

PARTICULARS OF THE DISASTER ON LAKE ERIE.

One Hundred and Seventy-eight lives lost.

We have received from a gentleman who came a passenger in one of the steamboats which arrived here from Albany...

The steamer Erie, commanded by Captain Titus, left Buffalo on Monday afternoon, at half-past three o'clock...

A carboy containing varnish was broken about 8 o'clock in the boiler deck, having either burst with the heat...

The number of passengers is matter of conjecture only. Several persons had staid over to go on board of the steamboat...

Few of the passengers, when driven by the flames into the lake, had time to take with them any thing to support them in the water.

Twelve of the passengers of the ill-fated ship, William Brown—11 females and 1 boy—arrived at Baltimore on Friday of last week.

The Colonial Herald.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 1841.

The Halifax papers received yesterday are chiefly filled with extracts from papers received, by the last English Mail...

We have no news of any consequence this week, either from Canada or the United States.

MONTREAL, August 10.

DEPARTURE OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.—The present Governor General leaves this colony almost immediately for England.

HALIFAX, Aug. 27.

WEST INDIA STEAMERS.—These vessels will shortly be put into employment; their visits to this port will commence in November next.

CASCUMPEQUE TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

This Society was formed last February, by the Rev. Sylvanus P. Perry. The postulants taking the following Pledge:—

After divine service was performed, the whole congregation took the pledge, (with very few exceptions), being about three hundred.

Rev. Sylvanus E. Perry, President; Mr. Maurice O'Connor, Vice President; James H. Fitzgerald, Secretary.

COMMITTEE—John Kilbride, Edward O'Connor, Patrick Murphy, Dominic Gallant, Gilbert Gallant, Simon Gallant, and Joseph Perry.

Resolved, That the Committee do meet the first Sunday in every month, to hear evidence, and to treat in general on the moral principles of the Society.

Resolved, That a quarterly detailed report of the state of the Society for the preceding three months, shall be drawn out, for information of the Society in general.

Resolved, That if a violation of the pledge shall be regularly substantiated against a member, the Secretary shall affix a cross to the delinquent's name.

Resolved, That the Committee have no power vested in themselves to reprimand the delinquent; still it is their duty to admonish him or her, in a mild manner, and to explain the nature of the sacrifice committed.

Resolved, That the President is the only officer of the Society who is invested with power to call a member to order, in case of iniquity.

Resolved, That the members of this Society shall not entertain imity, or hostile feelings, towards such as may differ with them in opinion; on the contrary, they are to cultivate a good understanding with all; and repeat every day a *Pater Noster*, and *Ave Maria*, for their conversion; and for the good success of a sacred and solemn cause that they have of their own free will accord pledged themselves to support, advocate, and keep in-olate.

Resolved, That the members of this Society do entertain good fellowship and communion with each other; and conduct their lives within the strictest bounds of propriety, integrity and humility, in order that they may enjoy a full participation of the blessings which, through the inscrutable decrees of providence they are entitled to, for their espousing, upholding and advocating a righteous cause of temperance.

After the foregoing were adopted—the Committee entered into the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That a fund be raised for the purchase of medals or cards, and for the general benefit of the Society, viz: for aritable purposes.

Resolved, That Mr. James H. Fitzgerald do act as Treasurer and corresponding Secretary.

Resolved, That the Annual Subscription of members be three shillings, currency.

Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting are eminently due, to the Rev. Sylvanus E. Perry, for the active interest he has manifestly evinced in the formation of Temperance Societies throughout the sphere of his spiritual jurisdiction, number acting upon Temperance principles being over a usand.

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Resolved, That the Proprietors of the Royal Gazette and Colonial Herald, be respectfully requested to give publicity to the foregoing proceedings.

After giving three cheers to the Rev. Father Mathew, the Irish Apostle of Temperance, the meeting separated, very well pleased with their day's proceedings; and with a full determination never again during their lives to step outside the bounds of Temperance.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting, JAMES H. FITZGERALD, Secretary and Treasurer.

[FOR THE COLONIAL HERALD]

A CHAPTER FROM THE CHRONICLES OF THE REIGN OF AUGUSTUS.

IT came to pass in the reign of Augustus, that a decree went out to the Commissioners of Roads, that all the dogs should be taxed: Ye shall choose fit and proper persons out from among the abjects, and command them that they go forth unto all the people, and gather the tax.

2 Then Mark, an abject, said unto Peter the Commissioner, Lo and behold, thus saith the decree: Thou shalt choose a fit and proper person from among the abjects, to gather the tax.

3 Now, here am I, as good an abject as thy heart can desire, therefore will I gather the tax.

4 Then Peter the Commissioner answered, and said unto him, I pray thee, Mark, return unto thy farm, for it is not meet that the tax should be required here in the country; but let them which dwell in the cities, and give unto their dogs that meat which should feed the poor and the downcast, let them, I say, pay the tax.

5 And Mark answered and said unto Peter the Commissioner, Lo, is it not thus written? and if thou dost not choose me to gather the tax, then will I complain unto Augustus, and thou shalt be no longer Commissioner.

6 Then answered Peter the Commissioner, and said, Lo, thou constrainest me! therefore do I choose thee to gather the tax: Go, then, and do according to the decree, that the desire of thine heart may be fulfilled. Then went Mark his way.

7 And in process of time, Mark came unto Thomas the son of James, unto Alexander the son of Charles, unto Archibald the Rich, unto Robert the Elder, unto Patrick the Childless, and unto divers others, and said unto them, Pay me the tax which the decree ordereth, yea, pay instantly unto me, the collector, the sum set forth in the decree.

8 But Alexander the son of Charles and Thomas the son of James, Archibald the Rich, Robert the Deacon and Patrick the Childless, gave no heed unto Mark, and would not pay the tax.

9 Then went Mark the Collector unto Robert the Judge, and said unto him, Thus shalt thou do:

10 Thou shalt summon Alexander the son of Charles, Thomas the son of James, Archibald the Rich, Robert the Elder and Patrick the Childless, to appear before thee, and thou shalt give judgment against them for the tax.

11 And Robert the Judge answered and said unto him, Thou sayest well; so shall it be done unto them: yea, and as thy soul liveth, more also. And he summoned them.

12 And it came to pass that, according to the summons, Alexander the son of Charles, Thomas the son of James, Archibald the Rich, Robert the Deacon, and Patrick the Childless, appeared before Robert the Judge on the last day of the week, even Saturday, which was the third day of the month.

13 Then spake Robert the Judge, and said unto them, Why have ye not paid your tax, as the decree of Augustus commanded you to do?

14 Then answered Alexander the son of Charles, and said, Thus saith the decree, Ye shall be judged after the fashion of those who owe small debts, and do not pay them: therefore, verily thou hast not given us sufficient notice, seeing we have had but four days instead of six.

15 Then answered Robert the Judge, and said, This plea avail-eth nought.

16 Then again spake Alexander the son of Charles, The decree saith the tax shall be paid on the first day of the month, and Mark did not seek it till the tenth day thereof.

17 And Robert the Judge answered and said, Neither doth this plea avail thee aught: therefore do I give judgment that ye shall pay the tax, and a fine of one pound, because ye did not subscribe and give to Mark the Collector that return which the decree says ye shall give.

18 Then spake Thomas the son of James and said, As God liveth, and as thy soul liveth, O Judge, Mark the Collector did not seek the return; And so said they all.

19 And the Judge answered and said, Is not my judgment given, and is it not like the laws of the Medes and Persians?

20 Then said they all, We appeal unto the Supreme Judge, even unto the Chief Judge of the land.

21 But Robert the Judge answered and said, We will not grant you this appeal, my judgment is given: Augustus may say unto me, Thou shalt be no longer Judge, but I care not. To your tents, O Israel. And so they departed.

22 Then went Alexander the son of Charles unto Edward the Scribe, and said unto him, Thus hath it happened unto us.

23 Will thou draw us up our petition and memorial unto Augustus, that we may receive justice at his hand?

24 And Edward the Scribe answered and said, I will, but do thou give the facts and circumstances, and these will I put into a memorial, which Archibald the Rich shall present at the judgment seat of Augustus.

25 Then he wrote the memorial, and it was presented, and Augustus said, This thing will I do: I will call together my wise men, and the elders whom I have chosen from among the people to be my counsellors, and they will render unto you that justice which they shall deem meet.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COLONIAL HERALD.

SIR; Much has been written and spoken on the subject of Education during these few years past; and happy it is for the world that in every country, Prince Edward Island alone excepted, men of education and respectability interest themselves in its promotion. But here those who are entrusted with its fostering care throw every obstacle in the way of its advancement. The House of Assembly, after sitting many days in consultation on the subject, deliberately concluded to degrade the profession by lowering the salary of the teachers, and by this means prevented many young men of promising talents from pursuing their studies, seeing that no confidence can be placed in the Government which one year raises qualifications and wages, and next year deprives them not only of the little pittance they had given, but degrades them in the eyes of the public, by giving them to believe that they do not consider them worthy of what they had. It is to be hoped, however, that the public generally have taken notice of the liberality of these noble preservers of the public purse, by the large reductions made from their own pockets. But if not hitherto noticed, I hope they will remember it at a future, but fast approaching day.

This, however, is not all. Through the blindness of these lawmakers, the Board of Education may and have, with impunity, more than once, called teachers from every quarter of the Island, to examine them; and after some of them had travelled upwards of sixty miles, at an expense, no doubt, of from thirty to forty shillings of their poor wages, and a loss to their employers of a week of their services, they had to return home without being examined, and abandon all hopes of receiving the small pittance granted from the Treasury, or return, at the same troublesome and expensive rate of travelling, a second and perhaps a third time, with equal uncertainty of meeting a quorum of these learned gentry, though they are paid at the rate of twenty shillings for sitting two or three hours—and all this, I repeat, by the blindness of a majority of the House of Assembly, who spoiled the former Act and made perfect nonsense of the present.

These remarks will undoubtedly be attributed to some disappointed candidate. I deny it; but I acknowledge (though sometimes to my sorrow) that it may be attributed to

AN OBSERVER OF PASSING EVENTS.

Observation Cottage, 16th Aug., 1841.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COLONIAL HERALD.

SIR; Permit me, through your valuable columns, to caution the public generally against the aggression of some of your Charlottetown "upper crust folks." Whenever they see any neatly fitted up vehicle, provided with guns, &c. let them lock up their dogs, or muzzle their mouths, otherwise they must abide by the consequences.

A few days ago, a party, consisting of two young Gentlemen, were travelling the eastern part of King's County, and, on passing along homeward, shot two dogs belonging to two respectable farmers, for having the audacity to bark as they went along; and a little afterwards, while passing the

house of another gentleman, they took a deliberate aim at a little cur that was barking at the gate, with their two guns, and fired at the offensive little animal; but from the diminutiveness of the creature he escaped their wrath.

If any of the killed dogs were mine, I think I should be inclined to put my forefinger in requisition, and make those gentry feel a little of that punishment which they were so ready to inflict on their fellow creatures.

These lines, I trust, will also serve to teach the simple farmers to distinguish between the "upper crust" and common folks.

Yours, in haste, A SYMPATHIZER.

King's County, Aug. 12, 1841.

A Mackerel was taken a little to the northward of Darnley, a few days since, and brought in by one of the fishing boats, which measured 10 feet in length, and 8 in circumference.

PASSENGERS.

In the Castle Tioram, from St. John's, N. F.—Capt. Edward Dyer, Capt. Furneaux and Dr. Sterling.

In the Pocolontas, from Pictou, at Georgetown, on Monday last—Mr. and Mrs. Gales; Messrs. Anderson, P. Walker, and D. Beaton; Mrs. G. Coles, Mrs. Mawley, Mrs. Wightman, Mrs. Clow; two Misses Lowden—3 in the steerage.

In do. from do., at Charlottetown, yesterday—Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie; Messrs. Lippencott, R. B. Bogs—2 in the steerage.

PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN.

ENTERED.

Schooner Castle Tioram, Macdonald, St. John's, N. F.; Goods.

George Henry, Shellnutt, Halifax; do.

Walton, Moore, Sydney; Coals.

Sloop Teaser, Weatherbe, Pictou; do.

CLEARED.

Schooner Messenger, Furgison, Pictou; ballast.

Brothers, Turnbull, Newfoundland; 10 head Cattle, 10,000 feet Boards.

Virgin Lass, Jones, Miramichi; ballast.

Jane, Farrell, Pictou; 50 qts. Codfish, &c.

George Henry, Shellnutt, do; ballast.

Lady Clements, Pine, Fishing Voyage.

Speculation, Wood, Dalhousie; 23 head Cattle, &c.

Brig Minerva, Gorvin, Bideford; 136 tons Birch Timber, 16 Spars, 7 cords Lathwood—by G. Heard.

MALPEQUE.

ENTERED.

Schooner Elizabeth, Mackay, Pictou; Coals.

Fame, Thomson, Miramichi; Goods.

Spray, Baker, St. John, N. B.; do.

CLEARED.

Schooner Harriet, Watts, Harbour Briton, N. F.; 12 head Cattle, 20 Sheep.

Theresa Jane, Paton, Cork; Timber, Spars, Oar Rafter and Lathwood.

COLVILLE BAY.

ENTERED.

Schooner William, McVane, Halifax; Goods.

Success, Le Blanc, St. John's, N. F.; ballast.

CLEARED.

Schooner William, Flynn, St. John's, N. F.

Arrived, on Tuesday morning last, H. M. S. Crocodile, Capt. Milne, from Halifax. Sailed again this morning.

The Ship John Bromham, Barrett, Master, sailed on Wednesday last, from Georgetown, for Plymouth, with a cargo of Timber, Deals, &c.—by the Hon. J. Peake.

MARRIED.

On the 20th ult. at Hmley, Staffordsire, by the Rev. William Dalton, A. M., T. D. ARCHIBALD, Esq., of the Middle Temple, son of the Hon. S. G. W. Archibald, LL.D. of Halifax, Nova Scotia, to Sarah, only daughter of Richard Smith, Esq. of Hmley

DIED.

At Savage Harbour, on Sunday last, Benjamin Coffin, Esq. Mr. Coffin was for many years a Representative for King's County, in the Assembly, and has been for the last forty years in the Commission of the Peace.

At Georgetown, yesterday morning, Aretas James, infant son of W. B. Aitken, Esq., aged 7 months.

At Crief, on the 15th ult. Flora MacDonald, in her 100th year. She was a native of Kintail, in Rossshire, but has resided in Crief district for nearly half a century. She possessed not a word of the English language, and her Gaelic was almost obsolete—those even of her own county not well understanding her.

TEMPERANCE.

A PUBLIC MEETING of the Auxiliary Temperance Society will be held on Monday evening next, at half-past 7 o'clock, in the Court House, when the Rev. Mr. Dimmock, from Nova Scotia, will deliver an address.

A Collection will be taken in aid of the funds. GEO. MOORE, Secretary.

WHEREAS one Alexander Davidson, representing himself to be the Agent of W. M. Allan, of Halifax, has notified the debtors of the late firm of W. Mackay & Co., of Georgetown and Souris, that the amount of their respective debts are to be paid to him, as Agent of the said W. M. Allan, under an Assignment, said to bear date the 18th December, 1839; and whereas the Subscriber is not a party to or possessed of the knowledge of the existence of any such instrument or deed of assignment, under such date, or at any other prior or subsequent date, he hereby fully and unequivocally disavowing the same; and whereas, on the acting partner, Rufus Shattuck, absenting himself from the Island with a large amount of property, belonging to said firm, on the 9th August, 1840, the subscriber took possession of all the remaining Stock in Trade, Ledgers, Books, Accounts, Debts, Notes, Bonds, Obligations, Agreements, Securities, of all kinds soever, Ships on the Stocks, &c., and dissolved said firm of William Mackay & Co.; and whereas the subscriber has subsequently been engaged in winding up the affairs of said firm, to ascertain the amount of the defalcation of said Rufus Shattuck, and realize funds out of said debts and other property to pay all just claims against said firm, so far as the same may serve therefore; and whereas, on the 26th December last, the Subscriber, when in Prince Edward Island, did appoint W. Mackay, sen., Esq., of Georgetown, and John Knight, of Souris, his Attorneys, for the purposes above mentioned, respectively, at Georgetown and Souris: Now, NOTICE is hereby given, that all persons indebted to the Estate of the late firm of W. Mackay & Co. are hereby required to make payment forthwith of their respective debts, to either the said W. Mackay, sen., Esq., of Georgetown, or John Knight, of Souris, and to no other person or persons—they alone being lawfully authorized and empowered to grant the necessary receipts and discharges for the same.

Wm. MACKAY.

St. John, New Brunswick, 14th August, 1841.

NOTICE to the TENANTS on LOTS 9 and 61.

LAURENCE SULIVAN, Esquire, having, by Letter of Attorney, bearing date the 29th day of July last, empowered the Subscriber to lease land and to act as his Agent, for those parts of his Estates in Prince Edward Island comprising Lots or Townships Numbers 9 and 61, the Tenants are therefore requested to pay the arrears of Rents due by them without delay.

J. SIDNEY DEALEY.

All persons trespassing on the said Townships will be prosecuted.

Charlottetown, 23d Aug., 1841.

NOTICE to the TENANTS on Lots Nos. 16 and 22.

LAURENCE SULIVAN, Esquire, having, by Letter of Attorney, bearing date the 29th day of July last, empowered the subscriber to lease-land and to act as his Agent for those parts of his Estates in Prince Edward Island comprising Lots or Townships Numbers 16 and 22, the Tenants are therefore requested to pay the arrears of rents due by them without delay.

Wm. FORGAN.

All persons trespassing on the said Townships will be prosecuted.

Charlottetown, 20th Aug. 1841.

JAMAICA SPIRITS, SUGAR and MOLASSES.

THE Subscribers have just received, per Schooner George Henry, from Halifax, a fresh supply of JAMAICA SPIRITS, SUGAR and MOLASSES, which they offer cheap, for Cash only.

J. & W. MACGILL.

August 23d, 1841.

Auctions.

WATER LOTS IN GEORGETOWN FOR SALE.

TO BE SOLD by Public Auction, at the Court House, in Georgetown, on TUESDAY the TWELFTH day of October next, at eleven o'clock, that

VALUABLE and EXTENSIVE PROPERTY in the said Town, belonging to MARGARET GILBERT WOOD, widow of the late J. A. Wood, formerly of Antigua, Esquire, deceased, comprising FIVE WATER LOTS, lying in one block, with a large Warehouse thereon. These Lots, in point of situation, are not surpassed by any property in that rising Town, having a fine water frontage of 420 feet, and being bounded on the west by Kent (or the Main) Street, along which they extend 237 feet, above high water mark, and on the north side by Water Street, extending thereon 420 feet. It is intended that a Street forty feet in width shall be laid off, across the Lots, parallel with Water Street, and connected with the latter by another Street, to run parallel with Kent Street; and the whole Property will be sold in small Lots, agreeable to a plan to be seen at the Store of W. B. Aitken, Esq., in Georgetown.

Particulars as to Terms and Title, made known on application at the Office of the undersigned, where a Plan of the Property can be also seen.

JOHN LONGWORTH, Solicitor.

Charlottetown, Aug. 20th, 1841.

THE Honourable SAMUEL CUNARD having become possessed of the whole of the legal and equitable Estate of the late John Cambridge, in all those Townships, Tracts and parcels of Land, mortgaged by the said John Cambridge to John Cave, as by Deed duly registered in the Office of the Colonial Registrar will fully appear—the Subscriber, as the Agent of the said Samuel Cunard, is now prepared to sell and lease the same. Tenants having long Leases, at 1s. per acre, may purchase at Twenty Shillings, sterling, per acre. The Tenants must be prepared to pay up all arrears at once, and to those who are prepared to purchase, a liberal deduction of the back rent will be made.

The Subscriber will be at Lot 14 on or about the 3d August, and will afterwards visit the different Lots, in rotation, for the purpose of settling with the Tenants.

JAMES H. PETERS.

Secretary's Office, August 2d, 1841.

TENDERS for a LIGHT HOUSE at POINT PRIM.

TENDERS will be received at this Office, until Wednesday, the 1st day of September next, for the building of a LIGHT HOUSE on Point Prim, agreeable to a Plan and Specification to be seen at this Office. Security will be required for the due performance of the Contract.

T. H. HAVILAND,

Colonial Secretary.

TENDERS will be received by the Subscriber, until

Wednesday, the First day of SEPTEMBER next, for making three sets of Fanners for the Princetown Agricultural Society, to be delivered on or before the 1st day of October next. Tenders to express the sum for each set—mounting furnished by the Society.

Wm. BEARSTO,

Secretary.

Princetown Royalty, 10th August, 1841.

Treasurer's Office, August 3d, 1841.

WARRANTS from No. 11, of the date of the 2d of January, 1840, to No. 70, of the date of the 6th of February, 1840, will be paid at the Treasury on demand, together with the Interest due thereon.

J. SPENCER SMITH,

Treasurer.

EASTERN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A FAIR and CATTLE SHOW will be held at Sentiniers, on the Georgetown Road, on Wednesday, the 29th September next.

PREMIUMS for the following STOCK will be awarded, viz:

Table with 2 columns: Description of stock and Prize amount. Includes items like 'For the best Bull', 'Best 3 year old Heifer', etc.

Competition open to all persons, but successful competitors to become Subscribers, before being entitled to the premium.

E. THORNTON, Secretary.

Three Rivers, 17th August, 1841.

KENNETH MACKENZIE,

WATER-STREET, Opposite Mr. Peake's Brick Building.

HAVING been appointed AGENT for the ALBION