

HALIFAX, JUNE 19.

The following is a Copy of the Free Port Act as received the Royal Assent on the 8th ult. Its extent is limited to three years, merely as an experiment; but its beneficial effects must depend entirely upon the spirit with which it is received and acted upon.

FREE PORT ACT.

[MAY 8, 1818.]

WHEREAS, by an Act passed in the 47th year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for permitting until the 25th day of March, 1809, and from thence to the end of the next Session of Parliament, the importation of certain enumerated Articles into the British Colonies on the Continent of North America, from the United States of America, and the exportation of other enumerated Articles from the same Colonies to the said States;" which said Act was continued and extended by an Act, passed in the 49th year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to authorise His Majesty to permit, until the 5th day of March, 1812, any Goods and Commodities to be imported into and exported from Nova Scotia and New-Brunswick, in any ship or vessel whatsoever," which last mentioned Act was continued by an Act, passed in the 53rd year of His Majesty's reign, sundry Articles were allowed to be imported into and exported from, certain Ports in His Majesty's Colonies of Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, from and to certain foreign ports, which Acts have now expired:—And whereas, great advantage resulted to the said Colonies, from the facilities given to the Trade thereof by the said Acts;—And whereas, it is expedient to grant similar facilities at the present time;—Be it therefore Enacted, by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same, That, from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful in any BRITISH built ship or vessel, owned and navigated according to law, or in any ship or vessel belonging to the Subjects of any Sovereign, or State in amity with His Majesty, to import into such Ports as shall be specially appointed for that purpose by His Majesty, within the Province of Nova-Scotia or New-Brunswick, the following Articles, viz. Scantling, Planks, Staves, Heading-boards, Shingles, Hoops, Horses, Neat Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Poultry, or Live Stock of any sort; Bread, Biscuit, Flour, Peas, Beans, Potatoes, Wheat, Rice, Oats, Barley, or Grain of any sort; Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, Fruits, Seeds and Tobacco.

cit, to make such rules and regulations for the Importation and Exportation of Goods and Commodities as aforesaid, at the said ports, with such penalties and forfeitures for the breach thereof, as shall seem fit and necessary to his Majesty, by and with the advice aforesaid.

VII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force during the space of three years from and after the passing of the same; and until six weeks after the commencement of the then next Session of Parliament.

HOUSE OF LORDS, MAY 19.

CUSTODY OF HIS MAJESTY'S PERSON. The Lord Chancellor, at the time the House was about to proceed to the order of the day for the committee on the cotton manufacturers' bill, said he begged leave to interrupt their Lordships' proceedings for a few moments, to introduce a Bill to amend the act relative to the custody of His Majesty's person during the Regency. Their Lordships were aware that a Council was by that Act appointed to assist her Majesty in the exercise of the important trust vested in her. It was found, however, that a due attention to the state of her Majesty's health did not permit her constant attendance at the place where his Majesty resides. At her Majesty must, therefore, be occasionally absent, it had been thought right that an addition should be made to the number of her Majesty's Council. There was another reason for this: many of the persons who formed that Council had official duties to perform, which sometimes rendered their attendance impossible; and on that account alone it would be advisable to grant her Majesty some additional assistance. The bill proposed that the members to be added to the Council should be nominated by her Majesty: what the number should be, was not expressed in the bill; that would be a subject of future consideration with their Lordships. There was another provision in the act to which he had referred, which it was considered expedient to alter. Their Lordships would recollect that, according to that act, if her Majesty ceases to have the custody of the King's person during a prorogation, it is provided that Parliament shall meet forthwith; but if Parliament should at that time be dissolved, it is provided that the same Parliament shall be re-assembled. He did not know how this clause, which seemed very inconsistent, should have found its way into the bill. If the case were to happen that the Queen should cease to have the custody of the King's person, after a dissolution, the Old Parliament, which had no longer any functions to execute, might be made to supersede the new. This was totally unnecessary, as the new Parliament, as the law now stands, can be called within 14 days. It was therefore an object of the present bill, if the event to which he had alluded should occur during a dissolution, to give the new Parliament an opportunity of meeting forthwith. He should propose that the bill be now read a first time, and would on Thursday next move the second reading. Earl Grey recommended their Lordships to look at the whole subject, not merely at the case of the demise of her Majesty, without considering what alterations might be necessary in the Regency Bill. The Bill was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, MAY 13.

Royal Message. Lord Castlereagh brought up a Message from the Prince Regent, which was read by the Speaker. It acquainted the House that his Royal Highness had given his assent to a treaty of marriage between the Duke of Kent and her Serene Highness Maria Louisa Victoria, widow of the Prince of Linangen, and sister of the reigning Prince of Saxe Cobourg, and of his Royal Highness Prince Leopold; it then stated, that His Royal Highness had no doubt that this communication would be acceptable to the House; and it concluded with a hope that the House would enable his Royal Highness to make a suitable provision for the intended marriage. Upon the motion of Lord Castlereagh, the House agreed to present an humble address to his Royal Highness the Prince Regent, thanking him for his gracious message, and assuring him that they would take it into immediate consideration; the House also agreed to refer the message to a committee of the whole House to-morrow. M'PHERSON & WILLOX, Saddle, Harness, Boot & Shoe Manufacturers, RESPECTFULLY informs the inhabitants of Fredericton and its vicinity that they have commenced Business in the Shop formerly occupied by Mr. S. W. and have purchased his whole Stock of Saddlery, Harness, Boot & Shoe Materials. They flatter themselves that by a strict attention to their business, to merit a share of the public favours. M.P. & W. will always have on hand a quantity of best English Leather. Fredericton, 22d June 1818. NOTICE. ALL Persons indebted to the Subscriber up to the 1st January last, will please pay immediately, otherwise they will be sued without delay. W. BAILEY. Fredericton, 26th May, 1818.

FREDERICTON, (N. B.)

30TH JUNE, 1818.

The 7th Regiment, under the command of Colonel Sir Richard Grenville, have arrived at Halifax, part of which was hourly expected at Saint John yesterday, when the Steam Boat left the Indian House. We understand that the Boat will arrive to-morrow, for the purpose of conveying the baggage of the above Regiment to this City.

The English May Mail arrived at the Post-Office yesterday afternoon—London dates to the 13d.

The ship Favourite arrived at John yesterday from Glasgow—33 days passage.

The Free Port Bill received the Royal Assent on the 8th May, and is to continue in force for the space of three years.

Saint John, 27th June.

- Monday, brig Ant, McCarthy, Kinsale—to master—ballast, and 21 passengers. Tuesday, ship Superior, Good, Dembitara—N. Merritt—rum, sugar, &c. Thursday, scho Friends, Lane, Boston—master—cargo staves Friday, ship Canada, Robertson, Newcastle—W. Black—cargo coals. CLEARERS. Ship Nancy, Williamson, Cork—timber—R. H. Hamilton Herald, Snowden, London—timber—Thos. Smith Waterloo, Ward, Liverpool—timber—C. Ward. Ship Bladford, Buttern, Plymouth—timber—Messer. Star, Blackett, Aberdeen—timber—J. & A. Robson. Browns, Browne, Kinsale—timber—E. M. Browne. John, Smith, London—timber—H. Johnston & Co. Concord, Stewart, Irvine—timber—Hugh Johnston & Co. Ajax, Mackie, Belfast—timber—Robertson & Simpson. Laxford, Cock, Jamaica—fish and lumber—T. Hanford.

CHEAP GOODS.

E. SLOOT & Co.

HAVE just received per the CALIFORNIA from LONDON, an extensive assortment of BRITISH MERCHANDIZE, which they offer for Sale on very reasonable terms. The whole were particularly selected by Mr. James SLOOT. ALSO—CONIAC BRANDY, JAMAICA SPIRITS, GENEVA, LISBON WINES, PORT do. PORTER, White Vine VINEGAR, And Some Double GLOUCESTER CHEESE. Fredericton, 30th June, 1818.

JUST RECEIVED

And now opening for Sale by the Subscriber.

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF DRY GOODS,

PORT, SHERRY, and WINES VIDONIA, Biscuit and Draught PORTER. Vinegar; Holland Gin; Cogniac Brandy. Loaf Sugar; Teas; double and single Gloucester Cheese; Shell Almonds; Raisins; Soap & Candles; Confectionary; Drug's; Nails of all sorts; Bar Iron; Window Glass, &c. all of which he now offers for Sale low for Cash or approved Credit. JEDEDIAH SLASON. Fredericton, 30th June, 1818.

D. MONFORT,

Boot & Shoe Maker, RETURNS thanks to the inhabitants of Fredericton and its vicinity for the liberal encouragement afforded him since his commencement in the above business. He has just received a supply of the best English LEATHER which will be worked up in the neatest manner for those who may please favour him with their commands. Fredericton, 30th June, 1818.

P. FRASER,

HAS just received per the Ships Wellington, from London; Waterloo, from Liverpool; and the Benlomon, from Glasgow, a general assortment of DRY GOODS and GROCERIES, suitable for the season; all of which will be sold low for Cash, Furs, or Bills of Exchange. N.B.—Those indebted to him to the 24th December last, are requested to settle their respective balances without delay. Fredericton, 9th June, 1818.

New Goods.

MARK NEEDHAM

Has just received by the Ship Benlomon, from Greenock, and Wellington from London,

A NEAT and Fashionable Assortment of GOODS, (part are just come to hand, per the Steam Boat,) all of which will be sold on the lowest terms for Cash or short approved Credit.

Fredericton, 26th May, 1818.

NEW GOODS.

JAMES TAYLOR,

Has just received by the late arrivals from Europe,

A HANDSOME Assortment of Goods suitable to the Season, which he offers for Sale on the most reasonable terms. Treasury Notes, at Par, will be received as Cash.

Fredericton, 9th June, 1818.

TO BE SOLD,

AT PUBLIC AUCTION,

On the Premises, on Tuesday the 21st July next, between the hours of 12 and 3 o'clock,

THE House and Lot in the lower part of Fredericton, fronting the River, belonging to the Estate of the late FRANCIS M'BEATH. The House is Two Stories high, and has Four Rooms on a Floor—its well calculated for any person in Business. Conditions will be made known at the time of Sale.

CATHARINE M'BEATH, Ex'x. ROBERT SMITH, Ex'rs. ALLWARD HARNED, Ex'rs. Fredericton, 16th June, 1818.

FOR SALE,

THAT well-known Property of the Subscriber, situate in the Parish of Queensbury, about 18 miles from Fredericton, 97 Roods in front, containing 430 Acres, whereof 60 Acres is in a state of cultivation, and cuts 25 Tons of Hay annually. There is a comfortable House, with a new Barn, 28 by 38, on the Premises also an Orchard. The whole is well fenced.

For particulars, enquire of the Subscriber, living on the Premises.

CHARLES JOHNSTON. 26th May, 1818.

READY MONEY, and the highest prices will be paid at St. John, for all kinds of SKINS and FURS, by Z. WHEELER.

St. John, 22d April, 1818.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber being about to close his Business in Fredericton, requests all Persons having demands against him, or of the late Firm of PIERCE & SHAW, to render them for settlement; and all indebted, either by Note or Account, are requested to call and settle the same, prior to the tenth day of July next, otherwise they will be put immediately in suit.

For OREN SHAW, D. W. PIERCE, Agent. Fredericton, 9th June, 1818.

STOLEN.

FROM the Subscriber a NOTE of Hand granted to him by DAVID NEWMAN, for thirty eight pounds, some shillings. All persons are hereby cautioned from Buying the said NOTE or giving value for the same as the payment of the Note is Stopped by JOHN M'ENTYRE.

Miramichi, 1st June 1818.

THE SUBSCRIBER

IS thankful to his Customers for past favours—will carefully Repair, Clean and warrant Clocks and Watches, of almost any description, on the lowest terms—Gold, Silver and Plated Ware, neatly repaired—Constantly on hand, fine Gold Finger Rings.

His Son has taken a Shop a few doors above Mr. AVERY'S, where any thing in the above line will be executed with neatness and dispatch—Strict attention shall be paid to business at both Shops.

JOHN WOLHAUPTER. Fredericton, 12th May, 1818.

RAGS! RAGS! RAGS! CASH will be given at the Royal Gazette Office, for clean Linnen or Cotton RAGS!