

food, and cramp the industry of her people; that she loved every restriction from the one and every impediment calculated to obstruct the other.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.—The yearly emble of the British and Foreign Bible Society crowded ether Hall on Wednesday.

GRANTS TO DISSENTERS.—From a Parliamentary return issued, it appears that the State Grants to Dissenters amount to £947,940 16s. 4d.

REAR ADMIRAL ELLIOT (the brother of Lord Minto) is to be the new Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty.

CEYLON.—Sir Colin Campbell arrived in Ceylon on the 14th of April, and was immediately proclaimed Governor of the Island.

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The Colonial Herald.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 1841.

The United States and Colonial papers received during the present week, contain no news of importance whatever.

BOSTON, June 16.—Captain Miller, of the Acadia, can boast of performing what no man ever did before. He left Boston May 1st a passenger per Columbia steamer, remained 4 days in Liverpool, resumed the command of the Acadia, and was back again the 1st June.

PIRACY.—We have been favoured with the following tract from a letter dated Mobile, June 7th:—"A horrid act of piracy has been committed on a French vessel which sailed from New Orleans late in May for Bordeaux, with a number of passengers and specie. The vessel has been scoured, all sail set; the decks covered with blood and 300 on board."

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SCANDALOUS.—In order to show our readers what scandalous reports originate among evil disposed persons, and generally believed by the credulous to be true, concerning the ill-fated President, we give the following as an example, taken from the Portland "Advertiser," which is going the rounds of the American papers.

LOSS OF THE PRESIDENT CONFIRMED.—Advertiser Office, Portland, June 2. We received by a gentleman who came in the Eastern Stage to-night, a slip from the office of the Bangor Whig, which contains the following intelligence:

We received by to-night's mail, the following from the Eastport Sentinel, dated May 31, 1841.

Capt. Henry, who left St. John, N. B. on Saturday evening, reports, that the Collector of St. John received information on Saturday that Captain Roberts and sixteen men of the Steamer President, had arrived at the eastward—but at what place Captain Henry did not ascertain.

One report stated Newfoundland, and another Prince Edward Island. It is stated that the steamer struck an iceberg and immediately went down, carrying every one down on board but the watch on deck. It is further stated that Captain Roberts and the persons saved were among the ice bergs for four days, and were picked up by a vessel and carried in.

Captain Henry says the news is implicitly believed in St. John. Knowing the extreme anxiety of the public regarding this ill-fated vessel, we deem it proper to impart the above report by the earliest opportunity.

We need only inform the Portland Advertiser, that no such news was ever received at St. John.—St. John paper.

The Rev. Lord Augustus Fitz Clarence (brother to the Viscountess Falkland) came passenger in the Columbia, and is now, we believe, residing at Government House, with his distinguished relatives.—Halifax Journal, June 21.

Her Majesty's ship Vestal has brought 700,000 dollars for the Commissariat Departments in Bermuda and North America. She sails for Quebec in a few days.—Ibid.

The Royal Mail Steam packet Acadia, Capt. Miller, arrived on Friday morning last from Boston, and sailed again in the afternoon for Liverpool, with about 70 passengers.—Times, June 22.

MELANCHOLY.—We witnessed a poor deranged stranger from P. E. Island removed to the Poor Asylum yesterday, from the street, the lower side of the Province Building, where he had fallen down in a state of utter exhaustion. On his worship the Mayor being made acquainted with the case, he ordered the unfortunate man to be immediately cared for, and the City Marshal, assisted by the City Constable, Mills, lost no time in having the poor fellow carefully taken to the Poor's House.—Herald, June 23.

DESPATCH.—Such is the efficiency of the Mining Company's works, that notwithstanding the immense number of arrivals for some time past, vessels are loaded with almost incredible despatch. A few days since, two American brigs arrived at half-past 3 o'clock, p. m., and were loaded at half past 10 o'clock, a. m., next day. Two schooners—one of them large—went up to the loading ground, received their cargo, and returned with the same tide! The Company are shipping 500 chaldrons per day.—Pictou Mechanic & Farmer, June 23.

The Trinity Board of Quebec passed resolutions on the 26th of May, highly complimentary to Captain Bayfield, who had been engaged in marine Surveys in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The Board also declared their regret at the expected departure of Captain Bayfield. A suitable answer was returned.

We are informed that the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel have appointed the Rev. Mr. Panter and the Rev. Mr. Roche to stations in this Island: it is likely that one of these gentlemen will go to Georgetown, and the other to New London. The Society are also in treaty with another gentleman. A grant of money has been obtained for a Church to be erected in Rustico.—Gaz.

Agreeable to a Requisition, numerous and respectfully signed, and addressed to A. Macdonald, Esq., for the purpose of calling a Meeting, to take into consideration the accounts of the Assessors for Georgetown, for the year 1840, a public meeting was held in the Court House, and the following Resolutions adopted:—

Resolved, That this Meeting do appoint a deputation of three persons, to call on Messrs. Thomson and Byrne, as Treasurer and Collector for the last year, to request them to deliver up all Books, Papers and Moneys in their possession, respecting the Assessment of Georgetown.

In accordance with the above Resolution, Messrs. W. Mackay, A. P. Taylor and William Sanderson having waited on Messrs. Thomson and Byrne, reported, that Mr. Byrne had given them an account of the balance of Assessment money in the Collector's possession, and that Mr. Thomson, in an insulting manner, refused to comply with their request. Whereupon, it was—

Resolved, That the present Assessors be instructed to institute an action against John Thomson, Esq., for the recovery of said Moneys, Books and Papers.

Resolved, That A. Macdonald, Esq., be requested to hand over to the present Treasurer of the Georgetown Assessment, the amount of Fine imposed on John Thomson, Esq., for an act of trespass, in removing one of the town pumps.

Whereas John Thomson, Esq., having thrown aspersions on a communication which appeared in the Colonial Herald, signed Roderick Campbell: Therefore, Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Meeting, that the said communication was called for, and that the statements contained therein are facts.

The thanks of the Meeting having been tendered to the Chairman, A. Macdonald, Esq., for his impartial conduct in the Chair, the Meeting broke up.

A. MACDONALD, Chairman, E. STIGGINS, Secretary.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COLONIAL HERALD.

Sir; Being an inhabitant of this town, and one who is desirous to forward its local improvement, I cannot forbear censuring the conduct of the Overseer appointed to superintend the performance of the Statute Labour of this season, in the precinct south of Queen's Square—well aware that nearly the amount of Twenty Pounds in cash has been paid to him as commutation-money; and also aware that several individuals personally performed their Statute Labor in said precinct, as required. Such resources, if properly applied, one would imagine, were more than sufficient to put the streets, shores, and bridges in said precinct in the most ample repair; in place of which, the streets have been so cut up and otherwise injured, that in many places such has rendered them almost impassable, particularly vehicles, even if moderately laden; and the bridges, in place of being repaired, as usual, have been wholly removed by the Overseer; thereby the want of their convenience is much felt at present, and before the Fall sets in, the drains intersecting Queen's-street, will become a source of the greatest inconvenience to the public.

With the present Commissioner of this District, I presume, no fault can be found, as I understand that the Overseer in question has been appointed by his predecessor in office; but the public have a right to expect that such an investigation will be instituted in the matter in question as will tend to redress the evils complained of, by making good the damage done to the highways, either by an individual compensation, or by having recourse to the Colonial resources for that purpose.

I am, Sir, Yours, &c., OPPIDAMUS.

June 18th, 1841.

TEMPERANCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COLONIAL HERALD.

Sir; A short time since, a Temperance Society was formed at Mill River, New London, by the Rev. Philip James, called the New London Branch of the Charlottetown Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Temperance Society. The pledge and Rules are the same as those of the parent institution. The Office-bearers for the current year, are Mr. John Taylor, President and Treasurer; Mr. William Hacker, Secretary.

COMMITTEE:

Messrs. John Ash, John Page, John Holmes, James Banks, R. C. Wigmore, William Fyffe, Alexander Fyffe.

We held a meeting on the 14th inst., of an entertaining nature, and had an accession of members to our little flock.

I am, Sir, Yours, with respect, RICHARD COTTON.

New London, June 15th, 1841.

Launched,

On the 16th inst., from the Shipyard of Mr. John Todvin, Murray Harbour, a Schooner called the Trial, about 80 tons register.

On the 17th inst., from the Shipyard of Mr. George Bollum, a superior built Barque, called the Arab, 260 tons, built for Mr. R. Ellis.

On the same day, from the Shipyard of Messrs. Orr, New Glasgow, a fine copper-fastened Schooner, called the Fenella, 191 tons, new measurement.

On Monday last, from the ship-yard of Messrs. Woodside & Marquand, at Murray Harbour, for Mr. John Davis, jun. of Charlottetown, the Brig Robert Morrow, 272 tons old and 232 tons new measurement. The model and workmanship of this vessel reflect great credit upon the builder, Mr. Joseph Woodside.

Passengers, In the Pocahontas, from Pictou, on Monday—Right Rev. B. D. Macdonald, R. C. Bishop of Charlottetown; Mr. Usher, of the Commissariat Department; Rev. John Scott, of Halifax; Miss Stewart; Mr. P. Neill.

In do. from do., yesterday—Messrs. Quin, Sutherland, Franklin, Weatherbe, and five in the steerage.

PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN.

Schooner Jane, Farrell, Sydney; 10 bls. Mackerel, 20 chaldrons Coals, &c.

Coals, &c. Cousins, M' Rae, Halifax; ballast. Elizabeth, Collins, Fishing Voyage; 300 bls. Pickled Fish. Sovereign, Lutes, Pictou; 44 chaldrons Coals, &c. Sarah, Curtis, Fishing Voyage; 200 bls. Pickled Fish. Trial, Macdonald, Miramichi; ballast. Phoenix, Nicholson, St. John's, N. F.; 40 bls. Pickled Fish. Cygnnet, Walsh, do.; 31 bls. do. &c. Commix, Stewart, Miramichi; 14,000 feet Boards, &c.

CLEARED.

Schooner Alert, Macintosh, Miramichi; 1100 bus. Potatoes, &c. Cousins, M' Rae, Dolhouse; 900 bus. Potatoes, 200 do Oats. Sally, Gillis, Halifax; 700 bus. Oats, 400 do. Potatoes. Spurlation, Wood, do.; 900 bus. Potatoes, 500 do. Oats, 100 bls. Oatmeal, Household Furniture, &c. Defiance, Stewart, Bay Chaleur; 1000 bus. Potatoes. Nora Creina, Robinson, Pictou; ballast. Catherine, Smith, St. John's, N. F.; 40,000 feet Boards. Regulator, Hayley, St. John, N. B.; 1800 bus. Potatoes.

COLVILLE BAY.

June 11—Schr. Success, Le Blanc, Halifax; Goods—to Messrs. Macdonald & Walker. 16—Lady, Deagle, do.; do.—to Messrs. Munn, M'Intyre and others.

CLEARED.

June 14—Schr. Caroline, Bourke, Halifax; 700 bus. Potatoes, 300 do. Oats.

PORT OF BEDEQUE.

June 18—Brig Hope, Jones, St. John's, N. F.; ballast. 20—Schr. Margaret, Le Claire, Miramichi; Goods. Eliza, M'Fadyen, Bathurst; do. 22 Dolphin, Simpson, Shediac; 5 passengers.

Ship News.

Sailed yesterday, H. M. Brig Ringdove, Hon. Capt. Stewart, on a cruise in the gulf. Portlanden, May 16.—Put in, the brig Alpha, of Prince Edward Island, from Liverpool, G. B., bound to Newport—to sail again in a few days.

The Shannon, Collins, from Liverpool, G. B., bound to Prince Edward Island, put into Kinsale, about the 31st May, very leaky.

DIED.

At Utica, N. Y. on the 19th ultimo, Mr. John W. Greenwood, of Halifax, N. S. aged 31 years.

To the Electors of the Second District of Prince County.

WITHOUT my asking a single suffrage, you made me a Member of the House of Assembly. At the hustings I acknowledged myself honoured by such an election, and I trust I have not violated what procured it—your confidence that I would be steadfast to your interests and instructions. To many whom, from time to time, I have since met, it has been my endeavour to give as clear an account of our procedure, and of the helps and hindrances to the popular cause, as time permitted. As, however, I have had no opportunity of seeing the greater part, and as, by means of the Press, I can at once address all, it seemed proper to adopt that medium of communication; and it is now especially necessary, as a Petition has been printed and put in circulation, for signatures, containing, I admit, some truths, but also much misrepresentation, and some downright falsehood. "Well," says one, "this is all very fairly expressed, and we know that Petition to be a trap, but what have you done? The land is not yet free, nor have these proprietary claimants been brought even to reduce their extortions; they are at this time seeking from £5 to £7, sterling, of rent, per 100 acres, where they have not right to one shilling." All true, my friends—to your loss and sorrow, and also to mine; but if my speaking and writing within the bounds of this Island could have procured you relief by this time, be assured I have exerted myself, and would have done more, if the majority of the House would have sanctioned such procedure. "Admitted," says another; "we believe you have been sufficiently zealous; but tell us what mainly interests us—how stands the matter at this present time?" At this present time we have the promise of the Colonial Minister, made last Summer in the House of Commons, that he will take measures for the relief of the grievance as to the tenure of land; we have his despatch to the Lieutenant Governor, stating that he has written the Proprietary Association, to state on what terms they will sell their lands to the Government; we have the acknowledgment of the Legislative Council of this Island, in their Petition to the Queen, that if the Government would purchase the lands of the Proprietors, on such terms as that these could be sold out for reasonable prices to settlers, it would be conferring on this Colony the greatest boon it could receive; we have the published opinion of the late Earl of Durham, that though in some other Colonies, Escheat might be barred by long continued, silent indulgence on the part of Government, yet, in regard to the Grants of this Island, there was nothing that could be pleaded, either at law or in equity, to prevent the Government from Escheating wherever the conditions had not been complied with; and we have the fact, that though the Court of Escheat appears to have been in abeyance in Nova Scotia for many years, it is, within eighteen months from last April, to be put in full force. In addition to these, we have the advance of liberal measures in the mother country, and the far more rapid advance of knowledge and of liberal opinions there, and in all the Colonies, within the last ten years. "But," I am asked by a third, "how long ought we to persevere?" That is indeed a question which every one must answer, from communing with himself. I would ask him, "How much worse are you, owing to your having striven to do away with the extortion, and injustice, and almost criminal irregularity, practised towards the inhabitants? How much better will any of you be, if, at the next election, a majority of Proprietary Claimants, Agents, or persons inclined or pledged to support their forfeited claims, should be returned?" One may answer, "Yes, I will be somewhat advantaged by such an event; for if I give my vote for such, perhaps he may deduct 30s. or 40s. from the arrears of rent, which he claims—perhaps £5; and certainly he will not distract on me immediately after election." But, think you that he means to throw away this abatement, or not to have interest for delaying his exaction? This you will be able to answer when you consider every one the character of the man with whom he has to deal, and the general conduct of that party for the last twenty or thirty years—aye, ever since the Island had one of the tribe in its bounds. And they would not increase expenditure—they would not create new offices, and, of course, would not increase taxation! Go over the party, and consider their modes of livelihood—their connections—their principles. Look how the Legislative Council voted in respect to the addition demanded to His Excellency's allowance. "Aye," says another, "all very good; but has this House done anything it ought? Has it not done some things which it should not have agreed to, even if recommended from another quarter?" In my next, I'll endeavour to answer these last queries. "I'll give him something else to do, says—; I'll paint him as black as ink can make him." My friends, many of you know how I have behaved for several years in the District, and therefore it is unnecessary that I should refute every anonymous accusation, dictated by misunderstanding, or, perhaps, by what is worse—by malice. If any man of decent character will put his name to any weighty charge against me, as your Representative, it will then be worth consideration. Meantime, I remain, Your obedient servant, ALEXANDER RAE.

AUCTIONS.

TO BE SOLD, by Public Auction, on MONDAY NEXT, the 25th inst., at the Court House, Charlottetown, at the hour of Twelve o'clock, TOWN LOTS Nos. Thirty-eight and Thirty-nine, in the First Hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown, fronting on King's, Pownal and Dorchester Streets, divided into Building Lots, according to a Plan to be seen on application to the subscriber, being property of the late Benjamin Evans, Esq. S. DESBRISAY.

DISTRICT No. 1—North Section. I HEREBY give Notice, that I will, on Monday the 5th day of July, at 12 o'clock, set up and sell by Auction, to the lowest bidder, the opening the Main Western Road—commencing at Hill's Mills. There are £400 granted for the above Road under the Road compensation Act. JAMES WARBURTON, Commissioner. Lot 11, June 3, 1841.

To Be Sold At Auction, COMMENCING AT HILL'S MILLS, on Monday the 5th day of July, at the hour of 12 o'clock, forenoon, the making of a new line of Road from Hill's Mills to the Portage, Lot 1, Tignish. The road to be let in distances to suit bidders—and Security required for the due performance of each contract. JAMES WARBURTON, Commissioner. Lot 11, June 7th, 1841.

WHARF AT GRAND RIVER. THE Subscriber will let by Auction, to the lowest bidder, on the spot, on Wednesday, the Seventh day of July next, at the hour of Three o'clock, afternoon, the building of several Blocks and Bridges for a Wharf to be erected at Banks Shore, Grand River. Security will be required for the fulfilment of the work, and a plan and specification thereof exhibited at the time of sale. THOMAS OWEN. June 23, 1841.

VALUABLE BOOKS. THE Subscriber will Sell by Auction, on Wednesday, the 14th day of July next, at his Book Room, in Queen Square, One hundred Volumes valuable BOOKS, Standard English Editions. Catalogues may be had on the day previous. SOLOMON DESBRISAY.

At New London, A SMALL assortment of new DRY GOODS and HARDWARE—imported by Mr. Duncan Maclean, New London, from England, via Miramichi—will be Sold by Auction, at his House, on Thursday, the 8th July next, at 10 o'clock, precisely. GEORGE ANDERSON, Licensed Auctioneer. June 22d, 1841.

PETITION to the QUEEN being in circulation through the Colony, to which some influential gentlemen are busy in soliciting the signatures of many to whom their solicitations are very much in the nature of a command, because, whoever refuses his signature may look for as much of the rigour of the law in all after times as such gentry can put in force—and said Petition containing some opprobrious falsehoods, in regard to the conduct of the majority of the House of Assembly, and ending in praying for certain measures which will tend to destroy the rights of the people—it is therefore requested, that the calumniated—that is, the liberal Members of the House of Assembly—will meet in Charlottetown on Wednesday, the 14th July next, to determine on such proceedings as may be thought necessary. June 15, 1841.

THE Subscriber being about to close his business in this Island, requests all persons indebted to him to make payment on or before the 10th July next. All persons having any claims against him, will please to send in their Accounts, for adjustment. R. PEARSE. Georgetown, June 21, 1841.

NEW, CHEAP AND FASHIONABLE GOODS, For 1841. GEORGE HEARD begs leave most respectfully to inform the Ladies and Gentlemen of Charlottetown, and the Island in general, that he has just received, ex Barque Em. B. Heard, a choice and well-selected assortment of British Merchandise,

which has been selected by the proprietor's father, in the best English markets, and which is now ready for inspection, at the Store lately occupied by Mr. White, Printer, Queen-street, the door above Mr. Gates', Saddler, consisting of—Mouslin de Laines, best London Prints, Saxons, Silk, Satin, Crape, Gauze and Cotton Handkerchiefs and Shawls, Simister's Patent wove elastic Stays and Gentlemen's Braces, Merinos, Orleans, Lasting, silk, cotton and kid Gloves, ladies' and gentlemen's silk and cotton Stockings, French Parasols and Artificial, Lace Veils, ladies' dress and bonnet Caps, Straw, Dunstable, Leghorn, Velvet, Silk and other Bonnets, Bed Furniture Cottons, Lining Cottons of various colours, Christy's London Hats and Caps, of all descriptions, gentlemen's Cravats and Stocks, Silk Velvet, of various colours, Doeskins, Moleskins, Broad Cloths, Beaverette, Trimmings of almost every sort, Book Muslin Handkerchiefs, French Lawn do., Book, Mull, Jaconet and Figured Muslins, a rare assortment of French Worked Collars, Capes, Habit Shirts, Bodies for Children's Frocks, Toys of every sort, a few superior silver-keyed German Flutes, a few dozen cane-seat London Chairs; Leather, consisting of Sole, Calf, Cordovan, Sheep, Morocco and Seal Skins, Steel Pens, Black Lead Pencils, Blanketing, Serges, Paint Brushes, Oils and Paints of all sorts, Groceries of all descriptions, Bar Iron of all sizes, a large assortment of Ironmongery, Cutlery, a few superior Turkey Oil Stones still on hand, and a variety of other articles, too numerous to mention. The whole will be sold Cheap for Cash. Charlottetown, 23d June, 1841.

LONDON PORTER and BROWN STOUT for Sale, by the bottle or dozen. CHARLES DEMPSEY. Charlottetown, June 26th, 1841.

WOOL. THREE hundred pounds superior WOOL for Sale by GEORGE BEER, Sen. Charlottetown Royalty, June 25th, 1841.

STRAYED from Charlottetown, a few weeks since, a small Black COW, about 4 years old, taking with her a Bull Calf, about 6 weeks old. The Calf is of a red colour, with white spots, and had a piece of rope tied round its neck. They were seen, a short time since, on the St. Peter's Road, about a mile from town. Whoever will bring them to the Herald Office will be rewarded for his trouble. June 23.

WANTED—A steady, active LAD, about 14 years of age, as an Apprentice to the Printing Business. Inquire at this Office.

BLANK Bills of Exchange, Charter Parties, Seamen's Articles, Bills of Lading, Manifests, Powers of Attorney, Court Subpoenas, Apprentices' Indentures, a variety of Magistrates' Blanks, &c. for sale at the Office of the Colonial Herald.

WANTED, to Charter for Bermuda, a Vessel of from 80 to 100 tons burthen, to load with Produce in the Hillsborough, about the beginning of October. A liberal Freight will be paid. Application to be made to Peter Macgowan, Esq., Charlottetown, or to Mr. Francis Kelly, Fort Augustus. E. THORNTON. Three Rivers, June 23, 1841.

FOR SALE—A SCHOONER, of 120 Tons, now building at St. Peter's, and to be launched in about six weeks. For particulars, apply to Capt. Pearse, Georgetown, or to Mr. Theophilus Webster, the Builder, Saint Peter's. June 25, 1841.