mesers. Foster, Trimble, Frank the line to pass over their ground, there lin, Jackson, Street, and Dennes against it.

committee rose and reported progress. ANOTHER INCORPORATION ACT. Dr. Trimble said he wished to give notice that he would to-morrow ask leave to bring in a bill to incorporate the city of Victoria,-

WATER BILL. Victoria with water (petition read) and moved that the petition be referred to the committee on Standing Orders. Carried.

TELEGRAPHIC REGULATIONS. Mr. Young gave notice that on Thursday next he would ask leave to introduce a bill to regulate Electric Telegraphs in the co- ly shorter than we might have expected. lony, and to ensure secrecy and fidelity in

the transmission of messages.

To-day (Wednesday,) the House will take the second reading of the Telegraph Bill, and the Incerporation Bill in committee. House adjourned. WEDNESDAY, March 9th, 1864. House met at 3:15 p.m. Members present

PETITION AGAINST THE WATER COMPANY. Mr. Dennes asked leave to lay before the so as to impair the aforesaid rights. House a petition from Henry Otto Tiedeman, praying to be heard against the petition of projected line," etc., the words "any line Protection from Fire on standing orders.

ble, Street, Duncan, Carswell, Bayley

REDUCTION OF LICENSES. praying for a reduction in the Clause passed. ciation. Ordered to be laid on the table

colony, the same being now detained by the gress, to sit again to-morrow. non-payment of the American postage.

STATUTE LABOR MONEYS. Mr. Duncan moved for returns of the amounts collected for statute labor and other ward), and that out of the number they shall road purposes, shewing the mode of expenditure of said moneys.

TELEGRAPH BILL.

This bill came up for a second reading. Mr. DeCosmos said that he had been authorized by the President of the Company to state that should the bill be passed, the city | Governor's Indemnity Bill, as passed by the of Victoria would be placed in connection with the East in eight months. The advan- Council. tages offered by the bill were so great that it required no argument.

Mr. Young had much pleasure in seconds ing the second reading of the bill. Second reading passed, and bill ordered to placed in the records of the Council. be committeed.

INCORPORATION ACT. Dr. Trimble said he would now ask leave dilate on his bill, but the hon. Speaker inti- ception of the new Governor. mated that it was not quite in order to speak

on the bill at this stage. ground of the great delay caused to the buss sent to the Reception Committee, accepting iness of the country.

Mr. Dennes supported the motion for a thoughts he was wrong (laughter). Leave was granted.

Mr. Street moved that the bill be printed. The Speaker said it was a private bill; no notice of it had been given and the honorable member must have it printed himself | laugh-

TELEGRAPH BILL.

The House went into committee on the Telegraph Bill, Mr. Bayley in the chair. Clause 1-Mr. DaCosmos moved that after and its dependencies' be added. Carried. Mr. DeCosmos moved that the term of 50 years for which the company ask the right to

use their line be cut down to 25 years. Dr. Helmoken said by granting the company a term of 50 years we would prevent the Government frem granting a monopoly to any other company, should such need arise. He could readily see why this comto do it. He proposed to bring in a new bill, had been to admit alien born citizens to the where is it? when does he intend to introeffect of preventing the construction of the British overland line. He did not know that this would be any serious objection. We detriment of Britain, but he had not the

zens, men who had all their interests in the him an office; it would be a great advantage. colony, and why should this House inflict As to the use of the line in time of war, he such an injury on a good class of citizens by did not see why we should look after the inpreventing them from occupying positions in terests of Britain in this matter, they had done nothing for us in regard to mails or

exercise their privileges as British subjects said about American enterprise; when Vic should do. They had endeavored to control toria, was as large and wealthy as San Francisco we might hear something about Only Good Sauce,

Amendment carried and clause passed. Clause 2-provides for the carrying of the resollection a time not long ago, when some line across any private land by the consent

supporters, and by their votes a seat was the company should have the right to carry obtained in the House of Assembly, (laughter). their line over private land, whether the The amendment was put and lest, Messrs. owner was willing or not; (hear, hear.) By Young, DeCosmos, Powell and Helmcken, a private property owner refusing to allow might have to be a break in the line. How-The clause then passed as read, and the ever, as they did not ask for this he supposed

> the passage of the Act, and that in thirteen of their rights. further months the line must be completed;

Dr. Powell asked leave to read a petition from John Coe and Thos. Martin, asking leave to have the exclusive supplying of the city of finish the line in eight months from the passage of the Act, but if the legislature insisted ou the work being completed in eight or nine months, the company would wish a proviso to provide for accidents.

Dr. Helmcken said he thought the time of 18 months quite short enough; it was certain-The clause was passed with the addition of the words " of North America," after the

Clause 5, provides that upon completion of the line, the Company shall have the exclusive privilege for twenty years of telegraphing between this colony and the United States west a powerful tonic and gentle aperient; are mild in of the Rocky Mountains, but not to interfere their operation; safe under any circumstances with the construction of the prejected line and thousands of persons can now bear testimony to the benefits derived from their use.

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Coe and Martin. Referred to the committee through British territory" be inserted .-Amendment carried, and clause passed. Clause 6, provides that the Governor of Prize Medal

Mr. DeCosmes laid before the House a petition from the Licensed Victuallers Association praying for a reduction in the Clause 7, provides that the telegraph line

Mr. Duncan moved for an address to His point on the limits of the colony between Patent Special Safety Matches Nanaimo and Sooke. Passed. extension to this colony of postal money orders, a book postage system, and also that shall fail for six months to keep the line in the British consul at Panama be authorized working order, unless in case of war, they from the South American Republics for this The committe here rose and reported pro-

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1864. The Council met at 2:30 p.m.—Members present—Hon. Chief Justice Cameron; President of the Council, Hon. Alexander Watson Colonial Treasurer, and Hon. Roderick Finlayson.

BILLS FROM THE LOWER HOUSE. The Chief Justice Pension Bill and the House of Assembly, were laid before the

BOUNDARIES OF THE COLONY. The Clerk of the Council read a commueation from His Excellency, sending down a map of the boundaries of the colony, to be MARINE ARCHITECTS

RECEPTION OF THE NEW GOVERNOR. The Clerk read a communication from the Secretary of the Reception Committee inviting introduce a bill to incorporate the city of the President and members of the Council to Victoria. The hon, member proceeded to take part in the demonstrations at the re-

The President said he supposed the Council would take part in the reception in their Mr. DeCosmos opposed the granting of leave to the honorable member's bill on the Hon. Mr. Watson moved that a reply be

their invitation .- Carried. PILOT BILL. The President said the amendments to the sembly, had been agreed to, and the Bill had been sent up to the Governor to receive his

APPROPRIATION ACT. The bill providing the supplies for the year 1864, was read a first time.

NEW BILLS. The President introduced a bill to amend the Land Registry Act. This bill was necessary to remedy some defects in the present act. Also a bill to enable parties who have the words "Vancouver Island" the words through the ignorance of conveyancers received defective titles, to have their titles

confirmed. BANK NOTE BILL. This bill, on motion of Hon. Mr. Watson,

some proposed amendments. Council adjourned till Monday.

for the construction of a screw steam tug and danger in naturalized citizens taking part in the government of this country, but he was granting an advantage to Americans to the punts, to which we have previously alluded, Mr. DeCosmos' amendment to insert the word excepted words or enacted" after the word excepted and to leave out all of the clause after the word "repealed," was carried nem. con.

Mr. DeCosmos moved the following amendment to insert the word excepted and to leave out all of the clause after the word "repealed," was carried nem. con.

Mr. DeCosmos moved the following amendment, to stand as clause 3:

That the Municipal By-law passed by the Mayor and Council of the City of Victoria, on the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, in which perseight hundred and si have been let by the Government, the former to Mr. Rob't Ewing and the latter to Mr.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS -The contracts

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WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE. might have to be a break in the line. However, as they did not ask for this he supposed the clause might stand as read.—Clause passed.

Clause 3, passed.

Clause 4, provides that the Company must commence the work within five months after the passage of the Act, and that in thirteen

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was ordered to be taken up in committee.

BARRISTERS' AND ATTORNEYS' BILL.

The discussion on this bill was postponed to enable the Attorney-General to bring in for inferior preparations to be substituted.

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# The Weekly Colonist.

Tuesday, March 15, 1864.

ADDRESS FROM THE LEGISLA-TIVE COUNCIL TO THE GOVERNOR.

The Legislative Council presented the following Address to Hi- Excellency Sir James

Douglas on Saturday :

To His Excellency Sir James Douglas, K.C. B., Governor of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, &c., &c. May it please your Excellency,—We, the members of the Legislative Council of Vans couver Island, in prospect of your Excellen-cy's retirement from the high office which your Excellency has so long and honorably filled, desire to express our high estimation of the policy which has guided your Excellency in originating and administering the Government of the Colony; of your noble

appreciation of the duties and responsibilities develving upon the representative of our Most Gracious Queen, and of the moral qualities which have adorned your actions and endeared you to the people of Vancouver Island

That your Excellency may long live to enjoy the approbation of our Most Gracious Sovereign, and the esteem and respect of every colonist is the prayer of each member of the Council. DAVID CAMERON. President of the Council.

His Excellency replied : Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

I cannot allow you to depart without expressing my deep appreciation of the honor you have done me, and of thanking you for the cordial aid and assistance I have received frem you during the course of my administration. I feel how much I owe to your valuable counsel and advice and to your active and hearty co-operation in all matters connected with the well being and prosperity of the country, a happy circumstances to which the colony owes much of its present presper-ity. Discord has been the bane of many countries but your care and prudence has kep down the evil spirit here, and I trust it may never arise to mar the harmony and good feeling now existing between the Executive

and the Legislature. I thank you most sincerely for the many kind allusions you have made to my public services in the highly complimentary address which you have now presented to me. I shall preserve it as a memorial of your kindness and regard, and of the cerdial feeling which has marked all our official intercourse.

I sincerely hope that the colony may contime to prosper, and I feel assured that no efforts will be wanting on your part to pro-mote its true and substantial interests.

### Sat Week OCEAN MAIL STEAMERS

The regular Mail Steamers between San Francisco and Victoria run tri-monthly, as follows: The first leaves San Francisco on the 7th of eyery month, calls at Portland, and arrives in Victoria on or about the 14th; the second leaves San Prancisco on the 17th, for Victoria direct, arriving on or about the 20th, and returning by the way of Portland; the third leaves San Francisco on the 27th, calls at Portland, and arrives at Victoria on or about the 4th of the next month. The steamers usually remain about 12 hours in Victoria.

# COMMERCIAL.

Tuesday, March 8. RETURNS OF SHIPPING FOR FEBRUARY .- The number of vessels of all classes entered at the port of Victoria for February is 102, classified as follows: Steamers 25, barks 3, brigs 2, schooners 44, sloops 27, boats 1; total tonnage 13,144, of which 6,424 tons were British and 6,720 tons foreign. The number of vessels cleared from this port for the same period was 95 classified thus: steamers 26, ships 2, brigs 1, barks 3, schooners 40, sloops 21, barges 1, boats 1; total tonnage, 14,-434, of which 7,807 tons were British and 6,627

FROM NANAIMO.—The steamer Otter arrived on Sunday with 175 tons of coal for the Hudson Bay Company.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.-The ship Lockett, Capt. Topham, from Manaimo, was towed into Esquimalt harbor on Sunday by the Otter. She is bound to San Francisco with 691 tons of coal.

FOR ENGLAND -The ship Somass, Captain Naunton, is now loaded at Port Ludlow and ready

FROM THE SOUND.-The sloop J. S. Kidder arrived yesterday from Port Angelos with eight Fideliter and proceeded to San Francisco. passengers. She experience a very heavy sea on her run over.

Wednesday, March 9. FROM ALBERNI.-The steamer Thames, Capt. Henderson, arrived from the Alberni Mills yesterday morning, with 140,000 feet lumber to Messrs. Anderson & Co. The Thames left the schooner Alberni lying wind-bound in Entrance anchorage on Monday evening, ready to start for the Sand-

wich Islands with a cargo of lumber. The Sea rise has taken place in flour, Golden Gate ruling Snake arrived at the Mills on the 4th inst.

VESSELS UP FOR THIS PORT FROM SAN FRAN-DISCO.—Brig Crimes, to commence loading March lst; bark Frances Palmer, to commence loading same date; bark Adelaide Cooper, loading Feb'y 28th; bark Architect, also loading since the 17th

TREASURE SHIPPED .- The following treasure will be shipped this morning per Brother Jonathan: Bank British North America, \$25,279 04; Bank British Columbia, \$20,689 24. Messrs. Wells. Fargo, had not made up the amount of their

Exports. - The following goods have been hipped per schooner North Star to sail this day for Francisco: 39 hhds, 18 esks and 13 es liquors, 5 bales grain bags, 33 bbls ashes, 47 cs pie fruit, cs hardware, 6 cs merchandise, 2 rolls wire.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER .- The steamer Enterprise left yesterday merning with 80 or 90 passengers and freight for New Westminster. ARRIVED Down .- The schooner Kate Adams

arrived in San Francisco Feb'y 20th, 15 days from this port. THE REBECCA.—This schooner was advertised sail from San Francisco for Acapulco on March

Thursday, March 10. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. - The steamer Brother Jonathan, DeWolf commander, left Esquimalt esterday forenoon for San Francisco direct, with few passengers and a cargo of sundry merchandise valued at \$20,900. The North Star sailed for the same port last night with a cargo (particulars of which appeared in our impression of yesterday)

FOR HONOLULU AND HONGKONG .- The ship Queen of England, Michael Nolan, commander, was towed out of Esquimalt harbor yesterday and wich Islands.

FROM SALT SPRING ISLAND .- The sloop Cowchan Farmer arrived yesterday morning from Salt Spring Island with a cargo of potatoes.

FROM NANAIMO.-The schooner Royal Charlie arrived on Tuesday with 31 tens of coal to Kavanagh & Co., James Bay bridge. The schooner Discovery arrived yesterday with a cargo of gas

SHIPMENT OF TREASURE. - Messrs. Wells. Farge & Co. shipped yesterday per Brother Jenathan for San Francisco \$20,956 30, making the total amount shipped \$66,942 58.

Friday, March 11. FOR PUGET SOUND .- The steamer Eliza Anderson left yesterday morning for Olympia and way ports, taking a cargo of general merchandize transhipped from the brigantine T W Lucas.

FOR NORTH WEST COAST .- The H. B. Co.' steamer Labouchere left yesterday morning on a trading trip to the North West coast.

THE steamer Fideliter will make a trial trip to day, her machinery having already been put into Q. Charlotte, \$48 asked, \$32 50 effered working order. It is said that she will tow the Sansum, \$2 asked, \$1 75 offered Lockett out of Esquimalt Harbor on Saturday.

LOADING .- The brig Crimea and barks Adelaide Cooper and Frances Palmer, were loading at San Francisco at latest dates for this port.

Saturday, March 12 FROM COWIGHAN .- The sloop Lady Franklin arrived yesterday morning from Cowichan with a cargo of oak staves, the manufacture of two hard working and enterprising Canadians, Messrs. Campbell and Denoun, from oaks cut on the mountain at the north side of the harbor. As there is a good demand for staves at remunerative rates, and these gentlemen also being coopers by trade, they have every prospect of making this a lucrative source of employment. The Lady trade, they have every prospect of making this a lucrative source of employment. The Lady Franklin also brought specimens of copper and coal from the mines in that vicinity, which look very promising.

600 do coast at \$1 45; 300 sks choice at 1% c p is OATS—Sales of 600 sks choice at 1% c p is OATS—Sales of 266 sacks at \$2 15; 206 do at \$2 12%, and 240 da at \$2 20 p 100 is.

CANDLES—Sales of 1000 bxs Knapp's Anchor, 200 do Ne Plus Ultra, and 100 do Crystal's pri-

FROM SAN FRANCISCO .- The schooner F P Green, Capt. Howard, arrived yesterday from San Francisco Feb. 26, in ballast. She encountered a strong gale off the Farralones, which blew her down to Monterey. After leaving Monterey she encountered strong westerly gales all the way up to the Straits, when she met with a s;rong SE gale and was blown off Noetka Sound. Entered the Straits on Thursday evening with a strong westerly gale, and was off the Race Rocks at daylight yesterday morning. Saw no ships, but passed some vessel lying in Clallam Bay. (Probably the schr. North Star.-REP.)

FROM NANAIMO.-The sloop Alarm arrived Messrs. J. T. Little & Co. The steamer Emily Harris also arrived in the evening at Brodrick's wharf. She left on Thursday. Everything was quiet, no ships loading.

FOR NEW WEST MINSTEB. -The steamer Enterprise left yesterday morning for New Westminster with a full cargo of general merchandize and about 100 passengers.

FOR PUGET SOUND .- The brigantine T W Lucas sailed yesterday morning for Puget Sound to load a cargo of lumber for San Francisco.

FROM WHIDBY ISLAND .- The schooner Growler arrived yesterday forenoon from Oak Harbor, with a cargo of oats, wheat, hay and vegetables. LUMBER.—The schr Jenny Jones arrived yesterday from Puget Sound with 90,000 feet lumber

to McAlister. FROM THE SOUND.-The schooner Winged Racer, Capt. Petersen, arrived from Dungeness last evening with a cargo of oats, hay, and pota-

toes, and seven passengers. FOR PORTLAND.—The fine clipper schooner Jenny Jones has been laid on by Mr. R. Brodrick for Portland direct. She has accommodation for 10 or 12 passengers and a limited quantity of

freight. FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The ship Lockett was towed into the Straits yesterday by the steamer

CITY MARKET REPORT.

SATURDAY, March 12th, 1864. The improvement in the weather has not been without its effect on the market. The up-country trade has been lively during the week and goods ontinue to move forward. Stocks are sufficient to meet present demands.

Owing to the continued drought in California, 1

at \$6, with an upward tendency. On the receipt of advices from San Francisco

by the next mail steamer, it is expected that all kinds of grain and breadstuffs will advance. The only arrival during the week was the bark Architect, Capt. Hoeg, which brought 1180 qr. sacks of flour, also, brandy, groceries, tobacco oats, wheat, beef, pork, hardware, etc. Market prices, with the exception quoted, renained unchanged.

STOCK AND EXCHANGE BOARD VICTORIA, March 7th, 1864.

SALES. Queen Charlotte, 5 shares sold at \$50, reg. way Skidegate, 10 shares sold at \$12 50 s 30

OFFERS. Eureka, \$40, asked, \$22 off'd b. 30. Sangster, 75c asked, 50 off'd r. w Parmeter, \$4 50 off'd r. w. itannia. \$1 50 asked.

Queen Charlotte, 1 share sold at \$52, s. 30. OFFERS.

Sansum, \$2 asked.
Skidegate, \$20 asked, b. 30. \$11 offered.
Sangster, 50c asked, s. 30. 45c off 'd
Sooke, \$5.00 asked, \$5 off 'd's. 30. SALES. Garibaldi Co, 25 shares sold at \$1, r. w.

Queen Charlotte Co, 2 sh sold at \$1, r. w. Queen Charlotte Co, 2 sh sold at \$45, s. 30. Sansum Co, 10 sh sold at \$1 50, r. w. Skidegate Co, 5 sh sold at \$15 b. 30. Sooke Co, 10 sh sold at \$4 50, r. w. proceeded on her way to China, calling at the Sand-wich Islands.

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> Parmiter, 5 sh sold at \$7 50. Thursday, March 10.

Tuesday, March 8th.

SALES. Skidegate, 3 shares sold at \$13, regular way \$15 30 days 70c. r. w. \$1 75, r. w.

OUTSIDE SALES.

Queen Charlotte; \$40 s 30 d. asked, \$32 off'd, b. 30 Eureka, \$45 asked, \$15 offered, b. 30 Sooke, \$5 50 asked, \$4 25 offered, s. 30 Hope, 25 asked, 18 offered Muir \$4 asked, \$1 25 offered Parmetter, \$20 asked, s 30, \$5 50 offered Britannia, \$2 asked, b. 30 \$1% offered

11 MARCH, 1864. Skidegate, 10 shares sold at \$14. b. 30 Garibaldi, 50 , \$1 75 r. w , 100 , \$2 00 do \$1 75 r. w. \$2 00 do

Sansum, \$2 asked, \$1 75 offered Sangster, \$5c. asked, s. 30, 65c. offered, b. 30 Sooke, \$5 50 asked, s. 30 Hope, \$25 asked, s. 30 \$18, offered, s. 30 Muir, \$3 asked, s. 30. \$1 50 offered Parmiter, \$12 asked, \$8 offered Britannia, \$2 asked, \$1 25 offered.

SAN PRANCISCO MARKETS.

From the S. F. Alta. SATURDAY, February 27th. FLOUR—Jobbing sales of ooo or sks Gnadalupe extra at \$5.50; 90 do Neptrae superfine at \$4.50, 1200 do Santa Rosa do at \$4.50; 500 do Golden Age extra at \$5.50; 1000 hf do superfine at \$5.500 do Golden Age extra at \$5.50, and 300 do Commercial do at \$5.50 p bbl.

WHEAT—Sales of 450 sacks prime at \$1.72%;

600 do coast at \$1 45; 300 sks prime bay at \$1 70,

vate; 150 do Hieatt & Wood's at 18c.
OIL—Sale of 75 cs Plagniol Olive at \$4.25.
PAPER—Sale of 30 bales 20x30 double crown raw Wrapping at \$1. SOAP—Sale of 50 bxs Castile, private.

BAGS—Auction sales for account of underwriters of 18 bales, 250 each; Gunnies at 13 %; and

do at 14c.

SUGAR—Auction sales of 25 bbls and 17 bags Peruvian at \$9 05@9 10 p 100 ibs.

TEA—Auction sales for account of underwriters of 51 chests Oolong Pouchong, 36 ibs each, BUTTER-250 fikns Isthmus, 31c.

MONDAY, Feb. 29. Transactions from first hands were quite limited vesterday from Nanaimo with a cargo of coals for and of no particular interest, while the jobbers as a general thing reported a slim trade.

Receipts of cereals continue light, and sales have consequently been very moderate. Barley is held at a higher figure than our quotations, and Oats ruled a shade higher. Wheat and Flour are quite firm and tending upward. Potatoes, owing

excessive supplies, show less firmness. FLOUR—Jobbing sales of 300 qr sacks Alvis of extra at \$6, and 380 do Commercial do at \$5 50 p WHEAT—Sales of 650 sacks milling at \$1 65; 250 do good do at \$1 60 p 100 fb.

BARLEY—Sales of 900 sks at \$1 87%, and 400 lo choice brewing at \$1 90 \(\frac{1}{2}\) 100 \(\frac{1}{15}\).

OATS—Sales of 500 sks at \$2 15, and 390 do

n two lots, at \$2 25 pp 100 lb.

CANDLES—Sales of 500 bxs Knapp's Anchor, private; 100 do Hieatt & Wood's at 18c, and 100 Crystal's, private. COFFEE—Sale of 100 sks Rio, private. OIL—Sale of 50 cs Possel Olive Oil, private. WOODENWARE—Auction sales of 110 dozen painted Pails at \$1 40.

DRIED APPLES—Auction sales of 29 hf bbls

PAPER—Auction sale of 300 rms D. C. Straw, 0x30, at 72½c. CASE GOODS—Auction sales, for account of Underwriters, of 31 bxs 1 doz hf gal Pickles, at 3/12; 31 do Pie Fruits at \$3 85; 35 bxs Tomato Ketchup, qts, at \$2 50. and 69 cases Underwood's Lobsters, 2 doz each, at \$2 75.

PASSENGERS.

Per stmr BROTHER JONATHAN, from San Francisco—Captain Jones, R.N., O.F. Gerish and wife, Mrs Raymer and child, F. Dennis, F. Glea-son, J. G. Bachelder, F. Russell, Mr. Shirpser, Mr. Mitchell, L. Bettman, E. M. Clamendon, J. McDon-Mitchell, L Bettman, E M Clamendon, J McDonald, Wilson, F Chassen, J Morrow, D McBride, Mr Pochin, S Dinnes, Henry Lucas, A Gerfinkle, Lewis Lewis, Henry Wilson, R Edwards and son A Lee, A Welsh, S D Gerish, W Hardy, P Hardy, A Hardy, J Blackman, R B Garrison, C Beak, D Humpherys, Sam Adler, J Hemingway, S Cook, P Doherty, John Long, J McMahan, Mr Grant, Mr Ensign Thomas Quinn, Isaac Halliding, Mr Jones, J Roberts, Wm Davis, N Waldelig, J Thompson, sister and children, J Lord, (Wells, Fargo & Co's messenger.)

Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON, from Pugget Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—Courtney, E M Howell, Hood, J Carson, L Bonner, S S Cluff, W C Wallace, Davis, Chas WORTH REMEMBERING!

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MEMORANDA.

Per stmr FIDELITER from Liverpool-Left Liverpool 9th September: experienced favorable weather as far as Cape Horn; passed through the Straits of Lemaire; had fair winds round the Cape, but after rounding experienced very heavy gales for fourteen days; ship weathered the gale well and received no damage whatever. Favorable weather all the way to Valparaiso, where she put in for water and supplies on the 26th December, and left again January 2d, and carried fair weather up to March 1st, when it commenced to blow heavy gales from from N.W. to S.W. with thick weather and heavy passing showers. At 4 p. m. on Saturday made the land off the Straits at 8 p. m., weather very thick. Made the Race Rocks light and anchored in Esquimalt at 4 p. m. on

Per stmr BROTHER JONATHAN, SJDe-Welf commander, from San Francisco—Left San Francisco Feb'y 28th for Victoria via Portland. Left Portland March 5th and arrived in Esquimalt the 8th, at 2 p. m.

Per Bark ARCHITECT—Left San Francisco Feb. 29th. Experienced fresh NW winds until within two days of port when it veered to SE. Passed ahe Bark Live Yankee going out of the Straits. Saw several other sail bound down

IMPORTS.

Per bark ARCHITECT, from San Francisco Per bark ARCHITEUT, from San Francisco—
20 bxs nut oil. 50 pgs boots, rope, etc, 61 sks coal,
25 cs kerosene, 2 bxs old clothing, 594 pgs groceries, 1 cs mouldings, 12 bxs tobacco, 33 pgs pork,
paper and Manilla, 100 hf sks flour, 4151 ps flour,
butter, etc. 85 sks cats, 5 pgs hops and glassware,
83 pkgs brandy, butter and ginger, 6 dozen green
ginger, 24 pgs furniture, 10 pkgs tobacco, 40 pkgs
coffee, 7 cs cherosts, 41 pkgs brooms and boots,
118 do rice, 7 do bason and hams, 2 cases cassia, 1
stove and 6 bdle castings, 5 cacle, beautiful or 10 bkgs tobacco. stove and 6 bdls castings, 6 sacks beans, 29 boxes soap, 5 kgs butter, 2 bdls oatmeal, 183 sks wdest, 6 bis spices. 391 pgs hdware, 1180 or sks some and bitters, 1 bdl south nose, 2 soils rope, 38 bbls heef. 4 bdls wagon materials, 20 cs order, 180 do brandy—Value, \$35,376.

Per stmr FIDELITER, from Liverpoo Dickson, Campbell & Co., 13 trunks boots, 6 csks paints, 5 bales woellen blankets, 2 bales wearing apparel, I cs books, 1 bale paper hangings, 5 cs hardware, 3 csks glass, 11 bxs starch, 108 brs iron, 1 coil wire rope, 1000 railway chairs, 22 tons pig

Per stmr BROTHER JONATHAN, from San Francisco—70 pgs boots and shoes, 5 pgs do and eather, 7 pgs machinery, 9 do clothing, 2 cs books, leather, 7 pgs machinery, 3 do clothing, 2 cs books, 1 cs hops, 4 cs seeds, 2 butter and lard, 1 cs leather and finding, 22 cs cigars, 11 cs opium, 5 cs confectionery, 1 cs bedding, 6 tobacco, 9 cs boots and chocolate, 2 cs clocks, 2 cs candy, 10 cases drugs.

Per stmr BROTHER JONATHAN, from Portland—200 pgs bacon, 238 bxs apples, 19 pgs ard, 49 pgs eggs, 22 pgs butter, 120 sheep, 24 qr

Per schr JENNY JONES, from Port Angelos -90,000 feet lumber, to McAllister-Value, \$1080. Per schr G lOWLER, from Port Angelos—12 bas tobacco, 25 bbls flour, 21 kegs nails, 12 tons hay, 200 bas 1 oats, 200 do carrots, 60 do wheat, to J A McCroa—Value, \$519 50. Per steamer ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget

Sound—67 hd attle, 4 horses, 39 hogs, 5 bxs 1 bdl furs, 24 sk coysters, 110 sheep, 4 coops fowls, 2 qrs beef, 1 b ll trees, 3 dead hogs—Value \$3540. Per sloop J )HN S rEPHENS, from Port Angelos—50 shep, 25 M shingles, 500 lbs wool—Value, \$437. Per slp JOH V THORNTON, from Por Ange-os-35,000 ft amber, value \$420.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

ENTERED.

March 7-Simr Mary Woodruff, Swan, Por Stmr Fideliter, Pearce, Liverpool.
Stmr Enterprise, Mouat, New Westminster.
Schr Meg Merrillies, Pamphlet, Nanaimo.
Schr Alpha, George, Nanaimo. Schr J R Thorndike, Thornton, San Juan

March 8-Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Por Stmr Thames, Henderson, Alberni. Stip John Stephens, Wilson, Port Angelos.
Slp C S Kidder, Henderson, Port Angelos.
March 9—Stmr Brother Jonathan, De Welf, As-

Stmr Thames, Henderson. Alberni. Schr Discovery, Rudlin, Nanaimo. Schr Industry, Patten, Nanaimo. Mar 10-Str Enterprise, Moust, New Westmir

Schr Annie, Elvin, Saanich Schr Annie, Elvin, Saanich
Slp Mayflower, Harner, Salt Spring Island
Bk Architect, Hoeg, San Francisco
Mar 11—Schr Jenny Jones, Jones, Port Angelos
Slp Lady Franklin, Warren, Cowichan
Stmr Emily Harris, McIntosh. Nanalmo
Schr Royal Charlie, Hewitt, Nanalmo
Schr Growler, Barrington, Port Angelos
Slp Alarm, Tweeddale, Nanalmo
March 12—Sloop Alarm, Tweedale, Nanalmo
Sloop Northern Light, Mountfort, Port Angelos
Schr F P Green, Howard, San Francisco
Schr Mary Ann, Hanley, New Westminster
Sloop Louisa, Marquis, Nanalmo Sloop Louisa, Marquis, Nanaimo

CLEARED. March 7-Stmr Enterprise, Mouat, New West minster.
Slp Nor hern Light, Montford, Port Angelos.
Slp J R Thorndike, Thornton, San Juan.
March 8—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Pert Schr North Star, McCulloch, San Francisco.

March 9-Stmr Brother Jonathan, DeWolf, San rancisco.
Schr Eliza, Carlton, Cowichan.
Schr Alpha, George, Nanaime.
Slp John Stephens, Wilson, Port Angelos.
Slp Leonede, Francis, Northwest coast of Van-

couver Island.

Mar 10—Sch Mary, Anderson, Stekin
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Schr Meg Merrillies, Pamphlet, Nanaimo
Brig T W Lucas, Anderson, Port Angelos
Sch Annie, Elvin, Saanich
Sch Industry, Patten, Nanaimo
Mar 11—Sch Discovery, Rudlin, Nanaimo
Sch Royal Charlie, Hewitt, Nanaimo.

March 12—Stmr Emily Harris, McIntesh, Nanaimo couver Island.

BIRTH

In this city, on the 7th March, the wife of Mr. John Lee, builder, Fort street, of a son. At Alberni, V. I., on Feb'y 27th, the wife of Mr. John P. Patterson, of a daughter. At Alberni, V. I., on Feb'y 29th, the wife of Mr. E. Mack, of a daughter.

In the city of San Francisco, on February 20th, Joseph Eberhardt of Victoria, V. I. In New Westminster on the 7th inst. Captain Joseph Kerr Riddle, aged 38 years, a native of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. California and Eastern States papers please



PROCLAMATION.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY SEE JAMES
DOUGLAS, Knight Commander of the Musi
Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and
Commander-in-chief, in and over the Colony of Vancouver's Island and its Dependencies, Vice-Admiral of the same:

WHEREAS, it is expedient to declare that the Harbour of Manaimo shall from henceforth be a PORT OF ENTRY AND CLEARANCE for Ships and Goods until otherwise determined by proper authority; Now THEREFORE I, SIR JAMES DOUG-LAS. Governor as aforesaid, do hereby publish, declare and proclaim that the Port of Nanaimo shall include all the space of water Southward of a line drawn from Harswell Bluff, the North Point of Departure Bay, to Entrance Island and Northward of line running due East from the Northern Entrance of Dodd Narrows to the West Coast of Gabriols Island, as shown in the Admirality Charts:

That the aferenamed Port of Nanaimo is and shall be, until otherwise determined by proper authority, a Port of Entry and Clearance for Ships and Goods, save and except as to the payment of any fees, licenses and dues which may be hereafter directed by proper authority.

sued under the Public Seal of the Colony of Vancouver Island, at Victoria, this twelfth day of March, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-four, in the Twenty-Seventh Year of Her Majesty's Reign. By His Excellency's command.

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG. GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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DEAR SIR,—I have libefore the Governor and the House of Assembly the disbursement of the the service which you p Before doing so, howe would be glad to know plated that course, as fro notes both to His Exce would seem almost as i impression that the Go ask the Assembly tor funds for the purpose home, without stating posed agent, or the nat was expected to undert

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IMMIGRATION MASS MEETING.

not there to make a speech, but he must say eccasional visitors was so conflicting in a few words as to the prospects and requirements of the colony. He had met with a cision as to the merits of the country. This great many croakers here.

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The resolution was put and carried unani-

whom, were the members for the city and the present Mayor, then member for Esquimalt, ad agitated the matter and had spoken to him (Mr. Macfie) about it. About six months ago it was again mooted by many who were impressed with the desirability of drawing immigration to the colony. These gentlemen did net propose to ask any pecuniary aid from the colonial government, intending to raise the required means through private liberality both here and in the old country. They waited, however, on the Governor enlist his support and approbation, and he received them most favorably, and intimated his desire to have a conversation with me on the matter. On my having an interview with him, he expressed a wish that I should be sent home as an immigration agent, and this without the slightest solicitation on my part.

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His Excellency intimated most emphatiscally that he would send down a message to the House requesting them to vote an amount for the purpose of aiding the scheme, and on my asking him if the House would offer any objection to the preposed arrangements, he said (I give his own words) "I do not see how they can have the hardihood to refuse." (Applause.) I did not then hear again about the matter for a little time, when I received a letter from the Colonial Secretary asking what amount I would require to that in a previous note to His Excellency I He attached the utmost importance—not had expressed a wish, if possible, to avoid to talking about this subject, as had been done having my name brought up in any discus- for the last two years, but to active and enersion in the House on the subject.

20th November, 1863. notes both to His Excellency and myself it than had even been experienced here. funds for the purpose of sending an agent colored statements in the home papers, or home, without stating the name of the pro- hearing similar statements from interested individuals. was expected to undertake.

Believe me, dear sir, Very faithfully yours WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG. The Rev. M. MACFIE.

When the House met after the recess, two he [Mr. M.] would admit that in many cases In accordance with a requisition to the One was by Messrs. Anderson & Co., propos-Mayor, signed by a large number of our most respectable citizens, a meeting was held in the Lyceum Hall on Saturday night, for the purpose of considering the best means of rendering the proposed visit of Mr. Macfie of the greatest benefit to the colony. The large hall was crowded by a numerous and attention to the Mayor, signed by a large number of our most ing, as the audience have already learned through the newspapers, to establish agencies throughout the United Kingdom, in connection with their house in London, and their line of ships to this colony. This proposal, the House, doubtless looking on it more in the light of a commercial monopoly to a particular commercial house, whose chief aim would the greatest benefit to the colony. The large hall was crowded by a numerous and attentive audience, representing all classes of the community, and including several members of the House of Assembly, clergymen, &c. In the unavoidable absence of the Mayor, James Duncan, Esq., M. P., was called to the chair, and proceeded to read a letter from Mayor Harris, apologising for his enforced the almost unanimous approbation of the House. On the estimates being finally passed. Mayor Harris, apologising for his enforced absence, owing to an attack of illness, and expressing his entire sympathy with the intention of the meeting and his hearty approval of the appointment of the Rev. M. MacGe as an immigration lecturer in England. After alluding to the sum voted in aid of immigration by the Legislative Assembly and certain quarters—which quarters the audience in the sum voted in aid of immigration by the Legislative Assembly and immigration in the sum voted in aid of immigration by the Legislative Assembly and immigration in the sum voted in aid of immigration in the sum v

gration.

The mover said he was not there to say whether Mr. Macfie was the proper person to send home as a lecturer or not; he would be better able to tell that when he had beard. better able to tell that when he had heard succeed; multitudes of the most desirable him address the meeting. As to the impor-parties would never see the advertisements inserted in the papers. The appointment of greatest benefit might result from a proper dissemination of knowledge in regard to the various resources of the country.

Mr. Fell seconded the resolution. He was the proper that there is make a speech but he must say the proper to make a sp A Voice—Your are not quite free from presented among the teeming population of the old country; it was a difficult one to reach colony was the only one which was not reeroaking yourself! [Laughter.]

Mr. Fell—Well! if I have creaked it was and therefore every facility and information

mission was entirely a religious one; and not- of gold and silver, the result of that assay, withstanding the mean and contemptible im with him. The fisheries he looked upon as a mously.

The chairman being obliged to leave, Mr. G. E. Dennes, M. P., was called to the chair.

Mr. Macfie on rising to address the assemblage, was received with much applause. He said he had the honor of explaining the manner in which his name had been connected to the chair.

The question of the scheme that he would encourage unsuitable immigration. He would be far from encouraging the mately made the depot for the whaling fleet mately made the depot for the wall mately made the depot putations made against him [Mr. Macfie] by source of boundless wealth. The speaker parhis clerical brethren,he would say that should ticularized the different kinds of fish which coming to this country of such classes as prodigal sons, broken-down swells, [laughter] well-meaning but unsuitable elerks and such like. A voice—Bullyt or you! [Great laughter.] It would be his aim to encourage the formation of associations whose field of operations would be in this country; to en- His belief was that although we had not on courage respectable handieraftsmen and me- this Island the prairies of Western America, chanics, not telling them, however, that they could make a rapid fortune—that they could pick up gold on the streets, or make \$10 per day as wages, but they should be told that land around Victoria. The cultivation of by 7 or 8 years of steady labor the balance of timothy grass was exceedingly profitable, and their books would show a handsome profit in their favor. Another class—that of farm with the rearing of hogs and other stock, also laborers—was very much needed in this country, and although we might not be able to obtain the assistance of the Imperial Gov—Victoria should import \$533,137 of produce ernment in sending them out, there were many benevolent persons in England only looking for a channel into which to direct

their means, and by their aid many farm laborers might be sent out by means of "as sisted passages." Last but not least, he weuld refer to a subject now rather hackneyed, both in the House and out of it— "Female Immigration'— (laughter.) He (the speaker) had talked with many families here, and he was sure that 500 respectable girls, brought out in small detachments, would be immediately absorbed. He would not lead these girls to believe that husbands were waiting for them on the wharves, and undertake the proposed mission; to which I replied stating that I would be satisfied with £400, or \$2000, a sum which I considered would be required to meet the expenses of a year's operations. On the 20th of November I received the following letter from the ber I received the following letter from the to California to secure partners for life because

getic movement in the matter. DEAR SIE,—I have laid yeur application before the Governor and he will submit it to gible ebjection to the colony; we might as well It was said that many had been unfortunate the House of Assembly for their assent as te think the same of England because the Times the disbursement of the funds necessary for and Dispatch contain so many failures and the service which you propose to undertake. and alludes to paupers being so numerous. Before doing so, however, His Excellency would be glad to know whether you contemplated that course, as from the tenor of your to Melbourne, who suffered hardships greater would seem almost as if you were under the grand error committed in reference to this impression that the Governor would simply colony was that people came here with such ask the Assembly for an appropriation of exaggerated expectations, from reading highly

> The next question to bring before this meeting was-was a minister unfitted for acting in the capacity of lecturer? [Loud cries of No, no! and a few of Yes, yes!] Well,

their ideas were not remarkably enlarged, [laughter] indeed many of them might as well wear petticoats as gowns. [Laughter.] As for himself, he would say that his motto as a student, and which he had not consciously departed from, was-never to sink the man

in the minister. [Applause].

He would proceed to glance briefly at the inducements we had to offer as a field for immigration. He took up the city of Victoria, in its commercial adaptabilities sketch ing its rapid growth from the Hudson Bay Company's Fort in 1858, to its present advanced position, showing its great progress in commerce and exports of gold, and bringing up its manifold advantages as a free port-

After alluding to the sum voted in aid of immigration by the Legislative Assembly, and to the urgent necessity of proper and reliable information in regard to this colony being disseminated in the mother country, which he believed Mr. Macfie well able to undertake, the chairman called on Mr. McMillan, who the chairman call proposed the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mr. Macfie be requested to lay before this meeting his views on the resources of the Island, accompanied with an original ways the elected formula the elected influence should thus be allowed to defeat the scheme so unanimously approved of by the House of Assembly. (Applause,)

Mr. Macfie then proceeded to the great and their own ships, (which, from the cheapness opinion upon the classes of people to whom important question before the meeting. He this colony offers a desirable field for immithan at home) (applause) let them sell their own goods, ship their own lumber to China, bring back the return cargoes to England or this port, and see what an enormous trade they will have. The speaker alluded to the vast commercial capacity and requirements of China. The demand for lumber alone was inserted in the papers. The appointment of a mercantile firm would also be a failure. as the interests of that firm would lead them to induce a promiscuous immigration solely for the purpose of cramming their vessels with passengers for the profit resulting therefrom, without caring whether the immigrants were speaker next alluded to the probability of Escretation and the trade or the most remunerative character. A large market for railway sleepers of which we have a boundless supply, would ultimately become a great interest interest in the purpose of cramming their vessels with passengers for the profit resulting therefrom, without caring whether the immigrants were speaker next alluded to the probability of Escretation and the trade or the most remunerative character. A large market for railway sleepers of which we have a boundless supply, would ultimately become a great interest interest in the purpose of cramming their vessels with passengers for the profit resulting therefrom, without caring whether the immigrants were speaker next alluded to the probability of Escretation. quimalt being made the chief naval rendezvous and sanitorium for Her Majesty's fleet on the Pacific, and referred to the inter-oceanic railway both in the United States and in British possessions, as a highway to the great East .-He also alluded to the coal on the Island. Coal and iron had built up England to the great empire she now is, and coal, iron, and copper, on this Island will ultimately make Vancouver Island the England of the Pacific. Mr. Fell—Well! if I have creaked it was saused by the faults of others, not my ewn. (Laughter.) He had been led here by false representations, (Applause,) but now he was here, he was determined to do his best to develop the resources of the country. This Island teemed with minerals, forests, its waters with fish—all we wanted was capital to open up its vast natural advantages, and we wanted some one to go home and lay proper information before the masses of the home

> particularly when we have a graving deck at Esquimalt; and he was happy to say that the pioneer one would shortly be constructed .-Agriculture next occupied the speaker's attention, and he entered fully into this subject. yet what soil the Island did have, was good arable land. He instanced Dr. Tolmie's farm as a specimen of what can be done with the in twelve months, when there remained so

Cariboo was next touched upon, and the lecturer rehearsed what he considered to be the difficulties and drawbacks, as well as the advantages and attractions, which the gold regions of the sister colony presented. After a few general remarks, in which the opposi-tion he had met with was again alluded to, the rev. gentleman rrsumed his seat amid the loud and protracted cheers of his hearers.

Mr. W. H. Parsons then moved, That this meeting heartily consurred in the expressed opinion of the House of Assembly that a ecturer should be sent to England for the purpose of diffusing information regarding these colonies. Mr. Parsons said he was one of those unfortunate individuals who was allured-he might say with another gentleman, swindled-into the country in 1862. He had the advantage over Mr. Macfie in one respect, he had been to Cariboe, though he did not find himself any the better for it. Since hearing the reverend gentleman he found aimself somewhat in the position of the man who was engaged in a law suit and having entered the Court while his counsel was pleading came out exclaiming that "he never before knew what an ill-used man he was." Before Mr. Macfie had addressed the meeting he had no idea that the country possessed so many resources. [Laughter and cheers.] He added that an influx of people into British Columbia was also beneficial to this colony inasmuch as every man who entered tha colony increased the consumption for goods which would be supplied by Victoria. Mr. Pearson spoke to the point and his remarks

Mr. J. P. Cranford seconded the resolution which was carried with acclamation. Mr. Pidwell moved that, "In the opinion of the meeting the Rev. Mr. Macfie is highly qualified as a lecturer." He preceded to say that he had changed his views since hearing the reverend speaker. He had been opposed

to sending any clergyman home to disseminate information respecting colonies as he thought they had not time or opportunity to make themselves sufficiently acquainted with the subject. He now fully acquainted of the subject of the the subject. He now fully approved of the selection and considered Mr. Maofie a fitting lecturer. It had been publicly stated that the meeting was solicited by Mr. Macfie's Bear River, 160 miles from here. congregation, but he for one did not belong to his church; he condemned the idea of cler to his church; he condemned the idea of cler ical or sectarian influence being brought to bear, and whether he entertained the same views on matters of religion or not he was equally prepared to support the nominative of the same ican are supported by the support of the same ican are supported by the same ican are supported by the support in the support in the support is the support. equally prepared to support the nomina-tion of Mr. Macfie as a lecturer well qualified lecturer: it was the people—the tax payers—out of whose pockets the money came, (hear,) and they therefore had a right to a voice in the matter and he did not think His Excellency the Governor would oppose the voice of the people (hear, hear). The speaker further denounced the scheme proposed by Messrs. Anderson & Co., for opening an Eme-gration office, and concluded by calling upon the meeting to confirm the resolution.

Mr. Gillard seconded-remarking that he had come to the meeting opposed to the ap-pointment of Mr. Macfie, but after the able ecture he had heard he changed his opinion and felt much pleasure in seconding the res-

Resolution carried with acclamation. Mr. Councillor Wallace moved, "That this neeting pledges itself to use every exertion with the Executive to secure the appropriation of the vote as the Legislative Assembly intended it to be applied."

Mr. Searby, in a few happy remarks, seconded the resolution, which was unanimously

Mr. Seett moved, "That a committee be named by the chair to wait upon the Executive with a view to obtain the object sought

by the meeting."
Mr. Lindsay seconded the motion. Before the motion was put by the chair Mr. meeting had yet considered. He had a right to suppose from the frequent plaudits of the jeet, in order that His excellency might be made aware of what the sentiments of the people were, and if in his favor it would suffice to counteract the reaction which he be-

influence of a few. The motion was then put and carried unan- temporary: imously with loud applause.

The Chairman nominated the

lieved had been produced through the out-side

gentlemen :- His Worship the Mayor Messrs. Bayley, M. P., Capt. Ried, Searby, Wallace U. C., McKay, Bell, Pidwell, and Mitchell with power to add to their number. Mr. Macae invited such of his friends who

felt disposed to join the committee to meet at Mr. Searby's drug store on Monday morning at half-past ten. After a vote of thanks to the Chairman

the meeting senarated.

There must have been fully 200 persons in the Hall, every seat being occupied, and a number compelled to stand, and we must do the meeting the justice to say that we never saw any public preceedings conducted with more decorum and good will. The audience throughout were very attentive to the different speakers and the greatest unanimity of feeling appeared to pervade the entire assemblage. Not a single dissenting voice was heard to any of the propositions submitted with the exception of one wake-ful wag knowledge of Chinook, watched every opportunity for slipping in the negative

PARTICULARS OF THE DEATH OF DONALD MONRO.

[From the Columbian.]

Having a short time age received a letter from George Munre requesting further par-ticulars concerning the death of his brother and having invited parties acquainted with the circumstances to communicate with us, we have just received the following letter from Williams Creek :-

RICHFIELD, CARIBOO, Feb. 23rd, 1864.

To the Editor of the British Columbian, SIR,—The following are the particulars in regard to the death of the late Donald Munro given to me by Sim Shively, who was one of the party who found his body, and who, reading the article in your paper, requested me to give you the particulars, which are as follows: n June last, while returning from a prospecting tour, they stopped to cook dinner, and Shively, while auntering along the river discovered a flag hanging to a pole on the bank, and on inspecting it he found the body of the poor man under a tree, a short distance from the flag, and a short distance from him, his tin cup bottom upwards, with the following inscription scratched with a sail needle:

" Donald Munro in the woods, lost June 1863, is from Inverness Town, Scotland, born June, 1825." Shively says from the appearance of the body he must have been dead about ten days. They rolled him up in his blankets and dug a grave and buried him, enclosing it with sticks around it, and put a cross to his head. They found no papers, only a shirt, new pants, sewing palm and needle; not an ounce of food. Near where he lay, the poor man had stripped the bark from a tree, as the last resort to sustain life. Shively says he thinks he must have been carried. he thinks he must have been conscious to the SIM SHIVELY, Per John Cook, Fashion Salcon.

P. S.—The river where he was found was

SHOCK OF AN EARTHQUAKE. - We have relast at 71 in the evening. It was accompanition of Mr. Macfie as a lecturer well qualified to make the requirements of the colonies known in England. He argued that this was a matter which should be left in the hands of the people. It was not the Government who furnished the \$3,000 to sending home a lecturer it was the manufacturer. hetrogenious ruin. Its course was acress the Creek, from north to south.-16

(Query. Has Artemus Ward strayed up in the neighborhood of Thorne's Creek ?-ED.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

This body met on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Members present—The Hon. President, and Messrs. Attorney General Cary, Treasurer Watson and Assistant Surveyor General Pearse.

The Telegraph bill was passed through a first, second, and third reading, the Standing Orders of the Council being suspended to allow its passage.

The Conneil then adjourned to present the address to His Excellency, which will be found in another part of our columns.

NEW WESTMINSTER"CHARIVARI." A new publication under the appropriate title of the "Scorpien," made its appearance on Friday in New Westminster.

Our little contemporary has made a good Massie again stepped forward and said that this was the most important matter which the with the same ability, tempered with discrewith the same ability, tempered with discretion, it will receive a large share of patronage meeting that they were in favor of his appointment a lecturer, but he would desire at the office of the British Columbian, but the the meeting on this motion being put, to show editor of that sombre journal very imprudent-ly inserts a public disclaimer against being ly inserts a public disclaimer against being associated with its authorship. 's'his is too heavy a joke we should think to escape a probe from the "Scorpion." We take the following from the columns of our witty con-

Lines from the Album of Miss A Come maiden of the wilderness, And linger by my side; We'll fly away across the sea, If you will be my bride,

I'll take you to my fathers's halls,
Beyond the snow-capped hills,
Where fragrance sweet from beauteous flowers,
The evening sephyr fills.

I'll pluck the lilly and the rose, And place them at your feet; For well I know a heart like thine,

Oh! open up those rosy lips!
Let those bright eyes of thine
Shine forth an answer to my prayer:
Oh, say thou wilt be mine.

The maiden raised her lovely head With eyes meek as a lamb's,
She gazed into his manly face,
And softly whispered,—C—K—Clams.

Mr. Kennedy having been disappointed in his endeavor to obtain the office of Town Clerk in this city, has accepted the post of dovernor of Vancouver Island. We have received a note from Messrs. Gul-

lutt and Ileft, from Whatcom, requesting that we forward them a copy of the Scorpion at the back who having acquired a limited weekly, and charge the same to their credi-Messrs. Sharkson, Brownwig, Hobson and

Grevious left by the Eaterprise on Wednesday for Victoria. It is reported that they are go-ing to make a tender for the stock of W. Gillett preparatory to opening an establishment in this city, which will be conducted on strictly sectarian principles.

We copy the following remarkable jokes from our contemporaries, giving credit to whom credit is due:—

Eggs is eggs .- Evening Express. Does your mother know you're out ?-B.

Little boys should be seen, not heard .- B.

Has your mother sold her mangle ?-- F

He that sitteth down upon thistles will rise up quickly .- B. Columbian,

Let dogs delight to bark and bite.- V. Chronicle.

Mr. Foole has just arrived from above with the Barnyard Express, having made the trip in four days, two hours five minutes and three seconds, which extraordinary time was accomplished owing to his having driven over the Big Slide in a buggy. He reports a company of Canadians having struck rich diggings in the bottom of Ground Hog Lake.

Dr. Benes of this city assures us that the Columbian has quite recovered from his billious attack. He prescribed a dose of Chronicle jokes, which are held in high esteem as gentle emetics.

Thanks to Mr. Transfeld for a very fine sals mon which he forgot to send us. This fish is, as usual, the finest of the season.—Columbian don't copy if you please. We have received a communication from

the Right Rev. the Bishop of Stickeen on the culture and growth of clams which we have to omit for want of space in this issue.

In our next issue will appear an epic poem last. His tin cup he placed on a small stick behind his head, close to the tree, and in a behind his head, close to the tree, and in a council. Subject, "Pillow Case on a ben-way to prevent the weather having any effect

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GOVERNOR KENNE

Before this reaches the eye of Governor Kennedy will have prob ed, and will in due course receive from the inhabitants. If we erect like the citizens of Rome at Casa "put on our best attire, cull out and strew flowers in his way," it the Roman citizens, to pander to of a conqueror, but to show a mark to the representative of Her and to offer a reception to man of whom much is expe-have had our season of grun discontent; but with the dawn o future, we have buried the hatch cepted the calumet. We have gi well demonstration to the retiring and now, in the same spirit of c extend a warm and genuine weld successor. Governor Kennedy ar most important phase of our exis transforming period of youth to r After the boisterous weather of c ime\_the gales and showers of a

An auspicious period is openin by, and an opportunity is afford cellency to become one of the of governors. He commences his Island career with a tabula rasapages of his official book are clear lied—no prejudicial connections his policy, no injurious interests tween him and the people's we quainted with the working of free in the Australian dependencies, h us with a proper conception of whi a political sense, to the enterprisi tion of a British colony. Had we governor from England, destitute experience, we should, in all proba had a man wedded inseparably to customs unsuited to the exigence more progressive communities countries. As it is, however, we h to be gratified at obtaining a gent has seen something of the world comes to us free from that obstinat sufficiency which usually accomp

As a people, we are too prone t the Executive some mysterious, power, and expect from it the Hercules. So soon as Governo enters Yates street he is told to " resources," when he might with ju reason be asked to "build our I "till our soil." The fable of Jupi Waggoner is always in requisition are afraid that unless we have the self-reliance and intelligence to d own material resources we shall h poor chance of the labor being pe the representative of Her Maj position of a Governor of a Britis now well defined. The days of inte Executives have, in nearly all the happily ceased, and the wise G more than Queen Victoria attempt ere in the political affairs of the e aid and encourage the inhabitant laudable enterprise-to endeavor, where the population is large, to social reunions the ascerbities life-to give a tone to that societ he should be the ornament and the to look after the constitutionality of the Legislature, are really the taining to his office. In our form ment, a little wider latitude i course, to the Governor than in co ing the full measure of respons owing to the deficiency of intellect pendence in our Legislature hither ecutive has been allowed, in to stances, to supersede the functi

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