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The Colonization Movement.

The attention of this community was recently drawn to an organization in England, having for its object the promotion of British colonization. Active co-operation was invited, and it was intimated that this colony could, without any money outlay, obtain, through the instrumentality of that organization, a few hundreds of just such families as would prove of the greatest advantage. Strange to say, not the slightest disposition has yet been manifested to co-operate in so very desirable a movement — no indication that the slightest interest is felt in the matter has been given. It is inconceivable that the want of population is not felt.

Everyone must surely realize that, How is it, then, that there exists such an utter deadness? One might well imagine that the bare mention of such an opportunity would have been the signal for a general movement among the dry bones. But instead of this, the cold, Sphinx-like stare of unconcern and utter unconcern would lead one to think that the people really take no interest whatever in a question which underlies the prosperity of this colony, which is stirring other colonies to the very centre. A call to abuse the Government or to do honors to those who will apply the harshest epithets to the officials is responded to with the utmost alacrity, at least by some classes of the community; but an appeal to the people to express their readiness to co-operate in a scheme which promises to supply them with the most desirable class of immigrants, and that, too, without costing the colony a single dollar, is received with an amount of indifference which could scarcely be exceeded were the call to a prayer-meeting.

Now, we do not wish to be understood as holding that the present Government does not constitute a fitting subject for the severest animadversion, or that it is not the duty as well as the right of the people to meet together and, by speech-making and resolutions, mark their abhorrence of the present system. The present writer has, during these ten years, unceasingly lifted up both voice and pen against a system which has had so large a share in keeping the colony back and rendering the people discontented and dispirited. But, while we hold it to be the duty of every true Briton in this colony to seek, by every legitimate and constitutional means, the early restoration of his just and inalienable political rights, we equally conceive it to be our duty to deprecate the adoption of a plan of action calculated to neutralize the influence of the people, and put farther away from them those liberal institutions for which all alike must wish. It must be clear to every thinking person that the abandonment of ourselves to an indulgence in unreasoning and unmeasured abuse of those in authority, to the entire neglect of such very important questions as that which forms the subject-matter of the present article, can have but one tendency, and that of the most fatal nature. It has been well said that actions speak louder than words. Let us have a care, that, while by words we proclaim our fitness for self-government, our actions do not give the lie to our words. What can the Governor, what can the Home authorities think of us if, while appealing for population, we do not possess enough of spirit or self-reliance to stretch out our hand and take the very best kind of population when it is offered to us free of charge? It has already been intimated that the Governor is in direct communication with the Colonization Society in England to which allusion has been made. Both the Governor and the Directors are patiently waiting in order to see whether this colony really desires to participate in the operations of that organization. Security cannot be thought that the Governor will make grants of land and take the necessary steps for co-operation on the part of British Columbia, unless the people afford some evidence of their desire thereto. Nor can it be conceived that the society in question will be disposed to force those who emigrate families upon an indifferent, possibly an unwilling colony. Both sides will wait for some reasonable and sufficient assurance on the part of the people not only that they desire population, but that they have a realising sense of its great value. Here, then, is a real practical question, inviting the attention and action of the people, — a question which pre-eminently concerns general welfare at the present time; and it will be especially interesting to watch in what way and degree the popular mind may be affected towards it. There is no danger of the Mayor declining to call or preside over a public meeting for such an object. Are there in this the principal community in the colony, those sufficiently interested in the movement to get up the necessary requisition? We shall wait and see.

More about Scott.

Late Canadian exchanges contain authentic information respecting Scott and the circumstances under which he was murdered by Riel and his band of cut-throats. Thomas Scott, a bold, impudent, fine-looking fellow, was taken prisoner by Riel in December last, but made his escape after several weeks of weary imprisonment. When Boulton's party was formed he joined it, and was captured with the band on their retreat to the Portage. On the 3rd March Scott was singled out from the rest of the prisoners and tried by a sort of mock Court, instituted by Riel, for the former offence as well as for speaking disrespectfully of Riel and his guards, which last charge appears to have been trumped up for the occasion, as Scott denied it. The result of this mock trial was that he was sentenced to be shot on the next day. Neither Scott nor the people generally believed that this sentence would be carried out. It was regarded as a piece of bravado when, however, it became known that Riel was determined to enforce the sentence, the Rev Mr Young and Mr Smith waited on Riel and endeavored to induce him to pardon the prisoner or, at least, delay execution. Riel was inexorable. He said it could not be, that Scott must be executed by the public interests demanded it. At 1 o'clock on the following day (Friday 4th February) Scott was led outside the walls of Fort Garry to be shot. The Rev Mr Young attended him, and having prayed with him, retired, not wishing to witness the murder. Riel then asked a priest to assist, who at first demurred but finally consented, and ordered the half-dozen drunken vagabonds who were detailed for that purpose to fall on their knees and pray for the man they were about to murder for his loyalty to his Queen and country. Riel had a good deal of difficulty in getting up a firing party, but at last succeeded in getting six of the most rascally of his followers, who before they would assent, had to be drugged with liquor. Three of their pieces were loaded only with powder. Scott was kneeling in the snow, with a bandage over his eyes. He prayed God to forgive his sins, and remarked "It is dreadful to put me to death in this way." While still kneeling they shot him. The three balls entered his body, but did not kill him. Seeing that he still lived, an American, named Parson, stepped up and discharged his revolver at Scott's head. The ball, passing round between the skull and the temple, stunned him. He was then taken up and thrown into a rough coffin, where he lay for fully an hour, quivering and dying. Between the time he received the fire of the six murderers, and the fire of the single murderer, Scott lay, but after that he continued insensible. After this revolting atrocity was over, the Rev Mr Young made application for the body in order to give it Christian burial, but the request was denied.

Rosney, or A Four Star Stoer.—Some time during Tuesday night the store of Mr A H Francis, on Fort street, near Douglas, was entered by burglars and about \$300 worth of groceries and fruit abstracted. Entrance was obtained by forcing open a rear door. Case of tea, oranges and candies were carried through the back yard to a gate opening into Douglas street, where the contents were placed in bags and the empty cases left behind. This makes the third Fort street store that has been robbed within six weeks. Chinamen are suspected.

A FAILING COURT.—Business in the Supreme Court at Hongkong was brought to a rather sudden termination on January 11th, according to the "Times of India." After the judge had taken his seat, a report was handed to him from the chief engineer, saying that the building was unsafe. The judge,

as he told, at once adjourned the Court.

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The Importance of Small Things.

The theoretical recognition of the importance of small beginnings far outruns the practical. Of the numerous maxims coming down to us from what we are apt to regard as a wiser generation, few possess a greater breadth of application or a deeper significance than that by which men are admonished to take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves. Is there one so generally disregarded in practical everyday life? Apply it to what department we will, it will be found that in a scramble after the pounds, the pence are contemptuously overlooked. Hence failure forms the rule; success the exception. The importance of small beginnings, first things, is strikingly illustrated in the development of the human intellect. It is the neglect of these that makes badness the rule, goodness the exception. How much easier to bend a young twig than a large tree. To watch the first little crooks in the temper of the infant, to curb and eradicate the bad, to encourage and expand the good, becomes the first duty of the preceptor. Neglect these, let the evil temper attain mature growth and cure becomes difficult if not impossible. It is in a young country like this where such principles as these apply with peculiar force. Where everything has to be, as it were, created from the gristle state, it becomes especially important that we should carefully guard the first beginnings of those principles and institutions wherein lie the germs of future wealth or woe. All those institutions and appliances which go to make up the religious, moral, intellectual, physical, commercial and political status of a country ought, in their first beginnings, however small and apparently insignificant, to receive the earnest attention of those upon whom has fallen the great responsibility of moulding the young nation. What an interesting field is thus presented for the philanthropist, the Christian, the patriot. To what higher duty could anyone be called, to what higher honor aspire than to have a hand in laying broad and deep the foundations of those institutions which alone can make British Columbia truly great and prosperous? But, alais! how frequently do we find even some of our best men turning away from such duty—despising small beginnings. A single illustration: During last session of the Legislative Council the subject of establishing a Labour Exchange in this colony was brought forward; and how was it treated? Men of no superficial minds treated it as premature. The supply and the demand for labor in this colony were both so small that it was not worth while attempting anything of the kind now. The resolution recommending the establishment of a Labour Exchange at Victoria, with branch at New Westminster, was, however, carried; but, although it was clearly shown how the scheme could be worked without involving any fresh expenditure, it would not appear that the Executive had taken any steps towards carrying out the recommendation of the Legislature. Possibly the Governor may be under the impression that there is no need of such a thing; but if so His Excellency has yet to learn the full importance of small beginnings. During the present week we have been made aware of the fact that a steady and industrious Englishman, brought up to farm life at home, and desirous of obtaining employment in this colony, has failed to obtain it, does not know, in fact, where to turn or where his next meal is to come from. Now, here is a small beginning. The case is not by any means extraordinary, but it will answer our present purpose. It is wholly inconceivable that there is not work for this Englishman. He thoroughly understands general farm work, the handling and care of horses, cows, sheep, poultry, pigs, the building of outbuildings, fences, &c., and makes no extortionate demand for wages. He desires to give an honest day's work for a fair day's wage. As he stands he is worth one thousand dollars to his colony. But not knowing where to apply for work, he will, in all probability, turn away and seek employment and a home in a foreign country. And we want population, labor, just such men to till our fertile acres! Here is a beginning, small if you will, but important, being shamefully, wickedly neglected. Who is responsible for this neglect? It must not be thought that this is anything new. The same condition of things has been going on quietly for years, doing its fatal work in silence. Hundreds, may we not say thousands, have come and gone in this way, and to-day we are eating Canadian butter and consuming American flour and bacon, simply because there are none to till the ground! Let us not despise the day of small things. Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves.

THE NAVY REGATTA. — Many of the boat's crews selected to engage in the Regatta were out for practice yesterday with sail and oar. The number of races has been increased from eleven to fifteen, and the programme changed so as to admit of an interval between most of the races of only fifteen minutes.

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A CURIOUS CASE. — In the U.S. District Court at San Francisco, quite recently, a decision was rendered in the suit of Johnston vs The Bark Crane, which is of importance to those who go down to the sea in ships.

The suit was brought to recover wages due the plaintiff when he was, as alleged, put ashore in Onalaska for refusing to assist in discharging the vessel on Sunday, as reckoned by the Julian Calendar. In defence the Captain claimed that the day previous was Sunday by the Gregorian Calendar and as such was observed by the people of the port in which the vessel lay. In his decision the Judge says:

"The facts in this case are not disputed and the question presented to the Court is whether a seaman who had shipped for a voyage from this port to Onalaska, Alaska, and back had a right to refuse to perform his ordinary duty on the ground that such duty was required of him on a Sunday, notwithstanding that the day in question was not by the custom and usage of the port at Onalaska, where the vessel lay, observed as a Sunday or holiday. It is not disputed that, according to our calendar the day was Sunday, but owing to some peculiarity in the calendar in use in the late Russian Possessions, on this continent the day previous had been observed as a Sunday or holiday. My opinion is that the Master had the right, under the circumstances, to require of him the performance of his duty. I think the Master had no right to expel him from the vessel. Certainly he had none to inflict that mode of punishment which is only allowable in extreme cases, and to impose an addition a forfeiture of wages already earned. I think, therefore, that the libellant is entitled to recover the wages due him at the time he left the vessel."

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The propeller California will be due to-day from Portland with the mails.

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The wires went down last evening.

SINGULAR AND FATAL CASE OF RELIGIOUS HALLUCINATION.

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THEATRE ROYAL. — The Corsican Brothers' was played last evening. Mrs Bates' Misses Mandeville and Cummings, and Messrs Vincent, Melville, Ellerton, Thornton and Clinton were admirable in their several roles. The grand scene was thrillingly rendered and the grand scene was quite exciting.... This evening 'Retribution' and 'Swiss Cottage' will be presented.

NEWFOUNDLAND. — The census of Newfoundland, including the French shore and Labrador, shows a population in 1857 of 124,283; population in 1869, 146,636. Mr Rogers, Conservative, has been elected for Bay de Verde by a majority of 288 over Mr Reader, Anti-Slavery.

BIRMINGHAM. — Mr F. M. Bates' Monday evening has been fixed upon for the benefit of Mrs F. M. Bates, when two new pieces will be played. His Excellency the Governor and Admiral Farquhar and Hornby will patronize the performance. One need not be a prophet to predict the largest house of the year.

A GRIM REED. — Representation of the stern-wheel steamer Lillooet has been cut in marble by Mr G. Robertson for the headstone of S. B. McLean, late mate of that vessel. The view represents the Lillooet under full headway with flags set at half-mast to the memory of the dead mate.

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A COLONIAL CLUB. — In London is a place of resort for noblemen and gentlemen who are, or have been, residents in any of the British Colonies, as well as those who are directly interested in the welfare of the Colonial Empire.

ROBBING THE MAIL. — The Seattle Intelligencer charges that copies of its issue of the 2d inst were abstracted from the mail on the Julian Calendar. In defence the Captain claimed that the day previous was Sunday by the Gregorian Calendar and as such was observed by the people of the port in which the vessel lay. In his decision the Judge says:

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ROAD TAX. — Upwards of seventy invitations to visit him have been issued by the Stipendiary Magistrate to parties who have neglected or refused to pay the road tax of \$2.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon there will be a chance for bargains at the Bazaar. All goods remaining on hand will then be sold by auction to the highest bidder.

NO CRICKET MATCH. — There will be no cricket match at Beacon Hill to-day. The officers of the Fleet were challenged by the Victoria Eleven, but in consequence of a press of business upon their hands they are compelled reluctantly to decline a contest for the present.

FIRE. — Fires are becoming troublesome in the woods south of this place and north of Seaside, and a telegraphic dispatch predicts extensive damage unless rain should fall shortly.

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When asked why he thus mutilated his person, he replied that it was necessary to the salvation of his soul, as Christ had commanded that if thy hand offend thee, cut it off and cast it from thee.

It appeared after examining the axe, that the wood he got another which was sharper and which he used, and after taking off the boot and stocking, he put his leg on a block, chopping off the foot at three blows. After the tool had been cut off, he deliberately picked it up and hurled it some feet from him.

THE LADY'S DRESSING-BOX. — The Late Bazaar.

BOOTS & SHOES. — Permit me to correct a false impression which prevails respecting the plants and flowers sold at the ladies' late Bazaar. The principal portion of them were supplied from our establishment.

Mitchell & Johnston.

LETTER FROM QUESNAMOUTH.

EDINBURGH. — The Corsehill Brothers' was played last evening. Mrs Bates' Misses Mandeville and Cummings, and Messrs Vincent, Melville, Ellerton, Thornton and Clinton were admirable in their several roles. The grand scene was quite exciting.... This evening 'Retribution' and 'Swiss Cottage' will be presented.

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A GRIM REED. — Representation of the stern-wheel steamer Lillooet has been cut in marble by Mr G. Robertson for the headstone of S. B. McLean, late mate of that vessel. The view represents the Lillooet under full headway with flags set at half-mast to the memory of the dead mate.

THE NAVAL REGATTA. — Many of the boat's crews selected to engage in the Regatta were out for practice yesterday with sail and oar. The number of races has been increased from eleven to fifteen, and the programme changed so as to admit of an interval between most of the races of only fifteen minutes.

The Olympia is expected to arrive on Monday evening with 200 excursionists from the American side, who will remain until Wednesday evening or Thursday morning. A band of music will accompany the party to and from the Sound.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITIA MARCHES. — AMTEA is gathered in Victoria on Saturday.

SPROUT & CO.

OFFER FOR SALE:

ALE—Bass and Aleoppes in qts

POTTER—Byrns in qts

BRANDY—Hennessy in cask and os, Martell in cask, Jules Robin & Co in qts and os

BUM—33 O P in puns, hds and bbls

WHISKEY—Camplachie in cask, Scotch and Irish in cask

OLD TOM—Swaine, Boord & Co, in cask and case, Bernard & Co's

GENEVA—Red and green os

SHERRY—in cask and case

PORT—In cask and case

CHAMPAGNE—Chignot qts and pinte GUAR-

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The success of this most delicious and unrivaled Confection has caused certain dealers to try to pass off inferior imitations, to their own infinite detriment, the Public should be informed that the only way to secure the genuine is to

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Some of the foreign works having supplied with a spurious Worcestershire Sauce, upon the wrapper and labels of which the names of Lea & Perrins have been printed, we give notice that they have furnished their correspondents with power of attorney to take instant proceedings against Mansfield and Vendors of such, or any other imitation by which their right may be infringed.

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Tobacco

TABLE SALT IN JARS

WHITE LEAD—Nos 1 and 2, in bags

PAINTS IN KEGS

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WANT HIRE OR.—The Canadian News, published in London, England, says: "The American press are considerably agitated over the resolution said to have been passed by the Legislature of British Columbia recommending Canada to purchase Alaska and the State of Maine. They fail to see the point of a very tolerable joke. These Pacific Slopers, if they ever passed such a resolution, did it to ridicule the filibustering propossesies of certain prominent American politicians in the United States, who, as soon as they learn that a country happens to hold a few dissatisfied grumbler, take it for granted that the whole country is ripe for annexation to the great Republic. The British Columbians recently had a little experience that made them aware of this fact, and now, it seems, they have made a good natured, but not altogether painless, set upon our ambitious neighbors. As to Maine, we are certainly given it to Canada, and we should not object to buying it at a moderate price, but Alaska should be left to Mr. Edward and Uncle Sam. We like real estate, but then we like some salt on it."

DISTINGUISHED PERSONAGE.—Among the passengers on the steamer Japan, which arrived May 11th at San Francisco, was Sir Richard Graves McConnell, British Governor of Hongkong, who, with Lady McConnell, are on their way to England for a brief visit. Also, Count and Countess De la Tour, who are bound for Europe. The Count has been Italian Minister at Japan, and has been recalled by his Government.

The ship Ophelia was yesterday towed down from Barrard Inlet by the steamer Isabel, having got into trouble with the tides.

The Bazaar noticed somewhere in the neighborhood of \$400. It closed yesterday with an auction of the articles remaining unsold.

The brig Byzantium has arrived at Honolulu.

Mr. Roscoe Brewer has been appointed Notary Public for the colony.

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Nothing Else for It.

For weeks prior to the opening of the last session of the Legislative Council Dame Ramor was uncommonly busy with glowing accounts of the marvellous and sweeping measure of retrenchment in the public service in course of preparation by Governor Musgrave. The desponding, bowed-down tax-payers once more lifted their heads in renewed hope and exclaimed "Thank God! we have got the right man for Governor at last." But, alas! these hopes were only raised to be knocked over like nine-pins. To the disappointment of many and the astonishment of all, that portion of the "Speech from the Throne" relating to the Estimates was couched in the accustomed stereotyped phraseology which had characterized every speech that had gone before it. And when the Estimates came down to the "Faithful Commons" it was found that they had, indeed, been framed with due regard to the interests of the governing classes. No attempt at retrenchment, either by amalgamation or reduction, could be discovered. In truth, with the exception of additional luminosity in arrangement and detail, the Estimates for 1870 might be taken as a faithful copy of those of 1868, in so far as the public service is concerned. Thus the great hope of the people was once more disappointed. British Columbia is to be left to struggle on as best it may beneath the enormous load, put upon it by a merciless task master, for it would really seem that the Colonial Office authorities have all along been engaged in solving the interesting problem of how much patronage this colony could be made to yield—how many Imperial placemen could be quartered upon it. It is impossible to avoid the suspicion that this condition of things can alone be removed by Confederation. We do not like to give way to this suspicion; but it would appear to be inevitable. Not that Confederation is, by any means, to be regarded as a nauseous medicine. To our view—and there is every reason to think that the great body of the people so regard it—Confederation is a good, earnestly to be desired, altogether apart from its mere survival properties. Yet one cannot help feeling that the people of British Columbia would have been in a position to approach the important subject of Confederation in a more becoming frame of mind had it come before them under any other circumstances—that is to say, not as something "necessary" to relieve them from an unbearable political condition, but as in itself a good to be calmly and dispassionately considered, and accepted with reason and judgment rather than from considerations of dire necessity—which, in fact, as the starving man would accept food without stinting questioning. We say we "will" it could have been otherwise—that a fitting redaction in the expense of conducting the Government, and the inauguration of a more liberal political system, might have preceded Confederation, in order that the people might have been in a better position to approach the great question with minds more free from political bias and agitation. It becomes more clear every day, however, that a different policy has been adopted, we may say, by the Imperial Government—that, instead of removing our political grievances first, they intend to prop up those as a lever, so to speak with which they may the more readily plough the colony within the circle of the great British North American family. There is, therefore, no reason to expect that we shall meanwhile experience any incorporation, either in respect of the underlying, or the over-riding policy. The people may just as well make up their minds to this and act accordingly. We do not mean to suggest that the policy apparently adopted towards this colony will stand at all in the way of carrying out, on a small scale, the colonization scheme to which recent attention has been made. In this matter the Government is anxious for the practical and immediate co-operation of the people. But there is an evident disinclination on the part of the Government to deal with such of those larger questions as would fall to the Federal Government, under the new system. Take, for instance, the improvement of steam communication between here and San Francisco, a subject involving considerations of the most profound importance to this colony. Take also, the question of the Customs Tariff, one so largely affecting our commercial prosperity. Upon these and other questions which might be enumerated, the Government will take no action, but silently and significantly points to Ottawa. Be it so. It will be the duty of the people to approach the subject of Confederation in thorough earnest, and with a mind intent on business. It is our inevitable destiny—it is our only deliverer from an exacting and unreasonable taskmaster. Let us

have it quickly and well. With it—if the people are only prepared to insist upon their full political rights—we can become, in a colonial point of view, the architects of our own fortunes. Without it we must remain the abject slaves of whoever may be plucked into the Colonial Office by the political whirligig. A word of advice to the people: Accept Confederation on the best terms that can be had. It is your destiny. But see well to it that in accepting Confederation you do not become to Ottawa what you are now to Downing-street. Be prepared to insist upon the possession of as full powers of self-government as are enjoyed in any of the other Provinces; nor be diverted from this course by false alarms raised by designing persons.

Friday May 20

The Deluge Steamer Excursion.

H. M. S. LIVERPOOL, May 17th, 1870.

Sir.—In reply to your note of yesterday requesting that the ships of the Flying Squadron should be open to the inspection of the Victoria public on the 24th inst., I beg to acquaint you that the Commander-in-Chief, Rear Admiral Farquhar, has been pleased to direct that the ships be open on the 25th inst., as being a more suitable day, in view of the amusements which have been arranged in Victoria for the 24th inst.

I remain, sir, your very obedient,

G. T. P. HORNBY, Rear Admiral.

M. Thos. Geiger.

H. M. S. ZEALOUS, Esquimalt.

Sir.—Admiral Farquhar desires me to say that he grants permission to the Victoria public to visit his ship on the 24th or 25th inst., under the auspices of the Deluge Steam Fire Engine Company.

STUART H. RICKMAN,

Flag-Lieutenant.

May 17th, 1870.

BANK OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.—At the last annual meeting of the Bank of British Columbia, the Chairman announced that the balance of bad debt account had been written off. In May, 1868, continued the Chairman, we declared no dividend; in October of the same year we paid 2½ per cent; in May, 1869, 3 per cent; in October of that year, 4 per cent; and we now recommend dividends of 5 per cent, thus showing a progressive and steady advance in prosperity. We have in these two years paid out of profits £25,000 in reduction of the bad debt account, and £21,605 in dividends, including the one now recommended. I alluded at our last meeting to the heavy Government tax on our business in San Francisco and in Portland. As promised then, we called the attention of our managers at these branches to the subject, and although no good result has as yet been obtained, they are quite alive to doing all in their power to get it modified. The business in British Columbia is going on quietly and safely; not making such rapid progress as we might all desire, but we trust if the arrangement for its admission into the Dominion of Canada is accomplished it will induce more life and activity into the colony.

At present the revenue barely meets the expenditure and the executive have nothing to spend in promoting beneficial objects, such as immigration into the colony, subsidizing regular steam communication and many other things which would materially advance the prosperity of the place. Once admitted to the Dominion it would be enabled to raise sufficient funds to allow the Governor and his Council to promote such objects as would develop the resources of the colony in the way most needed. We have intelligence of fresh gold fields having been discovered at Peace River, promising good results. If these gold fields at all come up to what is anticipated it will infuse fresh spirit and energy into the colony. Our San Francisco branch continues prosperous. Mr. Thompson asked whether they might expect any call upon the new shares during the next two or three months? The Chairman—Certainly not. I gave a distinct pledge that no further call should be made without three months notice, and that pledge will be scrupulously kept in its integrity. Howbeit, we have no expectation of having to make up all this summer; but of course we cannot pledge ourselves to that.

Two Grand Excursions to Esquimalt.—The steamer Enterprise has been chartered to proceed with an excursion party to Esquimalt at 12 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday morning, where she will remain until the salute shall have been fired, and return in time for the races at Seaton Hill... On Wednesday the Enterprise will proceed again to Esquimalt, leaving Victoria at 11:30 p.m. and will reach her destination in time for the Regatta, returning after the last race. The fare is \$10, 50 cents, children half-price. As everybody appears disposed to regard next week as a holiday, we don't know any better way in which at least two days may be passed than by following the programme laid out by the committee who have chartered the Enterprise.

The Oregon Brothers.—This great modern drama will be represented at the Theatre this evening with a full cast of the company. The dual roles of the Brothers will be taken by Mr. Vincent and Mr. Thornton. Mrs. Bates will personate Emily de Lesparre. Miss Mandeville, Celestine and Marie, and Miss Cumming, Mme. Franchi, and Estelle. The piece is one of the most thrilling and beautiful ever written and in the hands of such artists as those we have mentioned cannot fail of success.

The bark Montana sailed from the outer harbor yesterday morning, bound for Valparaiso, with a cargo of lumber from Moody's Mills.

IMMIGRATION.—We are requested to state that a requisition to the Mayor to call a public meeting for the purpose of considering the question of Immigration lies at Hibben & Co's for signature. All those who feel an interest in the movement had better take an early opportunity of affixing their names to the document, so as to insure its success.

The Skeena Mine.—Captain Lewis requests us to correct the error of a blundering contemporary who stated that the passengers carried up the coast by the Otter on her last trip were landed at Metlakatla. They were put ashore at Musgravetown, an embryo city at the mouth of the Skeena.

SEARCHED.—The steam-launch of the Liverpool, with an officer and a number of men, went out yesterday to search the American bark Montana—which had got underway for a foreign port—for deserters, but found none.

POSTPONED.—The proposed excursion of the Mechanics' Literary Institute to Ecuador on Saturday has been postponed till some day early in July, in deference to the wishes of bodies that had previously announced similar affairs.

FOUR SAILORS from the Flying Squadron were nabbed yesterday in citizen's clothes and sent back to their ships. Owing to the vigilance of our police and citizens, it is believed there will not be many desertions.

The ship Othello, lumber laden for Callao, and the bark Henry Adderley, lumbered for Melbourne, are on the way down from Moody's Mills.

The large frame house on View street, built by Major Robertson in 1861, has been purchased by Mr. Farren and is being removed to one of his lots on Pandora street.

THE DELUGE EXCURSION.—To accommodate families the Deluge Committee has fixed the fare to Esquimalt for ladies at 50 cents and for children, 25 cents.

THE STEAMER CALIFORNIA sailed from Portland for Victoria at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She will bring large mail.

FLORAL CONTRIBUTIONS for the Fete on Thursday are pouring in. The show will be large and varied.

THE SIDEWALKS continue in an unsafe condition and are daily growing worse. Is the new By-Law inoperative?

THE BAZAR in aid of Christ Church Cathedral will be opened at ten o'clock this morning.

DON'T FORGET the Ladies' Bazaar today. Refreshments may be had in the room.

Oakay your cards, handbills and posters at the British Colonist Job Printing Office.

THE ACTIVE probably reached San Francisco yesterday.

EMIGRATION.—

EDITOR OF BRITISH COLONIST.—As a well-wisher to this colony I was delighted at reading your leader of the 12th inst. The subject of emigration is being thoroughly ventilated in England at this moment, and the idea that has occurred to you here is being developed there—that is, to employ transport ships belonging to the Admiralty for the purpose of sending emigrants to the colonies. We are truly in want of population with untold wealth and a healthy and most charming climate, what is to prevent us from being a great people if we can only get a fair start. In England there are 1,000,000 poor, a large number of whom would gladly work if they had any. It costs the country nearly £20,000,000 to support them. A very small proportional part of this vast sum—which is an annual expenditure there—would send abroad all the able-bodied and industrious among them, and they would be delighted at the chance.

Last year there were three meetings in London, presided over by the Lord Mayor and Sir George Grey, to consider the question of assisted emigration. There were various societies established with this object. One meeting a wealthy London merchant subscribed £10,000 and another £20,000, provided six others would join him—and all this money was to promote the same object.

Australia, under her present democratic government does not want what has been termed "cheap labour," English, which would compete with the labour in the colonial market. Canada does want all she can get, and I think that is the only way we shall ever get population here. Certainly, we shall not get it round the Horn.

If England would only try to drive the emigration that leaves her shores to Canada what a glorious Northern Empire we might soon have, composed of hardy, industrious, steady men and healthy, active, home-loving women! The colonial policy is awakening interest at home—and no wonder! One fourth of the whole trade of England is now done with Canada, over £7,000,000 of colonists to more trade with her than with the 32,000,000 or 33,000,000 of the United States and nearly one-half of the vast European populations of 225,000,000. The moral of all this is that we ought to be up and stirring if we wish to participate in the emigration movement and in the funds subscribed by noble-hearted men in the old country. I believe if we had an agent there we might at once obtain help towards the passage money of at least a hundred families. There has been political agitation enough, in all conscience, here and with little real benefit. Let us now try to help the country in other ways by all pulling together in this good work. Let us memorialize the Governor to give free grants—remembering that our shrewd American neighbors consider that every able-bodied male emigrant is worth \$750 to them—of land to each head of a family, and to consider the best way of obtaining the services of a trustworthy agent in England to promote the scheme of emigration, and to furnish him maps, circulars, local land and other acts, schedules of rates of wages and other similar information. We shall by these means get a start in the race for wealth, and I for one am garrigue as to the result.

A. B. B.

A BRILLIANT BUT SAD CAREER.—I know nothing in fiction wilder or more romantic than the life of Richard Brinsley Sheridan. The son of an Irish actor, endowed with the most brilliant and varied gifts of nature, high spirit, a noble presence, imagination, wit and eloquence—all those qualities that win the admiration of men and the affection of women—but without either of those recommendations which form the passport to the higher circles of English society—high birth and university honor—the author of "School for Scandal" rose to the mere force of his genius and rose almost at a bound to the highest position in political and social life at a period when political and social life in England was tainted by the narrowest and most exclusive spirit that has ever distinguished the aristocracy of that country. He held that position, and held it with great ability through a long life, the rival of wits like Coleman and Horne Tooke; orators and statesmen like Pitt and Burke, and of men of genius like Byron and Scott. He died almost in the arms of a Sheriff's office and was buried with honors almost regal, with Princes of the blood for his pallbearers, in the sepulchre of great Kings and statesmen. It was a brilliant but sad career, full of startling contrasts, marked by many humiliations and many victories, by great failures and great successes; and yet now, when one asks what remains of all this success, it is not easy to frame an answer. A speech or two, which no one now thinks of reading except to trace in its vivid colors what he thinks the false taste of the age in eloquence and wit—the fleeting recollections of a few epigrams and bon mots, and two or three sparkling contributions to the literature of the drama, are all that remain to mark the genius of the man who for thirty years was "The pride of the palace, the bower and the hall."

THE CHAMBERS' JOURNAL.

SKILFUL WORKMANSHIP.—The King of Prussia recently visited a needle-manufactory in his kingdom, and was shown a number of specimens needles thousands of which together did not weigh half an ounce. He marvelled how such minute articles could be pierced with an eye. The eye-borer asked for a hair from the King's head. He placed it under the boring machine, made a hole in it, furnished it with a thread and then handed the needle to the King. A curious needle it is in the possession of Queen Victoria, it was made at the celebrated needle-manufactory at Redditch, and represents the column of Trajan in miniature. Scenes in the life of the Queen are represented in relief, but so finely cut and so small that it requires a magnifying glass to see them. The Victoria needle, moreover, can be opened. It contains a number of needles of smaller size, which are equally adorned with scenes in relief.

GENERAL TURNER.—

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SAD CARES.—I know of no more romantic and stirring Sheridan, endowed with the ardent gifts of nature, presence, imagination, all those qualities that men and the affection at a shilling in the world at either of those reform the passport to English society—high honors—the anchor of “duty” rose by the mere rose almost at a bound in political and social life by the narrowest and that has never democracy of that composition, and held it through a long life, the Coleman, and Horse statesmen like Pitt and of men of genius like died almost in the arms and was buried with the Prince of the blood It was a brilliant but failing contrast, marked many victories, by successes—and yet at remains of all this frame an answer. A one now thinks of its vivid colors what of the age in eloquence recollections of a few and two or three to the literature of the days to mark the genius forty years was. The bower and the hall.

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—Some young ladies were taking advantage in the interior of 1000 in attending a dining party, some obliged to sit three seats contained two. The gentlemen, w. the lady to take place, said in the as extremely cold, passed his hand in a by the way into the mifit was not quickly removed one. In a few moments on the other No 2 attempting to pull his mifit on the other drew her hand from to do so. What afterwards is seen the gentlemen pridethed the presence, while the lady friends the majority of both gentlemen.

—Plus the Ninth infallible. In his suite de Banville, while the latter's communication on the Pope's *Histoire* to this: “Dare don't tell me, I am my other person will die.” I am. I feel who can know it

in a recent date has fact no less strange growth of re-Sacramento Valley season. Some negotiations and other colony, and for a people to oppose nation. This season, covered with clover to the exclusion account for this?”

Confederation of Australasia.

The cry of Confederation has been taken up in the colonies of Australasia ere yet the great work of consolidating the British North American Possessions is complete. We learn that the question of Confederation is now very generally and favourably discussed in the Australian colonies. The South Aus-

tralian Legislature has adopted a resolution in favor of Confederation, and New South Wales is understood to be ripe for union, and ready to discuss the terms. Already have representatives of New Zealand, New South Wales and Queensland had a conference with the object of arriving at combined action upon such large questions as ocean mail service, intercolonial postal service, telegraphic communication, apprehension of offenders, &c., and the conference had resulted in a series of resolutions being prepared for submission to the several colonies and legislatures. These resolutions relate to mail service, to telegraphic communication with Europe on the one side and New Zealand on the other, to the acquisition of power to enter into commercial conventions with other nations, and between the colonies themselves, to the question of procuring the admission, duty-free, of wool produced in these colonies into the United States; to the investment of English trust-moneys in colonial securities; and to the apprehension of offenders who escape from one colony to another. Referring to the tendency towards Confederation the *Australasia*, an influential paper published in Melbourne, remarks, “Federation is now for these colonies the great question of the day. It is called for by the growth of our commercial and social interests, and it is equally pressed upon our attention by the attitude of the Home Government, which suggests very unanimously that the Australasian dependencies ought to follow the example of the Canadas. From either point of view the arrangement would seem necessary, and it should not be much longer delayed. Then it would appear that the great scheme of the age is likely to meet with a much more hearty assent in Australia than it has in North America. It is, indeed, gratifying to see our fellow colonists in the South so anxious to realize the advantages of nationalizing consolidation, and our best wish is that the Confederation cause, amongst them may not be subject to those obstructing influences of petty and narrow-minded local selfishness which have somewhat marred the movement on this Continent.

Thursday May 19

“A CONTRAST.”—Under this head the *Littlenewman* invites his readers to contemplate the following picture:

“The Hon John Robson, on the platform of the meeting on Friday night, said: ‘It is no figure of speech to say that I see before me the wealth and intelligence of the city of Victoria and one of the most respectable audiences I ever had the honor of addressing.’ To-day in his capacity as member of the *Colonist*, he says: ‘For me that (the meeting of Friday night) was a fair representation of the community would, indeed, be unmeasurable.’ We leave the public to judge of the consistency of the *Colonist*, and those who conduct it, by the above quotations.”

FRAUDS OF NEWSPAPER DRUMMERS.—Great frauds have recently come to light in England, practised by the collectors of advertisements in increasing the circulation of magazines and papers for which advertisements were solicited. In some cases the publishers themselves were found to be parties to the deception. An actual circulation of 17,000 was set forth as 40,000. Another of 30,000 was declared to be 60,000. The Little *Newman* would fain in London an extensive field for the exercise of his microscopic powers as applied to his circulation. He would have to be wary, though, for in London they publish that sort of thing.

CAMPING.—Every citizen should constitute himself a sort of amateur detective to put down the crime of camping in our midst. The testing of loyalty is not the moving power the commonest dictates of humanity ought to impel good citizens to do all they can to preserve the simple-minded tar from being drawn to the American side, where he will be robbed of all he possesses and shanghaied into a foreign merchant service.

THE GREAT FLORAL SHOW.—The day for holding the *Floral Fete* for the benefit of Christ Church Cathedral, under the patronage of the Misses Mungrove, has been altered to the 26th inst.—Thursday of next week. A committee of ladies have taken the affair in hand, and it will be by many contributions of flowers and edibles for the tables. The change of day has been made in deference to the wishes of the officers attached to the Flying Squadron, many of whom have expressed a desire to attend.

GOVERNOR'S NIGHT.—Mr F. Bushell has the largest and finest collection of skins of this Colony's birds prepared for stuffing that has yet been made. He has also several cases of insects and bugs of most beautiful and brilliant varieties. Until we had seen Mr Bushell's collection we had no conception of the valuable addition which it makes to the biological treasures of the Colony.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.—Extensive alterations are in progress at Government House for the accommodation of guests at the ball on the 24th instant. A platform for the band will be erected outside the dancing-hall so that guests may enjoy the advantage of additional room. Bands will be in attendance from the Liverpools and Zealots. It is expected that the ball will be the grandest and best ever given in the colony.

EXCURSION TO EQUIMALT.—We learn that the Enterprise will make a trip to Equimalt on Saturday next in the morning, she having been chartered for a day's excursion by the Mechanics' Institute, when it is proposed to have dancing and other amusements such as have often been enjoyed by the members and their friends. Particulars will be hereafter announced.

THE THAMES.—The Thames between

Brudenell and Bute, in building

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tunnel is called, a year, and runs

later from the N.W. Coast—ARRIVAL OF A CARGO OF ANTHRACITE COAL.—The Otter arrived from the North yesterday morning. She landed the Peace River miners at the mouth of the Skeena on the 25th April. Mitchel's party had proceeded up the river three weeks before and had not been heard from. The Otter left the same day for Fort Simpson and Stikine. On the way down she left Stikine on the 20th April, arrived at Masset on May 3d and at the Queen Charlotte Coal Mine on the 5th. She took on board 100 tons of anthracite coal and left again on the 7th: Called at Bella Bella, Kemerton, Bella Coola, Fort Rupert, Suquash, Comox Hornby Island and Nanaimo. At Hornby Island she took on board 22 tons of potash. The steamer Newbern passed Bella on Sunday morning, May 8th. The house belonging to Dawson & Co's whaling party on Cortez Island had been broken open and robbed by Indians. Among the passengers by the Otter was Mr M. W. Gibbs, who after a manly struggle of 14 months against adverse circumstances, has completed his contract for building a tramway and wharf at Skidegate Bay for the Queen Charlotte Coal Mining Company. The cost work well and any required amount of coal may now be taken at the wharf by vessels seeking cargoes. The coal brought by the Otter is of excellent quality. Some 600 tons remain at the pit's mouth.

A MYSTERY.—In an article, favorable as a whole, regarding this colony and its mineral resources, the *Toronto Globe* says, “The country is so thickly wooded, except about the terraces of the Fraser River and occasional small prairies, that only gold mining will draw together a population sufficient to open up the country for agricultural and other purposes. Our contemporaries have been greatly misled respecting the character of the country. British Columbia is for the most part, from thickly wooded, and its prairies, and neither small nor few. If we except the dense and valuable pine forests which fringe the coast and inlets, and occasionally the rivers near to the sea, British Columbia has, with a few exceptions, no more timber than is desirable for useful purposes. Indeed, the prepossessions of woodland, glade and prairie are just about as one could wish for purposes of settlement.”

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DOMINION MAIL SUMMARY.

By the Overland mail we have full, though not later, Canadian news. In Newfoundaland the Confederate candidate for Bay of Fundy was elected by a majority of 200 votes. The Prince Edward Legislature had rejected the resolution in favor of Confederation with Canada by a vote of 18 to 5. The Volunteers of New Brunswick were very much disappointed at being denied the opportunity of serving in the Civil War expedition. That of the Nova Scotia Legislature was prolonged on the 1st inst. Mr. Doyle, having given his consent no longer than one hundred bills, passed during the session, on the Western Home, established in Niagara last year by Miss Dix, is understood to promising great success. That estimate, however, was about to change in England for the purpose of procuring one hundred more of the Little with “frogs” home. Her efforts are very highly spoken of in the *Canadian Press*. Mr. Kirkpatrick, nephew of the late member, and Mr. Carrington, are candidates for the vacant seat. Mr. Johnstone, the former, is a Radical, and the latter an Opponent. Rev. Wm. Archibald and Rev. Dr. Blackie, departed from the Free Church of Scotland to attend the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, arrived on the steamer *Nanantic*, James J. Hill, arrived from Fort Garry, says, Rev. Mr. Cameron has composed the whole of the McKenzie River trap, a two years' catch worth \$5,000, and only delivered them upon Government pay, \$2000 more when needed. Rev. Mr. Bushell, and Captain Donisthorpe, because of their refusal to take the oath of allegiance to the Government, not getting office in British Government. The excitement was quite quieted down very much, and Rev. Mr. Bushell only between 40 and 50 men under arms. The Hudson Bay Company resumed business on the 9th April. Rev. Mr. Bushell is still nominally at the head of affairs, but his government was considered as practically at an end. A force of 500 workmen were to be immediately dispatched from Canada to work on the Thunder Bay road this spring. Captain Cameron was in Montreal organizing a force of mounted police for Red River, to be recruited by the Hudson Bay Company.

HAIR DRESSING.—The little Liverpool steam launch, the *Zealous*, will be transferred to the big *Zealot*, and the little *Zealot* will be taken home by the big Liverpool. The little Liverpool is a much larger and finer craft than the one she succeeds.

FOR AUSTRALIA, &c.—R. Brodrick & Co. announce the steamer *Ajax* to leave San Francisco on the 10th June for Honolulu, connecting there with a steamer for Australia and New Zealand.

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SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

Eastern States.
WASHINGTON, May 18.—In arranging the terms of the treaty between the United States and San Domingo it is stipulated that the citizens of San Domingo are to be fully protected in their civil and religious rights. Friends of the treaty say the prospects for ratification are improving.

New York. May 19.—Two hotel trains will hereafter run between Omaha and San Francisco weekly, on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

At a meeting of the U.S. Commissioners of Indian Affairs to-day, a committee was appointed to prepare for treatment the Indian question to be presented to Congress. A letter was read from General Sheridan disapproving of these meetings and saying if they would adjourn to Fort Sully or Fort Rice, where the Indians are, he would be inclined to pay more attention to their indignation.

Chicago. May 18.—Under the direction of the United States authorities Gov. Baldwin of Michigan has directed the Superintendent of the Sault Canal not to allow the passage of any Canadian vessel, with trooper or munitions of war, unless she has express permission from the United States Government. The order reached Sault St. Marie just after the Canadian steamer Algernon had passed with supplies for Port William.

SALT LAKE. May 18.—P. T. Barnum the great showman arrived in this city last night from the East.

About fifty Mormon missionaries started this morning for the States and Europe.

New York. May 18.—It is understood that the Industrial Exhibition contemplate negotiating for the purchase of Madison Square as a site for a crystal palace.

New York. May 19.—The British steamer Suffolk with the West India telegraph cable arrived, shot of coal, on her way to Jamaica.

PHILADELPHIA. May 19.—The General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church is in session; Rev. Dr. Chapman presiding.

DAYTON. Ohio, May 19.—The formal opening of the hospital for disabled volunteers and soldiers took place to-day. Governor Hayes, of Ohio, Gov. Baker, Gen. Baker, Gen. Schenck and other distinguished visitors together with a numerous crowd were present.

MURKIN. May 19.—A terrible shooting affray occurred near Fort Pickering this morning. Three men were severely wounded. S. Howell, arrested for shooting one man, acknowledged his guilt but pleads self defense.

TUFTON. Mass., May 19.—Elmer's shoe factory at North Pittsfield has been destroyed by fire. Loss \$70,000. Insured for \$50,000.

HILLIS. May 19.—A public reception was given this evening in Gen. Sheridan. He leaves to-morrow for Fort Shaw, thence down the Missouri by the first boat.

WASHINGTON. May 19.—The President has issued peremptory orders to the military commanders to prevent the militia and volunteers from hunting Indians.

SENATOR TRAMMELL. to-day reported the evidence taken in the investigation of the alleged bribing of Senators to vote against Bingham's Georgia Bill. He says money was offered, but not personally, for the votes of Carpenter and Tipton, yet it does not appear that it was with the knowledge of Governor Bullock or his friends but bridgeman should not be.

CHICAGO. May 19.—The Tribune, Washington special says the House fully sustained the Naval Appropriations Bill Committee yesterday. Senator made a strong effort to increase the force from 35,000 to 10,000 men, but was beaten by a decided majority. A bill amending the hemmed-in day for the benefit of soldiers, which passed the House to-day, provides that every private soldier and officer who has served in the army, and every seaman, marine, officer or other person who served in the navy, or marine corps or revenue marine during the rebellion for 90 days, and remained loyal to the Government shall, without payment of any fee or commission to Registrars or Receivers of the Land Office, be entitled to enter one quarter section of land not mineral or otherwise reserved sections of public lands.

WASHINGTON. May 19.—In the House Comptroller of Foreign Affairs report what action is necessary to compel Mexico to fulfil its obligations relative to outlaws and Indians, a bill was introduced.

CHICAGO. May 19.—An excursion party of about 35 persons left here last evening for California.

WICHITA. May 19.—Capt. Wm. Hall, formerly of the steamer Pennsylvania, was arrested yesterday on a charge of having smuggled a young lady's bridal outfit into this port. He was held to bail in one thousand dollars.

CHICAGO. May 19.—A fire this morning destroyed the German Theatre, loss \$12,000. coin. The works of Richards & Co were also damaged by fire and water to the extent of \$50,000. The theatre was the oldest building in that portion of the city and was built for church purposes.

A prominent dealer in groceries was in receipt on "Change" yesterday of a dispatch from San Francisco, saying that north winds had injured the crops to the extent of two-thirds of the crop, which excited the market and caused a slight advance.

Gen. Schofield will be delayed a short time and will not go in person to his headquarters in San Francisco for a number of weeks. Gen. W. H. Emry of his staff has started west, however, with orders assuming command.

On being relieved Col. Gough, of Gen. Emry's staff, will be assigned a station at Salt Lake.

NEW YORK. May 20.—The personal estate of the late Gen. Thomas is worth \$40,000. Letters of administration have been granted to his widow. He left no will.

CHICAGO. May 21.—Intense excitement exists among the Fenians over the expected arrival on Monday of Gen. O'Neill who, it is said, comes to complete the arrangements already matured for sending a force to the aid of Rail at Red River.

WASHINGTON. May 21.—The Senate was in session all night. Several amendments passed, including one to punish all attempts at influencing the vote of colored people by depriving them of occupation.

CHICAGO. May 21.—Positive information has been received by the Fenians of Chicago that the California Fenians will send a battalion 1000 strong under Col. Smith and Lieut. Col. Walsh to co-operate with O'Neill.

to bottom a barrel and coated around the outside with a thin layer of paint.

Europe.
London, May 12.—In the House of Commons Sir J. Packington gave notice of his intention to press an inquiry into the loss of the City of Boston.

Brace, Home Secretary, denied that the Government had received a demand from France for the extradition of Flourens; therefore he apprehended that the popular demonstration he had heard was to come off in Hyde Park against the extradition would not take place.

The Irish Land Bill was considered in connection with various amendments.

PARIS. May 13.—There was no disorder last night. Tranquillity reigns throughout the city. The Emperor and Empress yesterday visited the Prince Eugene Bupier Barracks and the Military School. They were received enthusiastically.

LONDON. May 13.—David J. Hill, the eminent painter, is dead.

LONDON. May 13.—The Chamber of Commerce object to the new Shipping Code as imperfect.

Dispatches from Hong Kong say the tea and silk crops promise more than an average yield.

PARIS. May 19.—The Emperor visits the Chambers on Saturday and will receive the official announcement of the vote of the Plebiscite. The ceremony will be similar to that of opening the Chamber.

MADRID. May 19.—The Duke de Montpensier has returned to Madrid. He had a long conference with the Regent. It is rumored that the Carlist party consent to a proposition that Serrano be invested with royal power, and are intriguing toward that end.

LONDON. May 20.—The provisions of the new merchant shipping code prevail, emanating from the vessels.

No Indian murders are reported. The visits of friendly Indians are followed by a many murders and robberies that positions have been presented to General Wheaton at Fort Whipple, to prevent them coming into the settlement.

FLOUR. In Prescott is \$4 @ 45 per barrel, other provisions proportionately.

The inadequate military force to defend the country from risk of property and lives in working ranches even near army posts indicate no probable change from the present condition of affairs.

SAN FRANCISCO. May 19.—Sealed—U. S. S. Mohican, for a cruise arrived—Ship Shooting Star, Nanaimo. adt on 1850 crew 100.

The last Panama steamer had all the fruit hence she could carry and considerable had been engaged for the next boat.

The Workingmen's Protective Association have resolved to incorporate; and have requested Frank Pixley to repeat his anti-Chinese speech for their benefit. A Society called The United Mechanics, intended to include members of all trades and eventually to form a political power in the entire United States, was organized last evening and 600 members installed.

SAN FRANCISCO. May 19.—Honolulu advises the arrival of the brig Byssus from Victoria. adt on 1850 crew 100.

A cargo of coal has been sold here at \$9 per ton.

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In the State of San Juan, on board the steamer Olympia, May 2d, by the Rev Mr. Hines, Mr. Daniel Keen, New J. Edwards, F. E. Galloway, J. Williams, J. McNeil, F. Wild Michael Fox, Judge Caton and wife.

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