

HALIFAX, APRIL 4.

Yesterday His Excellency the Governor in Chief being seated in the Council Chamber, commanded the attendance of the House of Assembly, which shortly afterwards appeared at the Bar, with the Speaker at their head; His Excellency was pleased to deliver the following Speech:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

THE attention which has been given to the dispatch of the public business of this season, is entitled to my best acknowledgements, and enables me now to relieve you from further attendance.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

I observe with satisfaction that the supplies which have been voted for the public service, have been proportioned to the circumstances and means of the Province. I thank you for them in His Majesty's name; and you may rely upon their being faithfully applied.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

I cannot allow you to separate without expressing my personal thanks for the support I have received in the administration of the Government, and for the repeated assurances of your approbation in the discharge of the duties of my station.

It affords me great satisfaction at this moment to see the Province in the enjoyment of peace, contentment, and abundance of all the necessaries of life. It is perhaps still more pleasing to see the fairest promise of a continuance of these blessings increasing too by a rising spirit of industry, the active efforts of which will best express its powers and importance.

Leaving you in that state, I cannot but feel most anxious for the future. Convinced as I am, that Nova Scotia is growing in strength more rapidly than you are aware of, and that every year, it is acquiring multiplied powers of energy and exertion, I feel it my duty to point out to you the objects which appear to me, above all others, important, to promote those happy prospects. Pre-eminent in these I consider a continued encouragement to the pursuits of agriculture as the only source and solid foundation of the prosperity of this and any other country. On it your commerce and your fisheries will grow to consequence; and while it languishes, these also will be limited and unprofitable.

I earnestly recommend to your protection, the college now rising in this town. The state of the Province requires more extended means of education; and this college, open to all classes and denominations of Christians, will afford these means in the situation best suited to make them generally available. I am myself fully convinced that the advantages will be great even in our time, but growing, as it will grow, with the prosperity of the Province, no human foresight can imagine to what extent it may have spread its blessings, when your children's children shall compare the state of Nova Scotia to what it is now.

Of less consequence, but yet most important also, I consider the existence and state of the militia. It is the constitutional defence and security of the Province; and the protection of 20,000 young and willing sons of your own families, ought not to be slighted or neglected by government or the Legislature. The militia is not at present what I have wished to see it, but there is all the loyalty I could desire, and in many particulars all the zeal and discipline I could possibly wish.

The scope of the chief command which His Majesty has been pleased to intrust to me, holds me responsible to watch over, and inquire into the administration, circumstances and improvements; as well as the defence of every one of these His Majesty's North American Provinces. Under the blessing of God, I will do so to the best of my abilities; and not only by inquiry, but in the succeeding years by personally visiting every one of them. I should indeed feel infinite satisfaction in seeing the measures now only begun, still persevered in here, and realising all the hopes which I believe the great majority of the people of Nova Scotia at this moment entertain.

Having thus discharged what I conceive

to be an important, and perhaps my last important duty here, it only remains for me to offer my fervent prayers for the happiness and prosperity of you all individually.

The President of His Majesty's Council then, by His Excellency's desire, declared the Assembly prorogued until the 8th day of June next.

The House of Assembly waited upon the Governor in Chief yesterday, and requested his Excellency's acceptance of a Sword and Star valued at one thousand guineas, which had been voted him.

DUBLIN, FEB. 1.—Just as our paper was going to press, we received a letter from Galway, stating, that upwards of 500 ribbandmen had been taking up arms in the neighborhood of Clonsert on Friday night, when the bishop, being informed of it, went into the church, and commenced ringing the bell until daylight. The church he had barricaded and defended by armed men. The next night, Saturday last, a force of 300 regulars were dispatched to his lordship, who are patrolling all the roads in the vicinity. Another meeting of Magistrates was to be held on Monday.

Extract of a letter, dated Westport, county of Mayo, (Ireland,) Jan. 31.

"I am sorry to tell you, that the state of this county is very bad. The county of Mayo itself, is, as yet, quiet: but we are surrounded on every side by disaffection and disloyalty. It is said English agents are in the neighborhood, and that it is they who have excited all the disturbance."

FREDERICTON, (N.B.)

18TH APRIL, 1820.

[Postscript to the Gazette.]

The following appointments have been lately made of Commissioners in the Supreme Courts—viz.

FOR SAINT JOHN.

Honble John Robinson, } For taking Bail and Affidavits.

FOR QUEEN'S COUNTY.

John Yeomans, } For taking Bail and Affidavits.

Valentine H. Peters, and }  
Samuel Scovil, Esquires. }  
FOR NORTHUMBERLAND.

Hugh Munro, } For taking Bail and Affidavits.

Alexander Davidson, }  
Joseph Home, }  
Robert Ferguson, }  
Perry Dumas, Esq. and }  
Samuel M. Kean, Esqs. }  
Thomas H. Peters, } For taking Affidavits.

Thomas O'Leary, and }  
John Wheaton, Esquires. }

Regulations for granting Licences to cut Pine Timber on the Vacant Crown Lands.

Fredericton, 14th April 1820.

Every Petition for Licence to cut Pine Timber must contain the following particulars, supported either by the affidavit of the Party or a Certificate from a Magistrate, viz:

1st That the Petitioner is a British Subject, a Freeholder, and not connected, directly or indirectly, in the transaction, with an alien.

The Certificate of the Surveyor-General must also be obtained that the district applied for is vacant Crown Land, and that there is no prior application to settle on the same.

The Petition is then to be lodged at the Secretary's Office, to be submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Licence, if granted, will be given to an officer of the Surveyor-General's Department or to one of the Deputies of the Surveyor-General of the Woods as his authority for inspecting and marking out the District therein described at the expense of the Petitioner. Previous to which a Bond must be entered into to His Majesty, at the Secretary's Office, at the rate of one shilling per Ton for the quantity of Timber mentioned in the Licence, and the established Fees of Office then paid in part of the sum specified in the condition of the Bond.

The offices in the Surveyor-General's Department and those in the Department of the Surveyor-General of the Woods are hereby strictly charged against marking out any District without the previous authority of a Licence granted as aforesaid or a special warrant under the Hand and Seal of the Lieutenant-Governor: and every Person who shall enter upon the Crown Lands

to cut Timber, before the District shall be marked out for him under such authority will be prosecuted according to Law.

By order of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor.

H. H. CARMICHAEL, D. S.

At a special meeting of the Fredericton Emigrant Society, on the 12th of April 1820—

Present,  
The Hon. President, Hon. S. D. Street,  
Mr. Slason, Mr. Ring,  
Taylor, Fisher,  
Fraser, Dayton,  
Secretary, Treasurer,  
Hon. Judge Saunders.

The House of Assembly having voted £150, the 16th March 1820, "to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to be expended by Commissioners to be appointed for that purpose, in the purchase of provisions for the immediate relief of the Welsh Emigrants in York County, and seed for the ensuing season." His Excellency having been pleased to direct the Emigrant Society to apply the above sum to its intended use—

It was resolved, that Messrs. Lockwood, Street, and Fisher, inspect the Settlement: That Messrs. Fraser, Slason, Street, Ring, and Fisher, appropriate the sum.

By the Register of the Society, 16 Males, 8 Females, 12 Children, have been assisted.

Deputy Surveyors in the Province of New-Brunswick.

YORK. Mr. Archibald Fisher,  
Adam Allan, Esq. William Chapman,  
James M'Lauchlan, Esq. (Manan.)  
John Bedell, Esq.

Mr. George West, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
George Morehouse, Samuel M'Kean, Esq.  
Richard Ketchum, Perry Dumaresq, Esq.  
Allen M'Lean. Mr. William Harley,  
William Ferguson

SUNBURY. Mr. James W. Layton. QUEEN'S.  
Gershom Clark, Esq.

KING'S. Mr. Cal L. Hatheway. ST. JOHN.  
King's Chaimmen, Mr. Bernard Kiernan,  
Mr. — Freeze, Philip Mosher, Esq.  
George Barns,  
Alexander Burnet.

WESTMORLAND.  
Philip Palmer, Esq.  
Mr. Ebenezer Cutler.

CHARLOTTE.  
Colin Campbell, Esq.  
22 Deputies—3 Chaimmen.

The Halifax and Saint John mails had not arrived when this paper was put to press. It is expected that the Courier, who ought to have been here yesterday with the above mails, has also the English mail for February, if so, the weight of which, together with the extreme difficulty in travelling at this season, has, in all probability caused the delay.

Those who are desirous of preserving their Gardens from Vermin, are advised to draw round their enclosures three furrows of about four inches depth and nine inches a part, and to plant therein Hemp. This the slugs or snails will not pass.

The plant will furnish a material to employ the poor in winter, and the seed is an excellent food for Poultry.

NO. III.

To the Editor of the Royal Gazette.

SIR,

The present state of Agriculture in this Province, is of a most degrading description, and, as far as I can ascertain, it is not much better in the United States: indeed, wherever there is an abundance of land, and the consumption not equal to the produce, no great improvements in tillage can be expected. But in places teeming with inhabitants, and land scarcely sufficient to produce enough for the consumption, it is reasonable to suppose that every exertion will be made to encourage the production of grain. Such is the case in England, where the consumption is greater than what has been hitherto raised from the soil; in consequence of which, land has there risen to an enormous value, and the tenant, in order to be enabled to pay his rent and taxes, is compelled to resort to every expedient to improve the soil and enhance the quantity and value of the produce. It was with these views that the House of Commons addressed his late Most Gracious Majesty to establish the Board of Agriculture:—an Institution which sheds more real splendor on the annals of our parent country, than all the military trophies reaped on the bloody fields of Talavera and of Waterloo.

With feelings of the sincerest pleasure, I congratulate the country on the present promising appearance of our own society; yet there is want of energy in our fellow citizens, or more would come forward to subscribe their names to an association so likely to prove beneficial to their own interests, as well as to those of the Province at large. An exception in this respect must indeed be made in favor of the County of Sunbury, where I have been most agreeably surprised at seeing hand-bills dispersed, calling on the inhabitants of the County to meet at the Court-House at Burton, on Monday the first May next, in order to form an Auxiliary Agricultural Society. Blessings on the patriotic and worthy

gentleman who has signed the notices, may success crown his endeavours; and blessings on those who assist him with their exertions; as the cause for which they are now contending is the cause of mankind. GEORGE CON.

10th April 1820.

FOR SALE,

2 PAIR of OXEN; one pair are 8 years old this spring, and 7 feet in girth, the other pair 6 years old and girth 6 feet 4 inches: they are sound, in good order, and without blemish; with a good iron shod Sled, two Chains, and two Yokes, all complete:

Also, a grey HORSE, 12 years old, with an iron shod two-horse Sled and all the apparatus belonging thereto. All of which will be sold on reasonable terms, for cash, by

JAMES D. BERTON.  
Fredericton, 18th April 1820.

ALL PERSONS

INDEBTED to the Firm of JAMES DONALD & SONS, either by Bond, Note, or Book debt, are hereby notified, that their accounts will be put into the hands of an Attorney to collect, if not paid by the first day of June next.

Ludlow, 18th April 1820.

THE Creditors of the Estate of JAMES H. LAMB, deceased, are hereby notified, that their several dividends of that Estate, amounting to about seven shillings in the pound, are ready to be paid, and they are requested to call on the Subscriber for payment.

HARRIET LAMB, Ex'rx.  
Fredericton, 11th April 1820.

FOR SALE,

A LOT of LAND, about four miles from Fredericton, in the Parish of St. Mary's, between the property of JOHN GRANT and JOHN FOSTER, 21 rods front, and runs two miles and three quarters back, has thereon a comfortable Log House, and a barn partly enclosed—10 acres of said land is clear. For further particulars, apply to

JOSEPH FOSTER,  
STEPHEN CAMERON,  
St. Mary's, 17th April 1820. 2wp.

MADRAS SCHOOL.

THE Public are informed that a School is opened in this place, for the Education of Female Children, under the direction of the Governor and Trustees of the Madras School—Mrs. BAIRD is appointed the School Mistress. Application for the admission of Children to be received in the above School, may be made to any of the Members of the Institution, the Minister of the Parish, or Deputy-Secretary.

GEO. P. BLISS, Dep. Sec.  
Fredericton, 17th April 1820.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING any demands against the Estate of EDWARD WHITNEY, late of the Parish of Northesk, in the County of Northumberland, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested to, within six months from the date hereof, and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

OLIVER WHITNEY, } Adm'rs.  
DAVID TOZER, }  
Northesk, 1st April 1820 3m.

TO BE LEASED,

For a term of Years,  
BY Public Auction, at the Jerusalem Coffee-House, on Saturday the 29th day of April instant, at 12 o'clock noon, a number of valuable BUILDING LOTS in the Town of Fredericton, adjoining land of MATTHEW BRANNEN, fronting on King-Street, and lying immediately in the rear of the residence of Messrs. SLASON, MINCHIN, and others. A plan of the Lots may be seen, and other particulars made known by application to the Subscriber,  
M. C. HAILES.  
Fredericton, 11th April, 1820.

WATERLOO SAW-MILL,

ON THE NASHWALK.

THE Public are notified, that this Mill has recommenced its operations for the season. Any quantity of Plank, Flooring, Boards or Scantling, not exceeding 200,000 feet, will there be sawed agreeably to the orders of the Public and delivered accordingly, after the river opens.

The logs procured for the use of this Mill are large and of a very superior quality;—and the workmen employed to manufacture them, have been brought up to the business:—10,000 feet may now be had on the Premises. Enquire of  
STAIR B. AGNEW.  
3d April 1820.

TO BE SOLD OR LEASED,

LOT No. 1249, lying in the Lower Cove of the City of St. John. A good title can be given to the person who may purchase the same, on applying to  
RICE RAYMOND,  
Camperdown-Lanc.  
Fredericton, 11th April, 1820.