adorn them. In lookmpressed with the firm many bright eyes and ound us, are inconteste ladies appreve of our sure them that it will he Victoria " Torn Veturners," and to merit one us by gracing this erger also delivered an the German language.

AIS MINES. Lewiston. I. T.) says: ndence from Beise we ede for Kootanais is bethe floating population correspondent asserts claims for \$200 and \$50 per day to the hand. had to work them), packr Kootanais. This, we case, as soon as the hald become known in the people then had and what might have rush would have had would now advise a regard to Kootanais. have been made. True. were found soon after ms; yet little is known tent of the Kootanais nty of claims lying idle nce, with an abundance which will pay from \$12 ld it not be wise to give g notice?

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Wasco county, arrived untry, a few days since, most indubitable evidof gold in that quarter. filled with Kootanais worth \$18 per ounce. esult of less than two Mr. Butler informs us ve hundred persons in his number is constantly m the Stinking Water icts. New discoveries g made.

H ITEMS. JUNE 15TH.

Commemoration, Deneered by the Students. erston. Earl Russell is only groans. A cheer uthern Confederacy but

-Preliminaries for the est between the Ameri-Coburn and Jem Mace e 10th June. Coburn unable to " post the perally offered to stake and in the event of the battle ending in a re £100 out of the stakes winning he was of A hitch had occurred n of a referee and Bell's the matter was not amitual armistice muse be

ATE BONDS .- The folin the London Times of liscovered that a large Confederate \$100 bonds e from New York and e batch of \$72,000, sold I. I have no doubt an been put in circulation. will continue. It cersomebody to make this caution the public to g from doubtful sources. five \$100 counterfeits. July, 1852, per act of 9, 1861, and dated 7th The engraver of the is here, and pronounces

ING IN IRELAND. -In the

ds on the 9th of June, the de moved for the papers edings at Washington, mmigration; also for the enlistment of Irish im d and Boston, in March especting the enlistment in the Federal army.— nricarde charged the Fewith being parties to the rance against such prowould be a cause of war. tances would soon enrs to interpose and stop new going on in Ameriseconded the motion. ederals were inveigling a breach of law, ar laints of the Americans oyed Hessians and Gereplored that his old in whose cause he susin bygone years, had to be drawn into a san-stianlike war. He sinhoped that peace would Earl Russell assented to papers, and reiterated aduct of Lord Lyons and d that they had done all sy of remonstrance, and editable to the Ameriashingtoo, that they had ted the representations . He could not go so attention to the remonen made was a cause of mit that the case was one ently lead to war. He d the House that the remade would be conwith success. But the s being conducted with sness, that all remonto be unavailing. The le said that it was notocruiting was going on in of, the parties engaged uld be forthwith proseof the Marquis of Clan-

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VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND, TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1864. VOL. 5.

PURLISHED BVERY MORNING. (Sundays Excepted,) Many ATE VICTORIA, V. as a set of The Ren Set

Ansum, in advance, \$10.00 for Six Months, 600 ger Week, payable to the Carrier, 25

W. R. Burrage. - San Francisco F. Algar, - - Clement's Lane, London Street, - - - 30 Cornhill, London "PROSPECTING" ON LEECH RIVER.

A sudden increase of wealth is sometimes ruinous. We have all heard of the poor man who, on coming unexpectedly into possession of a legacy, was plunged in melancholy, because it would fall a few pounds short in its annual returns of the sum he desired to ex- 31 passengers and a small amount of treasure pend on his new establishment. While la- per Dietz & Nelson's express. menting the sourcy trick fate had thus played him, news came that the fortune was double with correspondence from our "special the amount first stated. This, however, in-stead of mending matters only made them ception of Governor Seymour, &c. worse; for since he thought it necessary to live in a certain extravagant style on obtaining the former increase of wealth, he felt it now, with double the income, equally incumbent to double the expense; and so he had, a second time, to curse fortune for not giving him enough to meet the demands of his folly. Our Sooke mines furnish us with an equally good illustration of the same discontented characteristic of human nature. A month ago \$3 a day diggings would have been a windfall Colony is the arrival of His Excellency to every able-bodied workman on the island. amongst us. He reached Richfield on Mon-The face of the most constitutional gro

now changed. Three dollars a day diggings are insulting to every one but the Chinamen, and owners of real estate despise so miserable a yield. If we were required to point out the cause of this strange point out the cause of this strange and sudden metamorphosis, we would unhesitatingly extend our finger towards that mischieveus man, who startled the community ten days ago with his seventy-three dollar nugget. Up to that time \$3 a day was acceptable -- was desirable. Since then, however, miners have become ambitious. Nuggets are the end and aim of the population, and if they dont find nuggets, and find them easily, Sooke and Leech rivers will get a hard name. Three dollars a day when that fellow knocked out in a minute's time over seventy

with his pick, surely is preposterous ! It is unfortunate that extravagant conceptions should have been formed of the newlydiscovered gold mines; for on the first disappointment a reaction will immediately set in, and the auriferous locality, though well adapted to maintain a large and steady population at good wages, will be voted a humbug. We have not arrived at this stage in the Sooke excitement yet, but we may be prepared for numerous complaints from returned adventurers, because the river did not some up to their sanguine expectations. There have been a number of instances where men who were making the comfortable daily wages of \$5, left their work in Victoria and proceeded to the mines. These men would of course expect at the least \$10 a day, on account of the hardships of a miner's life. They dent obtain that amount, and they return disgusted. Leaving out the folly of persons deserting steady and lucrative employment for the uncertain occupation of gold mining, a few hours' work, with very imperfect tools, is scarcely a proper test of a gold bearing river. There has been too much of the "day's excursion" about Leech river "prospecting." The place is altogether too convenient, and a large number of men ing them back to Victoria, but to pitch their which you have been called to preside. thest thing from their thoughts. It is, therefore, its general topographical features, and richly no wonder that we hear from some persons stored with mineral wealth. While, there-

though not one of them will dispute the fact that they afford abundant means of employment for those who are content with or-THE BRITISH COLONIST dinary wages. It is this circumstance lation. above all others which gives us such Mining in its various forms, first for the hope in the Vancouver Island gold mines. precious metals, and afterwards for the baser, The diffusion of the precious metal is so absorb, in a great degree, the attention and wide in fact, that no man who works capital of the population. need be without sufficient to cover his expen-

The steamer Enterprise arrived from New Westminster on Saturday, at 4:30 p. m., with

We have dates from Cariboo to the 4th inst.

CARIBOO LETTER. FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

RICHFIELD, Aug. 4. There is rather a dearth of mining news. Nothing definite has yet been heard from the prospectors who went out in search of the

lacer diggings. Governor Seymour's Arrival. Paramount in importance as affecting mercantile as well as the mining interests of the

but more useful minerals, must continue to

Gold mining is peculiar, and differs from ses, while the chances of finding rich deposits all other vocations of man, requiring for its successful prosecution, wise legislation and

eelleney's obedient servants,
A. H. S. BLACK, Chairman,
WILLIAM HESELTIN

GEO. DUFF, FRED. BLACK. WM. MOREHEAD, JOHN POLMEN, DAVID GRIER. Richfield, Aug. 3rd, 1864.

The following reply was made by His Excellency: Reply.

Gentlemen of the Mining Board of Cariboo

I receive with great pleasure the congratu latory address you have been kind enough to present to me on my first visit to the mining districts of the colony. I had fully intended to place myself in communication with you, and I am glad that our intercourse his com-

menced in a manner so gratifying to be.

You may be sure that so long as I old my present office my utmost efforts shall be devoted to the promotion of the interests of British Columbia. Though I have been here

THE HAREWOOD COAL MINE The following letter from an experienced Welsh miner appears in the Columbian of

Sir,—The Victoria papers are too much coupied with their prodigious gold disat present a good deal of animation in this town about coal and coal mines, I beg to lay before your readers a few facts which I noted when I was at Nanaimo on Saturday sex, while the chances of finding rich deposits are just as great for the work required to be done, as in other gold countries. From the commencement of the rune to Sobserphore for 36 a year; 04 for three months: payablatnudwanes gold, and diffused it more generally in protion to the number of men and the alternative and the solution at a population not carried away by the deep the policy of our the solution of the rune of may be unusually rich; and we are also anxious, for the sake of the pockets of the adventurers, and the reputation of the diggings, that henceforward no one will start to mine in the Sooke district unless he is prepared to work, is properly supplied with tools, and can stand the outlay of a month's provisions.

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districts may be discovered, new methods of mining may be adopted, and new evils arise to be avoided, the necessity of a board of practical miners to digest and adopt new regulations, and to provide against existing hardships, and to submit the results of their experience and observation to the Ligislative country, but then laber is. As far as I could judge by a cursory inspection the coal is of an excellent quality, with very little sulphur start to make the outlay of a month's provisions.

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districts may be discovered, new methods of mining may be adopted, and new evils arise to the public safety.

Work in than a shaft, and this is a better tunnel than ordinary, for above the seam of coal is a good sandstone formation, which obviates the necessity of using any timber to obviates the necessity of using any tim as a less experienced man might have done, but he has followed the lead most perse-

> coal explorers, who I hope will meet with luck, I conclude with -toni of stasti Yours truly, shirted - and John Ress Price. FROM PORTLAND

> veringly and to a successful issue. Hoping that this may interest some of our present

Our files of the Oregonian are to the 8th. The latest Eastern news received in Ports The latest Eastern news received in Ports that few persons were aware of the circum-land to that date has already appeared in the stance. His Royal Highness visited several COLONIST.

TELEGRAPHIC CABLE .- The steamship Oregon brought two very heavy coils of telen contains about six tons weight, and one about to the same character of cable as that which now lies inbedded in the be united to the mother country with America.

We trust this polarie of the same character of the cable as that which now lies inbedded in the be united to the mother country with America.

ENGLISH MAIL SUMMARY.

London, Saturday Evening, July 2. The disbelief in the maintenance of peace. says our correspondent, has never been greater in Paris. England, although she has sacrificed her honor, has not thereby removed coveries at Soeke to pay any attention to the causes of war. Still there exists that their coal mines, which are much more important. They have certainly got a very fine ing events—of a general uprising in Europe, coal field in Vancouver Island. As there is

throughout the metropolis. His Royal Highness was attended by the Duke of Satherland, Prince Leiningen, and Lord Richard Grosvenor. The party were received at the head-quarters of the establishment in Wat-ling street, by Captain Shaw, and they rode on fire engines from one station to another. After witnessing the operations of the brigade they were returning home on a fire-engine, when one of the horses slipped in the Strand, and the distinguished party were obliged to alight and drive home in cabs .-The visit took place at such an early hour, other places in the course of the day.

The polling for the office of Sheriff closed yesterday, when the two aldermen, Besley and Bakin, were elected.

On Friday the 5th (to-morrow) he intends to leave for New Westminster, much to the disappointment of many, who expected he would have remained in Cariboo a week at least

The necessary fatigue and hardship which His Excellency has patiently undergone in his recent journey; and the spirit of enquiry displayed by him in all matters feeting in any degree the welfare of the community, augur well for the future of the Colony. A practical knowledge of its resources and its wants, will prove invaluable, and future administration will no doubt assume a shape that will successfully develop the innate vigor of this young giant offspring

of the Mistress of the Seas.

His Excellency has made many friends, and his visit to Williams Creek will long be remembered with pleasure by the miners of

Cariboo.
Lieut. Cooper, Royal Marines, and Mr. Evans, constitute his Excellency's suite. The former gentleman is almost at home on the Creek, as his friends are legion. Mr. Evans is of course a stranger, but in his short stay he has made many friends.

The following address to his Excellency, was delivered by the Mining Board through their chairman Dr. Black.

To His Excellency Frederick Seymour, Esquire Governor of British Golumbia, etc.

The Mining Board of the District of Cariboo East, beg to welcome your Excellency to the interior and remote district of the early acts, his interest in the country and people, whose prosperity and well-being have been entrusted to his care. Widely separated from the mother country

by an intervening continent and ocean, we cannot feel otherwise than solicitous upon the arrival of any person in whom the supreme executive power of the colony has been, for the time being, vested.

The early tour, therefore, of your Excellency to the remote interior of the colony the seat of its present and prospective leave Victoria with no more idea of working | wealth, while it enables your Excellency to on the river than of flying. If they find the become better acquainted with the country, seventy three dollar nuggets lying about they its resources and capabilities; with the people, their wants, and necessities, demonstrates to are determined to pick them up, and will no us your earnest desire to promote the happidoubt put themselves to the trouble of carry- ness and prosperity of the country over

The colony of British Columbia, like all tent with the determination of giving a other countries lying upon the Pacific slope month's labor to the creek is about the farof the American continent, is mountainous in

ever, far wrong when within a few days of my arrival, I expressed to your legislature my belief that the paramount duty of your Governor was to facilitate access to the regions you construct the state of the state Governor was to facilitate access to the regions you occupy. I have seen little reason to change my early views, and I trust soon to see your wagen road completed. Un-fortunate and unforeseen events have however recently made even the opening out of the mining districts inferior in importance to the assertion of the supremacy of the law, and the establishment of safety for life and property in a large portion of our territory. I have reason to hope, however, that I shall see that the contract of the safety of the saf soon be able to devote my whole attention undisturbed to the purely civil duties of my

I acknowledge readily that for many years to come the prosperity, almost the existence of British Columbia, must depend upon the success of the miners. Every means, therefore, shall be used by me to promote that success. You truly describe the mode of life of these creators of our wealth, and I fully appreciate the self-dependence as well as mutual reliance which their peculiar labors are calculated to develop. I hope to be able to co-operate with you in establishing on a satisfactory basis some sort of public library and newsroom in which the inhabitants of the three towns on this creek may be able, agreeably and intellectually, to pass their long winter evenings.

Pray accept again my thanks for your very

The Bed Rock Flume Co. Have now 500 feet of flume laid. The ditch is being rapidly constructed and the portion from Jack of Clubs to Mink Guleh (about 12 miles) is nearly completed. On the 6th of the month 1000 inches of water will be turned into Williams Creek by the company. Their energy has not flagged, and to the interior and remote district of the country, and to congratulate their fellow subjects upon the arrival of a representative of the Crown, who demonstrates, by his own of the best investments on this coast.

The Antler Co. Are progressing rapidly with their wo They are nearly through the canon, and have considerably extended their lead flume. Williams Creek.

THE AURORA Co, washed up 350 ounces o a little over two days work. THE BARKER Co. are taking out good pay

Most of the rich claims are suffering from scarcity of water on the creek.

I have much pleasure in stating that the reek has received commercially a valuable ession in the person of Mr. Laumeister. le has opened a large store at Richfield, and

market Mr. Winkler has sold out his business and The wagen road is being pushed forward with vigor band saw it lad

his stock of goods is already finding a good

THE PACIFIC LOADED.—We learn that y telegram was received in this city on Friday to the effect that the steamer Pacific was already full, and nearly 100 dray loads of freight had to be refused. The steamer would not, however, for some reason, sail until to-morrow. It is said there is an immense quantity of goods awaiting transportation-to this region les y asomo tasmar ASTORIA MARINE GAZETTE. This is the

title of a weekly paper just started at Astoria, by an association of residents. It is printed on the material of the late Portland Union, and has Lincoln and Johnson at its head. The Marine Gazette says that the bark Almy is now discharging the heavy guns designed for the Forts at Point Adams and

KOOTANAIS.-We, Oregonian, have seen a entleman direct from the Kootanais mines. He brings with him some of the dust, and his opinion is that the Kootanais is quite as rich in gold as the Boise country.

IRISH EMIGRATION DECREASING .- A Cork paper says: It gives us pleasure to be able to state that there is a considerable falling off in the number of persons seeking passage to New York by the steamers calling at Queenstown. It is known that the great rush brough this port for the past few has been for the most part, of emigrants whose passages had been prepaid by friends in America, the proportion of those who emigrated at their own expense being comparatively small. The thousands who are influ-enced by the former inducement, have been nearly all swept away westward, and those who have not yet departed, quietly remain at their homes in the country till the days of sailing, for which respectively they have been booked, approach. The demand for passage by persons paying for themselves, has also the past week or two, been suffering considerable diminution, as, indeed, it was anticipated would be the case, at this season, when the crops need tending, to insure a fruitful harvest—of which latter, by the way, there is very fair promise. The consequence is that after the sailing of the Edinburgh, Olympus, and City of Washington, this week, there remains but a small number of emigrants at Queenstown. Yesterday there were but twenty awaiting the next Inman steamer, though the lists of the vessels of that line are full up to the 17th instant.

Previous to the departure of the All Eng land Eleven from New Zealand, a deputation from the tribe of Maories resident at the Heads, waited upon Captain Parr, and in the name of their chief, presented him with handsome piece of matting, and elevated nim to the rank of a chief, so that the relowned captain of the All England Eleven home neither more nor less than a

other goods to the value of £30,060, were brought before Mr. Alderman Stone at the Mansion House yesterday, and further evidence having been adduced, the alderman committed all three for trials to the said bear to

A man named Seymour was brought up-before the chief magistrate at Bow street, on a charge of enlisting men for the Confederate service. From the evidence it appeared that four men were engaged by him to go as fremen in a steamer named the Rappan, but applied to the officers of the Reppahanneck. Confederate steamer, who repudiated the engagement made by Seymour. The men same home, and appear to have informed against their employer. He was committed or trial. a ac

A Correspondent of the London Standard signing himself J. L., writes as follows:

A great deal of nonsense has been writen and talked about the "improvised armour" o the Kearsarge, and the general notion is, that the vessel was hastily protected by chain cables shortly before the late action. Now,I closely examined the Kearsarge about three menths since. I saw her in the water and I saw her on a ponteon. She was then protected amidships by heavy chain cables, payed with some red composition, the cable being covered with planking, a piece of which had been knecked off. Very few pecole are aware that the Kearsarge was severa days in the Victoria Dock, at Blackwall. It was there that I saw her, and there it was that the Admiralty officers obtained full par-ticulars as to her armament and the nature of the protection given to ber engines. She is a long sloop, rather wall-sided, barque-rigg-ed, painted black, and looks very much more. like an armed screw collier than a man of

war The bazaar in Hanoversquare Rooms in aid of the Asylum for Idiots has been opene aid of the Asylum for Idiots has been opened to-day by her Royal Highness the Princes of Wales, who, accompanied by the Prince, arrived at half past twelve, attended by the Marchioness of Caermarthen and Captain Grey, and was received by the committee, the band playing "God save the Queen." The stalls were draped in pink and white, and were very attractively furnished with. things as beautiful as useful. A large number of ladies were present, admitted by ticket or payment, to sit in the orchestra and look at the Princess as she, with her suite. visited the various stalls, and made a few selections, beginning at the stalls on the right of the entrance facing the Reyal box. After remaining for a considerable time their Royal Highnesses took their leave, and the regular nainess commenced

It is stated by Mr. Alderman Mechi that a good deal of land about the Royal Exchange is now worth one million five hundred pounds per acre, and that a site in that neighborhood about the size of a nobleman's draw-Maori chief. After the ceremony, Mr. Parr ing-room, would command a ground rental of had to go through the ordeal of kissing the £1000 per annum, equal to the rental of a Maori women who made the presentation. timps: ...d! issar at head THE SOOKE PRE-EMPTION.

"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown." Alexander, with all his conquests, had his share of human miseries and anxi- behind the time stipulated in the Proclamaties; and Cromwell, we are told, spent many tion. In this question, we have nothing to a sleepless night on account of his Protector- do with the cry raised about "the poor man." ship. It is, indeed, one of the penalties of Whether Thompson was bordering on starva greatness to be, in Irish parlance, "both- tion or wealthy as a Rothschild, has as little ered." Governor Kennedy, although neither to do with the merits of the case as whether a Cromwell nor an Alexander, cannot expect the property is valueless or worth the town to get rid of those trials and tribulations that site of Victoria. The simple question at isare the concomitants of rule, whether in an sue is whether Thompson can prove that he empire or a colony. He must expect to be has been a bone fide settler, and fulfilled the told in Vancouver Island at times that he stipulations of the act, in that respect. The is a despot, and be thrown into consternation mere fact as we have shown of his non-paysome day by arriving at the knowledge ment of twenty-five or thirty dollars at a through the public press that he has " robbed specified time, could not, under the above a roor man" not of his "beer" but of his land. consideration, in the slightest degree destroy He will occasionally be charged with aiming his title, especially when he had not been some desperate death-blow at the people's notified of any such consequences. When liberties, and will be reminded that there we look, however, at the action of the late was a King John once that had to grant Government in these land transactions, Magna Charta, and a King Charles that had Thompson's remissness in not paying up his to submit to decapitation. All these things instalment punctually is by no means unwe dare say Governor Kennedy is by this pardonable. It was the fashion to have the time prepared to hear-or if he is not will settlers in arrears in their instalments have to be. He must bear himself bravely; for it was found very convenient when voand when he is called a monster, a vampire, ting day came on; and Mr. Pemberton, no or any other thrilling and romantic appella- doubt through the force of habit, did not tion that a fertite mind may conjure up, he seem unduly anxious for Thompson's instalmust not be frightened out of his propriety, ment and so led the latter gentleman probut eat his daily bread with as much non- bably to feel easy on the matter. That the chalance as those terrible fire-eaters who land should turn out valuable is only what sould discuss calmly and luxuriously that every settler in a new country anticipates breakfast of "pistols and coffee for two." when he undertakes the vicissitudes of a We ourselves have occasionally something pioneer's life, and Thompson is no more to say against His Excellency's administra- lucky, supposing the embryo town site ever tion; we did not like his action on the Bar- to pay for its survey, than thousands of setzister's Bill, nor were we especially enamored there in Canada or the neighboring States. of his recent mining regulations; but we At all events we would impress upon the can assure him for all that, that we do not Government the fact that permanent popularegard him in the light of a murderer, a high- tion is what we want ; and if we could conwayman, or even a "picker up of inconsider- vert three-fourths of our inhabitants to-morate triffes," In fact we do not believe His row into bona fide settlers by giving away Excellency is an enemy of the human race, of the land, we would be creating sources of society, or of Vanceuver Island. We say revenue that would shortly pay the upset this advisedly; although we are about to ob- price over and over again. ject to a third instance of what we conceive to be government misapprehension. A commission has been appointed by His

Excellency to decide on a case of land dispute between the government and a settler in the Sooke district, named Thompson. The circumstances of this case, so far as we can learn, are as follows: Thompson pre-empts a learn, are as follows: Thompson pre-empts a General Pearse and party, Mr. J. Hughes, piece of land in the usual way, in March, 1863. resident magistrate for Socke. Mr. Wm. In April of the present year, he applies to the Farren and Mr. Barthnick, both well-known flower, handed in the following presentment, BENSON'S WATCHES & CLOCKS Land Office for a certificate of improvement. Uariboo men, also went down, with provis-with the testimony of Mr. Nagle and a Mr. They intend to pack. Jones, a resident of Sooke, to the effect that roughly, and we may hope to hear favorable the necessary amount had been expended on reports through their energy and persever the land. The Land Office objects to Mr. ance Jones because it doesn't know Mr. Jonesor probably because the Jones family is rather the Governor has appointed the Surveyor large, and that it cannot pick out the Jones General, Treasurer, and Mr. Wood, barrister, of Sooke, from amongst the number; it as commissioners to decide between the Gotherefore calls upon Mr. Thompson to obtain the signature of a gentleman whose patronymic is more Scotch in its origin, and more rare in its application. We are not told why this name was not obtained, more than the hint that there was a personal difficulty in the way; but we are informed that the Surveyor General told Thompson, when the latter made his application, that it was not necessary to pay his instalment to obtain the sertificate of improvement. Thompson again proceeds to the Land Office, on rough travelling reached Goldstream. the 4th of the present month, ready to pay his instalment and prove his claim to the certificate; but this time his title to the land chard Golledge and Charles James Hughes, is disputed on the ground that he had not Esquires, to be Justices of the Peace in and previously paid his instalment; and that for the Colony of Vancouver Island, and C. to New York by the steamers calling at

Such is the substance of the case that will come under the consideration of the Comcirculated yesterday that a rich prospect of mission. Whatever may be the decision of \$10 to the pan had been struck within fifteen that body, of one thing we feel certain, that miles of the city. The report does not emait is not the intention of the Government to nate, so far as traced, from an authentic deal out injustice to any inhabitant of the Island, and it is with no view therefore to cast Nor Resigned - Enquiries which we made any reflection on the administration of His yesterday, enable us to state that the Attore Excellency, that we proceed to show that on ney General has not sent in his resignation. principle the recent act complained of is untenable. The object above all others which the Government of a new country should aim | Williams' grey mare Fashion, and the horse at is the settling up of the public lands. The Oregon Bawley, was run yesterday on the principle is in lact the only one upon which Bencon Hill course, and was witnessed by

validate his claim; for what he would have be covered ten times by the value placed on the property; least of all could reasonable objection be taken when the man was willing and able to pay the amount before it was demanded of him,—although several months

#### LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Wednesday, August 10. STILL THEY Go .- The steamer Alexandra carried down to Sooke yesterday upwards of sixty " hardy miners," bound for the new dig gings, among them were Assistant Surveyor

THE SOOKE TOWN SITE.-His Excellency vernment and Thompson in regard to the pre-emption of the latter at the landing at Sooke. The commission held its first sitting in the Government offices yesterday, and adjourned till to-day.

ARRIVED OVERLAND. - Mr. Dickinson diggings and come through overland. They but eventually lost it, and after some very be protected.

GAZETTED .- The Government Gazette of yesterday contains the appointments of Rithe recent Proclamation in reference J. Hughes, Esq., to be acting resident Magisto oreserves embraced the property he trate in the Sooke district.

REPORTED RICH STRIKE .- A report was

Thursday, August 11, A SPORTING RACE.-A match between alsation can be founded. To induce set- His Excellency the Governor, and a number tlement, we have, therefore, those liberal land of speciators. The distance run was only a systems which characterise the Governments quarter of a mile, but what created more than of the New World. We have had large usual interest in the race was that the terms of the match were "horse for horse, and a stake of \$250." Fashion, which is a well head little mare, possessing great speed for a agricultural population; and the Govern- short spurt, was ridden by the successful ments acted wisely; for they knew that it jockey, Fitzpatrick. The Oregon horse, a fine was not land that made a country wealthy, well built bay possessing some excellent was not land that made a country wealthy, points, was taken to the stand by his owner. but people. The Vancouver Island Land Some time clapsed before the latter horse put Proclamation was framed with this intent.— in an appearance, owing to his exhibiting.

The settlement of the colony, not the great stubbornness when mounted. Finally, pecuniary interest of the Crown was they got away, the horse having a decided its object. When Thompson, therefore, took yards out of the course, which Fitzpatrick man the land and entered upon it as a bona immediately took advantage of, and pushed fide settler, he was carrying out the intention the mare in a winner by about ten lengths. of the Proclamation; when he was ready to The horse is apparently a strong runner, and prove that he had expended sufficient on the land to meet the requirements of the certifi-liams stud, and will no doubt give a better sate of improvement, in April last, no failure account of himself on some future occasion.

in paying the instalment could evidently in- "IT NEVER RAINS BUT IT POURS."-Mr. Thompson, the owner of the ranch at Sooke been obliged to pay as an instalment would where the proposed town site is located, yesterday received at the post-office no less than seven letters from his friends in Nova Importers and Wholesale Dealers Scotia, from whom he had not heard for two years. One of the letters gave him the lessing information that the property which he had left in Nova Scotia, then of comparatively little value, is now worth some £7,000, on account of the gold quartz discoveries which have lately been made in that province. Several of the quartz-mills are situated on

Mr. Thompson's property. THE SOOKE MINES .- The steamer Alexandra carried down some 30 passengers to Sooke yesterday and returned same evening at 8 o'clock, bringing back about the same number. The news from the mines continues good. An Italian drayman of this city took out \$8 in three hours with a pan. Parties were whipsawing lumber and preparing for sluicing.

THE SOOKE TOWN SITE .- The official de cision of the Commission appointed to consider Thompson's pre-emption claim at Sooke has not transpired, but we understand that it is in favor of his being allowed to retain his land. The decision meets with general approbation.

NANATMOITES FOR SOOKE .- The Emily Marris brought down fourteen passengers last night, all bound for Sooke. Great excitement existed in Coal-dom, and a "strike" had taken place among the miners for higher

THE EXPLORING PARTY.-Dr. Browne's party will leave Nanaimo to day for Barclay Sound, crossing thence to Comox.

#### THE ASSIZES.

(BEFORE CHIEF JUSTICE CAMERON.)

TUESDAY, August 8th. Quarles - William Quarles was again arraigned upon a fresh indictment charging him with fraudulently obtaining goods under false representations from Messrs. Janion. Green & Rhodes of this

Prisoner's counsel, Mr. D. B. Ring, was not present. Quarles pleaded "not guilty," and protested against being tried twice for same offence. The jurors were called but it was found

that the Sooke gold fever had carried many of them off-and the requisite number could not be obtained. The court was accordingly adjourned until Friday next at 10 a. m., when those jurors who do not answer to their names must look out for squalls.

#### THE GRAND JURY.

The gentlemen forming the Grand Jury assembled Tuesday morning in full force at the Supreme Court, and upon the Chief Justice taking his seat upon the bench the foreman, Kenneth McKenzie, Esq., of Craig-

The Grand Jury would respectfully pro sent as follows, viz :

They would again draw the attention the court to the negligent manner in which some of the indictments laid before them were drawn up. Much delay is frequently eccasioned and in one instance the ends of astice might thereby have been frustrated. ished The Grand Jury has had prominently brought under its notice the damage and inconvenience suffered by occupiers and owners of property to the south of James Bay by the placing of barricades across the streets abut-ting on Beacon Hill. The Grand Jury while Mr. Carveth, and a party of miners arrived in recognising the necessity of any steps that town last night at 12 o'clock, having left the will preserve the public rights, would respectfully suggest that some plan be adopted followed the blazed trail for some distance, whilst private rights and privileges should

#### K. McKenzie,

IRISH EMIGRATION DECREASING .- A Cork paper says: It gives us pleasure to be able to state that there is a considerable falling off in the number of persons seeking passage Queenstown. It is known that the great rush through this port for the past few months, has been, for the most part, of emigrants whose passages had been prepaid by friends in America, the proportion of those who emigrated at their own expense being compara tively small. The thousands who are influenced by the former inducement, have been nearly all swept away westward, and those who have not yet departed, quietly remain at their homes in the country till the days of sailing, for which respectively they have been booked, approach. The demand for passage by persons paying for themselves, has also for the past week or two, been suffering con-siderable diminution, as, indeed, it was anti-cipated would be the case, at this season, when the crops need tending, to insure a fruitful harvest of which latter, by the way, there is very fair promise. The consequence is that after the sailing of the Edinburgh, Olympus, and City of Washington, this week, there remains but a small number of emigrants at Queenstown. Yesterday there were but twenty awaiting the next Inman steamer, though the lists of the vessels of that ine are full up to the 17th instant.

The London Spectator, in a curious article on educated ignorance, says of the English people: "As a rule the masses know nothing the English peasantry, for example, not having an idea of any geography, and the educated very little indeed beyond a few names of places, and the general aspect of the map. They have very rarely an accurate notion of comparative size even in Europe. There were more than 400 members in the House of Commons when Cobden gave his account of the foundation of Singapore by Sir Stamford Raffles. We put it to the consciences of the majority-didenst the statements that Singapore was an old island, that it was a free port, that it was founded by Sir Stamford Raffles, strike them as new infor-

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#### The Weekly Colonist. Later Eastern News.

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THE NEWS.

The Eastern intelligence brought to us last evening by H. M. S. Devastation is up to the 5th inst. Full details are given of the recent attack on Petersburg, after the explosion o the Confederate redan. The attack, it would seem, was badly mauaged, the troops becoming demoralized when almost in possession of the coveted heights which command the city. The old fear of the " mine," which has been the most fertile creator of panics, had its effect on the colored troops, who were in the advance, and back they came pell-mell, driving everything into confusion. At this juncture, the Confederates poured in a destructive fire, and the Federals were obliged to relinquish the position they had obtained, having lost in the attack 2,500 men. The Southern lost in the attack 2,500 men. The Southern ing: The attacking column was composed of troops acknowledge a loss of 3,000, caused the 9th, 1st, and 2nd brigades of Ledley's difire which immediately followed from the 120 provided with entrenching implements, who were pushed forward to a charge. They had Federal guns.

From Sherman's command there is intelli-From Sherman's command there is intelli-gence of a serious disaster which happened doubtless been put on the alert through the the raiding party under General McCook. noise made by the concentration of the troops After destroying about eighteen miles of the and movements of the artillery and trains Macon railway, and otherwise doing con-siderable damage to Hood's communications, redan, had not touched the mounted abattis McCook was attacked by a superior force and obstructions in its front, and the assailunder the Confederate General Ransom, and ants had great trouble in making their way lost a large portion of his command. Rumors lumn advanced some distance to the right of were current that reinforcements had reached the fort, and carried part of two lines of the Atlanta from Beauregard's army and from breastworks connecting the fort with the Mobile, which, if true may retard Sherman's progress very naterially. Hood, however, if we may judge of his recent fighting, is not disposed to value his men works, the enemy commenced a heavy mus-wery highly, and it is just possible that his rashness will more than counterba-that his rashness will more than counterbalance the gain of obtaining reinforcements.

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dous fire directed against the rebel line by thing near the mark, have been extravagantly our heavy and light batteries, the enemy's bile to Atlanta may probably precipitate the long-talked of Federal attack on the former dered to carry, was checked. The column city-the number of Confederate troops within halted, and the men sought refuge behind its limits now being but two brigades.

sylvania and Maryland borders, the accounts Potter's and Wilcox's division of the same from the raiders show that they are still in corps, moved to the right and left of the numbers large enough to harrass their Nor- work. Several attempts were made to conthern enemy. Some engagements had been tinue the assault, but all failed under the won by one side, and offset by victories on another; but it is evident that the Southern colored divisions was ordered to move fortroops will manage to get the harvest of the Shenandoah valley. There is but little fresh news from Grant's army beyond the report of Meade being superseded. On the whole, the intelligence rather favors the South, and

would indicate that some important and fresh combinations are in course of operation on both sides.

A "Brar Fact."—During the recent exploration made by Messrs. Street, Munro, Dr. McCandels and Ochsner, for an overland trail to the mines, we learn that the party party was aroused by shouts from a more wakeful companion, and sundry aticks thrown at his head. Thinking he was the subject of some practical joking the slumbers of down again into balmy repose. In the morning he was horrified to learn that two bright every had been observed glistening close to his again and again an attempt was made to charge from the front, but the troops could not do it. Small parties commenced trying to run back from the fort to our main line, and they became more and more numerous. Reliable information states that the rebel General, S. D. Lee, has been down again into balmy repose. In the morning he was horrified to learn that two bright through the distance from the fort to our main line, and they became more and more numerous.

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All and they became the view of counteracting rebel designs.

MEMPHIS, August 3—Great activity is manifest in military circles, carrying out the view of counteracting rebel designs.

DEATH OF A CANADIAN.—A man named by our fire. About 10 o'clock, however, when most of the batteries had ceased firing, Michael Jordan, a native of Canada West, they made a grand charge and occupied most owning a ranch in Idaho Territory, was killed by the Indians on the 9th of July. The savages had made a descent on his farm, killing vages had made a descent on his farm, killing a man, and driving off some 40 horses and mules, upon which Jordan organized a party of thirteen men, and attacked them while they were intrenched in a ravine, to the was massed on the left of the Ninth, with bravely for some time against these tremendons odds, a bullet pierced Jordan's heart.

To clock, that the Ninth Corps was not tion of the Governor and Mayer, the troops making any headway in supporting the attack which had been sent to reinforce Forrest were ekins, his party being obliged to retreat. He porter's and Turner's division was pushed recalled. brave and generous manifol to foot

SPORT AT THE MINES .- Elk, deer, and fish are said to abound at the Leech river mines and the miners are now supplied by Indians with venison, said to be as fat as good mut-ton. Salmon trout are eaught with the fly

derstand upon good authority that Mr. Birch, the rebels made another charge which partly Colonial Secretary of British Columbia, will succeeded. proceed on an official visit to the Kootanais 3,000. mines upon the return of Governor Seymour New York, August 3-The Herald's from Cariboo, with a view to ascertain the special dispatch says it is currently reported best line of road to those mines.

DR. DEWOLFE. - The Seattle Gazette ease Dr. De Wolfe is lecturing in that vicinity with success; the residents in and around Utsalady have published in the Gazette a Petersburg, was the belief that the hill series of resolutions thanking the Doctor for which they were expected to take, and which his gratuitous efforts for their enlightenment.

terday appointed by His Excellency the Go fruits of victory when it was within their Sarly says he is determined to held the Vernor to be acting Postmaster at Sooks. vernor to be acting Postmaster at Sooke.

(DATES TO THE 5th AUGUST.)

Particulars of the Petersburg Fight.

DISASTER TO GEN. McCOOK. RAIDING IN THE SHENANDOAH

Reinforcements at Atlanta.

Grant and Sherman's Commands.

The following intelligence was received by the arrival of the Devastation Wednesday : ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

CHICAGO, Aug. 3 .- Details of the engagements before Petersburg were received this merning, from which we condense the followprincipally by the explosion and the dreadful vision, fellowed by the 35th Massachusetts, moved but a few yards when they received a during the night so close to their front, The yards beyond the fort) which they were orthe ruins of the work, in the breastworks and From the Shenaudoah and along the Penn-Ledley's division had moved to the attack

shout the fort. The interior of the latter

received an unexpected and unwelcome the threatened part of their line in and about visitor at their camp. The weary travellers the forts. Now, both the infantry and artilehad all retired for the night when one of the lery became more and more severe, and eyes had been observed glistening close to his main lines, about 150 yards. Our men in to report at Atlanta. It is supposed he head. Mr. Munro sat with a cocked revolver running back had to go over a field swept takes Hood's old command. ready to salute his bearship with a blue pill by the rebel fire, and hundreds of them were in case he intruded his presence too far. The killed and wounded. The enemy perceiving defeat by A. J. Smith. Lee and Dick Taylor travellers had neglected to keep their camp the confused condition of our troops, resortfire burning, as a caution to all denizens of the offensine, and advanced several times from their lines, but were driven back from active service. Chalmers is in comtimes from their lines, but were driven back from active service. Chalmers is in comnumber of two hundred. After fighting the Eighteenth on its right, and the Second forward and gained a position far in advance of that held by the Ninth Corps, but that had no decisive effect, and the numbers of the Ninth Corps in and about the fort became materially reduced by 10 o'clock, by the men falling back to the main line. What remained continued to hold their position until about 11 o'clock, when an order was received for them, to fall back to their ton. Salmon trout are eaught with the fly in large quantities in the river, and afford a most agreeable change to the simple and unvaried fare upon which miners and others are at present compelled to subsist.

OFFICIAL VISIT TO KOOTANAIS.—We under the substant of the manner of the substant of the subs

The rebel officers put their loss down at that arrangements are in progress for again changing the Commander of the Army of the Potomac. Meade is not mentioned in concommanded the rebel works and the town had been previously mined by the rebels. POSTMASTER AT SOOKE.— Mr. Stuart, of For this reason the troops could not be in-the firm of Elliott, Smart & Co., was yes zation was created which lost them the

NEW YORK, August 5—A special despatch to the Tribuns says there is good reason for believing that the rebels are mining our earthworks in front of Petersburg, and measures have been taken which will render

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operations of that sort futile.

The reports that Hooker was to relieve Meade are incorrect. Hooker was relieved by Sherman and sent to Washington.

FROM SHERMAN'S COMMAND.

CHICAGO, August 3—A despatch of last night says that Hooker has been relieved of his command. The despatch says that this action resulted from a feeling on his part that an indignity had been done him in appointing Gen. Howard his junior in rank, to the command of the Army of the Tennessee. Louisville August 3 - The Nashville Union of to-day says that apparently well-

authenticated but unofficial information has been received that Stoneman has not only cut the Macon railroad, but has defeated Wheeler with a loss of from 500 to 1000 men, at Proctar's Creek. The rebel leader was wounded, and fell into our hands. NASHVILLE, August 4.—General Stoneman

sent a ferce of cavalry, of Long's and Lagrange's brigades, 3200 strong, on the 28 of July, under command of General E. Mctrain near Newman, with 500 men, including After possessing themselves of what they Governor Ourtin has issued a proclamation wanted, the wagons were burned.

McCook started to return with the prison-

ers and three thousand mules, but was overtaken by a rebel force under Ransom so large as to completely surround him. A desperate engagement followed, during which many of McCook's men escaped and found their way to Marietta. The number of Federals captured is supposed to reace two thousand. This disaster is attributed to the troops' partaking too freely of the liquors found in the captured train. Long's brigade consisted of the Third and Fourth Ohio, the Second Indians, and Fourth Regulars.

NASHVILLE, August 5 .- General McCook, supposed to have been captured near Newman, came in with 1000 of his men-500 had previously arrived at Marietta. As reported. he was very successful in breaking the Macon railroad, capturing and destroying a wagon and railroad train. He was obliged to let

his prisoners go.

An Atlanta special despatch says the rebels admit a loss of 6000 in the battle at Peace Tree on July 20th. It says at the rate Hood has been fighting since he took command, the rebel army will last just three weeks. Prisoners report the army as disheartened with

FROM CANBY S COMMAND. MEMPHIS, August 1-The Jackson Mississippian of the 24th, says communication with Atlanta is out off. General Washburne is

organizing a new expedition of an important nature, which will be commanded by General Smith. Guerrillas continue their depredations on the leased plantations in the vicinity

Vicksburg and Natchez.

Vicksburg, August 2—The sending of the Nineteenth Army Corps to the Army of the Potomac will probably oblige General Canby to suspend offensive operations at present, and his efforts will be directed mainly to

helding his own.

By a recent arrival from the upper Red river we learn that Missouri is much talked of by the rebel officers as a point of attack, and that at least 20,000 recruits have been promised there. General Canby is now send. ing a considerable force to Arkaneas, with

were at Merridan a week ago. Forrest' mand of the forces of the rebels west of the Mississippi river, and expected to cross the stream and reinforce Atlanta. A gentleman who left Mobile on the 31st, says Hood had been reinfereed by two divisions from Beau-regard's corps, from Richmond, and two brigades from Mobile. Charleston and Wilmington are said to be nearly divested of troops, and the garrison at Mobile consists o only two brigades of regulars and the Mobile militia. Se great were the fears that Mobile would be attacked between the 8th

vice. Lieute and Governor Wells has issued a proclamation directing as election on the first Monday in September, for the ratifica-THE RAIDERS OF THE SHENAN-

NEW YORK, Aug. 3-The Tribune's spee ial dispatch from Frederick last evening has the following confirmation of the reported defeat of the rebels at Cumberland: General Kelly, it is reported, was attacked at Cum-berland yesterday at 6 p. m. by a large force under Bradley Johnson and McCausland After a severe fight of several hours he completely routed the enemy, capturing several caissons, a great many wagens and a vast amount of plunder which they had stolen in Pennsylvania. The enemy is in full retreat towards Oldtown, Kelly pursuing.

New York, August 4 - The World's Washington despatch says rebel officers who deserted from Early's army, report that the cavalry force operating in the valley number 8.000, under Johnston and McCausland

large fire in a northwesterly direction are visible, supposed to be the Big Pond Furnace. They can be distinctly seen from this ica on the plea of humanity. Palmerston place. The whereabouts of the rebels is not

It is generally understood that Early's

to make him change his position.

BALTIMORE, August 5th—A person who avail itself of it. left Charlestown, Va., early yesterday morning, reports that the rebel forces composed of ing, reports that the rebel forces composed of Mosby's and Imboden's cavalry and mounted infantry, estimated at seven thousand, were withdrawal by Lindsay of the intended recogthen about making a feiot on Harper's Ferry, nition motion in L'arliament is said to be the while Early, with 12,000 infantry, was guard-result of Palmeraton's having given a sort ing the plunder at Bunker Hill, and was about of implied promise to support the motion at starting up the valley. The rebels scattered through the valley, gathering grain and cat-tle, and would rejoin Ewell in his march. The rebels conscripted all the men they could find, and even boys of sixteen. It is believed that the rebels will retire up the valley as soon as the trains are well advanced.

127 officers. The wagons were laden with rebels had occupied Hagerstown in force. valuable stores, including liquors, and the private property of General Hood and others.

on good authority, says that the rebels had rossed the Potomac at Hancock, yesterday, several thousand strong. It is reported that there was a fight at New Creek yesterday rived. afternoon, the result not known.

NEW YORK, August 5-The Post's special despatch says advices have been received the 19th of July. that a cavalry fight took place on the New Jerusalem road, on Wednesday, in which the rebels were defeated. Our loss was seventy-

THE ALLEGED NORTHWESTERN CONSPIRACY.

ler of American Knights, as well as those of Charles S. Hunt, and Chas. E. Dunn. Grand and Deputy Grand Commander. They also Earl Stratford de Radcliffe called attention to asked for re-examination, in which they ac-knowledged their former statements to be lief in it, and urged the Government to take untrue, and admitted the existence of the steps to counteract its influence. Earl Rus-Order, and their membership of it. This sell did not believe in a revival of the Holy-confession gives many interesting details of Alliance, and thought it impossible. He con-

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

ST. Louis, Aug. 3.-Advices have been lit is announced that Dr. Livingstone, after received from the Plains to the effect that the spending four months in England, will return Apaches, Comanches, and Arapahoes, num- to Africa on an expedition to put in train an depredations on the Santa Fe road. All the horses and mules belonging to Fort Larned, and 130 horses belonging to the Colorado Rendesburg on the 21st July and took possession. The Federal Lieutenant ordered battery, were captured within a quarter of s mile of the Fort. In addition to this, emigrants have been robbed, and their wagons destroyed. At last accounts, the Indians were threatening the fort, where but 75 men were stationed. \$100,000 worth of provisions was given to these Indians at Fort Larned a few days before committing theseful deed.

succeeded in ferreting out the most extensive and successful gang of counterfeiters ever Prussia. Prussia. August 3-The Bremen, with to Washington. Other parties are to be arrested. Eleven presses, and a large quantity Schleswig were in possession of the Allies. of bank-note paper, ink, twelve plates, in-cluding twenty-dollar greenbacks, 10's and ed. 50's U. S. Treasury Notes, of the new issue, were secured.

New York, Aug. 4 .- A riot occurred in this city to day, between the soldiers and nes groes, in which two of the fermer were killed, and several wounded. The dwellings of the negroes were burned by the soldiers, who were willingly assisted by secesh sympathis-

The Times says the subscription to the seven-thirty loan the past six days is over six. Napoleon.

and a half millions of dollars. This has been The Peace Conference convened on the ubscribed in the large commercial cities. The west is yet to be heard from.

EUROPLAN NEWS.

[TELEGRAPHIC.]

NEW YORK, July 24. The Manhattan, from Liverpool, July 12th, and Queenstown the 13th, has arrived. It is stated that hostilities in Denmark are suspended pending peace negotiations. The new Danish Cabinet is represented as being

n favor of peace. ered by maratime Powers to America.

In Parliament, after a great debate the previous week, there was a decided majority or the Ministry. It is considered that this

no intention of attacking Copenhagen. FARTHER FOINT, July 25.

Londonderry July 15th, has arrived. The Times publishes the details of a late disaster. to the British troops in New Zealand, and says it was peculiarly disgraceful and perhaps.

The Daily News says the floating supply of The Daily News says the floating supply of Confederate bouds is diminishing, owing to their being absorbed by blockade runners for ready sale. the purchase of cotton. LONDONDERRY, July 15 .- Dano-German al-

fairs are unchanged. New York, July 26.

Chambersburg the 3d, says the lights of a Bishop of Chester, a number of members of said the Government could not consider that this was a moment when mediation would be It is generally understood that Early's acceptable, both sides being equally sanguine force in the Shenandoah Valley consists of of success, while the North is especially jeal-35,000. Military movements are being made ous of interference. If an opportunity for mediation arose the Government would gladly

Mason had an unofficial interview with result of Palmerston's having given a sort a more opportune moment.

The Times' city article says there is a

continued demand for Federal securities at Frankfort. Parliamentary proceedings were unimpor-

It is confirmed that Denmark has proposed Railroad. They had destroyed eighteen miles of the railroad, and started to capture a train of 100 wagons going from Atlanta to Macon or Columbus. McCook captured the Some official despatches states that the from Berlin say a truce was granted until July 31st. In the meantime peace propositions will be made.

EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE.

DATES TO SUNDAY JULY 24TH.

HALIFAX, August 13-The steamer Africa with dates from Liverpool to the 23rd, and and from Queenstown the 24th July, has ar-

The United States steamers Niagara and Sacramento were at anchor off Antwerp on

dence from Richmond to June 30th. The writer represents no apprehension for the safety of Richmond, and asserts that any single corps of the Confederates could hold the works around and about the city against any considerable force of Federals. He adds St. Louis, Aug. 5.—The Democrat of this morning contains the essential points of the confession of B. Smith, Secretary of the Or-Confederate troops would be sent there is great numbers.

In the House of Lords, on the 22nd July, the workings and purposes of the Order, but no new facts of importance have been revealed. of Burope.

bering nearly 1.000, are committing serious operation by means of which slavery could

Germany sets an example of conquest others Sr. Louis, Aug. 4.—Col. Baker, Chief of the National Detective Police, who has been here for several days on official business, has would have an interview with the King of

the gang are in double irons. Five large dates from Southampton to July 20th, has

boxes of their materials are now on the way arrived.

NEW YORK, August 5-The following was received by the Saxonia:

Lord Palmerston, in the House of Commons, in response to an inquiry whether England intended acting in concert with the other European powers in endeavoring to bring about a suspension of hostilitie America, stated that he thought no advantage would be gained by mediation.

It is reported that Slidell is on a visit to

THE MINES IN IDAHO .- A correspondent

of the Union, writing from Idaho City, July 10th, says:

I have noticed in different papers letters from the mines, none of them giving a correct description. There has been considerable gold taken out in this and other camps, but they have seen "their best days." I assure you ten years will see the basin "cleaned ont"—"played out." It is an impossibility to buy here and not get swindled. Men that in favor of peace.

A person n med Spencer, in a published letter, contends for joint mediation being offered by maratime Powers to America. coming into the Territory with the expecta-tion of making a fortune in a few days. The

for the Ministry. It is considered that this chances are they won't make enough to suswill settle the Opposition for the remainder
of the session, which closes in July.

Palmerston, in reply to an inquiry, said
the Government believed the Germans had of every description and times are exceedingly dull. A great many are leaving for Koota-The Belgian, from Liverpool July 14th, and Loadonderry July 15th, has arrived. The With bad news. What is to become of the Primes publishes the details of a late disaster than British traces in New Zealand, and

A PHOTOGRAPHER AT THE DIGGINGS .- Mr. unprecedented. The men were surprised A Phorographer at the Diograms,—Mr. and fled, while nearly all the officers were Charles Gentile is at present at Leech river, killed and wounded in heroic efforts to rally and has sent for the necessary apparatus for taking views of the most prominent features

THE SOOKE TRAIL .- Mr. Pearse, assistant surveyor General, went down by the Alexandra to Sooke yesterday, with a party of The Scotia, from Liverpool July 16th, and men, to commence at once the construction Quentiown the 17th, has arrived. A tumor of a trail from the landing to the mines.

### The Weekly Colonist

Tuesday, August 16, 1864.

NORTH AMERICAN PEDERATION.

With the ordinary course of Canadian politics, the interests of neither Vancouver Island nor British Columbia are closely interwoven; but the recent mail has brought
der, so far as known, appeared in the daily
and weekly Colonist, as also the subsequent us intelligence of a movement in the Legiseffect, is likely in the course of time to McDonell's grief stricken relative. lature of Canada which, if carried into bring the colonies of the Pacific within the political folds of a great North American constitution. The difficulties of carying on a Government in Canada, where party spirit is so equally divided that no cabinet can feel itself stable for a day, have at length induced the leaders of both sides to form a coalition that will tend to give something like permanence to the Government. In order, however, to satisfy the demands which immediately arise from this union of heterogeneity, a compromise it brought forward which it is almanage its local affairs, while the more gen- child aged nearly 5 years. eral interests of tariff, excise, postal, &c., will come under the jurisdiction of a Federal body dian Legislature. Although in the beginbrace the whole of the North American found. Provinces so soon as arrangements can be made to that effect.

Whatever may be the result of this present elapse without some such project being consummated. A half-a-dozen different provinces, under one sovereignty and adjoining each other, with no assimilation in their tariffs, is a state of affairs that could not from its nature among the North American colonists which must be met by a wider range of political life. The people have been encumbered too long by disabilities which are as wounding to position in the eyes of the world.

the colonist is still but half an Englishman in national privileges. National patronage alips over his head even in cases where he is pre-eminently qualified for and entitled to the post. The position of colonial Governor the only body to whom we could look for Sooks mines.

While pestilential nuisances of this nature are permitted to exist; and if it should happen, we pity the feelings of those who have done their utimost to "garrote" the City Council bringing ten passengers, all bound to the has been seldom or never assigned him : and in many parts of Her Majesty's dominions of law. He has no voice in making or unmaking some of those wars in which he may ederation of course, cannot make his position in this respect very much better ; but it will prepare the people rapidly for that independence which is looming in the near future—
an independence which, while adding another. nation to the American continent, will relieve the mother country of many anxieties and troubles, and give substance to her statesman's boast of the past that he had called new worlds into existence to adjust the balance of the old.

We hail this first movement of the Cana-

dian Government as the commencement of stringed colonists. With a federation of was remanded until Tuesday. colonies from one ocean to the other, what limits can be placed to our material great-Instead of colonial talent being "cabined, eribbed, confined," to the barren area of local the expedition into two exploring parties. the manner in which he feared that his head a continent, and a more congenial field of lands, and had, we understand, found good ship to Amoy. The dread entertained by indications of coal. Dr. Brown writes most Kan evidently areas from the present civil operations will be opened to the vigorous sanguinely of the expected results of his sanguinely of the expected results of his still raging in his country. The magistrate ordered him to be sent on board.

The only hitches that can possibly stand in the way of the immediate concummation of will be found highly suriferous.

Indications of coal. Dr. Brown writes most sanguinely of the expected results of his strile raging in his country. The magistrate ordered him to be sent on board.

Cannibalism,—A man named James Murthe scheme, will be those of detail. The basis for the federation is similar to that Rupert Indian, was convicted yesterday in federal Legislature, the equality of representation is to be preserved, while in the Lower Branch, representation by population is to prevail." There will, no doubt, be some will feel themselves swamped in the Lower Branch of the Federal Legislature; so that working order. Our space will not admit of a much further discussion of the topic today : but we can only hope that the move--xold ment may be thoroughly successful, and thus the mine have demanded \$3 per day. lo thepable us at no distant date, to emerge from our belplessness and isolation, and become

members of the great North American Fed-

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Friday, August 12.

ALKEANDER McDowell .- We have received a letter from Donald McDonell (Simcee) Glengary, Martintown, C. W., making enquiries respecting the fate of his brother, who was one of the unfortunate victims to the savage fury of the Chilcoaten Indians at firding and burial of the bodies, and have,

SUNDAY SCHOOL PIC-NIC .- The scholars o the Presbyterian Church Sunday School, acompanied by their teachers, parents, and few friends, held a pic-nic on Wednesday afternoon in the beautiful glade near Ogden Point, James' Bay. A considerable number of little folks were present and both old and young spent the afternoon most happily under the fatherly care of the pastor, Rev. John Hall. The Sunday school numbers at present nearly forty scholars.

DEATH FROM DIPTHERIA. -- We regret leged will prove the panacea for existing announce that our respected townsman Mr. J. evils. A Federation of Upper and Lower S. Drummond has been evertaken with afflic-Canada-or, in other words, a system that tion in the sudden death from this fatal diswill give to each, section a Legislature to ease, of his daughter Leonora, a promising

THE BLAZED TRAIL. -- Some miners from Sooke, who followed the blazed trail from -is the proposition to be laid before the Cana- Leech river, report that it led them into a complete maze, from which they with diffining the federation is to be confined to culty extricated themselves. They state, Canada, vet the scheme is intended to em- however, that a good route for a trail can be

SPLENDID RUN HOME.—The Hudson Bay Company have received advices by the Devastation's mail of the safe arrival home of the attempt to form a federation of the North bark Princess Royal, about the end of June. American colonies, of one thing we feel cer- The Princess Royal left here on Feb. 28th tain, no very great number of years can thus making the run home in less than four months-one of the quickest passages on

ADMIRALS Kingcome and Denman exchanged salutes yesterday merning, from their respective flag-ships Sutlej and Devasvery long exist. Independent, however, of tation. The Tribune then saluted the newly this anomaly, there are growing aspirations arrived Admiral, and Lord Gilford, in return. received the compliment of his rank.

Saturday, August 13. Four Smells.—The disgusting stenches towards the end of the week. which assail the olfactories from stagnant their self-love as they are injurious to their drains in various of the most frequented parts of the city, are the subject of general comcannot hope long to enjoy such immunity while pestilential nuisances of this nature are emedy of the evil.

TRIAL OF QUARLES .- William Quarles he is precluded from practising in the Courts sgain appeared spon remand in the Supreme turday, 305 mining licenses had been issued Court yesterday morning. Judge, jurors and by the acting Gold Commissioners. witnesses waited patiently for the arrival of against an application made by the prisoner's counsel, Mr. Ring, to amend the plea. His Honor finally postponed the trial until next assizes, and on the reappearance of the jurymen they were dismissed

GAMBLING AMONG THE CELESTIALS .- YUNG Sam appeared yesterday in the Police Court of the accused, who stated that he had adofficer Bond for unlawfully acting as banker Anderson produced a book purporting to be in a common gambling house on Cormorant a receipt for three dollars for the study in street, and unlawfully and wilfully permitting and suffering certain idle and evil disposed persons playing and gambling therein. Mr. Bishop appeared for the defence, and took exception to the jurisdiction of the magistrate the regeneration of the hitherto apron- to adjudicate upon the charge. The case

THE EXPLORING PARTY.-A letter was received yesterday by the Committee from Dr.

THEFT.-Charley alias Ke-cla-Ka, a Fort

THE TOWN SITE COMMISSION .- The comanxiety amongst the British element of mission appointed by His Excellency to en-Lower Canada; for the French population quire into Thompson and Munro's pre-empwill in the local Legislature have an over- tion at Sooke have rendered their decision whelming majority; on the other hand, how-ever, when the federation is extended to the other Provinces, the French in their turn the investigation.

the scheme is likely to meet with considerable difficulty before it can be got into sequently no coal was being got out. The washed out with about 50 cents of gold dust. bark Florida, which was nearly loaded when the contents of the pan rushed back to the the strike took place, will have difficulty in landing in intense excitement at the disc doleful wee begone countenances. The Victorial's best feelings became aroused and

> THE FUNERAL of the late Mr. C. J. Hughes threatening the life of Serit. Wade, R. M. A., THE FUNERAL of the late Mr. C. J. Hughes threatening the life of Serjt. Wade, R. M. A., enquired of the distressed young maidens took, place yesterday afternoon. A large at Cole Island, Esquimalt, was yesterday what was the matter, but to his astonishment. number of friends followed the corpse to its discharged by Mr. Pemberton with a caution he received for answer." Please, sir, we're P. computes the length of the new trail from last resting place.

rett, of discharging fire-arms in the vicinity of Young's wharf, and was ordered to give himself peaceably for three months.

NANAIMOITES FOR SOOKE - The sloop Ringleader, which arrived from Nanaimo last evening, brought down 12 miners from that town en route to the more attractive auriferous deposits at Sooke.

THE EXCURSION TO SOOKE .- About 60 per ons availed themselves yesterday of the visit of the Alexandra to the beautiful harbor of Socke, and spent a most agreeable time. The weather was delightful and what was more conducive to the enjoyment of water excursions, the water was as smooth as glass. An excellent band under the leadership of Mr. John Astor, contributed much to the enjoyment of the company.

Monday, August 15.

THE NEW MINING TOWN .- The excursionists by the Alexandra yesterday, express themselves highly pleased with the appearance of the town-site at Sooke, and prognosticate the rapid springing up of a lively little town on that beautiful harber. Should the rold discoveries in that vicinity prove as extensive as anticipated, we may hope to see ere long a fringe of bustling little ports all the way to Albeini, which will act as imporant feeders to Victoria, and conduce greatly to the general welfare of the country, despite the croakings of short-sighted individuals, who would fain make the public believe that they would prove formidable rivals to our

VIEWS ON LEECH RIVER .- Mr. C. Gentile hotographic artist, returned last evening from the mines, with several fine views on Leech river. They include a view of the junction of the Leech and Sooke rivers. The mouth of Leech river, with miners at work with a rocker; also the Commissioner's camp etc. So soon as the negatives are printed we understand that they are to be sent for publication in the Illustrated London News.

THE "CASCADES."-This fine stern whee steamer built at Utsalady and intended to ply on the Columbia river, is now lying at Brodrick's wharf. She will return to Utsalady to-day to take on board the frame work of another steamer, and will leave for Astoria

DESERT:ON .- Three sailors belonging t H.M.S. Sutlei, and one from H.M.S. Tribune. were brought before the Police Magistrate on With all the advantages of the system of ment, more particularly by strangers who Saturday, on a charge of desertion, and were casually visit Victoria. We have hitherto, ordered to be given up to their own officers. ordered to be given up to their own officers. many conflicts, by the Imperial authorities, been free from any serious epidemics, but Walter Saunders, charged with assisting the men to desert was remanded till Tuesday.

MINING LICENSES .- Up to 4, p. m., on Sa

Tuesday, August 16. be the greatest sufferer, can enter into no treaty, nor, in fact, exercise any of the important duties pertaining to nationality. A General subsequently arrived and argued Pawn Broking.—Elijah H. Anderson of Oriental alley, appeared yesterday before Mr.

Consequently arrived and argued Pemberton to answer a charge preferred Oriental alley, appeared yesterday before Mr. against him by Serjt. Wilmer, of advancing money upon a set of gold studs left in pawn. without being licensed as a pawn broker. The officer stated that a set of stude had been stolen from the Superintendent of Police which he had traced to the possession to answer a charge prefered against him by vanced three dollars on them to a man. question, which he had purchased from a man who signed himself Williams. The magistrate adjourned the further enquiry for two days.

AFRAID OF LOSING HIS HEAD .-- Kan, Chinaman, who had signed articles on board the Hanoverian ship Armin for a voyage to China, was brought before the Police Magisness, and what to our political aspirations?

Brown, who states that he would leave Nawith desertion. The celestial amused the naimo on Thursday, and proposed to divide court much with an animated description of politics, its horizon will be extended across They had explored some of the adjacent is would be taken off if he proceeded in the

phy, recently a fireman on board the steamer Eliza Anderson, was yesterday charged bewhich we have already suggested in reference the Police Court of stealing a flaunch shirt, fore the Police Magistrate with assaulting to a union between this colony and British the property of Peter McClusky, on board the Columbia. "In the Upper Branch of the steamer Emily Harris, and was sent to the witness, the assault appeared to have been Robert Martin and biting off his nose. From chaingang for two months. A second charge of steal a sum of \$100 for the said complainant was dismissed for want of evidence. brutal charge, and if the next assizes were not so far off he would send the case for

> A PRACTICAL JOKE .- We learn from genunsuspecting gentlemen who went out prospecting near Thompson's landing. The party THE STRIKE AT NANAIMO has extended to took with them Liverpool Jack, who seised

DISCHARGED .- John Davies, charged with not to commit a breach of the peace.

DISCHARGING FIREARMS.-John Lary was DAN ATTRACTIVE EXHIBITION.-The glassonvicted yesterday by the Police Magie- blewing exhibition in the Lyceum Hall last trate, upon information of special officer Bar- evening was one of the most pleasing exhibitions that has yet been held in this city. The most beautiful and delicate ornaments bonds in the sum of ten dollars to conduct in variegated colors were manufactured by ask permission for the insertion in your the artistes with the greatest ease and columns of the following facts relative to celerity. Fancy baskets, tops, birds, flowing my application for a license, and as you have plumes of gless filaments, &c., were turned out at pleasure and with a facility that was my case, I can with confidence appeal to

positively astonishing. The principal feature of the exhibition was the steam engine con-structed wholly of glass and propelled by On the 11th July last, at the special sea. veritable steam generated in glass boilers. It is certainly a triumph of glass blowing sion of the Bench of Magistrates, I applied for a liquor license for the John Bull Hotel. which was built and first opened by me in art, Not the least attractive feature of the evening was the giving away of the orna-towening was the giving was the giving away of the orna-towening was the giving was the givin

AN ALARM of fire was given last evening, caused by the chimney of the old Fort kitchen, corner of Fort and Government streets throwing out clouds of smoke and sparks. The three fire companies exhibited the most praiseworthy alacrity in turning time. On the 19th I renewed my application, and explained that there were finds in less than five minutes after the alarm was the hands of the assignees of Mr. Dodd's given. Fortunately the affair ended in estate sufficient to pay the arrears of license,

of admission. Go and see them to-night.

GAVERNATORIAL VISIT TO LEACH RIVER .- fore I hoped they would not refuse my appli-We understand that it is His Excellency's cation. The majority of the Bench thought intention to visit the mines on Leech river it a hard case, but ultimately gave way to at an early date and to ascertain by personal fused pending the payment of arrears; I inspection the working of the present mining regulations and the condition of affairs generally on the creek. He will no doubt receive a hearty welcome from the miners.

gold dust from the Leech river mines made times on the subject, and pointing out the vesterday by Mr. Moliter for the Bank of loss I was sustaining by the house remaining British Columbia, shows the value to be \$18 40 to the ounce. The gold is of a rich yellow color, resembling that from Australia.
This assay contrasts favorably with a late notice in California papers of an assay of Boise dust which yielded only \$11 to the ounce.

FROM SOOKE.—The steamer Enterprise arrived last evening from Sooke with some five or six passengers, of whom only one was a miner, and he intends returning as soon as should I succeed upon my third application, e procures a stock of supplies. He says all he claims on Leech river are taken up. A party started across from the Forks of Leech a ew days ago, to strike Jordan or Clinch river, sooth, the same kind indulgence of six months where they expect to find similar deposits to those on the former stream.

Assaulting a Fenale.-John Hoffer was yesterday brought before Mr. Pemberton it not monstrous that—to quote from your charged with committing an assault upon an Indian woman. Prisoner pleaded drunkenness and expressed his sorrow that he had touched the woman. The parties were allowed to settle their differences out of court.

THE MULE TRAIL TO SOOKE .- Several tenders for this work were accepted yesterday by the Government. The contract will probably be awarded this morning.

PARLIAMENT TO MEET

In consequence of business of an urgent nature requiring the attention of the Legislature, His Excellency the Governor has determined to summon the House of Assembly

RED RIVER SETTLEMENT.

Hostile Attitude of the Sloux-The Last Victims of the Great Massacre.

From our files of the Nor' Wester to May 31st we call the following : FORT THOMPSON, D. T., April 15, 1864.

men on board who have come down direct from Fort Berthold. The hostile Sioux had collected there in vast numbers. Their camp consisted of 1,500 odges, averaging three warriors to a lodge. Their families were not with them-their camp being a formidable war party, bitterly

A hoat passed this place to-day with six

hostile in feeling, and bent on fight Their avowed purpose is to wait a short time for the arrival of troops, whom they expect, when, if they do not come, they intend o sweep down the Missouri valley to find them, and then give them battle. They are confident of victory, as they say they were more than a match for all the troops sent

against them last summer. Three white captives are amongst them, the last of the victims of the Minnesota massacre. One is a woman, and the others a boy

The Sisseton Sioux had accepted terms of peace. They are not permitted to return to their own country about Big Stone Lake and Lake Traverse, but are required to repair to he region of Devils' Lake, where a new home will be assigned them, and where they will enjoy the protection of the military authorities, so long as they behave them-

selves in a proper manner.

A part of the Sissetons who participated in the attack on Fort Abercrombie in 1862 being fearful of punishment on that account will probably join the hostile Yanktons, and other disaffected bands who will combine with the great Teton bands for warlike purposes. They will remain in close proximity o each other near the mouth of Heart river on the Missouri, and concentrate to meet our troops in battle, and meanwhile they avow a determination to attack steamers, or parties of emigrants proceeding overland to Idaho.

who recently virited New Westminster in him at some future time. forms us that while there his attention was attracted by a string of little girls holding the milk of human kindness began to ex- a half up Sooke river, connecting at that pand his sympathising bosom as he tenderly all for-Sooke."

THE LICENSE GRIEVANCE

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST : Believing the Press to be not only the exponent of public opinion but also the medium by which abuses can be shown up and grievances remedied you and through you to my fellow citizens

some of which were worth more than the cost about three weeks previous to the above date, and during my absence from the Colony. On my application being handed in, I was told that the arrears of license (6 months) had not been paid, and therefore I could not have the license; the Beach at Mr. Pemberton's instance, ruling that the house was licensed, not the man, consequently ! was liable, but I might apply in a week's and that I myself was owed rent, and there-Mr. Pemberton, who remarked it was recould however, apply again. I subsequently waited with Mr. Bishop upon Mr. Pemberton to ask him to take the necessary steps for the payment of the said arrears out of the funds in the assignees' hands. The reply was, he would speak to Mr. Smith. After seeing VALUE OF THE SOOKE GOLD.—An assay of Mr. Pemberton and Mr. Smith five different closed, I was referred by the latter gentle-man to the Treasurer Mr. Watson, and his remarks were so pertinent and decisive that it prompted me to indite this letter. He stated "that he notified the Assignees immediately upon the advertisement appearing in the papers, and further stated that they were bound to pay, and the house was not liable for the License." On Friday last I saw Mr. Pemberton and was told I must wait till September. I have therefore the alternative. of paying a quarter's License in September, which quarter expires on the 21st of the following month; at which time-unless, forbe granted me as to my predecessor—a further quarter's licence will be due; for, without dwelling upon the fact of Government officials allowing licenses to fall in arrears, is leading article some time since-" a solvent customer should pay the debt of an insolvent one." and that a house which has held a icense for nearly two years without one word of complaint against it from the authorities, should then be refused-why? simply because the previous occupant had not paid his license. The British public have learnt, through the Press at home, many of the drawbacks of this colony by those who emi-grated here in 1862; but that one's time and money should be frittered away by the caprice of any one man, and that too without either reason or justice on his side, is something so flagrant that were it to be the rule, and not the exception, persons would indeed pause ere they embarked the little capital they possessed in this country, where, with suc an unsettled and fluctuating population (unto meet forthwith. We understand the House like other colonies) every pessible assistance should be given instead of being withheld by the Government. It may be considered that what I have stated will prejudice my cause and affect my obtaining a license, but Magna est veritas et prevalebit; I shall no doubt be watched carefully by the authorities. but it is not my aim either to come into con-flict with or court favor from them; I state the facts of the case, and may the public draw their own conclusions; I simply ask for

Yours, &c., A. M. HARRIS.

CITY COUNCIL.

Menday Ev'g, Aug. 15. Present:—Councillors (Stronach in the chair) Wallace, Ewing, and Bunting.

JOHNSON STREET ENCROACHMENTS. The Town Clerk read the opinion of the ttorney General recommending that the Mayor take the necessary steps to prevent encroachments on the property at the foet of Johnson street, which he believes belongs of right to the city.

Mr. Wallace moved the following resolution :-- A Committee of the whole be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Governor, relative to the communicati Colonial Secretary with the euclosures touching the encroachments on the water front at the foot of Johnson street. Also to confer

with the Governor on the present condition of the City Council." Mr. Ewing thought the motion a very important one, and more particularly as the Legislature was about to be called together, t was necessary that the Council should take the earliest opportunity of placing them-selves in a proper position, and he hoped the committee would wait upon the Governor at an early day.

Mr. Bunting coincided in the views of the

previous speaker. The resolution was carried without oppo-

STREET METAL. Mr. Wallace said that he had been told by Mr. Reynolds the contractor, that he had let of metal which he intended to dump down on the streets where needed, trusting Force of Ban Example. A gentleman to the generosity of the Conneil to indemnity No action was taken.

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Mr. Campbell of Johnson Street has taken up a claim about eight miles up Leech river. He informs us that he can take out from \$3 to \$6 per day by "crevicing," with pick, shevel, and pan. He states that there is plenty of good pay in the benches and hills adjoining his claim, and says he never saw more promising hill diggings in any part of California, in which country he has had much mining experience.

A number of claims have been taken up on Sooke river, below the junction, and the bars on that portion of the stream prospect

A great many of the claims already staked out are now unrepresented, and unless the owners make their appearance on the 12th (to day) they will doubtless at once be jumped. A number of miners who started vesterday on the Caledonia, to represent their claims, were unable to reach the mines in consequence of her mishap, and grumbling loud and deep was the result. They may possibly manage to arrive in time to-day should any steamer leave for the mines. A quartz reef thirty-five feet in width, and supposed to be auriferous, was discovered near the junction, and specimens brought down on the Alexandra yesterday for assay.

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Leech river will pay good wages but that
the gold will be more difficult and expensive to work than was at first anticipated. The benches are being fast staked off on Leech river, and several shafts are

A letter from a partner in the Wake-up Jake claim, received last night, states that a nugget had been found in this claim valued at an ounce and a-half (about \$27.) They were working three rockers and taking out from \$6 to \$8 per day to the hand. They

had struck good prospects in the hill, and were in hopes of finding something big. Claims were being taken up and worked on Sooke river with satisfactory results. Some Chinamen are working a large bar which is said to yield them good wages.

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SATURDAY'S NEWS.

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Messts Shutelroe and G. Buckland, of the "Wake up Jake" claim, who returned last night by the sloop Eagle, having left the Creek restorder manning.

claim, writing to his son in Victoria, under date of August 11th, says:

"The statement I have seen in the Colowist of the 9th, was very correct as I stated it to their correspondent myself, but I have seen a report in the Chronicle that the Wake up Jake Company have jumped the claim in the absence of its owners, and are still working it. This I can safely say is not a long the same and common sense will know the same of common sense will know the same of common sense will know the same of some and the same of some and the same of some and the same of common sense will know the same of some and the same of some so. Any man of common sense will know 13 ounces of splendid looking dust, for which that 12 claims cannot be jumped at the same they were offered \$19 25 to the ounce on the that 12 claims cannot be jumped at the same time We hold our claims by pre-emption. The Chronicle correspondent has heard the toll of a bell but did not know where the sound came from. There was a man trying to jump one of our claims, but he was ordered to jump of again. Our claim pays well; we took out a nugget to-day of 1½ ounces.

On Tuesday we learn the Wake up Jake Co: took out \$100; on Wednesday 4½ oz.

they were offered \$19 25 to the ounce on the ground. The company are busy preparing sluice boxes, and expect to average \$10 per day. Our informants have come down for supplies.

Mr. Wm. Balls who also arrived by the Eagle informs us that his company, named the Rough and Ready, have taken up the highest claim on Leech river, about six miles on Thursday 4 oz.

From Mr. James Deans, of the Ballion claim, on Leech river, five miles from the Junction, we learn the following :

On Thursday afternoon last, with a pick and pan, took out \$7, several pieces of which were worth \$1. On Friday took out between \$3 and \$4; on Saturday afternoon, having got the rocker to work, made \$4, and were confident they could make \$5 per day to the hand. A number of men are working on the north Forks, chiefly crevicing, and find coarse gold from \$1 to \$20. A Kanaka assured a Frenchman, who immediately told our informant that he had a nugget worth from \$40 to \$50. A Mr. Garrie and his partner, on Saturday last, took out each an ounce with a rocker, and are making every day about \$5 each. The Wake-up-Jake Co. say they are doing first-rate; \$100 is reported to have been taken out in one day. One man who left on Sunday morning on the sloop Eagle, for Victoria, had 9 oz. in his possession. Mr. Deans says several companies are busy sawing lumber, and making preparations for several months' work. He has come to Victoria to procure another rocker, and other supplies. He heard that on a claim about a mile above the Commissioner's tent, a shaft had been sunk to the bed-rook, on a bench, out of which \$3 87½ were got. Mr. Deans has about half an ounce with him, and believes there is a considerable amount in the possession of miners on the creek.

From Mr. Scott, who returned by the Alexandra, we learn that Messrs. Helgensen & Weir, on Saturday, from nine in the morning till six in the evening, rocked out \$27 50.

Mr. Coleman states that he took up a claim a few hundred yards above the Forks, and on Saturday prospected it. In every pan he found the color, and although he is not an experienced miner, he believes with a rocker,

he can make \$5 a day, Messrs. Anderson & Co., of Victoria, have taken up a claim of 800 feet, and called it the Alberni Bar Co. They are now engaged in sawing out lumber for sluices, and intend in a few days, working on a large scale. The prospects hitherto have been very promising, as much as four bits to the pan having been taken, the average being about 25 cents. On Saturday, in two hours, they washed out, with a rocker, about \$5. Messrs, Anderson intend to give the claim a therough prospect ing, and will spare no expense in doing so.

Mr. Pruyn, who was four miles
above the Forks, and who went to the dig-

gings to satisfy his own personal curiosity, states that he found some miners who had great hopes of finding good pay in the The Nil Desperandum Company, about 3 miles up the creek, on the left hand side

nugget worth \$7.

The Wake up Jake Company were working two rockers, and said they were doing

water at present to work it. The discovere would not disclose the whereabouts, but was satisfied that he had a good thing.

The miners do not complain of the license

fee, but grumble much at the system of re-

There was not much jumping of claims on Saturday, most of the claims being repre-There is no doubt in the minds of the

miners about the richness of the river banks, the only fear is that the pay dirt is not extensive enough to last.

Messrs. Brace & Garrie are working with a rocker, washing out the decomposed slate and took out two ounces in one day. Their claim is situated a short distance above the

Industry Company. Mr. W. McK Smith and Mr. Moffatt, who

bring back some of the disappointed ones.

Mr. J. W. Keyser, of the Wake up Jake Claim, writing to his son in Victoria, under Leech and Sooke rivers in three hours and

YESTERDAY'S NEWS. \$10 during the day from the surface dirt turning the river. The parties who claimed he opposite side of the river, gave him feet from the bed of the river, getting as liberty to turn the water on their ground; but (From S. F. Alta.) high as 10 cents, to the pan all the way down. They are also preparing sluice boxes There were about 30 miners on board the Eagle, and they had in their possession bout seven hundred dollars!

From Mr. Jeffery we have the following: The Butcher Co. have sent to Victoria fer a California pump to enable them to reach the bed rock in the bed of the stream. Some o those who owned claims opposite Ward's store were obliged to stop working from a large fire which was raging in the woods. Messrs. Thain, Hicks, Cool, Shepperd and others, who occupy both sides of the creel next below the Fisher Co., had sunk a shaft n the bank, but not finding the bed rock

were sinking on the opposite side and getting from 5 to 15 cents to the pan on Saturday they intend working at once with a rocker. The Fisher Co. have sunk a hole about feet by the edge of the stream without reaching the bed rock. They got the color al ing the bed rock. They got the color all through. Two of their number were working their rocker about 120 feet above, and on Friday took out an ounce of gold in three

The Roar Back Co. immediately above commenced rocking on Friday at 9 o'clock, and in 8 hours' work took out an ounce. Jeffery and Stephen McDonald are the only shareholders in this claim.

The Ross Company above are running tunnel from the edge of the stream into the hill, and are well satisfied with their propeets. They intend reaching the bed rock. Opposite to them, a company have sunk in the bed of the creek, and from two or three pans washed out prospects of from 15 to 20 cents. They were working a rocker or Friday, but had not cleaned up when our in formant left them. In the bottom of the rocker, from the first washing, about \$5 were visible on the blankets

The Thain, McDonell Company were work ng two rockers, and taking out good wages They were all in high spirits. From this claim above, as far as Jim Wi

liams' claim, they are only prospecting Williams was obtaining from \$10 to \$15 a day by crevicing.

A meeting was held on Friday night be tweeen Alley and Layzell's tents, and was attended by nearly all the miners working on the Flat. It was moved by Alley, seconder by Captain Thain, and carried unanimously hat the flat be called the KENNEDY FLAT, honor of the Governor.

Mr. Laysell had just opened his Wine and Liquor Store, and called all hands up to drink prosperity to the diggings. Concerts are nightly held in the Thair tent and Roar-back camp, and the surround ing hills are made to resound with "Auld Lang Syne."

miles above the north forks of Leech river, washed out with only three pans \$43 in one Some other Italians were also prospecting about a mile from the forks, and took out pieces of gold varying from 4 bits to \$6

Some Italians working on bars, 6

They have since recorded their claims. It is the opinion of miners of experience

the torks.

The Italians told Mr. Gentile, from whom we have the above information, that they had been to the head waters of the Leech river, about 13 or 14 miles up from the North fork.

They had to pass by some awful canons, and found the river afterwards opening out into fifth marshy country, where they obtained good colors. They were of opinion that this marshy ground was probably drained by a stream on the other side, having an outlet at the stream on the other side, having an outlet at the foreign and the river afterwards opening out into good colors. They were of opinion that this marshy ground was probably drained by a stream on the other side, having an outlet at the first letter, but this difficulty was soon not legal. marshy ground was probably drained by a stream on the other side, having an outlet at

LEECH RIVER

FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT:

LEECH RIVER, Aug. 13, 1864. There should be say 10 days given for all parties to flume the river, or abandon it.— Where the stream cannot be turned without disputes, the commissioner should direct how it should be done; and of course this official ought to he a clever, practical man, so that working an undertaking so formidable that lade, judgment reserved for one week; Markey will attempt it. There are but few will attempt it. There are but few rockers at work on the river, washing out dirt taken from the scrapings of the croppings of taken from the scrapings of the croppings of successful to the scraping of the cropping of successful to the scraping of the scraping of the cropping of successful to the scraping of the scr all this sort of light diggings will be werked out, and the rockers laid up in ordinary. The enly work that can be done with any advantage at present is finming the stream and getting into the bed to see if there is anything there, judging by the prospects already obtained and by the similarity of Leech to other rich rivers. It is very like the North Fork of the Yuba river in California. There is do one, however, trying to get into the river at present. Sam Booth who got the nugget, was ent. Sam Booth who got the nugget, was making praise worthy efforts to prospect the bed of the stream on Wednesday last, by

when he got part of the work accomplished, Cushman, who kept a vegetable store on Wharf street, and who is now peddling sewspapers on the creek, came along and old him to stop; he (Cushman) being a partner in the claim. Booth, however, refusliately to the commissioner, who sent Booth the following note without looking at the claim himself or hearing the other side of

"Mr. Booth is particularly requested to liscontinue the carrying of water over or on he claim of Mr. C.C. Cushman, as great inconvenience is caused by such practice.

R. Golledge,
Acting Gold Commissioner.

Leech River, Aug. 10th, 1864. This decision of the Commissioner deprive s all of the pleasure of seeing if there anything in that part of the stream. There tre about 150 people sitting about here like Micawber, waiting for something to turn up nstead of trying to turn up something; they are the most orderly and lazy set of people I wer saw. They seem to fancy the gold will lig itself. I think if ever the river is worked t will have to be done by people of determi ation and industry. It will cost about \$50 o the claim and one month's labor to flume and prospect the bed of the stream properly you see it is not a very formidable under

taking after all, His Excellency could not do a better thing han come up here immediately and see for imself, and not listen to the Peter Funks or heir cappers in Victoria. There are unloubtedly important public interests to be ooked after here, and if the Governor wants o act wisely and well, he had better see hings for himself. It is not more than a leasure excursion to come here. It is not nore than 12 miles from Sooke to Leech,over tolerably good trail, and no person coming rom Victoria has occasion to wet the sole of is boots. You could leave Victoria in the norning and be here at night. I would recommend all persons who can spare the time o come and see for themselves, particularly rentlemen who aspire to be rulers or advisers the Government. They need not trouble hemselves with blankets unless they ike, if they do not all come at same time. The miners would oblige any one with a night's lodging, and there is no risk yet awhile of any more disgreeable companions than a few sand flies, There is plenty of grub on the Creek. So far as the difficulties of the trail are concerned, I have seen small, weakly looking nen pack from 75 to 100 pounds from Sooke o Leech in seven hours. I packed about consider myself a savage or a Samson, alall native colonists down as much more dangerous individuals. The trail could be shortened to 8 miles by the judicious expen-diture of \$250, and one could come from the

About \$2000 have been already received for miners licenses and records. It is gendamelia Baretow," requesting her to call and erally admitted that the commissioner has see him. The trouble was over in a moment. taken more gold out of the creek than all the The bandwriting of the note and the original miners put together. With respect to the letter were compared, found identical, and appointment of another magistrate for this the fact that Mrs. Barstow was no fact but a

down the creek than Booth's, and on the opposite side, about two miles up what is called be sold to actual settlers at a fixed for the singers in low melodeons.—S. F. Alta. Sooke. The river is all claimed. There are compelled to put up a building of the value of THE GRANDFATHER OF SIR JOHN LAWlarge stakes about six or eight feet high, \$500, so as to prevent speculators damaging arxer—An English journal relates the folstuck up in the centre of the atream, which the prospects of the place. All this would lowing story:

"More than half a century ago, the affairs vard on the Fraser. It is a most unfortunate duce men to construct saw mills, there being of a worthy draper in the town of Coleraine, mistake making the centre of the river the starting point for claims. There should have been river and bank claims, and persons then could choose which they pleased. By this arrangement, one-third more claims would be some employment for the inhabitants of the town and district, which would tend to develop a source of perbeing done of course cannot be undone, the claim owners having acquired a legal right as you have previously observed, be used as from the government which cannot be set a local attraction; for every dollar that i, aside; but there is an improving, or working condition attached, which if intelligently mistake making the centre of the river the great facilities for getting out logs about the in the county of Londonderry, got embar-

> OBSERVER. SUMMARY COURT.

ABEFORE CHIEF JUSTICE CAMERON.)

MONDAY, Aug. 15th.

Little by little the secret of the means used by the prowling villains, who infest our city, to corrupt the minds and ultimately ruin the young girls in our public schools and private seminaries, is coming to light Two weeks since, a girl of twelve years of age, attending a female boarding school in an interior town, received a letter postmarked San Francisco, which she, as a dutiful and pure-minded child should, immediately handed to her preceptress. This letter was as

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21st. 1864. To Miss : I have just received from New York a large number of the most delightful books you can imagine. To refined young ladies of an amorous temperament, they are just the thing. For five dollars sent to me through the Postoffice, in two separate enclosures of \$2 50 each, I will forward o you two different volumes, each containing ive tinted engravings; accompanying the package will also be a beautiful life photo-graph, entitled "Love's Fulfilment." The trictest secrecy will be observed, which may be heightened by your transmitting a ficti tious address, in case you apply to

Mrs. Amelia Barstow.

The Preceptress forwarded the letter to Chief Burke, and he, determined to ferret out the author and bring him to punishment, re-lieved officer Hess from his usual office duty. and detailed him to attend to the matter Hess wrote the following letter, had it copied in a lady's hand, and sent it to the town in which the seminary at which the young lady was attending is located, to be mailed to San Francisco:

July 27th '64 Mrs. Amelia Barstow, - DEAR MADAM : I eceived your letter, which you sent on the 21st of this month, and I am glad, for I have been wishing something nice to read for a

long time. Father has not given me much money this month, and I cannot send, this time, the amount you say; but if you will send me one book by sending \$2 50 please write and tell me so, and by return mail I will send it. A number of the girls in my class want some books also, and if you will send me one book for \$2 50 some four or five others will send for some also. Please direct to Chas. Harris. for if directed to a Miss or Master some o the teachers may get the letter,

Yours, truly. He then obtained an order from Postmaster Perkins to the delivery clerk to answer that no such letter had been received, when it should be called for, and to get as full a desto pounds myself in that time, and I don't cription of the party calling for it as possible. The next day the letter was called for, and a though the learned Attorney General puts description of the party calling for it taken down. Hess then commenced watching at the window, and with occasional relief by officer Pike, continued his watch night and day for two weeks. Yesterday, the villain anding on horseback in an hour and a half. came, got his letter, and left. Hess followed One of the anomalies here is that you can bim, saw him break open the letter, and there not get a license without paying \$5, and drop into a saloon. Following him in, the \$2 50 for recording, which is simply making officer entered into conversation with him.

gotten over by the shrewd detective. The prisoner was asked to write a line to "Mrs. EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST: SIR—I like the appearance of this place very much. So far as indications of gold are concerned, you can get the color anywhere. I have seen a piece of gold that was taken out of the Wake-up—Jake, or Keyser claim, which weighed up—wards of 1½ cz.; it is said to be the largest piece taken out since Booth get his. This claim is two or three hundred yards lower down the creek than Booth's, and on the op-

condition attached, which if intelligently and we should strive to develop sources of a on his return to his native town, he, in a fit managed, can get the better of the difficulty. more permanent kind. The young draper's regiment was ordered out to India, where his good conduct soon brought him into notice, and the excellent education which he had received paved the way for his prometion. He rose step by step until he reached the rank of Colonel. He served his ought to be a clever, practical man, so that no injustice should be done. The great object should be the speedy development of the mines, to see if there is anything in the bed of the stream. There should be no time lost; for it is likely the rain will be upon us in a couple of months, and the prospectors in the hills will shortly fill the creek with rubbish of one kind and another, so as to make creek working an undertaking so formidable that few will attempt it. There are but few will attempt it. There are but few miles from the fashionable watering place of the months, and the fashionable watering place of the county of Antrim, about two points for \$120.75; Braverman v. Greens—lade, judgment reserved for one week; Marto plaintiff for \$120.75; Braverman v. Greens—lade, judgment reserved for one week; Marto plaintiff for \$120.75; Braverman v. Greens—lade, judgment for plaintiff for \$100; miles from the fashionable watering place of north of the county of Antrim, about two

Tuesday, August 16, 1864.

### THE SOOKE MINES.

The steamer Caledonia arrived from Sooke Tuesday evening at half-past seven o'cleck. bringing about thirty passengers, the majoraty of whom were Chinamen and Indians. The accounts from the mines do not present any marked difference from those previously received. One returned miner states that the only work being done on the creek is "crevicing" and washing the dirt so procured in rockers and pans. Nothing whatever has yet been done towards prospecting the nehes or hill sides, nor towards fluming the stream. No vigorous or sustained efforts have been made either towards pushing up to the head waters of Leech river, where in the crevices of the bed rock may reasonably be expected to exist.

Willis Bond, of house-moving fame returned by the Caledonia last night, having thung up the shovel and the hoe." He says, however, that he made from \$4 to \$5 per day by "crevicing," and that the last day he worked he and his partner made \$9.

From Mr. Fell, who has just returned from a three days' excursion to the mines, we have the following interesting particulars: Mr. Fell and party started from the head of Goldstream and struck across for the junction of Scoke and Leech rivers. After camping in the woods all night, they reached the junction on the morning of the 8th instant. Fording the stream which is here quite shall low and flowing through pebbles and boul-ders, they visited Gold Commissioner Golledge, who is snugly located in a canvas tent, and is kept busily engaged attending to the wants of the eager miners. The whole number of licenses taken out up to 8
After performing his ablutions in the limpid o'clock yesterday morning was 227. A numther of miners were waiting on the Commissioner taking out licenses. Mr. Golledge is way down to the Gold Commissioner taking out licenses. attentive and obliging, and seems to give the Commissioner's tent Mr. Fell proceeded miners," by taking out a \$5 license. ap Leech river (or more properly Sooke river, as this is the main stream), and reached the Pioneer Hotel, kept by Ward, Phinney & Co., who have a fair supply of the kinds at "two bits" each. Very fair meals spot, however, an amusing incident occurred are supplied at \$1. The river is staked off from the very mouth, and looking up atream tinctly observed. The river is said to be fire was grouped a company of miners a row of stakes for two miles can be disstaked off for 8 miles from the mouth. The view from the mouth of Leach river, looking up, is full of picturesque grandeur. The ting about the events of the day, when sud-banks rise is successive ledges or benches to the height, in some places, of hundreds of ment of the by-standers. He soon scrambled the channel. The extreme width of the bed out, however, none the worse for his ducking. The tramp down Socke river to the landing of the river is from 60 to 70 feet, but the stream at the present low stage of water is not more than from 12 to 20 feet wide. The was made leisurely in six hours, a good many miners of the right sort being met on their way up. As a matter of course a good many croakers were also met, who were chiefly aggrieved because their golden dreams were aggrieved because their golden dreams were as of persons who have taken out licentages the appearance of a magnificent mot so readily realized as they expected. sents the appearance of a magnificent matural avenue, being perfectly straight and completely free from logs or driftwood. The banks are fringed with pine, yew, cedar, and hemleck, whose dreoping limbs overhang the channel. Our informant visited several claims on this part of the river, among which belaims on this part of the river, among which belaims on this part of the river, among which miles down to the steamer landing, wherewas that of Harvey & Co., who have taken ap ground opposite the Pioneer Hetél. The owners were busily at work and were in high spirits, although one of them had just emerged dripping from a chance slip head over ears into the water. They were complaining the water. They were complaining much of the want of a rocker. A number of other claims were visited, a large proportion of which were not represented, being taken up in the names of people in Victoria. They will doubless all be jumped after the 12th instant. Those who were occupying claims spected when they could precure rockers and at Sooke to the Government, from which other necessary tools to take out good pay. we have made the following extracts: Co's claim was reached; this company were preparing to drive a tunnel into the hill, as they had found excellent prospects—as high us twenty cents to the pan-on the top of affairs in this quarter are making favorable the first beach, which is there nearly 100 progress. During a short interval the appli-feet high! The claim-owners stated posi- cants for licences, etc. allowed me at noon, I tively this was the case, and that they visited several parties who have established never washed any dirt from the benches themselves near my quarters, and to my without be obtaining gold. They were agreeable surprise, found as many as twelve rockers at work, some of which had produced of the river to fry and reach the \$12 per rocker since morning. bed-rock. They had got down from seven It is really apparent, from the deliberate to nine feet, finding no boulders, and nothing manner in which actual miners proceed to On Saturday they resumed their travel early, but gravel, with gold all the way down, get-business; their respectful yet independent bethe rocks beginning to change their appearmy camp and showed me some five or six
ting richer as they went. They were havior; the preparations they are making for ance into limestone and trap. Some quartz dollars which they washed from one and a wery sanguine of getting splendid pay on the their own prespective comforts, and their was also seen, and in some of the basins half pans of dirt taken out of their claim 3 bed-rock, and believed that millions of dol-style of talking, such as "when the water they found good feed for the horses. Pros- miles above this. They have gone down for Sare will be found in the bed of the river. Mr. rises too high, and prevents our working the pected a stream running to Grant's sawmill, provisions, having first taken out licenses. Fell next visited Smith and Moffatt's claim, bed of the river, we will pitch into these here but did not get the color. Clomb a steep and recorded their claims. and found these gentlemen highly satisfied hills where the gold comes from;" that they rocky mountain and just as they reached the with their prespects, and sanguine of great results. Shortly after this our informant crossed the creek, and made several prospects from the banks, finding gold every time. Several claims along this portion of the river are which have every reason to suppose will be which one of the river, up which my inunrepresented. On a claim near this, a very the first and best paying ones for some time the party supposed emptied into Pedder Bay formants wandered on a prospecting tour, meat and comfortable bark but has been to come, in this direction, and extend from 15 miles distant. From the top of a high At nightfall they discovered that they were erected. One of the owners was sitting at the the mouth of the Leech to the closing of the mountain (which Mr. Street supposes to be door of the but, looking very moody, on stream in a perspective point of view, the which Mr. Fell asked him if he was ill, and "Kennedy Gold Diggings" or "Mines," until they had a splendid view. The Fue Straits of hunger. While deliberating upon the was informed that the poor man in lifting a His Excellency's pleasure be known; and I though 12 miles away appeared almost at dilemma in which they were placed, to their feet, and the steamer Enterprise was great astonishment a deer came suddenly which Mr. Fell asked him if he was ill, and was informed that the poor man in lifting a heavy weight, had brought on spitting of blood, and leared he had ruptured a blood, and leared he had ruptured a blood, and leared he had ruptured a blood wessel. This mishap had given rather a gloomy coloring to his views of the mines.—

At 4, p.m., to-day, 205 licenses and register passing a number of other claims, Mr. At 4, p.m., to-day, 205 licenses and register receipts had been issued, and I have also decation, finding the owners in high appirits, and pleased with their prospects. The company working with three rockers, showed him the product of their day's dabor, in a tin cup, amounting to nearly \$100. Expect to issue a great number of licences on bloze about one mile from Leech river. Mr. Street states that the horses were occasionals. consisting of beautiful coarse gold. It was Morday, and shall use my influence in keep- Street states that the horses were occasional-

pany was in town for provisions. About this spot the river becomes very wild and rocky, filled with huge masses of bed-rock, which form a bar in the centre of the river some 700 feet long. On one side is an immense pile of driftwood some 20 or 30 feet high, accumulated by the winter torrents. Some distance above this, the Balaclava company had got some \$5 to \$10 nuggets, picked off the rocks.
Two others hard at work close to this claim, showed Mr. Fell some very fine nuggets picked up without washing. From this point another grand view up the river for two or three miles is obtained. The banks approach each other more closely than below, and the bed of the stream is filled with enormous boulders, compared with which those further down are like pebbles. A long line of stakes marking off the claims taken up, are visible as far as the eye can reach. At this point, our informant

"Began to feel, as well he might, The keen demands of appetite."

and looking at his watch he discovered i was 5 o'clock; he accordingly rapidly retrac-ed his steps, his olfactories being greeted all the way down with the savory smells of the miners' evening meal, to the Pioneer hotel, where he speedily sat down to an excellent meal of roast venison, bacon, bread, butter, and coffee, to which he did the most ample justice. Two other fellow travellers, weary and worn, with a huge boulder for a table were laying in ample supplies of "prog," grumbling the while because the accor dating host could not cook fast enough for their voracious appetites. After dinner a song was started, and was taken up by camp after camp of the miners, rolling far away up the wild recesses of the river till its echoes died out in the distance, producing most pleasing effect. The travellers there rolled in among their blankets, with a flour bag for a pillow, nor did they rouse from their slumbers till the tramp of the upwardwaters of our modern Pactolus,our informant sioner's tent, where he speedily enrolled himself in the ranks of the "free and honest

worth narrating. Just opposite the Commissioner's camp is a deep pool, on the bank of which the tent is pitched. Round the among whom was a well known member the Exploring Party, all being engaged chatting about the events of the day, when sud-

THE GOLD COMMISSIONER'S DESPATCHES.

Despatch No. 1.

LEBCH RIVER, 6th Aug., 1864. SIR.-I have the honor to inform you that

pany had borrowed a rickety old rocker, and had got out about \$25 that day, and expects to make it \$40 by nightfall. One of the com-(Sigued) R. Golledge,
Acting Gold Commissioner.

Hon. Colonial Secretary. Dispatch No. 2.

LEECH RIVER, Aug. 7, 1864. This afternoon being the first leisure time I have had since my arrival, I took advantage of it to proceed some distance up the Leech river, say 3 miles from our encampment, and am happy to state that notwith-standing the gold fever which prevails, very few miners were not observing the day of rest. Every one with whom I consulted appeared perfectly satisfied with the chances that awaited them. All are of opinion that great quantities of gold will be found in the hills, and for the short time the miners have been here the work done is surprising. With respect to roads to this quarter, I think it will be advisable to open a good trail along the Sooke river as well as through the country in a south easterly direction. I have to re port the existence of two most promising quartz loades on the Sooke, distant about mile from my tent. One 5 feet in breadth, discovered myself, and have shown it to some good men who have sent for implements to work it, or give it a trial. Game of all kinds abound. Trout are caught just outside my

three deer since his engagement yesterday. (Signed) R. Golledge, Acting Gold Commissioner. Hon, Colonial Secretary.

Despatch No. 3. LEECH RIVER, 7th August, 1864. SIR,-Mr. Wall and party have just arrived at my quarters and report their route from about nine miles on the Sooke road from Victoria to this point as being practicable for a mule trail; the whole distance they say from Victoria to Leech river mouth, by the route they have passed through and recommend is not more than twenty-five miles; the trees for half the distance they have blazed. with the exception of a beautiful valley distant three miles from this point (northeast), highly timbered, a southern aspect.

Sooke Harbor. (Signed) R. GOLLEDGE. Acting Gold Commissioner. Hon. Col. Secretary, &c., &c.

Despatch No. 4. LEECH RIVER, Aug. 8th.

From good authority I hear that \$120 worth of coarse gold was yesterday wished from the pay dirt on the Wake-up-Jake claim: the fortunate owners have enough of

public at 12 o'clock noon, numbering from

I have the henor to be, &c.,
(Signed) R. Golledge,
Acting Gold Commissioner. Hol. Col. Secretary.

OVERLAND TRIP TO THE MINES. - Mr. Charles Street has furnished to the Government an elaborate report from notes taken by him during his recent overland trip to the diggings on Leech river. It appears that Mr. Street in company with Messrs. Ochsner. Munroe, Dr. McCandels, O'Brien, and a We have been courteously permitted to guide named Hudson left Victoria at 9 a. m. have access to several interesting despatches on Friday last, each supplied with a horse addressed by the Acting Gold Commissioner and pack. Munroe took a spare animal for packing. They followed the Sooke trail to about 4 miles beyond Peatt's, when they branched off up a steep incline. At this piece weighing \$7, another \$4, and two or point their compass failed to act, but the three of over \$1. He shewed me the gold guide disdaining its aid directed them as nearly in a northwest course as they gould go. They passed several high mountains is the best claim on the river. Mr. Keyser which none of the party could distinguish by has invited me up to his "hotel," and I go the official map. The trail becoming very up to-morrow, and prebably higher, when bad they all dismounted save Mr. Munro who shall be able to give a more detailed descrip still kept his seat. While resting on the top tion. of a high knoll they were joined by Mr. Wall and his assistants who said they were look- keeper, this morning in four hours' work ing for an easier trail. The country as they took out with a pan about \$7; this claim is proceeded became very difficult to travel and located about 1½ miles above the mouth of they found no water or feed for their horses. consisting of beautiful coarse gold. It was obtained from the bed rock, which was ing the uext comers about prospecting some loosened by picks, and shovelled into the rockers. A little higher up is Bouth's claim, where the celebrated nugget was found—which I shall consider the owners of good claims who have not taken out licences, not claim, being evidently disappointed in not floding more naggets "kicking around." The next claim visited which had a rocker, was that of Smallbone, "the indefatigable," who have not taken out licences, not claim visited which had a rocker, was that of Smallbone, "the indefatigable," who have not taken out licences, not claim visited which had a rocker, was that of Smallbone, "the indefatigable," who have not taken out licences, not claim visited which had a rocker, was their claims jumped.

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A party of good miners from the Deane, they supplied with water. These men were occasionally assailed by wasps or hornets which rendered them unmanageable. He is of opinion that a trail about 27 miles in length, avoid-ing the ateepest and most daugerous mounts are deserving of nothing better than having their claims jumped.

A party of good miners from the Deane, They supplied with water. These men were on the party met Billy assailed by wasps or hornets which rendered them unmanageable. He is of opinion that a trail about 27 miles in length, avoid-ing the ateepest and most daugerous mounts are deserving of nothing better than having On Burnt Mountain the party met Billy Baugh, Andrew aLug, and another, whom they supplied with water. These men were on the party met Billy assailed by wasps or hornets which rendered them unmanageable. He is of opinion that a trail about 27 miles in length, avoid-ing the ateepest and most daugerous manages are a trail about 27 miles in length, a

LETTER PROM LEECH RIVER. FROM OUR RESIDENT CORRESPONDENT.

LEBOH RIVER, Monday, Aug. 8, 1864. EDITOR COLONIST,—I arrived here at 6 p.m. on Saturday, and would have written before could I have obtained reliable information of the mines; but my report would be but a mass of contradictions did I trust to what was told me instead of what I saw.

THE TRAIL TO LEECH, If a trail it can be called, is one that no man would care to walk over more than once unless great inducements were held out to him, but this will not be long so, as Mr. Neilly arrived here yesterday and reports that he can cut a good trail from the mouth of Leech to Langford's Lake, which he calls a distance of nine or ten miles. He returned again immediately, and will probably be in Victoria before you receive my letter.

ACCIDENTS IN COMING OVER THE TRAIL. Several accidents have happened miners in coming over the trail, one of which, and probably the most serious, happened to one of our party, named Wm. Williams, a drayman. In descending a rocky precipice, a distance of some 150 feet, he suddenly became dizzy and rolled down about twenty feet, where he was held by a rock which prejected beyond the others, until assistance arrived. From this shock he did not quite recover before he was again observed tumbling - head-first down a still more dangerous precipice. When I left he was quite insensible, but his partner has since tent, and my Indian has already brought in arrived and tells me that he has sent him to Victoria in charge of a man returning from the mines.

> ON SOOKE RIVER Very little is being done as yet; but it is the opinion of many with whom I have conversed that good paying bar diggings will yet be found on that river. It has not been prospected except in a very few places ninets making direct for the better known diggings on Leech. About five companies are now at work, and when I passed were all btaining a satisfactory prospect.

AT THE FORES A great change takes place in the appearance of the country, being less densely wooded than on the banks of the Sooke. You may stand here and look up Leech river a distance of nearly two miles without anything obstructing the sight-so straight a course next tent, of consequence, is Ward's Provision Store, where miners can be supplied with almost everything they want in this line. Here may also be obtained the "intoxicating," and the sign on the tree announces that said beverage may be obtained at the rate of twenty-five cents a " nip, water included. I observe that some of the "boys" make a "deep impression" on the bottle for their two bits. Business must be good, as I notice an addition being made to the house. Last night five Indians arrived, each packed with from 90 to 120 lbs.

CELESTIALS. Every half bour may be seen a string of Chinamen passing along, some going up, others coming down; the latter to locate on claims where the prospects are smaller, but where the dirt is more plentiful and more accessible than higher up the river.

MINING CLAFMS. There is quite a diversity with regard to the yield of the different claims. Some pan out as high as fifty cents and \$1 to the pan while others (and the majority) can only obtain from 3 to 5 cents.

Thain & Co's. claim pays about 2 ozs. to the rocker per day.

The Keyeer claim is paying better than any claim on the river. The claim owned by the colored men who found the large nugget and others adjoining, is paying from \$10 to \$20 per day with a

rocker. Mr. Keyser has just passed down the river to buy more rockers, and has given me the following intelligence : His company, today, at 2 p. m., in 4 hours' digging and rocking, have cleaned up \$42, among which is a and there is nothing but the pure ore in any of the pieces. There is no doubt but this up to-morrow, and probably higher, when

Jim Williams, formerly Pattrick's bar-

the river. Marvin and Adams have just stopped at

While with me they related the fellowing

several miles from the nearest camp, and bounding down from the mountain within a few feet of them. The gold seekers immediately flew to arms and so frightened the poor animal that it rushed into a narrow gorge, where escape was next to impossible and was despatched with a pick and a shovel the only weapons the assailants possessed.

DISCOURAGEMENT. A large proportion of those who come to here mines, having had no experience in a mining country, after stopping a day or two, and not getting lumps of gold visible to the naked eye, and unwilling to procure a min-ing license, return to Victoria discouraged, without even so much as striking a pick in the ground. Instances of this I have already

noticed during my short sojourn.
Two men, who came up to this place with
me, after having examined the county "externally" for twe days, without bringing pick, pan, shovel, or muscular power into requisi-tion, returned disheartened. J. J.

TRAGEDY AT SOOKE.

DEATH OF MR. C. J. HUGHES, J.P.

It is with feelings of extreme pain that we have to record the death of Charles James Hughes, Esq., the recently appointed Magisa trate for Soeke District. Mr. Hughes breathed his last at Eberhardt's Hotel, Lange ley street, at about 10 minutes to 10 last night. The circumstances connected with this melancholy event may be briefly stated as follows: Mr. Hughes left Victoria on Tuesday

fternoon, by the Alexandra, for Sooke Inlet.

where he remained that night. Yesterday

forencen he occupied the greater portion of his time in writing, in Messrs. Elliott &

Stuart's temporary store. This circum-

stance created no suspicion as he was supposed to be framing some official report. About midday he took out his revolver, and Turner, the resident constable, loaded it for him. Shortly afterwards Mr. Hughes who complained of feeling unwell said he would take a stroll to itspect the proposesed town site and try his re-volver. Up to this period nothing peculiar or irrational had been observed in his demeanor. The only circumstance that attracted any attention whatever was that the deceased held his hand over the manuscript upon which he was engaged whenever any person approached near enough to decipher it. It would appear that he then left Messrs. Elliott & Co.'s store unobserved. and preceded about 300 yards on a trail which leads from Thompson's landing to Muir's mill, and nothing more was known until he was discovered lying bleeding on the ground by Mr. Foley and another man named Hughes, who happened to be passing. Mr. Hughes was then alive and partly conscious, his pistol, with all the barrels discharged was lying near him; also some private papers. Assistance was immediately obtained, and the sufferer was removed on a stretcher to Thompson's, where an examination was made by Dr. Hall, a medical gentleman who happened to be there, and he discovered a fearful and mortal bullet wound about 34 of an inch wide in the left breast. Three balls had apparently entered just under the region of the heart, passing through the left lung and pleura, and passing out of the body at the back. Dr. Hall, assisted by Jehn Costello, dressed the wound as well as cir-

Alexandra then bound to Victoria. A large crowd was assembled at Pickett's wharf when the Alexandra arrived last evening, and the sad tidings of which she was the bearer spread like wildfire over the city, the steamer and wharf being in a short space of time thronged with anxious friends of the unhappy man. A messenger was at once despatched for a medical man, and in a ew moments, Dr. Trimble, followed by Dr. Powell, was in attendance. On examing the wound, they pronounced their patient beyond human aid. Mr. Hughes was conveyed to Eberhardt's Hotel, where he shortly afterwards breathed his last, attended by a few of his most intimate friends. He was a native of Montgomeryshire, Wales, but his family resided at Ludlow, in Shropshire, and Mr. Hoghes spent several years in California before he visited this city. We understand that he was a single man, about 44 years of age. In wall a line and

cumstances would permit, and Mr Hughes in

this dying condition was placed on board the

FURTHER EXPLORATION BY MR. FOLEY .-Mr. J. M. Foley, one of the discoverers of the Leech river diggings, has forwarded to the Government a report, bearing date yesterday morning, in which he recounts the results of his observation during a prospecting tour from Muir's property on the south side of Sooke Inlet to Leech river. We have been permitted, through the courtesy of the Colonial Secretary, to peruse the report. Mr: Foley states that he found a fine valley well watered, the soil rich for agricultural purposes and extending N. W. from Muir's to the head waters of Leech river, a distance of ten to twelve miles. The valley is about two miles wide, bounded S by the Coast range and E by the range of Bald Hills skirting the Sooke river. Fine timber abounds, consisting of cedar, (one of which was seventy feet in circumference) Douglas pine, hemlock, alder, silver pine and maple, all of large growth. Mr. Foley prospected several streams on the way to Leech river, finding strong colors in some and nice prospects in others. He believes that winter diggings could be struck on these creeks,

though at present water is scarce. From the tenor of conversation which Mr. Foley has had with some of the miners he believes they would be glad to settle down and make their homes in this section of the country, as in British Columbia, if a road were opened through it, which he says could be done with very little difficulty and at a moderate cost. From indications which he saw he believes that coal exists in abundance. There is a stream, adds Mr. Foley, running west from the head waters of Leech river in which he found good prospects, slate range, any amount of quartz and boulders and a good head of water. From those indications he thinks it might vie with Leech river. He intended himself proceeding there shortly to prospect.

THE OVERLAND TRAIL -The exploration committee vesterday received a letter from Mr. Wm. Wall, whom they had employed to blaze a trail through to Leech river. He states that he and party arrived at Goldstream on Monday evening, with the intention of bringing the trail out there, but had not succeeded to their satisfaction, although they had reached the stream itself readily. Mr. Wall thinks they would have managed it had they not been led astray by a person who undertook to guide them. He also states that they hope to connect their Goldstream trail with the one that ran from the Socke trail to Leech river, in two days, and adds that Mr. Bell and party told him a good trail could be made from the north of Goldstream to Leech

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CARIBOO LETTER

FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT.

WILLIAMS CREEK, B.C.

world, that it seems almost superfluous to in the Morning Star of June 21, and puts, send you a letter from Cariboo; still as the quite a different phase upon the circumproperty of your city is so intimately connected with the success or non-success of the mising districts, a word or two of encourages. ment now and then may not prove unwel- crew.

The Yield of Gold. First of all is to the actual yield of gold on Williams Creek. The daily average amount taken out at present is, as nearly as possible, \$26,000. Of course it is somewhat difficult to arrive at any exact estimate as the fluctuation of the harboard stream commenced firing with her starboard battery, the distance between in the right of the search alarms. tuations in the yield of the several claims are often very considerable, but from several careful calculations made lately, I think this amount may be depended on as being rather under than over the actual value taken out of

the ground each day. The Bed-Rock Drain Is at last almost an accomplished fact; there are but eight or ten feet more to be completed before the whole of the claims now sub-merged will be freed from water, and in fact the contractors are expecting every minute to the this subterranean lake successfully. This will bring several very rich claims into vectors work again, so that we may confidently look for the average yield to be increased to \$33,000 per day, or one million delars for the month of August, as the realt of this creek alone, and possibly a

milion and a quarter for September. Lowhee Creek I now giving about three hundred ounces a dy and will increase this figure to five or perhops six hundred ounces in two weeks' time so that the total amount taken out of

the two creeks will swell up to a very respectable sum before the close of the season. The Last Excitement.

There has been a great deal of excitement lately about the alleged discovery of new creeks, and hundreds of men have gone off in every direction with a very confused idea of where they are going. Two thirds of them will probably be lost in the woods and come back with long faces and a grievous tale about having been humbugged; the whom were direct from Cariboo.

The failure of the alleged placer diggings some foundation for the reports; but in any event the country will be thoroughly pros pected and the probabilities are that new discoveries will be made this season.

> Miners, as a rule, are all in the habit of enveloping any new strikes in such a profound mystery, that it is very difficult to arrive at the truth; but from information, which I think may be depended on, there is but little doubt that some of them have really found out new diggings, although it is impossible at present to hazard a conjecture as to their actual extent and value.

Trade has been in a very depressed state or some time past, owing partly to a declining market, consequent on the general low-ering of freights, and also to the largely increased number of steres erected this year. There is a slightly better feeling manifested now, however, which will probably be main-

tained till the end of the year. I would especially caution your merchants in Victoria against making large indiscriminate consignments on speculation; the time has gone by in which goods could be rushed in, and sold at once for large profits, and the result of these ventures now can only end in loss to the shippers, and serious inconvenience to their regular customers on the creek.

(From the Columbian of yesterday.)

THE KOOTANAIS MINES. Mr. McKay, agent of the Hudson Bay feels in these diggings, be has left in com-

Co. on Conklin's Gulch next the Ericsson THE SEARCH AFTER COAL.—The cry of are trying to reach the bed of the creek by "coal 1 coal !" is heard in every direction, impression that coal underlies the entire peninsula upon which it is built. We defer any lengthened remarks upon this subject, until all doubt is dispelled, but certainly present indications would lead one to anticipate the most satisfactory results. We hope to see the search extended to gold and other mine-

> THE HOPE-SIMILKAMEEN ROAD. - We learn that one half of the contract on this tor, and that the Hon. E. H. Sanders has gone out on behalf of the Government for the purpose of inspecting, and if satisfactory, accepting the work. We also learn that the contractor, although paying three dellars a day, experiences much difficulty in getting workmen on account of the rush to

Customs Receipts for the week ending 6th August, 1864:—Duties, £592 Is 6d; harbordues, £23 5s 10d; head money, £6 16s; tonnage dues, £90 16s. Total, £712 19s 6d.

the Kootanais mines.

ROAD TOLLS .- Amount of road tolls collected at Yale during the month of June :-£914 10 334. Amount collected during the month of July : £877 6.

THE "DEERHOUND'S" LOG.

The following extract from the log of the English yacht Deerhound, which our readers will remember was charged by the American press generally with having been a tender to and improperly interfered in the fight be-EDITOR COLONIST:—You appear to have se and improperly interfered in the fight bedered to Captain Semmes and his sinking

> "Sunday, June 19, 9 a.m.-Got up steam and proceeded out of Cherbourg harbor.
> "10:30—Observed the Alabama steaming

tween the contending vessels being about one mile. The Kearsarge immediately replied with her starboard guns; a very sharp, spirited firing was then kept up, shot some-times being varied by shells. In manusuvering both vessels made seven complete circles at a distance of from a quarter to half a mile.

"At twelve a slight intermission was observed in the Alabama's uring, the Alabama making head sail and shaping her course for the land, distant about nine miles.
"At 12:30 observed the Alabama to be disabled and in a sinking state. We imme-

diately made towards her, and on passing the Kearsarge were requested to assist in saving the Alabama's crewnod bet "At 12:50, when within a distance of 200, yards the Alabams sank. We then lowered our two boats, and, with the assistance of the Alabama's whale boat and dingey, succeeded in saving about forty men, including Captain Semmes and thirteen officers. At 1 p.m. we steered for Southampton."

tained, in killed, wounded, etc., was as follows, viz.: one officer and one man drowned, eix men killed, and one efficer and sixteen cine, which has obtained such celebrity in all

the remaining survivors.

Southampton, Monday Evening. The excitement prevailing here to-day has in ne way diminished. This afternoon Captain Semmes, on proceeding up the town, was completely besieged by crowds of people, who collected around the carriage, and vociferously cheered him along the streets.

A great banquet to Captain Semmes and his officers in honor of their bravery is already spoken of by some of the leading citi-

SEVEN THOUSAND PEOPLE DIE

OF STARVATION. Capt. J, Bickford, of the brig Monte Capt. J. Bickford, of the Drig Monte Sizes, by Thomas Keating, Chemist, &c., No. 79 St Christo, which sailed from Porto Praya, she capital of Santiago, one of the Cape Verde all Druggists and Patent Medicine Venders in the Islands, on May 15th, and has recently arrived at Boston, gives a most distressing account of the famine there. There has been no rain for a year, and the crops have failed, the verdure is parched and shrivelled in the heat, and the ground is dry and dusty. The people in the country who depend upon their crops for food, after exhausting their slender resources, flock into the towns and die by scores. Capt. Bickford was informed that on Santiago, which is the principal island in the group, and which a year ago contained a population of \$5,000, 7000 had died of starvation between January 1st and May 1st. The Portuguese Government had authorized a draft on their treasury to the amount of \$75,000, to relieve the poor, but this had gone but a very little way, although the new Governor, Senor Don Campo Bello, had done what he could to help the suffering within his reach. Hon. Antonia Belle Fortes, with some other wealthy gentlemen, had erected Company, arrived from the Kootanais country a large building, where as many as possible last week. He states that there are about, of the starving who came in from the coun-5000 people in there now and that provisions try were sheltered and fed, but in many cases are being rushed in from the Dalles. Mr. life was too far gone to render succor of any McKay speaks in the highest terms both of avail. During his stay in Porto Praya 40 or 50 the mines and the general character of that died in the city every day from starvation and section of the country; and, as an evidence disease arising from over indulgance after proof the confidence the company he represents tracted fasting, although every possible procaution was used in supplying them with food pany with Dr. Tolmie to make immediate ar- at first. One could not walk the streets with-

rangements for transferring the Fort Shep- out seeing at least three or four creatures pard establishment to the scene of this new dying by the way side. Captain Bickford There are several claims reported to have and unprecedented excitement. We learn rode out a few miles into the country, but here the scenes grew more horrible at every step. Men, haggard with hunger, begged of him for food; women, gaunt and weak, tottered slong the road and fell fainting in full sight, perhaps, of the city where they hoped to find bread; children, almost naked, held up their little bony arms mutely asking for help. He went but a short distance, and returned heart-sick. When the cargo of the brig was landed and carried up into the city, men and women dug in the dust for a few drilting through the rock. The operation is and, judging from the number of discoveries, and they have at the property of the result. This gulch is generally of the result. Some of these discoveries are within fields. Some of these discoveries are within two miles of this city, and would lead to the supply of corn and rice which fell from the bags, and they have a treasured them as if they had been gold. The only Prize Medal for excellence of workman-ship and new combinations in the supply of corn and rice which they have at two miles of this city, and would lead to the comber, even if the Island.

Supply of corn and rice which they have at Porto Prays, for such scanty charity as they are able to afford, is only about enough for a month more. In this state of things it becomes our citizens to consider whether, notwithstanding their liberality in responding to other calls made at home, they can suffer these poor people, within thirty days' sail of these poor people, within thirty days' sail of the smallest compass.

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1850 had a population of 86,738. In Bonavista the situation of the people is described as being still worse than in Santiago.—Boston HABEAS CORPUS .- Felix O'Byrne applied rom the custody of H. Parkell at the Niantic Hotel. He avers that she is unlawfully detended taking her to Victoria. The writ was issued, returnable at 4 o'clock p. m. to-day, when Judge Sawyer will enquire into the merits of the case. - Bulletin, 28th,

Holloway's Ointment and Pills, -- For Bad Legs Holloway's Ointment and Pills,—For Bad Legs Sores, and Ulcers—Many aggravated sores stand ready to pounce upon the aged when an accident weekens any part. This Ointment is most potent in ouring all cases of ulceration, abscess and 'bad legs,' after every other means had failed, and the unferings experienced from them were utterly unendurable. Soom after the application of the Ointment cooliness and comfort are obtained in the affected pat, the patient finds himself more at ease, and daily becomes more hopeful, as, with departing pains, a visible growth of graculation comes forth. It is well worth while adopting this treatment to regulate the secretions of the body by moderate doses of Holloway's Pills, which act in unison with his Ointment, and iscilitate recovery.

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THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORD

and T de Nouvion, of Lytton, in the business earlied on at Hope, B. C., under the name of George of T. de Nouvion & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business at Lytton will be continued by T. de Nouvion, on his own account, and that at Hepe by Geo. Landvoigt, on his ascount Both parties are authorised to collect all debts due the two firms to this date

Witness W. H. DILL
Hope, B. C., July 20, 1864

1126 2 w. day

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Tuesday, August 16, 1864.

SEVEN THOUSAND PEOPLE DIE OF STARVATION. Capt. J, Bickford, of the brig Monte Christo, which sailed from Porto Prays, the the verdure is parched and shrivelled in the heat, and the ground is dry and dusty. The desperadoes having been about all wiped out, people in the country who depend upon their crops for food, after exhausting their slender authorities, who are reported to be vigilant resources, flock into the towns and die by and efficient. - Union. scores. Capt. Bickford was informed that on Santiago, which is the principal island in the group, and which a year ago contained a population of 55,000, 7000 had died of starvation between January 1st and May 1st. The Portuguese Government had authorized a draft on their treasury to the amount of \$75,000, to relieve the poor, but this had gone but a very little way, although the new Governor, Senor Don Campo Bello, had done what he could to help the suffering within his reach. Hon. Antonia Belle Fortes, with

tracted fasting, although every possible pre-caution was used in supplying them with food at first. One could not walk the streets without seeing at least three or four creatures dying by the way side. Captain Bickford rode out a few miles into the country, but here the scenes grew more horrible at every step. Men, haggard with hunger, begged of him for food; women, gaunt and weak, tottered slong the road and fell fainting in Men, haggard with hunger, begged full sight, perhaps, of the city where they hoped to find bread; children, almost naked, held up their little bony arms mutely asking for help. He went but a short distance, and returned heart-sick. When the cargo of the brig was landed and carried up into the city, men and women dug in the dust for a few grains of rice which fell from the bags, and treasured them as if they had been gold.

There can be no crops before the first of December, even if the Islands have rain, and the supply of corn and rice which they have at boat.

Porto Prays, for such scanty charity as they are able to afford, is only about enough for a month more. In this state of things it be- making the run in 6 days. comes our citizens to consider whether, notwithstanding their liberality in responding to Verde Islands are ten in number, and in Toulouse was ready for sea. 1850 had a population of \$6,738. In Sonavista the situation of the people is described as being still worse than in Santiago.—Boston

GLEANINGS. We labor to publish our abilities, but harden to conceal our infirmities—if we know

exploring expeditions. The excesses of our youths are drafts upon our old age, payable with interest about thir

ty years after date.

Palermo and Naples are infected with the mania of duelling, and not a day passes without half-a-dozen duels at both places.

There are two eventful periods in the life of a woman—one, when she wonders who she will have—the other when she wonders who will have her.

A lazy fellow down South spells Tennessee after this fashion-10 a c; and spells Andrew Jackson thus-&ru Jax-s. He will suit a primary school.

As a man born in London is a Londoner, if I had been born at Wick should I be a Wicker? and would all I'did be wickerwork or wicked.

Dinna curse him, sir; I have heard a good man say that a curse was like a stone flung up Bay Company's wharf was beached at Bolton's to the heavens, and maist like to return on his head that sent it.—Sir Walter Scott.

A man has no more right to say an uncivil thing than to act one; no more right to say a rude thing to another than to knock him down .- Dr. Johnson.

respondent in the divorce suit in which Lord Mr. and Mrs. O'Kane, the petitioner and erston was co-respondent, have left Fort Rupert to morrow touching at Nanaimo. England for Australia.

When Voltaire was told that a friend of his was studying to become a physician, he exelaimed, "Why will he be so mad? He will have to thrust drugs of which he knows little, into a body of which he knows less.

There are three modes of bearing the ills of life; by indifference, which is the most common; by philosophy. which is the most cetentatious; and by religion, which is the most effectual of the three.

It has been said that the three sweetest words in the English language are—happiness, home and heaven. About these cling the most touching associations, and with them are connected the sublimest aspirations.

A landlord of some premises in West Ham parish, having a tenant about to quit possession at Michaelmas, exhibited a notice in the usual way-"This house to be let." The tenant, by way of preventing the letting, has exhibited a placard in the window with the following notice: "Leaving in consequence of the bad smells arising from the drains."

An exceedingly modest man inserted an advertisement of which the following is a copy:—" Matrimony.—Wanted, a wife from thirty to fifty. A member of the Church of England, handsome, slender, from 5ft. 4in. to 5ft. 6in. £10,000 invested in the Bank of England, or in landed freehold, the a mount at her own disposal. Address," &c.

A bill is now passing through Parliament to enable the Commissioners of Woods and Forests to grant a lease 999 years to the Royal College of Physicans of their house in Pall-Mall East. What will London be when he lease expires?

FROM IDAHO .- Dr. R. W. Murphy and James Childs arrived in Sacramento last Monday morning, from Idaho in eleven days time, on horse back from Jordan Creek, a distance of about 600 miles. They came by way of Humboldt (N. T.) They report that mining prospects in Idaho are exceed-ingly gloomy. Miners and others were leav-Islands, on May 15th, and has recently arrived at Boston, gives a most distressing account of the famine there. There has been no rain for a year, and the crons have fellows.

Ing in all directions. Dr. Murphy brought with him a quantity of gold dust from the Placer Diggings, on Jordan creek, twenty ounces of which have been assayed here, and found to be worth only about \$11 per ounce.

The travelers report that when the property of the prope nock Indians, who continued hostile. The

good order was maintained by the regular

mail. The latter will be delivered to-day, at 8 a m. She left on the 6th inst.

For Shanghai -The bark Panama, Captain some other wealthy gentlemen, had erected a large building, where as many as possible of the starving who came in from the country were sheltered and fed, but in many cases feet of the country were sheltered and fed, but in many cases Johnson, sailed for Shanghai yesterday afternoon, at 5 o'clock, with three passengers, and 200,000 life was too far gone to render succor of any of her to China. S original section

avail. During his stay in Porto Praya 40 or 50 THE STEAMER Emily Harris arrived from Nandied in the city every day from starvation and aimo vesterday afternoon, with a cargo of coal for disease arising from over indulgance after pro- B. Brodrick.

> FOR ALBERNI.—The steamer Thames sailed yesterday afternoon for Alberni, with mill hands, and a quantity of freight.

THE BARK FLORIDA is loading at Nanaimo for

LOADING AND SAILED .- The bark Rival, Capt. Blair (Merchant's line), was on the berth at San Francisco for this port at latest dates. The bark Golden Gate, Capt. Boyling, sailed Aug. 2nd for this port with a cargo valued at \$10,892 15, and this port with a cargo valued at \$10,892 16, and this port with a cargo valued at \$10,892 16, and this port with a cargo valued at \$10,892 16, and the cargo valued at \$10, the brig Brewster cleared on the 3rd with 4,480 qr sks flour, etc., valued at \$22,650.

FROM THE SOUND .- The sloop Northern Light, Capt. Mountfort, arrived yesterday from ports on Puget Sound with two or three Sookites and the. Sound mail. Captain Mountfort made as usual excellent time this trip with his smart little sea-

ARRIVED .- The ship Georges, Williams, from Nanaimo, arrived at San Francisco on the 2nd,

FROM ALBERNI.-The schooner Sweepstakes other calls made at home, they can suffer arrived from Alberni Mills last evening with 8 rethese poor people, within thirty days' sail of turned mill hands. She reports seven ships load-Boston, to starve to death. The Cape de ing at the mills. The French ship Ville de

FROM SAN FRANCISCO. -The bark Naramissic, Willoughby, Master, arrived from San Francisco yesterday morning, having sailed the 28th ult. She brings a cargo of general merchandise, and is consigned to Pickett & Co.

FROM DUNGENESS.-The schooner Winged Racer, Capt. Peterson, arrived from Dungeness Remember that it is a fixed fact that yesterday evening with two passengers and a carg revenge, however sweet, costs more than it of produce and hogs.

EXPORTS.—The sloop Letitia will take over to Sound ports to-day from the barks Naramissic and tralia, and are expected to be of great use in Frances Palmer a full load of merchandise.

FROM ALBEBNI.-The steamer Thames, Henderson, arrived from Barclay Sound yesterday morning. The Thames towed out to sea before leaving, the ships Clutha Belle and Ville de Toulouse. There are now five ships loading at the Alberni Mills. The Captain of one of the five came up on the Thames for a crew.

FROM COWICHAN. - The sloop John Thornton, Clark, arrived from Cowichan yesterday morning with 15 tons of wild hay. The cargo was sold on arrival at \$24 per ton.

The General Harney arrived on Saturday from Burrard's lulet with 50 M lumber to Duncan &

Tuesday, August 16. ON THE BEACH.-The bark Frances Palmer having discharged her cargo at the Hudson yesterday morning to have her bottom cleaned. She will then proceed to San Francisco

FOR SOOKE.—The Caledonia sailed yesterday at 3 p.m. for Sooke carrying a few passengers and some freight.

FOR THE NORTH. - The Hudson Bay Company's steamer Otter, Captain Swanson, will sail for

#### VICTORIA MARKET.

Saturday, August 13, 1864. Trade for the past week has been somewhat brisker, orders from the upper country having come in more freely and a slight impetus having been received from the present mining excitement, The stocks of flour and grain have been considerably augmented by importations from San Francisco per Frances Palmer and Narramissic, and are now fully adequate to meet any anticipated

Wheat and Barley are still in limited supply and prices range high. Prices have not changed materially since last quotations. The following are the present retail

FLOUR-Self Rising-\$14 p bbl ; Extra, \$13

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CORNMEAL—7c pb
BUCKWHEAT—8c pb
BEANS—White—5ic pb psk; pink do, 3%

MIDDLING-3%@31 do do GROUND FEED-4%c p ib BRAN-2%c Ph HAY-2@2% Ph P bale WHEAT-firm, at 4c Ph P sk BARLEY-4%@4% P b

TEA-36@46 p h p chest COFFEE-22@28 p sk SUGAR-7@14c p h p bbl or mat RICE-5@8c p h m sk RICE—5@8c P h P sk ENGLISH CANDLES—25c P h P bx; Ame ican do, 21@22c do do BUTTER—Fresh, 40@50c p lb p case; Salt do, 35@45c p is p firkin

HAMS—best: 18c p is p dozen

BAGON—best; 20c p is p dozen sides.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS. [From the Bulletin.]

Friday, August 5—1 p. m.

The markets for Flour and Grain are exceedingly quiet. Prices for the most part remain unchanged. The sales making are small. We quote wheat at 3%c., Barley, \$3 05@3 15 for new; 3 374 for old. Oats, 2%c., Potatoes, 3c. Alviso Flour, \$10 25.

[From the Alta 6th.]

Sales of Grain are mostly in small lots. Prices are generally unchanged. Wheat is quotable at \$3 2@3.37½ p 100 lbs for new and old; Barley at \$3@3.20 for new, and \$3 30@3 40 for old; Oats at \$2½@2½ p 100 lb; Potatoes, 3c p lb; Bran at \$40 p ton; Hay at \$22@27 p ton, and Straw at \$@10 p ton.

#### FRUIT MARKET.

[From the Alta 6th.]

Mesers. Addison Martin & Co. furnish the following quotations of prices of leading articles in the fruit market: Apples, \$1@2 \$\phi\$ box: do No. 1, 4@10c \$\pi\$ b; apricots, 6@124c; pears, cooking, 3@6c; do, table, 4@12%c; plums, 4@15c; gages, 4@8c; peaches, 4@10c; nectarines, 6@16c; quinces, 6@8c; California grapes, 4@16c; foreign, 10@25c; hothouse, 25@50c; figs, 25@50c; strawberries, 8@16c; raspberries, 8&15c; blackberries, 7@15c; oranges, \$2 50@3 50 \$\pi\$ 100. Apples, pears and peaches are very plenty; plums, quite searce.

#### NANAIMO EXPORTS.

Statement of Vessels departed from Nanaimo V. I., during the month of July, 1864 showing the respective cargo taken by each

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#### Total ......... 2,617 10 PASSENGERS.

Per FRANCES PALMER from San Francisco Per schooner WINGED RACER from Dungeess-Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Clarke.

#### MEMORANDA.

Per FRANCES PALMER-Sailed from San Francisco on 28th ult., had passed the Narramissic on Aug. 2nd, long. 130 deg. west, lat. 37 deg., had light westerly winds afterwards, light southerly and easterly winds with rain; was within 208 miles of port for last 5 days.

IMPORTS.

Per FRANCES PALMER from San Francisco —10 bxs tobacco, 85 pgs Chinese mdse, 410 bgs rice, 10 es yeast powder, 48 baskets champagne, 4 bgs meals, 2 hf bbls mackerel, 10 kits do, 28 bxs candles, 30 bxs seap, 3 pgs dried fruit, 5 kgs pickles, 2 cs cysters, 4 bxs saleratus, 22 bgs salt, 10 bgs beans, 4 bxs maccaroni, 21 pgs syrup, 1 cs spices, 1 cs ground coffee, 10 cs kerosene, 16 pks brooms, 3 es hardware, 4 do woodenware, 2 do cordage, 2 cs blacking, 1 cs shee brushes, 12 coils manilla rope, 1 cs mdse, 1 bdle pumps, 20 bble plaster, 26 do cakum, 1 cs ship chandlery. 1 pge rowlocks, 35 bbls 90 hf bbls do, 140 bxs powdered do, 25 cs lard, 40 bxs chocolate, 240 qr sks 60 hf flour, 119 kgs nails, 32 pgs agricultural impliments, 43 bbls lard, 10 cs oil, 2 pgs glassware, 5 cs lard oil, 100 sks barley, 1 ble hops, 2 pgs corks, 2 buggy & harness, 1 wagon, 10 bles hay, 37 pks groceries, 10 cs salt, 25 hf bbls dried apples, 35 bbls, 90 hf bbls crushed sugar, 90 bbls hay. Value \$15,397 29. Per FRANCES PALMER from San Francisco

Per steamer ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—10 hd cattle, 2 calves, 320 or sks flour, 2 bxs eggs, 3 bxs fruit, 2 bbls butter, 25 dez eggs, 2 coops chickens, 2 bbls apples, 1 hog, 8 sacks po-

Per steamer ALEXANDRA from Puget Sound -266 sheep, 98 hd cattle, 2 horses, 1 wagon, 1 bx butter, 5 qrs beef, 1 sow and 6 young pigs, 1 bx eggs, 1 op chickens, 1 dressed calf, 2 do sheep, 10 bxs apples, 23 bales hay.—Value, \$4,912 50. Per schooner WINGED RACER from Pungeness—150 bush barley, 25 do oats, 75 do potatoes 5 hogs, 3 doz chickens, eggs, butter, etc. Value

Per schr. CAROLENA, from Metlakathla-

pkgs furs and skins, 1 sealskin, 1 csk oil—Consigned to Siffken Bros.—Value, \$1,460.

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To Victoria-Per Naramissic-July 26—Agricultural Imp'is, Apples, Barley, Bitters. Building material—Doors, Sash, Candle, Chinese Provisions, Ground Coffee, Cordage, Corks, Drugs, Fruits, Furniture, Glassware, Groceries, Hardware, Hay, Leather, Liqueurs, Macaroni & Vermi, Matting, Nails, Oakum, Pails, Paper, Preserves, Provisions-Butter, Cheese, Land Preserves. Provisions—Butter, Cheese. Lard, Rice, Shrimps, Sugar, Syrup, Tea, Tobacco, Tubs, Wine. Value \$14,747 62.

#### MARINE INTELLIGENCE,

ENTERED. Aug 9-Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch Port An Stmr Alexandra, Moore, Port Angelos.

Slp Letitia, Adams, Port Angelos. Aug 10-Stmr Flying Dutchman, Insley, New Vestminster.

Barge William, Insley, New Westminster.

Slp Eagle, King, Sooke.

Schr Alpha, George, Nanaimo.

Schr J K Thornkyke, Thomson, San Juan.

Aug 11—Sloop Commodore, Hicks, Port Angles

Slp Northern Light, Mountfort, Port Angelos Sch Shark, Clark, Saanich Sch Discovery, Rudlin, Comox Stmr Enterprise, Mouat, Sooke Aug 12—Bark Frances Palmer, Lamb, Sai

Stmr Alexandra, Moore, Sooke Bark Naramissic, Willoughby, San Francisco Stmr Emily Harris, Rewitt, Nanaimo Aug 13—Stmr Emily Harris, Hewitt, Nanaimo schr Winged Racer, Peterson, Port Angelos Bloop Ringleader, Harper, Nanaimo Schr Carolena, McKinnon, Metlakahtlah Aug 15-Stmr Enterprise, Mouat, New West

Slp Hope, Powers. Port Angelos
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#### BIRTH.

At Ince Cottage, New Westminster, on Sunday, the 7th inst., the wife of the Hon. Henry P. Pel-ew Crease, H.M. Attorney General, of a daughter

On Saturday the 13th inst, in the Naval Hospital, Esquimalt, Thomas Dipnal, in consequence of injuries received by a fall from H.M.S. Sutlej. Deceased was lamented by all his shipmates. In this city, on Wednesday the 10th inst., Charles James Hughes, Esq., aged 40 years, a native of Wales. In this City, 11th Aug., 1864, Leonera, daughter of J. S. & M. A. Drummond, aged 4 years and 10

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# BRITISH COLONIST-SUPPLEM

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND, TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1864, found in the gravel, which for the most part is very loose, the gold having evidently worked through to the bed-rock where it is ob-

FROM THE NORTH.

Arrival of the Mission Schooner Carolena

tained, and even for two or three feet in the ed rock below the surface. The above two examples, if successful, will at once show the great superiority of capital over individual enterprise without capital, in working ground when the amount of labor will necessarily be very great before a rich return can be made, and this is almost south-east gales, and thence almost continual calma. universally the case in Cariboo, the diggings

not being "surface," or what are generally known as "poor men's diggings." A RATHER CURIOUS STATE OF THINGS claim holders, and have facilitated the sale or transfer of claims; but it is absolutely necessary before the mines in Cariboo can, to any great extent, be worked satisfactorily in a remunerative point of view, that capital be invested to develop them, and therefore every thing should be done to encourage its investment, which can most surely be effected by showing that there is a great profit to be derived from, and that the laws will protect present rate, and were it to come to its proper level I feel certain all would find employment is risked. The first will, I trust, be demon-strated to some extent this season by private enterprise, the second will depend on the sent is, parties with only a limited capital feel taken by the Government. I spent that they would only throw away their means without achieving anything by employing labor at its present fidiculous rate. It would

to see the enormous amount of labor that also have the effect of keeping a much larger has been thrown away, arising chiefly population at work at good wages. WANT OF TRAILS. Since my arrival in the Cariboo country have made several trips through different parts of the country where there are not trails, and I feel convinced that the cause of their claims with; these drawbacks would the little prospecting that has been done is be much lessened were capital brought to chiefly owing to the impossibility of men be much lessened were capital brought to bear, as proper machinery could at first be employed on the different creeks. I give two instances where capital is now being employed, both of which I am almost confident will turn out, with proper management, the brighty remanagement, to the promoters in the brighty remanagement to the impossibility of men with packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting, making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the men with packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting, making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the men with packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting, making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the men with packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting, making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the men with packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting, making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the men with packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the packs on their backs, and the necessary the packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting making their way through the woods, which are very dense in the packs on their backs, and the necessary the packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting making the way through the woods, which are very dense in the packs on their backs, and the necessary tools for prospecting making the way the packs on their backs, and the necessary the packs on their backs, and the necessary the packs on the packs on their backs, and the necessary the packs of the p dent will turn out, with proper management, to be highly remunerative to the promoters and very beneficial to the country. The first one is the Williams Creek Bed Rock Flume to be highly remunerative to the promoters and very beneficial to the country. The first one is the Williams Creek Bed Rock Flume Company, having a capital of \$200,000 in 4000 shares of \$50 per share. The whole of Company, having a capital of \$200,000 to day; and as a man cannot pach, the day; and as a man cannot pach, the day is a man cannot pach, the day; and as a man cannot pach, the day is a man cannot pach, the day; and as a man cannot pach, the day is a man cannot pach, the day i Creek, principally by miners long resident in the country, and who know well the pros-pects of the enterprise; this fact speaks volprospectors, under present circumstances, to get any distance from the stations where supplies can be procured. It appears to me that the opening of a few rough trails is very much called for, and were the Government at once to undertake outting three or four of them, say four or six feet in width, simply cutting the underbrush and fallen timber so that men could conveniently get along with finished this year. Judging from the re-ports lately received at the Kootanais, a simi-

ANOTHER SUBJECT Which I have always regretted the former government under Governor Donglas' administration strongly opposed, and that is the unfortunate John Ross and a few others, the country owes so much. Before I went to Antier I heard many reports that led me to the head of each, and three or four assist-

ar trail through the southern portion of the

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believe this undertaking would prove a fail-ure, but I am convinced, after a careful examination of the creek and from the progress the work is making that it the section south of the above latitude exwill be one of the best investments yet made in either colony, unless, as I before said. ward to the Rocky Mountains. The heads of these parties to be men capable of ex-amining and furnishing correct opinions as to the best lines for wagon roads and trails and approximate estimates of their cost of con-struction, also of any available spots fit for settlement, the supply of water and other re-

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His Excellency Governor Seymour left the

Mouth of Quasnelle on Saturday evening the

COPPER MOUNTAIN. - Letters from the the gold is found in different strata as well as manager of this mine at Alberni, and specion the bed-rock; whereas on Antler the bed mens of the ore, were received in town yesrock is near the surface, and but little gold terday. The report continues favorable.

Mr. Duncan's mission schooner Carolens Capt. McKinnon, arrived in port on Friday afternoon, having left Metlaktlah on July 25th. Down to Fort Rupert she had strong

AT THE MISSION All the settlers are well and prospero The crops are very good, wheat, barley, peas, potatoes, &c., being cultivated by the Indians with success. The take of furs, skins, oil, &c., has also been unusually good.

A NEW MISSION Is about to be started at Naas river. M Cunningham and Mr. Dolan started for that district shortly before the Carolena left. The intention is to found a similar establishment to that at Metlakahtlah.

THE NORTHERN GOLD DIGGINGS Reports through Indian sources, which were deemed reliable, had reached the mis sion that Sebastopol and his party were meeting with very fair success at the Skeenal river mines. They were said to be taking out from \$5 to \$7 per day, and to be per-fectly well satisfied with their prospects. Capt. McKinnon says there are many places on the Northern coast where, he is convinced good " poor man's diggings " may be found.

THE COD FISHERY. Capt. McKinnon brings most gratifying news in regard to the success of the cod-fishing expedition lately sent North by Mr. C. B. Young. Mr. Compton, the Hudson Bay Company's agent in charge at Fort Rupett, informed him that the crew of the scho par Nonpareil had taken in one night, at Nawitty, no fewer than two hundred and fifty fine large cod fish, with their hand lines. The fish were of excellent quality, and Mr. Compton believes the fishery will be a great

THE COAL FIELDS OF THE NORTH. The Carolena brought down five bags of coal taken from Quatseeno, the property of Messrs. J. R. Stewart & Co., of this city. The samples were sent across to Fort Rupert by land, where they were shipped on the Carolena. The coal closely resembles that of Nanaimo. The Fort Rupert Coal Company, a short distance south of the Fort, have got out about 20 tons, ready for shipment, and wished the Carolena to take it down, which, however, Capt. McKinnon was unable

better would take place, keep the present idle population busy prospecting, and encourage much larger emigration to the country next year, particularly as the wagon-road from the head of navigation on the Fraser to Williams Oreek will be almost finished to year. Judging from the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three second class cars, and the re-original possible to describe. The two or three cities.

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In Fitzhugh Sound the Carolena met two white men, belonging to a party of four traders who had been driven asbore in a cause on an island in that Sound. They had been picked up by some Indians and taken to their illage. Capt. McKinnon offered them a passage down, but their rescuers were disin-clined to part with them without a "cultus otlatch." which he was not disposed to give. le however, supplied the men with what neessaries they required and left them with he Indians, who undertook to bring them down to Victoria, in expectation of a reward or their humanity.

A VALUABLE CARGO. The Carolena brings down a rather large cargo of fars, skins, oil, &c., including 1000 aink and 97 martens. The value is nearly \$4000. IMMIGRATION FROM THE WEST

INDIES. In the West Indian of June 24th we no-

tice a letter from Bishop Hills, advocating the settlement of intending emigrants in the ertile valleys of British Columbia. The Lord Bishop quotes at great length from Jottings" in that colony, which appeared in the columns of the Colonist.

A gentleman writing from Barbadoes under date June 25th, to a friend in this city refers as follows to the emigration movement:

"I am glad that you have had the pro-posed emigration from here noticed in your daily papers and hope it will lead to some remarks from the editors and others your way, as such importation will be useful to the people on this side. Except the opening of a share list nothing of consequence has been done in the matter lately. The shares are done in the matter lately. The shares are £5, and it is proposed that so soon as 200 shares shall have been subscribed, six of the company go over to purchase or secure the land and take all preliminary steps." We are glad that it has been wisely deter

nined to send a deputation to these colonies before the tide of immigration begins to flow hitherward. Wedoubt no that the capabilities of the country will afford profitable means of employment to any number of industrious men who may direct their steps to our shores, but we are as yet in a crude state, and we should prefer, therefore, that parties should come and see for themselves what inducements they can find.

INQUEST ON THE LATE MR. HUGHES.

half-past twelve o'clock, in the Police Court, plicity." on the body of the late Mr. C. J. Hughes. the jury viewing the body at Eberhardt's given deceased \$20 just before leaving. Hotel-

Pelice officer Turner was examined, who stated that he had waited on Mr. Hughes when he arrived at Sooke, as resident magistrate. In course of conversation, Mr. Hughes told me that he wished to try his pistol, and asked me to load it; I did so, and he fired it off, and I loaded it again for him; he said he thought the pistol had not been fired since last winter. This was about noon on Wed-nesday; after he had tried it, he handed it to me, and I went to Elliott & Stuart's store, and re-loaded the pistol; it was an English Dreadful Railway Accident—Two hun-"six-shooter" (pistol produced). I gave him dred lives Lost. the pistol; I then went up the river a short distance, and on returning, went to dinner, during which the steamer Alexandra came in; I wendered why Mr. Hughes did not make his appearance, as I knew he wanted to send some letters to Victoria, when Mr. June 28th, and nearly 200 of the Gladwin came running, saying Mr. Hughes was shet. When I first saw him he was being earried down by two men on a cot; I saw the wound on the breast; it was about the size of half a-dollar; saw the wounds in have been caused by the negligence the back where the bullets came out. Deceased was quite sensible when I saw him first; I asked him who shot him, and he said "time would show;" I asked him again if he shot himself, and he said "yes." I asked him if it was accidental, to which he replied "yes." Some one else asked him if it was with a gun, to which he said "yes." He re-plied "yes," to almost everything asked of him. All the barrels of the pistol were oaded by me, and they had all been discharged. I found on his person a knife, silver watch, a pair of sleeve-stude, a ring, and a leather watch-guard and key. I found no money. I caused him to be conveyed on board the steamer. No intelligible answers were obtained to questions asked of him while on board the steamer; the wound exhibited a black and charred appearance, as if the pistol The cars lie mostly a pile of fragments had been close to the body; he had on an Incrushed together, resting on the barge which verness cape; the body was discovered I was fortunately passing through at the mothink about half-past one; the wounds were dressed by Costello; there was a doctor into the open water, to the number of deaths

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John Costello testified that he had seen the top of the tube—is some 35 feet high, Mr. Hughes go into the woods along the counting from the level of the rails to the Sooke trail; witness went into the woods level of the water. The width opened by himself about fifty yards from where Mr. the swing, which is at the western extremity Hughes went in, and in a few minutes be of the bridge, is about 60 feet. heard a pistol fired off six distinct times closely following each other; this was about five-

The Coroner here stated that he had before him the papers found near the body, but he \$50,000. No insurance. would first read them to see what portions private statements which it would not be ad-

visable to publish.

A juror here suggested that it would be better for the jury to decide that point, to which the coroner replied that the law gave him the power to lay before the jury what

portions of the papers he saw fit.

An official letter from the deceased to the Celonial Secretary was read, also a lengthy statement of the feelings and circumstance which led to the commission of the iash deed, but which we suppress, at the request of his most intimate friends. The purport of the document, which was rather confusedly written on several pieces of paper, was that debt, pecuniary difficulties, and the consciousness of living under false pretences, urged him to self-immolation. The papers and envelopes enclosing them, were marked with broken and incoherent ejaculations, in

four months ago he burst a blood vessel and printing done in Canada.

cannot conceive any inducement whatever for his act. I have known deceased about A coroner's inquest was held Thursday, at should allude to "false pretences" or "du-

Captain Nagle, a juror, saked if de-Mr. Searby was appointed fereman. After which Mr. Franklin replied that he had The juror remarked that it was strange no money had been found on the body.

An officer being despatched to search the body found \$17 50. After a brief consultation the jury returned a verdict of - Died by his own hand while in a state of temporary insanity.

CANADA.

DATES TO JULY 1st.

An emigrant train from Quebec to Money treal carrying 354 German immigrants, fully mutilated. The accident appears to of the engine driver, as the proper danger signals were made and were plainly visible

from the train. The immigrants came by the Neckar, which arrived at Quebec on June 27th, from Bremen via Hamburg. They landed 539 in number, 13 having died on the passage. One, few families remained behind. There were Austrians, Prussians, Swedes, Danes, Bohemians, Poles, and, in one or two cases, Italians. They were bound for Wisconsin via Chicago-most of them to meet friends already settled in that region. The Toronto Globe thus describes the

scene : about two miles from the spot, but he could caused by being crushed in the smashing of not walk, and had to be carried down to wait the care must have been added a vast numon deceased. Deceased appeared quite sane. ber of drowned. All the barges in tow of I am not positive about the time of the different occurrences, as I had no watch.

Mr. George Stuart, of the firm of Elliott, this. I never saw him after this, till he was of bloody clothes. The bridge, which is a

GREAT FIRE IN BRANTFORD .- The machine minutes past 12: about 1 o'clock saw the shop of the B. & L. H. Railroad, in Brantbody after it was brought out of the woods; ford, was destroyed by an incendiary fire on witness at once threw open the clothes of the 26th June, causing a loss of \$50,000. The deceased and dressed the wounds. Deceased premises were insured in the "Royal" for answered "yes" to everything that was \$30,000. Another great fire occurred in Napanee the week previous, destroying sawmills, cabinet factory, &e., to the value of

TROOPS FOR CANADA .- The 1st battalien were necessary to lay before the jury for the of the 25th regiment, Colonel Fane com-elucidation of the case. There might be manding, arrived at Quebec from Malta on June 27th on board the steam troop ship Himmalava. It numbered 758 officers and men: there are also 165 women and children. The 62nd regiment go home by the same

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT. - The Canadian Parliament was proregued on June

ESTABLISHED 1764.—We have before us a copy of the centenary edition of the Quebec Gazette, a paper which first saw the light in the ancient capital of Lower Canada, on the 21st of June, 1764. The publishers, Messrs. Middleton & Dawson, have made a grand effort, and laid before their readers a mammoth centenary number, containing sixteen pencil, written after the perpetration of the fatal act, and expressing his strong sense of the fearful nature of the crime he had committed.

Translaw Franklin here asked to be back, forming a kind of historical essay on the journal so sworn, as he could show that some of the the colony and city, and on the journal so written statements of deceased were erroneous, intimately identified with both. Among other Witness testified that the statement that de-seased owed Messrs. Franklin a large sum tion that they have on their list subscribers of of mency was incorrect; Mr. Hughes had a 20, 30, and 40 years standing, and the desum of money in our possession, and was scendants of gentlemen who supported the authorised to draw on us for all he wanted; paper 100 years ago! Enclosed in the cen-I am not aware that he owes any consider—
tenary number is a fac simile of the first copy
able amount in town or anywhere else. Deof the Gazette, which, the publishers state, ceased had lately been seriously ill; about was not only the first paper, but the first had been under medical treatment up to the Gazette is the oldest paper published on the time of his leaving. Deceased had made all American continent, with the exception of possible arrangements for his position at one published in Massachusetts, which is its Booke, and left in the best of spirits, and I senior by a few years.

THE NEWS.

The Eastern intelligence which we publish this morning, although but one day later than that which appeared in our issue of yesterday is nevertheless important and interesting. The particulars which are given of Sherman's progress—now the great feature of the American war-show clearly how desperately the Confederates are determined to fight for Georgia, and how vitally important they conceive to be its possession to one side or other. The raid of General McCook along the Macon railway south of Atlanta, which was stated in our despatches of yesterday to have ended disastrously, proves now to have been much less unfortunate than was said. The missing portion of the expedition will not, it is stated, exceed eight hundred mena loss which Sherman himself evidently considers as being cheap for the result; for he alludes to the raid as being highly successful. However, we must look upon the matter with purely warlike eyes to be able coolly to calculate that eighteen miles of railway destruction is equal to the lives of eight hundred men. The late battle of the 28th, which is given with more than usual minuteness, leads us to two conclusions :- First that the Confederates are determined to continue risking the offensive attitude to outflank Sherman or force him back from Atlanta; and second that heavy reinforcements have reached the Confederates from other portions of the Southern States; for on no other grounds could we account for the desperate, repeated, and at one time almost successful attacks on the Federal position. It has been Hood's policy, as we have previously shown, to act on the offensive; but in no previous instance have the Confederate assaults been anything so persistent and vigorous as in the late engagement. The result of the nine successive attacks was, however, fruitless, and the Southern troops were obliged to retire, leaving their hundreds of dead and wounded with the enemy. It would appear about the same time, that the artillery of other portions of Sherman's army was shelling Atlanta; for a despatch in the Richmond Examiner says that the city had been shelled two days prior to the 30th. The letter dated within a mile of Atlanta on the 31st, intimating that Hood was preparing to evacuate, is evidently erroneous-at least in the supposition that the fires in Atlanta were the acts of the Confederates prior to leaving the city. The corflagrations were, on the contrary, the results of Sherman's shelling. The Federal raids are not all of the mond papers, that on the day after the battle alluded to, the town of Fayetteville, about twenty miles south of Atlanta, was captured by a Federal force, showing clearly Sherman's design to keep his troops dashing round the southern communications of the enemy, while he is holding the latter em ployed before Atlanta.

As we anticipated yesterday, Mobile is a length being bombarded, Admiral Farragut having undertaken the task with eight ironclads. The anticipation of the correspondent of the New York Herald that the place would surrender in little more than a week, we may look upon as merely a sanguine hope. If it falls, however, in any reasonable time, it will form an important base for operations in Southern Alabama, and thence to Georgia. Montgomery, which recently succumbed to Rousseau, the Federal cavalry General, would be again taken with little difficulty, and Hood would quickly find himself assailed from the South, as well as from the

North.

The Federal loss in the recent attack on Petersburg is now stated to be 5690, which, if we take 2500 for the killed and wounded, would give the Confederates over 3000 prisoners—a circumstance which must be highly acceptable to the besieged. There is nothing further from the Army of the Potomac if, we except the supposition of a sensational letter, to the effect that Lincoln's recent interview with Grant resulted in the understanding that the army was to go to the south of Washington to recuperate for another campaign. The absurdity of the canard is too palpable. Grant and Lee would appear to be merely watching each other, while vital movements are being made elsewhere. Every stride that Sherman makes south fills Grant's heart with as much gladness as if he were driving Lee into the White Oak Swamps; and every success which the Confederate raiders meet on the borders gives Lee fresh vigor and renewed material aid. The same uncertainty and anxiety seem to exist with regard to the Confederate movements in the Northern part of the Shenandoah as before. That the Southern general Early is throwing much mystery about his movements, is a proof of the commander's skill in hoodwinking his opponests with demonstrations of invasion that lead the people in Maryland and Pennsylvania to fancy that nearly the whole of the Virginian army is concerned in the movement, while he quietly stores away the grain

of the Shenandoah; but we have no faith in

the rumors which the fears of the border

thousand that are now said to be moving Kelly. Our loss is 29 killed and 50 wounded towards Pennsylvania and Maryland, will be found to have an equally imaginary founds-

By Special Express to Daily Colonist.

LATER EASTERN NEWS.

Great Battle near Atlanta, Confederates Repulsed

SHELLING OF ATLANTA.

Fayetteville captured by the Federals. Invasion of Pennsylvania,---Jee Johnson to take Command.

Bombardment of Mobile by Admiral Farragut.

Rumored Re-organization of the Army of the Potomac.

Federal Skirmishing Victories Near Pensacola.

Fight at Osceola.

The following summary of Eastern news arrived Thursday by our special express :--FROM SHERMAN'S COMMAND.

New York, Aug. 6.—The Richmond Ex-ominer of the 8d has a dispatch from the rebel General Iverson, saying Stoneman had surrendered to him with 500 men.

A dispatch dated Griffin, 30th, says Atlants has been furiously shelled for two days and early that morning Cheatham was attacked. The Union forces were easily repulsed, with no loss to us. A Union force captured Fayetteville on the 29th. They burnt wagons and tore up railroad tracks, etc.

CHICAGO, Aug. 6 .- The Cincinnati Commercial contains further particulars of the eported to Gen. Logan that a column of inlantry was issuing out of Atlanta going southward with the evident intention of attempting to turn our right flank. Upon this the neighborhood of Plaquemine announcement, our troops began to throw up works. We had hardly time to complete the defences of rails without a shovel full of earth, when the rebels rushed upon them with great impetuosity and drove our men in this way some distance. About noon the rebels attacted the repel cavary vigorously on the evidently thought they had made a circuit Jerusalem road below Petersburg and drove of having the Kearsarge such very near to where the Alabama lies unless he be carethey were mistaken and same in front of our hem, inflicting a severe loss.

Headquarters Army of the Potomac, the cool impudence has led him to demand of the French Government those men breastworks, and the woods were so dense August 3.—The exact number of our loss in who escaped as his prisoners, and he has extent of the works; besides prisoners to have been 5,690. The hospitals are rapid been told in plain terms that not only will state that the leaders represented to them ly cleared of the sick and wounded, there not his demand be listened to, but that he

The heaviest shock of assault was felt on the 2 question, and the rebels were driven back with severe loss. They were, however, not to be thus easily discomfited. From noon until nearly night, the firing was incessant, swelling out into fierce roars as the rebels charged our lines, and dying away as they retired. During the afternoon, the rebels made seven distinct charges and two more after nightfall in the vain attempt to recever the hundreds of dead and dying, who had fallen near our lines. All these were useless though they kept gradually moving to our right, so that each assault threatened more and more to swing around and flank us. Our forces were enough and only enough to prevent a disaster from this cause. During the day the 4th corps captured five colors and one thousand stand of arms. Our centre and left confined their operations entirely to making demonstrations to attract the attention from the right wing. The troops did not come to the right wing. The troops did not come to the right wing. The troops did not come to the right wing. The troops did not come to the right wing are the right wing.

Louisville, Aug. 4 .- A letter dated one mile from Atlanta, 31st, from a prominent of-ficer, says a fire is now burning in Atlanta, which indicates that Hood is destreying a large amount of property; but whether with a view of evacuating or not is unknown.

New York, Aug. 6.—The Herald's Nash-ille dispatch of the 15th says: The missing f McCook's expedition will not now exceed 00. Sherman alludes to this raid as success ful. All quiet at the front.

THE RAIDERS. New York, Aug. 6.—A special to the fort completely routing them. Our cavalry World from Washington of the 5th, says :— is still pursuing. Our loss small, rebels. Reports from the Upper Potomac are very unknown.

contradictory. If any crossing has been effected by the rebels it was probably a large that leading Republicans are urging the cavalry force under Imboden. The movements of the column under Early are very mysterious. At the last account, he was in camp between Winchester and Martins-

Persons think it is evident that the rebels have resolved upon a general invasion. New York, Aug. 3 .- Early's headquarters

are at Winchester. A detatchment of rebel cavalry is still on the Baltimere and Ohio Railroad, hosefore to stormer als derived.

It is becoming apparent to the War Department that the rebels are resolved on a

Washington, Aug. 3.—Three hundred rebel cavalry has visited Hagerstown. It is asserted in the London Army and were strongly posted in and around the town. The fact that the rebel expedition is accompanied by cavelry is a strong indication that this forces is the advance of a large body of troops. After crossing at Sheppards-town, it appears they passed through Turkstowns give rise to-that a wholesale invasion town and Sharpsburg, and we are still in

about to take place. The numbers that communication with the State line, seven crossed the Potomac on the recent raid, were, through the alarm of the inhabitants, grossly exaggerated, and the thirty-five or forty

patch from Greencastle states : A gentleman just arrived from there says the rebels were crossing at Williamsport between 6 and 12 o'clock. There were from 600 to 800 infantry and cavalry. HARRISBURG, Aug. 5 .- At 8 o'clock to

night telegraphic communication seased beyond Newcastle.

The rebels have entered Middleburg, 11 niles north of Hagerstown, but in what force not known. The movements of the enemy are utterly inexplicable. They seem determined to invest their operations with as much mys-tery as possible both as to numbers, intenions and points of attack.

The rebels burned all bridges on the Cumperland turnpike, and felled trees across the ond. General Averill will probably move towards Bedford to operate against the

New York, Aug. 6.—Richmond papers say that Joe Johnson has been assigned to the command of the rebel army in Northern Virginia now invading the North.

FROM MOBILE.

New York, Aug. 6.—A special dispatch to the Herald, from New Orleans, says:—Infor-mation was received at headquarters, department of the Gulf, on Thursday, that Ad-miral Farragut had passed Forts Morgan and Gaines, which were supposed to command the entrance to Mobile Bay, and was bomparding the upper defences. If this information be correct, those forts must speedily sur-render. The Admiral has now six ironclade off Mebile, and two more left this city to-day The bombardment has been continued for three days, and it is expected that the city Granger will command the land forces which will occupy Mobile, and garrison the forts, i perfect success should crown this movement On the 19th, the commander at Pensacola

left that post with a small force, and the next day he came upon a body of about 400 of the enemy's cavalry, st ongly entrenched at retreated, leaving all their ammunition, offioial papers, stores, etc.
The Tribune's New Orleans correspondent says: Ullman holds Morgan Ferry so strong-

ly, that the rebels will not attempt to take it. The same correspondent doubts the reported capture of the fort at Mobile Bay. The Herald's New Orleans letter says : Able bodied registered enemies are to be kept

battle of the 28th. About 2 o'clock, p. m., as prisoners, pending the present military on Tuesday, signal officers of the 15th corps movements. Gen. Ullman defeated the rebels near chafalaya on the 28th ult.

It is reported that Dick Taylor crossed THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

New York, August 6 .- Herald's Army correspondence; dated the 5th, says: The

that we were retreating and need only be at- being four or five boats engaged in their transportation from City Point.

CHICAGO, August 6 .- A City Point letter and 4th division, and for a time it was not certain that they would be able to hold the position. Finally a reinforcement of one regiment judiciously distributed determined the but contraband. Chicago, August 5 .- Vague rumors are

in circulation to day in regard to the movements of the Potomac army. A Potomac letter dated New York the

2d, has the following regarding an interview between Grant and Lincoln:

"I am advised from headquarters that at the interview it was decided for various reasons that the Army of the Potomac must be withdrawn to the south side of Washington to re-organize and recuperate for another campaign. I do not wouch for the truth of this statement, but it is possible there is some-

MISCELLANEOUS.

New York, August 6-We learn that troops were suddenly sent up the river from New Orleans on the 25th.

their troops have gone there. A steamer from the upper Missouri reports that the Indians had made three attacks on Fort Deerhold but were repulsed. Gen. Sibley had left for Fort Rickhart, in the Sioux nation, where he expected to have an

Sr. Louis, Aug. 6-A dispatch from Fort Smith, Ark., says : The rebels under Cooper, 5,000 strong, with 12 pieces of artillery moved up yesterday with the intention of at-tacking Fort Smith. Thayer moved out and met the enemy a short distance from the

that leading Republicans are urging the President to give McClellan a command, and claiming that enlistments to the number of 100,000 will be secured in New York by his

Cairo, Aug. 6-The steamer Hellman report. that she was informed by stragglers yes-is the place near Osecola, between fight had taken place near Osecola, between 800 rebels under Bowen and the Federal forces in which the rebels were badly defeated. Besides the killed and wounded they lost a great many prisoners, a quantity of arms and all their equipage. Bowen is revigorous campaign on the Upper Potomac, ported to have been killed. No further parand are reinforcing Early strongly.

confirmed by official dispatches that three Navy Gazette, that the sailing vessels in the regiments of cavalry and two of infantry British navy will never be sent to sea again, there being 240 steamers in commission, man-ned by 45,000 men.

> The Madrid journals declare that the Chinchas are to be given up as seen as satisfaction for the Spanish claims is obtained

OUR LONDON LETTER. LONDON, July 2nd, 1864.

THE CONFERENCE. Telegraphic communication will have already told you that the Conference came to nothing, as I prognosticated it would. It was never anything else than a sham, and with those who were the most insincere in going into it, Lords Russell and Clarendon! unfortunately be classed

In the Danish imbroglio the name of Her Majesty has not been so generally mixed up the last fortnight; but it is well known that her feelings are still more in accord with Russia and Germany, than with Denmark, although she is said to have been heard to remark that she could not have supposed that the country of her eldest daughter's adoption would have pushed maters to such au extremity.

I shall tell you probably but stale news when intimate that the notorious Alabama, the dread of Federal America and the bug-bear with which her little children will for ages e come be terrified. lies

"In the deep waters of the ocean buried Why Capt. Semmes should have determined to fight the Kearsage is inexplicable. Nothing but pluck can be hazarded as a reason; for he must have known before he went out of Cherbourg harbor, that he was going to fight against immense odds, and that there was scarcely a possibility of his earrying his opponents by boarding—the only way he could hope to have conquered, seeing that both in weight of metal and speed she was so much his superior. Fortunate indeed was it for himself and such such of his crew that were saved, that Mr. Laneaster, the celebrated gun manufacturer, went out to see the fight in his yacht, the Deerhound, and that a few French boats followed his example. But for that, he might have been drowned or awang at the yardarm of the Kearsarge, which would have increased the shout of triumph with which the destruction of his ship will have by this time been hailed all through the Federal States. That the fight was fair, no one either here or n France believes. The armor defence of the Yankee steamer was purposely concealed Fort Hudson. After a sharp fight the rebels by their scantling; she was in thorough repair, and of greater weight of guns than the Alabama, which had no iron coating at all, was leaky, her bottom foul, and her guns of smaller calibre. Yet she was fought to the water's edge, and if Capt. Winslow would stick to truth rather than give way to bombast, and be more ready to admit the quality bast, and be more ready to admit the quality of his adversary than to boast at having sunk her, be less insolent in demanding as prisoners of war the men who escaped his tender mercies, and not quite so much inclined to "tall talk" as he is reported to have done and still to be doing in Paris, he must acknowledge had things been equal he might not now be in expectation of being looked upon—for a day or two—as the greatest na upon-for a day or two-as the greatest na-val commander of the age. He must, however, be careful what he is about in France. pondence; dated the 5th, says: The He has not Lords Russell and Palmerston division of our cavalry, under Gregg, there to deal with, and he may at a moment's way some distance. About noon the rebels attacked the rebel cavalry vigorously on the notice be ordered to quit, or stand a chance

next thing we may hear is that he is at Southampton, having been expelled from Cherbeurg. Should he make the same de-mand of Earl Russell what would he say? If he thought the country would stand it, he would consent to do all that Capt. Winslow insisted upon—and more! He would swagger and threaten—but he would in the end

say, "Take them, and hang them for what I care." Happily there is a British public yet, and they would have a word or two to say, were such a result to be even so much a PROSECUTION OF THE DANISH WAR. Scarcely was the ink of the Protocols dry,

ov the signature to which the conference terminated, than hostilities were recom terminated. The telegrams must have reached the Prussian commander at about midnight on Sunday morning, for at 6 or clock he opened fire upon the Danes, and continued to pour in shot and shell all that day, in order to prepare for the attack upon Alsen, out of which the Danes have since been driven. Jutland every point was it discovered what good use had been made of the armistics to further Alabama had gone down, took them into preparations for doing still further injury to a gallant but over-matched foe. During the whole week, the Danes have resisted gallantly, but they must eventually be beaten lantly, but they must eventually be beaten come on board the Kearsarge to surrender a out of the last position of the Schleswig such. If they should endeavor to free them territory. In the present temper of the selves from this obligation under cover of the German allies, the invasion of Denmark means which have been used for their esroper, will undoubtedly take place, which may move Louis Napoleon to throw off his another time. apparent indifference—I say apparent, be-cause I am as convinced as that I am now communicating with "the BRITISH COLONIST, that he has some arriers penses or other by which he intends to sanex territory to France, and to make capital for the increase of his own glory. De not be surprised therefore, should you hear, by telegram, before my next reaches you, that an army of obser vation is gathering towards the Rhine, the full force of which will be saunched at a moment when least of all expected by the great

The Queen continues in retirement, bu

seems to be gradually more inclined than

a week or two age to emerge from the gloom in which she surrounds herself. Last week she positively had a dinner-party at Windsor, followed by a concert, at which one or two of the leading celebrities of the day assisted. Since this event she has thrice been to town, and held a Court, and there is the promise of further intercourse with her people hairs. further intercourse with her people being editor and part proprietor of the Irish New forthcoming. On the first occasion of her and a married man, was found by his wi visit to London she also drove in an open who tracked him, in a room with a woman carriage by way of Hyde Park, when it was the Government House at a late hour most crowded, to the Great Western Rail- night. His wife burst in the door and cau way, being received with many cordial, but not veciferous demonstrations of respect.

The upper ten thousand," who thronged the cowhided the woman, who, with fear parks; are not usually vehement towards yells and screeches, alarmed the whole hou Majesty en anyloody else; but it was apparent enough that the gratification was as sued out a writ of habeas corpus to-day general as it was unexpected. The Prince the possession of his children.—Sac. Unit and Princes of Wales must indeed have a 28th.

weary life of it. Balls and operas, concerts and parties every night; visits in and out of town, at social gatherings, sham-fights, re-views, school speech deliveries, and a host of other entertainments, every day, are the constant order of things. They seem, however, not to be at all the worse for this constant wear and tear, which insures for them the good will of the community, amongst whom their popularity largely increases, if it does not improve their health. The manners of both are so condescending and affable, that love cannot fail to follow their steps where-

ever they go. THE REVENUE.

The quarter's return, made up to the end of ast month, shows an increase upon every taxable commodity, except those subject to customs' duty, and the income tax. The cry as to commercial prosperity was never, per-haps, louder, and this return serves to increase it. Nevertheless, cautious and farseeing observers dread anything like war, or even a dissolution, since speculation is quite as rife as it was in that dreadful year, 1846, and with the host of venturers affoat, the slightest unfavorable rumor would bring about a collapse, to the inevitable ruin of theus. ands. Not that anything like the crash which must soon happen in America, is to be anticipated, but a panic now in a week or two hence, of any sort or kind, would fall with consequences, the bare contemplation of which is terrible.

THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE. The Duke of Newcastle is still living, but he is reported to be in a most dangerous condition, so much so that his death may at any hour take place. His son-in-law, Lord Ernest Vane Tempest, died a day or two ago, but he was not sufficiently conscious for the tidings to be made known to him. Both Her Majesty and the Prince of Wales have again visited him, and are understood to have taken their leave of him with many indications of regret and regard.

Consols closed to-day—for money, 90% to 90%. For account, Aug. 9, 90% to 90%.

CALIFORNIA [DATES TO 6TH AUGUST.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4 .- James Fitzgerld, a soldier, was murdered this morning by Simon Kennedy, another soldier, at the bar-racks at Black Point. They were both shut up in the guard-house, when Kennedy stab-bed Fitzgerald with a bayonet.

Arrived-Russian steam corvettes Abrack and Calavela, twenty days from Hono-Capt. C. O. Wood has been ordered by

General McDowell to the command of Fort The California Insurance Company incorporated to-day: capital, \$200,000. D. C. McRuer, S. C. Elgelow, L. Stevens, W. C.

Miller, H. B. Ticknor, and Charles Main are One John R. Harrold was arrested at Gold Hill (N. T.), July 30th, for uttering

Talbot, J. J. Felk, William Norris, Albert

reasonable language.

The Fadrelandet of 29th June, says: According to later advices from Alsen it is be-lieved here (Cepenhagen) that the embarcation of all our troops has been successfully

The 18th regiment has displayed great

bravery. The Minister of Marine on the 30th June the "Kolf Krake," although very hotly eugaged was but slightly injured. A ship of war, a gunboat add two gun sloops, succeeded in making good their escape from the Alsen Sound, while one gun sloop and a jolly boat were blown up to avoid capture, the crews, however, being saved.

Afghanistan. Bombay, 9th June. (By Telegraph from Suez.) The Ameer of Afghanistan has defeated one of his brothers, who has fled into British

territory. The Ameer is now marching against his other brothers. CAPTAIN WINSLOW'S DEMAND UPON THE CONFEDERAE AGENT

[From the London Star.] U.S.S.S. 'KBARSARGE", ? To Monsieur Bonfils : Sir,-Certain p

cape, they must expect to meet with no mer JOHN A. WINSLOW,

THE REPLY.

To CAPTAIN JOHN A. WINSLOW: SIR,-I have received your letter of June 21. Your demand is one which I have no power whatever to entertain, and should have been ad-dressed to the French government, with whom these unfortunates have found a refage. I knew of no law of war to prevent soldier from escaping from the field of batt after a reverse, even although he had bet made prisoner, and I do not see why a sai who saves himself by swimming, should in a worse case. I must, therefore, refuse act as your go between toward certain ind viduals, whom you do not even name, bu whom you claim as prisoners. I cann moreover, understand how the authorities the United States can pretend to held pring anners in the territory of the French empire I am, etc.,

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Later Eastern Grant fighting Richmon

Special Despatches to Bri

Monticello, August Washington, Aug. 19—Corres Grant to the 16th, 6 p m, says: T North James River to day, resulte without any decisive result althou were driven back with considerabl and wounded, and forty prisoners. Rebel Generals Chamblin and G and their bodies left in our hands, of wounded This morning we a river. Our loss in killed and wou a thousand, many slightly owing Bnemy's loss very severe.

a thousand, many slightly owing Rnemy's loss very severe.

A dispatch from Sheridan dated 10 a m, reports that Merrill's C tacked yesterday at noon on the 1 Sheandoah, by G R Sfaw's divisivest's cerps, and Wickhams an rades of oavary. The enemy we 500 stands of arms, 24 officers, 27 Sheridan lost heavily in the front of Royal Point.

Great credit is due Generals Mc Col. Davenold Stanton.

WARRINGTON, Aug. 19—Letter of the Potomac at noon of the 1

A reconneisance sent out yes sched Fair Oaks, five miles di Boston, Aug. 11.—Report U. S. gunboat outside harbon NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 12.—7 Mobile arrived on the 11th.
prepared his fleet for action,
attack on Fort Morgan. It firing from the fleet. The vested wherever they got

upon. The rebels destroyed buildings, and burned the ressel lying under the guindicates a determination t Farragut demanded the u render of the fort. The rel munication by saying they provisions, and would resist

Granger in the rear cut the from the fort. WASHINGTON, Aug. 19 .-Sentinel of the 17th, contain Mobile, August 15 .- T five gunboats crossed the coming within two miles of The rebels opened fire for the batteries. No damage don One gunboat replied. Batte withdrew. Firing was hear

of Fort Morgan to-day.
The Mobile Register of Chambers whipped the ene Miss., capturing 25 prison WASHINGTON, August Shanandoah to-day is favor Sheridan is pushing Ear point at every encounter.

HAGRESTOWN, August 19t conflicting rumors from the ceived here to-day. Aver burg. No rebels in sight showed that they were m Shenandoah. Refugees ar intelligence of rebel advance SYRACUSE, August 18. addressed a mass meet the Chicago Convention for a suspension of a convention of the majo from the North-West come trine. This evening the was John B. Weller of C. viewed the history of th