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TUESDAY, 16th JULY, 1816.

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THE GAZETTE.

MAJOR. GENERAL

GEORGE STRACEY SMYTH,

President, and Commander in Chief of the

L. S.) Province of New-Brunswick, Sc. Sc. Sc.

G. S. SMYTH.

A PROCLAMATION.

THEREAS by Act of Parliament passed in the Forty-eighth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, Power is given to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief of this Province, with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, to allow the importation of certain enumerated artieles from the United States of America into this Province, for the purpose of re-exporting the same-I have therefore thought fit with the advice and consent of his Majesty's Council, to publish this Proclamation, hereby authorising and empowering British Subjects, for the space of six mouths from the date hereof, to import and bring into this Province from the United States of America, in British built Ships of Vessels, owned and navigated according to Law; Scantling, Planks, Staves, Heading-Boards, Shingles, Hoops or Squared Timber of any sort; Horses, Neat-Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Poultry, or Live Stock of any sort; Bread, Bisc. Lt, Flour, Peas, Beans, Potatoes, Wheat, Rice, Oats, Barley, or Grain of any sort; and British Subjects during the same period, are hereby authorised and empowered to Export in British Ships, owned and navigated as aforesaid, all or any of the said herein before enumerated articles, to any other of His Majesty's Colonies or Plantations.

civenth day of June, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and in the fifty-sixth year of His

Majesty's Reign.
By His Honor's Command,

WM. F. ODELL.

BY HIS HONOR

Major-General George Stracey Smyth,
(1. s.) President and Commander in Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.
G. S. SMYTH.

A PROCLAMATION.

Prerogued to the second Tuesday of this instant, June;
I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued to the second Tuesday in September next ensuing.

GIVEN under my Hand and Seal the fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and in the fifty-sixth year of His Majesty's Reign.

By his Honor's Command.

Wm. F. ODELL.

The following Circuits have been appointed for the current year:--

Northumberland, the second Tuesday in August.
Saint John, fourth do. do.
Gharlotte, second do. September.
King's, fourth do. do.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS.

JOHN MURRAY BLISS, Esq. one of the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court in the room of the late Judge Winslow.

NATHANIEL H. DE VEBER, Esquire, Sheriff of Queen's County in the room of JOSEPH GIDNEY, Esquire.

To be Sold by Auction,

On the 1st day of November next at 11 o'Clock, at Mr. JOHN M'LEOD's,

VID BETTS, in Northampton, with the House, Barns, &c. Lot No. 10, two hundred and ten acres, more or less, in Grant to Amos Brooks and others, bounded on the North by Peter Grant, and on the South by the glebe lands; taken in execution by a writ of fieri facies issued out of the Supreme Court, for one hundred and forty-six pounds and nine pence, New-Bruns. Curtency, at the suit of Geo. D. Berton, and Jedeniah Slason--and will be struck off on the above day to the highest bidder by

ROBERT SMITH, Coroner.

1st May, 1816.

On Saturday, the 3d day of August next at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, at JOHN M'LEOD's in Fredericton,

Acres of Land, more or less, (subject to a Mortgage) bounded on the South by Capt. Bull, and North by the Revd. Frederick Dibblee, the whole taken in execution from Richard Rogers at the Suit of William Bull, by a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court for ninety-eight pounds New-Brunswick Currency, and will be Sold on the above day to the highest Bidder, by

GEORGE D BERTON,

Sheriff of York.

d April, 1816.

FROM THE BANGOR WEEKLY REGISTER.

Address of the Bible Society, to the People of the United

States.

Every person of observation has remarked that the times are pregnant with great events. The political world has undergone changes stupendous, unexpected, and calculated to inspire thoughful men with the most boding anticipations.

That there are in reserve, occurrences of deep, of lasting, and of general interest, appears to be the common sentiment. Such a sentiment has not been excited without a cause, and does not exist without an object. The cause is to be sought in that Providence which adapts, with wonderful exactitude, means to ends; and the object is too plain to be mistaken by those who carry a sense of religion into their speculations upon the present and the future condition of our afflicted race.

An excitement, as extraordinary as it is powerful, has roused the nations to the importance of spreading the knowledge of the one living and true God, as revealed in his Son, the Mediator between God, and man, Christ Jesus. This excitement is the more worthy of notice, as it has followed a period of philosophy, falsely so called, and has gone in the track of those very schemes which, under the imposing names of reason and liberality, were attempting to seduce mankind from all which can bless the life that is, or shed a cheering radiance on the life that is to come.

We hail the re-action, as auspicious to whatever is exquisite in human enjoyments, or precious to human hope. We would fly to the aid of all that is holy, against all that is profane; of the purest interest of the community, the family, and the individual, against the conspiracy of darkness, disaster, and death—to help on the mighty work of Christian charity—to claim our place in the age of Bibles.

We have, indeed, the secondary prise, but still the praise, of treading in the footsteps of those who have set an example without a parallel—an example of the most unbounded benevolence and beneficence: and it cannot be to us a source of any pain, that it has been set by those who are of one blood with the most of ourselves; and has been embodied in a form so noble and so Catholic, as "The British and Foreign Bible Society."

The impulse which that institution, ten thousand times more glorious than all the exploits of the sword, has given to the conscience of Europe end to the slumbering hope of millions in the region and shadow of death, demonstrates to Christians of every country what they cannot do by insultaed zeal; and what they can do by cooperation.

In the United States we want nothing but concert to perform achievements astonishing to ourselves, dismaying to the adversaries of truth and piety; and most encouraging to every evangelical effort, on the surface of the globe.

No spectacle can be so illustrious in itself, so touching to man, or so grateful to God, as a nation pouring forth its devotion, it talent, and its treasures, for that kingdom, of the Savior which is righteousness and peace.

If there be a single measure which can overrule objection, subdue opposition, and command exertion, this is the measure. That all our voices, all our affections, all our hands, should be joined in the grand design of promoting "peace on earth and good will toward men"—that they should resist the advance of misery—should carry the light of instruction into the dominions of ignorance; and the balm of joy to the soul of anguish; and all this by diffusing the oracles of God—addresses to the understanding an argument which cannot be encountered; and to the heart an appeal which its holiest emotions rise up to second.

Under such impressions, and with such views, fathers, brethren, fellow-citizens, the Am. Bible Society has been formed. Local feelings, party prejudices, sectarin jeal-ousies, are excluded by very nature. Its members are leagued in that, and in that alone, which calls up every hallowed, and puts down every unhallowed principle—the dissemination of the Scriptures in the received versions where they exist, and in the most faithful where they may be required. In such a work, whatever is dignified, kind, venerable, true, has ample scope: while sectarian littleness and rivalries can find no avenue of admission.

The only question is, whether an object of such undisputed magnitude can be best attained by a National Society, or by independent associations in friendly understanding and correspondence.

Without entering into the details of this inquiry, we may be permitted to state, in a few words, our reasons of preference to a National Society supported by local Societies and by individuals throughout our country.

Concentrated action is powerful action. The same powers, when applied by a common direction, will, produce results impossible to their divided and partial exercise. A national object unites national feeling and concurrence. Unity of a great system combines energy of effect with economy of means. Accumulated intelligence interests and animates the public mind. And the Catholic efforts of a country, thus harmonized, give her a place in the moral convention of the world; and enable her to act directly upon the universal plans of happiness which are now pervading the nations.

It is true, that the prodigious territory of the United States—the increase of their population, which is gaining every day upon their moral cultivation—and the dreadful consequences which will ensue from the people's outgrowing the knowledge of eternal life; and reverting to a species of heatheism, which shall have all the address and profligacy of civilized society, without any religious control, present a sphere of action, which may a long time employ and engross the cares of this Society, and of all the local Bible Societies of the land.

In the distinct anticipations of such an urgency, one of the main objects of the American Bible Society, is, not merely to povide a sufficiency of well printed and accurate editions of the Scriptures; but also to furnish great districts of the American continent with well executed Stereotype plates, for their cheep and extensive diffusion throughout regions which are now scantily supplied, at a discouraging expense; and which, nevertheless, open a wide and prepared field for the reception of revealed truth.

Yet, let it not be supposed, that geographical or political limits are to be the limits of the American Bible Society. That designation is meant to indicate, not the restriction of their labor, but the source of its emanation. They will embrace, with thankfulness and pleasure, every opportunity of raying out, by means of the Bible, according to their ability, the light of life and immortality, to such parts of the world, as are destitute of the blessing, and are within their reach. In this high vocation, their ambition is to be fellow workers with God.

People of the United States,

Have you ever been invited to an enterprise of such grandeur and glory? Do you not value the Holy Scriptures? Value them as containing your sweetest hope; your most thrilling joy? Can you submit to the thought that you should be torpid in your endeavors to disperse them, while the rest of Christendom is awake and alert? Shall you hang back, in heartless indifference, when Princes come down from their thrones to bless the cottage of the poor with the gospel of peace; and Imperial Sovereigns are gathering their fairest honors from spreading abroad the oracles of the Lord your God? Is it possible that you should not see, in this state of human things, a mighty motion of Divine Providence? The most Heavenly charity treads close upon the march of conflict and blood! The world is at peace! Scarce has the soldier time to unbind his helmet; and to wipe away the sweat from his brow, ere the voice of mercy succeeds to the clarion of battle, and calls the nations from enmity to love! Crowned heads bow to the head which is to wear " many crowns;" and for the first time since the promulgation of Christianity, appear to act in unison for the recognition of its gracious principles, as being fraught alike with happiness to man and honor to God.

What has created so strange, so beneficent an alteration? This is no doubt the doing of the Lord, and it is marvellous in our eyes. But what instrument has he thought fit chiefly to use? That which contributes; in all latitudes and climes, to make Christians feel their unity, to rebuke the spirit of strife, and to open upon them the day of brotherly concord—the Bible! the Bible!—through Bible Societies!

Come then, fellow-Citizens, fellow-Christians, let us join in the sacred covenant, Let no heart be cold; no hand be idle; no purse reluctant! Come, while room is left for us in the ranks, whose toil is goodness, and whose recompense is victory. Come, cheerfully, eagerly, generally. Be it impressed on your souls, that a contribution, saved from even a cheap indulgence, may send a Bible to a desolate family; may become a radiatory point of "grace and truth" to a neighborhood of error and vice; and that a number of such contributions made at really no expense, may illumine a large tract of country, and successive generations of immortals, in that celestial knowledge, which shall secure their present and their future felicity.

But whatever be the proportion between expectation and experience, thus much is certain: We shall satisfy our conviction of duty—we shall have the praise of