

(From the New Orleans Bee, Feb. 21.)

TERRIFIC STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION AND LOSS OF LIFE!—The steam towboat Mohican, Captain Heaton, on Saturday evening last, the 19th Feb., whilst engaged with the towboat Star in towing the British Ship Ed. Thorn (inward bound) across the bar, burst all her boilers, by which we regret to add, that from twelve to fourteen lives were lost, amongst whom were the two engineers, two firemen and three deck hands. Lieut. Bukup, one of the revenue officers of the Balize, was blown from the boat on board the Star, and was killed on the spot. The mate of the Ed. Thorn was killed by the explosion, and the Captain is dangerously wounded. The latter, and Captain Heaton, who is likewise badly hurt, were brought up to the city yesterday on board of the Star, and medical aid was immediately procured to render them every possible assistance.

Captain Heaton, of the Star, (a brother of the Commander of the Mohican,) did every thing in his power to alleviate the sufferings of the wounded, and with a promptitude worthy of credit, returned forthwith to the city with a view of securing immediate remedies for their recovery. The Mohican caught fire immediately after the explosion and was entirely consumed. The deficiency of water in the boilers is said to have been the origin of this afflicting accident.

ANOTHER McLEOD AFFAIR.—The Lockport Democrat of the 2d inst. states that a man named Hogan was arrested and brought before Mr. Leonard, Justice of the village, yesterday, on the charge of participating in the burning of the Caroline. The examination was not concluded when our paper went to press.

ST. JOHN, N. B. Feb. 26.

NEWSPAPER POSTAGE, &c.—On the 15th inst. a Committee of the House of Assembly, consisting of Messrs. Barberie, L. A. Wilnot, and Fisher was appointed, to take into consideration the general state of the Post Offices throughout this Province, and to report thereon.

The following Resolution was moved by Mr. Partelow in the Assembly on the 17th instant, and adopted, and Messrs. J. R. Partelow and End were appointed a Committee to prepare the draft of an Address in accordance therewith:

“Whereas the practice that has obtained in this Colony of charging Postage on Printed Newspapers, Journals of the Legislature, and other printed papers, operates oppressively upon the people of this Province, and prevents the free circulation of useful knowledge amongst its inhabitants, which in the opinion of this House it is desirable to disseminate;—Therefore Resolved, that a humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to adopt such measures in the Post Office Department as will ensure the conveyance of all such printed Papers through the different Post Offices in this Province free from any charge.”

MELANCHOLY.—Sergeant Beveridge, a young man of great promise, belonging to the 36th Regiment, stationed here, shot himself on Wednesday morning last. We have been informed that he was at a Sergeant's Ball the evening previously, in company with his sweetheart, a girl of doubtful character, who had followed him from Fredericton. Some objections being made to her, they withdrew from the Ball Room, the girl to her lodgings, and he to his room in the Barracks. So greatly was he excited by the proceedings of the previous evening, that he took his musket with him to bed, when he placed the muzzle of the piece under his chin and discharged it with his toe; the ball passing through his head, nearly blew off the top of his skull.—Chronicle.

The Colonial Herald.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1842.

We understand the Mail-boat succeeded in crossing the Strait from this side on Thursday; and we were in hopes that it would have returned yesterday, with the English March Mail, which is now due. In this, however, we have been disappointed, and have, consequently, been compelled to go to press without the Mail. We have, however, continued our extracts from late English and other papers, which, we trust, will be found interesting.

HALIFAX, March 17.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having been pleased to confirm the Election of Edward Kenny, Esq., to the Office of Mayor of the City—that Gentleman was presented to His Excellency on Monday last, and took the usual Oaths of Office in the presence of His Excellency and the Executive Council.

We have copied from an English paper the scale of alterations proposed to be made in the duties on foreign imports into the British possessions—and regret to find that they would be highly detrimental to our commerce. They have been commented upon in the House of Assembly, and the Chamber of Commerce has also taken action upon them. This speedy attention to a question of so much importance will, we hope, be generally imitated throughout British America, and prevent the sacrifice of our commercial interests.—Halifax Times.

A neat pamphlet has been published by G. R. Young, Esq. entitled “Letters to the Right Hon. Lord Stanley, H. M. Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Opinion, showing that the proposed repeal of the Union existing between the Island of Cape Breton and Nova Scotia would be unconstitutional as well as inexpedient, when viewed as a question of general Colonial policy. We have no doubt, whether Mr. Young or his opponents be right, that the publication is an interesting contribution to the History and Constitutional Law of the Provinces.—Novascotian.

LONDON, January 19.—Sir Charles Fitz Roy, the newly appointed Governor of the West India Islands, accompanied by Lady Mary Fitz Roy, sister of the Duke of Richmond, left town on Friday last, for Falmouth, where His Excellency and Lady embark for the seat of his government.

We beg to call public attention to an Advertisement published in this day's Gazette, announcing the establishment of a Foundry in Charlottetown. It has been for a considerable time a matter of surprise that a Foundry had not, long ago been started, and we now rejoice to observe that one is about being commenced. We are satisfied that when it comes into active operation, there will be ample business to render it profitable for the enterprising proprietors, and highly beneficial to almost every class of the community.

The improved condition of the country, the necessary requirements of a fast growing population, offer a large and wide field for the business, properly conducted.

We understand that extensive preparations are now in progress at the depot, and that by the first arrival in the spring, considerable importations are expected of all the essential materials necessary to conduct the establishment upon an extensive scale.

Mr. Hobbs is a native of the Island, and has been for several years in Canada, and the United States, where he has had an opportunity of acquiring a thorough knowledge of his profession.

We shall take other opportunities of noticing the progress of the Foundry, as the preparations advance, and we doubt not, when the importations arrive, that from the persevering habits of the well known Gentleman, the principal director, certain success will follow their exertions.—Gaz., March 22.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COLONIAL HERALD.

SIR; On looking over the Obituary in the Gazette of last Tuesday, I was extremely sorry to observe the announcement of the death of my friend “Richard Hayes,” of Lot 44. As I have occasionally done business for that Gentleman, I naturally felt an interest in his welfare. A few days since, I had a conversation with one of his neighbours, who had just arrived in Town, and who informed me that he was then living—I therefore hope that the Editor of the Gazette will contradict the statement put forth in his last paper.

Yours, &c., C. B.

Charlottetown, March 25, 1842.

Passengers, In the Acadia, for Liverpool, which sailed from Halifax on the 15th inst., H. B. Smith, Esq., of St. John, N. B., and W. Douse, Esq., of Charlottetown.

In the Ice boat, on Sunday last, J. B. Cormack, Esq., and two children.

LIVERPOOL, G. B. Feby. 17.—Advertised, Brig Antelope Griffiths, for P. E. Island.

DIED,

On the 16th inst. Mr. Thomas Kickham, Elliot River, aged 43 years.

On Wednesday night, 23d inst., enjoying the peace which is in believing, Mrs. Frances, relict of the late Michael Sealy, aged 83 years. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock, to-morrow (Sunday), from the residence of Mrs. Campbell, when the friends of the family are requested to attend.

On Monday evening, a poor man named Alex. Nicholson, from the Big Woods, Murray Harbour Road Settlement. About four weeks since he was in the Woods chopping a log, which, resting on the branches, after a time gave way, turned over on his leg, and a snag taking hold of his flesh, tore it off down to his foot, and completely dislocated his knee. His mother and wife, being the only persons near at the time, got him home, and there being no medical assistance in the Settlement, he continued to linger for some days, when he was brought to town, but it was too late to render him any assistance. He suffered the most excruciating pains from ten o'clock on Monday morning until ten at night, when he expired. His wife has since been delivered of twin children, and her life is despaired of. The deceased came to this Island two years ago, from the Isle of Sky, and is 29 years of age.

THE ADJOURNED MEETING of the HIGHLAND SOCIETY will be held at the Wellington Hotel, on Tuesday the 29th inst.; the chair will be taken at 8 o'clock, p. m. precisely; a punctual attendance is requested, as the election of Officers will take place on that occasion.

Wm. M'GILL, } Secretaries. JOHN M'NEILL, }

Charlottetown, March 22d, 1842.

PHOENIX FOUNDRY.

Under the Special Patronage of His Excellency Sir H. V. Huntley, Lieutenant Governor.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT.

THE PHOENIX COMPANY beg to announce to the Public, the Establishment, at the old and well known premises of Messrs. Waters & Birnie, in Charlottetown, of a BRASS AND IRON FOUNDRY;

and soon after the Spring arrivals will be happy to receive orders for all descriptions of Castings for Mill-work, Farming Utensils, Stoves, and Machines for various purposes, Fire and Garden Engines, on the most approved principles for effective operations.

The services of Mr. WILLIAM CROSBY HOBBS, a native of this Island, who is well skilled in all these various Branches have been engaged.

GEORGE BIRNIE, Superintendent.

Charlottetown, March 15th 1842.

OLD IRON, COPPER AND BRASS

BOUGHT at the PHOENIX FOUNDRY (Waters & Birnie's Old Store), Charlottetown, in large or small quantities.

Charlottetown, March 22d, 1842.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of James Quinn, late of Charlottetown, deceased, are requested to render their Accounts, duly attested, for adjustment, within Eighteen Calendar months from the date hereof; and all debts due to the said Estate, are required to be paid to Patrick Gaffney, on or before the First day of April next, otherwise legal steps will be taken to recover the same.

M. REYNOLDS, } Executors. PATRICK GAFFNEY, } JOHN WALSH, }

Charlottetown, 7th January, 1842.

THE Subscribers having been duly appointed the sole Agents of DAVID STEWART, Esquire, for his Estates on Lots or Townships Nos. 7, 10, 12, 27, 30, 46, 47, and Lennox Island, beg to intimate, that they are prepared to lease lands, with a liberty of purchasing, and to sell on the most liberal terms; and that all persons indebted to that gentleman, for rent or otherwise, are hereby required to make immediate payment of the same.

All persons found trespassing on any of the above properties, either by cutting Timber, or in any other respect, will be prosecuted with the utmost rigour of the Law.

H. D. MORPETH, PETER EMERY.

December 10th 1840.

THE Subscriber having been appointed receiver of the rents and profits of those parts of Lots Eight and Fifty-two, conveyed by the late General Fead, of the Royal Artillery, to the late Andrew Macdonald, requests the Tenants residing thereon to pay all rents and arrears of rent to him without delay.

DAVID ROSS, Receiver in Chancery.

Hillsborough River, May 1st, 1841.

Just published, foolscap 8vo., pp. 128,

Price, 1s. 6d. single, 12s. per doz.

MORAL RENOVATION; or, THE EMPIRE BACCHUS DESTROYED. THE PRIZE ESSAY. By the Rev. JOHN KNOX.

CHARLOTTETOWN: COOPER & BREMNER.

WANTED to purchase, 10,000 bushels of OATS, for which Cash will be paid on delivery, at the Store of Mr. Compton, Richmond Street, nearly opposite the Store of Mr. David Wilson.

Charlottetown, Feb. 11th, 1842.

ABOUT Three Tons second hand CHAIN, well adapted for Ox or Rafting Chains, for sale Cheap for Cash.

J. M. TUCKER.

Queen Street, February 25, 1842.

WANTED, a steady active MAN, who understand working a Saw Mill. A person of steady habits will be preferred. For particulars, apply at the Colonial Herald Office or to Mr. EDWARD POOLE, Post Office, Pinette.

January 13th, 1842.

ALL PERSONS found trespassing, in any manner whatever, on Lot or Township No. 66, the property of the Subscriber, will be prosecuted with the utmost rigour of the law.

CHARLES WORRELL

Morel, 17th Dec., 1841.

TO FARMERS.

MR. IRVING having procured Tradesmen from Scotland, acquainted with the construction of the most approved Implements of Husbandry, including Drill Machines for sowing Grain, Turnips, Beans, and Mangel Wurtzel, Scufflers and Cultivators, Chaff and Turnip Cutters, Winning Machines, Horse Rakes, &c. &c. begs to inform the Farmers of Prince Edward Island, that Mr. Macgowan Secretary to the Agricultural Society, has kindly offered to receive and transmit orders for any of the above articles, and that on application to Mr. Macgowan, specimens may always be seen at his Store.

Bonshaw 12th June, 1841.

FOR SALE—An English built CARRIAGE, adapted either for one or two Horses, with Hood, Patent Axles, Lamps, &c. Also, a set of new Harness, with or without the Carriage.

K. MACKENZIE

Water-street, Oct. 22, 1841.

A STRAY SHEEP has been on the premises of the Subscriber since December last. The owner can have the same, by proving property and paying expenses.

HUGH M'NABB.

Grand Tracadie, March 7th, 1842.

AUCTIONS.

Surveyor General's Office, 1st March, 1842.

THE Surveyor General will submit for Sale, at Public Auction, on Saturday the 2d day of April next, at the Court House in Charlottetown, at 12 o'clock, noon, the following TOWN AND WATER LOTS in said Town, viz:—Town Lots No. 67, in the first hundred; No. 59, in the third hundred.

Water Lots opposite Town Lots Nos. 23, 29 and 30, in the first hundred of Town Lots.

GEORGE WRIGHT, Surveyor General.

TO BE SOLD, at Auction, on MONDAY the 11th April next, at 12 o'clock, noon, the fine fast sailing Schooner ALERT, 39 Tons Register, where she now lies, in Bedeque Harbour, near Green's Shore. The Alert is only sixteen months old. Her Sails, Rigging, Chains, Anchors, and all her materials, are of the best description. Terms made known at the time of Sale.

ROBERT HYNDMAN, Broker.

March 16, 1842.

Roads, Bridges and Harbours.

DISTRICT No. 1—(North Section.)

I hereby give Notice, that I will, on Monday the 4th day of April, set up and sell by Auction, to the lowest bidder, the repairing the Bridge over Trout River, Lot 6. Same day, at 12 o'clock, the building a new Bridge at Hill's Mills, Lot 5.

On June 20th, at 12 o'clock, the repairing the Road from Warburton's to Large's Ferry.

On June 21st, at 12 o'clock, the Main Western Road, commencing at Hill's Mills.

On June 22d, at 10 o'clock, the Road from Hill's Mills to Hal-loran's, commencing at the New Western Road, Lot 5.

On June 23d, at 12 o'clock, the Road leading from Cascumpeque to Kildare Bridge, commencing near the Dock.

On June 24th, at 10 o'clock, the Road from Kildare settlement to Tignish, commencing at Mrs. Travers's. Same day, at 2 o'clock, the Road from Kildare Bridge to St. Felix, Tignish, commencing at Kildare Bridge.

JAMES WARBURTON, Commissioner.

Lot 11, March 12, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 5.

TENDERS will be received by the Subscriber until the First day of April next, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the following contracts in this District, viz:—For raising and repairing the Wheatley River Bridge.

Also, For repairing the Bridge over old Mill-brook, Rustico. Also, For making a Bridge over Grenville Mill-stream, New London.

Tenders to be subscribed by two persons who are willing to become sureties for the due performance of the contract, and to express the lowest sum for which the work can be done.

Specifications will be shewn on application to W. M'NEILL, Commissioner.

Cavendish, 18th March, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 7.

THE Subscriber will let by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the following places, on Thursday the 31st March, at 11 o'clock, the Building a new BRIDGE near Hector Mackinnon's, Saint Peter's Road. At 12 o'clock, the Building a Bridge on the Royal Road leading to Braddock's. At 2 o'clock, the Building a new Bridge over Winter River, Union Road.

On Friday, 1st April, at 11 o'clock, the Building a new Bridge near Devonport Lodge, Princeton Road; at 12 o'clock, the Building a new Bridge over the Creek near Dalrymple's Mill. At 1 o'clock, repairing the Covering over Poplar Island Bridge.

JAMES COLES, Commissioner.

Charlottetown, 14th March, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 8.

THE Subscriber will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on the spot, to the lowest bidder, On Monday, the 28th inst., at 12 o'clock, noon, the rebuilding the Bridge at Hayden's Gate, and cutting down the Hill. Also, at 4 o'clock, same day, building a new Bridge over Bonnet's Creek, Five Houses Road, Lot 35.

Also, on Tuesday the 29th, Railing the Bridge, and cutting down the Hill at Clark's, Lot 37.

Security will be required for the fulfilment of each contract. DAVID HIGGINS, Commissioner.

The Commissioner requests that all Fences and other obstructions may be immediately removed Thirty feet from the centre of the Public Roads, in District No. 8, otherwise the owners thereof will be dealt with as the law directs, without further notice.

Commissioner's Office, March 11th, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 10.

ON Tuesday, the 5th of April next, at the hour of 10 o'clock, forenoon, the Subscriber will let, to the lowest bidder, the making Montague Road, leading from Murray Harbour to Pinette Mills—Sale to commence where left off last year; at 12 o'clock, same day, Douse's Road, leading from Murray Harbour Road to the County Line; and at 4 o'clock, the making of two Bridges in the Rear Settlement of Murray Harbour Road.

On the following day, at 10 o'clock, the Road leading to the County Line, West end of Murray Harbour Road; and at 4 o'clock, same day, the Road leading from Orwell-head to the Ferry.

On Thursday, at 10 o'clock, the Point Prim Main Road and Campbell's Bridge; and at 4 o'clock, the Portage Road and Pinette Wharf.

On Friday, the 8th, at 11 o'clock, forenoon, raising Finlayson's Bridge, near the County Line; immediately after, the Road leading from Wood Islands to Little Sands; and at 4 o'clock, the making a new Road from Wood Islands Back Settlement to the Front Settlement.

On Saturday, at 10 o'clock, the Road leading from Wood Islands to Belle Creek Bridge; immediately after, the Post Road from Belle Creek Upper Bridge to Flat River Cross Roads; and at 4 o'clock, the new Road from Wood Islands Road to Pinette Harbour.

Sufficient security will be required for the due performance of each Contract.

A. M'DOUGALL, Commissioner.

Flat River, 15th March, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 11.

WHEN the Subscriptions for constructing a Wharf at Sandy Point, Wiltshire's Shore, and for a Wharf at the end of Cable Head Road, North side of St. Peter's Bay, are paid, I shall advertise for the constructing of said Wharves. A copy of each respective Subscription List is left at the houses of Mr. M. Murray and Mr. H. M'Lean, where subscriptions can be paid, and at the Subscriber's Office.

JOHN JARDINE, Commissioner.

St. Peter's, March 10th, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 14.

THE Subscriber will let, by Auction, to the lowest bidder, on Monday, the 28th instant, at noon, he will let the making of a Slip to the Wharf at Georgetown, for the accommodation of passengers landing there.

The respective Sales to take place on the spot where the work is to be performed.

Security will be required for the fulfilment of each Contract. THOMAS OWEN, Commissioner.

Cardigan, March 10, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 14.

THE Subscriber will let by AUCTION, on the Spot, on Friday the first day of April next, the Building of a Bridge at the head of Cardigan. Sale to take place at 10 o'clock, forenoon.

THOMAS OWEN, Commissioner.

Cardigan, March 12th, 1842.

DISTRICT No. 15.

THE undersigned will hold a Sale on Monday, the 28th inst., at 12 o'clock, noon, at his present residence in Georgetown, for the disposal of the following Moneys:—

Sturgeon River Bridge, for covering stuff, £15 0 0
Montague Bridge, towards covering a portion of it, 15 0 0
Wharf at St. Mary's Bay, for an additional Block, £c. 15 0 0

E. THORNTON, Commissioner
March 14, 1842.