

**POETRY.**

**TO SPRING.**

THY beams are sweet, beloved Spring!  
The winter shades before thee fly;  
The bough smiles green, the young birds sing,  
The chainless current glisens by;  
Till countless flowers like stars illumine  
The deepening vale and forest gloom.

Oh! welcome, gentle guest from high,  
Sent to cheer our world below,  
To lighten sorrow's faded eye,  
To kindle nature's social glow:  
Oh! he is o'er his fellows blest,  
Who feels thee in a guileless breast.

Peace to the generous heart essaying  
With deeds of love that win our praise!  
He smiles the spring of life surveying,  
Nor fears her cold and wintry days.  
To his high goal, with triumph bright,  
The calm years waft him in their flight.

Thou glorious goal! that shinest afar,  
And seem'st to smile us on our way;  
Bright is the hope that crowns our war,  
The dawn blush of eternal day!  
There shall we meet this dark world o'er,  
And mix in love for ever more.

**THE PETITION**

Of Samuel Wentworth Monk, one of the Prothonotaries of the Court of King's Bench for the District of Montreal.

Most Respectfully sheweth,

That your Petitioner feels much regret to find by a resolution of this Honorable House, and his subsequent arrest on Wednesday the 19th inst. under a warrant signed by the Honorable the Speaker, that he has been considered as having committed a breach against the privileges of this Honorable House, under a charge of having refused to exhibit certain original Records in his possession at Quebec, which he was ordered to produce by the special Committee appointed to investigate the charge against Louis Charles Foucher, Esquire; and your Petitioner now most respectfully begs leave to represent that the Honorable Committee must have misunderstood your Petitioner in supposing from any thing that fell from him when before that Committee on the 19th inst. that he then or at any time refused to exhibit the Records in question, he having in obedience to the order of the Honorable Committee brought up those Records from Montreal, and having had them since his arrival in Quebec always ready to exhibit before the Committee for its perusal and inspection.

That your Petitioner on Wednesday last attended the Honorable Committee with the said Records, who having declared to your Petitioner as their opinion that the said Records should be delivered up to them and ought to remain in their possession, your Petitioner conceived it his bounden duty to state to the Honorable Committee, that as a Prothonotary of the Court of King's Bench, for the District of Montreal, entrusted with the care and safe custody of the Records and Registers of that Court, your Petitioner did not consider himself authorised to give up the possession thereof, but that he was ready to exhibit the same for the perusal and inspection of the Honorable Committee.

That your Petitioner is now as he hath always been, willing to exhibit the said Records to the Honorable Committee at such time and place as may be ordered for their perusal and inspection, but he respectfully submits that he cannot without violation of his oath of office, and of his duty as Prothonotary allow the same to go out of his custody. Your Petitioner begs leave to assure this Honorable House that he has too high a respect for its constitutional privileges to have entertained for one moment a wish or intention directly or indirectly to commit a breach of the privileges of the House; your Petitioner has been on the present occasion and always will be desirous of discharging the trust reposed in him, and not to deviate in the smallest degree from his duty, and he should consider himself unworthy the consideration of this Honorable House were he at this moment to forget that duty or basely shrink from the discharge thereof.

In the wisdom of this Honorable House your Petitioner has the highest and fullest confidence and relies on its support in his endeavours to discharge with integrity and

correctness his official duties.—Your Petitioner thereof respectfully prays that this Honorable House will take the premises into consideration and release him from the custody of the Sergeant at Arms.

(Signed) S. W. MONK,  
Quebec, 22d February, 1817.

**LAW CASE.**

A case was tried at the late circuit in Newburg county, [New-York State,] before his honor Mr. Justice Platt, involving principles of much importance, and in which questions of law are raised for the decision of the supreme court, greatly interesting to many of our citizens. *Prize against Roe.* This was an action brought by a young woman for a breach of promise of marriage. The defendant, when he made the promise, was but 20 years old—he refused to fulfil his engagement, and before he attained the age of 21 married another girl. He has no property of his own; but his father with whom he still lives, is a farmer of easy circumstances. The defence set up was infancy that the defendant was not bound by his promise, made while a minor.—The judge overruled the objection, and decided that the action was sustainable on this class of promises against any person of capacity to contract matrimony, which was at the age of 12 in females, and 14 in males. The jury found a verdict for the plaintiff of 1000 dollars damages.

The question of law, whether an action will lie on such contract, is taken up to the supreme court.

**NOTICE.**

**PERSONS** indebted to the Subscriber on Bonds or Notes, or who may have balances due on Book, up to the 24th June last, are particularly requested to call and discharge the same without delay.

**HENRY SMITH.**

Fredericton, 26th Nov. 1816.

**ALL PERSONS**

**INDEBTED** to the Subscriber on Note or Book Account, prior to the 24th December last, are requested to call and discharge the same without delay.

**FRASER, DONALDSON, & Co.**  
Fredericton, 31st Dec. 1816.

**ALL PERSONS**

**INDEBTED** to the Subscriber on Note or Book Account, prior to the first January, are requested to call and settle the same without delay.

**E. SLOOT.**

Fredericton, 7th January, 1817.

**NOTICE.**

**THE** Subscriber requests all Persons indebted to him on Note or Account, prior to the 1st of July last, to call and settle the same without delay. **E. AVERY.**  
Fredericton, Nov. 30th, 1816.

**ALL** Persons indebted to the Estate of **SILVANUS PLUMER, Esq.** late of Sheffield, deceased, either by Bond, Note or Book, are requested to call and settle the same without delay, or they will be put in the hands of an Attorney to collect.

**GERSHOM BUNNEL, Executor.**  
Burton, 29th March, 1817.

**NOTICE.**

**THE** Term of Co-PARTNERSHIP of **NEEDHAM & GROSVENOR**, will expire on the first day of May next, by written agreement, and on that day will be dissolved by mutual consent.

**ALL** persons having demands against the said Co-partnership, will render their Accounts for adjustment; and, all persons indebted, are desired to make immediate payment.

All accounts due to the 1st July last, not settled by the 1st February next, will be put in Suit.

**MARK NEEDHAM,  
S. GROSVENOR.**

Fredericton, 1st January, 1817.

*For Sale at this Office,*

**THE  
UNION HARMONY:**

OR  
**BRITISH AMERICA'S SACRED VOCAL  
MUSICK.**

From the most approved English and American composers, with some original music on special occasions.

4th Feb. 1817.

**NOTICE**

**THAT** the Dyked MARSH No. 31, placed in Letter B. Division, and laying on the sunken Island Marsh in Sackville, in the County of Westmoreland, will be Let at Public Auction on Monday the 14th day of July next, at the Dwelling House of Mr. NEHEMIAH WARD in Sackville, between the hours of 11 and 3 of the same day.

**JAMES EASTERBROOKS,  
THOMAS ANDERSON, JUNR.  
JOHN HARRIS,  
THOMAS EASTERBROOKS,  
TOLER THOMPSON,** }  
Commissioners of Sewers for Sackville.  
Sackville, April 2d, 1817.

**THE SUBSCRIBER**

**REQUESTS** all those indebted to him either by Bond, Note or Book debt, to call on him at Gagetown, (Queen's County,) and settle them without delay; as all accounts not adjusted within six months from the date hereof, will, at the expiration of that term, be put in the hands of an Attorney.

The Creditors of the Subscriber are also notified to meet him at Gagetown within the above term for a settlement.

**WILLIAM WILLIAMS.**

24th October, 1816.

**NOTICE.**

**ALL** Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late DANIEL SMITH, senr. of Burton, deceased, are desired to present the same duly attested within six months from the date hereof—and all those indebted to said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to.

**CLAPMAN SMITH,  
DANIEL SMITH,  
ORLO SMITH,** } Administrators  
Burton, 26th June, 1816.

**FOR SALE,**

**THE** Farm belonging to the Estate of the late JOHN GIBSON, situate on the Nashwalk, and contiguous to the Property of Capt. M'NAB:

The same to take place on the 1st day of July next at the Coffee-room.—Terms, half the money on delivery of the deed, and the remainder in 12 months.

For further particulars apply to the Subscribers,  
**JAMES TAYLOR,  
JOHN M'LEOD,**  
Fredericton, 17th Feb'y, 1817.

**NOTICE.**—All persons having any just demands against the Estate of the late Capt. CALEB JONES, of Saint Mary's, (N. B.) deceased, are desired to present their Accounts for liquidation within Eighteen calendar Months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to **JAMES MILES, Admr.**  
13th Jan. 1817.

**JEDEDIAH SLASON,**

HAS JUST RECEIVED  
Per PERCIVAL from London; the GILBERT HENDERSON and CASTLEREAGH from LIVERPOOL, an extensive assortment of **British Merchandize.**

**HOLLANDS GIN;** Cogniac Brandy; Port, Sherry, and Lisbon Wines; Raisins; Almonds, &c.  
Also for Sale,  
**RUM** by the Puncheon.

**ALL** Persons indebted to the said **JEDEDIAH SLASON** previous to the 24th day of JULY last, are requested to make immediate payment.

DEC. 3, 1816.

**JAMES TAYLOR**

HAS JUST RECEIVED  
By the FAVORITE, an assortment of **BRITISH GOODS** suitable to the Season, which he now offers for Sale at very reduced prices.  
Fredericton, 31st Dec. 1816.

**Wanted,**

**A** COURIER, to carry the Mail from Fredericton to St. Andrews; and also a Courier to carry the Mail from Fredericton to Miramichi. Security will be required for the performance of the contract.

Application to be made to the Subscriber by the 24th April next.

**JAMES TAYLOR.**

Fredericton, 24th March, 1817.

**NOTICES.**

**NOTICE.**

**IS** hereby given, that the Co-partnership of **FRASER & DAVIDSON**, of Miramichi, (New-Brunswick,) is this day dissolved by mutual consent—ALL Persons having any demands against them, are requested to present the same for settlement; and all those indebted to them, are desired to make payment to **ALEXANDER FRASER, Junior.**

**ALEX. FRASER,  
ALEX. DAVIDSON.**

Chatham, (Northumberland,)  
15th November, 1816.

*This is to give Notice,*

**TO** all whom it may concern, that the business carried on heretofore under the Firm of **FRASER & DAVIDSON**, will be continued by **ALEX. FRASER, Junior**, and that **ALEX. DAVIDSON**, will commence business for himself at *Nelson Parish, Miramichi, 15th Nov. 1816.*

**ALL** Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late Mrs. **PENELOPE C. BISSET**, of Fredericton, deceased, are requested to present the same duly attested—and those indebted to said Estate are desired to make payment to **P. FRASER, Administrator.**  
Fredericton, 19th Nov. 1816.

**NOTICE.**

**DONALDSON & HAY** intending soon to close their present Concern, offer for sale, the whole of their assortment of **BRITISH & EAST INDIA GOODS,**

at very reduced prices for CASH, or PINE TIMBER, deliverable on or before the first July, 1817.

Also—TO CLOSE A CONSIGNMENT, **RUM, SUGAR and MOLASSES,** very low for prompt payment.  
Saint John, 28th September, 1816.

**ALL PERSONS**

**HAVING** any demands against the Estate of the late **JOHN FLEWELLING**, of the Parish of St. Mary's, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested—and those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to **GILFORD FLEWELLING, Admr.**  
Maugerville, 29th October, 1816.

**ALL** Persons having any just demands against the Estate of the late **RODRICK M'RAW**, of Miramichi, deceased, are desired to present the same duly attested within eighteen calendar months from the date hereof—And all those indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to **JOHN M'RAW, Sole Administrator.**  
Miramichi, 17th Sept, 1816.

**ALL** Persons having any just demands against the Estate of the late **ANGUS M'ISAAC**, deceased, are requested to render their Accounts duly attested, within six months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to,

**MICHAEL M'DONALD,**  
Administrator.

Miramichi, 8th Jan'y, 1817.

**ALL** Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late **THOMAS HUSTON**, of Burton, deceased, are requested to present their Accounts duly attested, within six Months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to **SAMUEL NEVERS,  
CONROD STANNIX,  
CALVIN HATCH.** } Administrators.  
Burton 26th, December, 1816.

*For Sale at this Office.*

**CHILDREN'S** Spelling Books, of the latest Edition.

Also,  
Essence of Peppermint; Windsor Soap.  
Fredericton, 11th March, 1817.

**THE N. B. ROYAL GAZETTE,**  
PUBLISHED every TUESDAY, by **GEORGE K. LUGRIN**, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty,  
At his Office, in the house next to Mr. JOHN M'LEON.  
**FREDERICTON.**

Where Blanks, Handbills, &c. can be struck off at the shortest notice.

**CONDITIONS.**

The Price of this Paper is TWELVE SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE per annum (exclusive of Postage)—half in advance.

Advertisements not exceeding FIFTEEN LINES, will be inserted for FOUR SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE the first, and ONE SHILLING and SIXPENCE for each succeeding Insertion.