

trah was the case of my son. From the moment that his sight was gone, there was no hope for him; in two or three seconds more he must necessarily have fallen; but before that, and in his last agonies, he would undoubtedly have grasped at the tottering ladder where I was placed: he would have dragged it away, and we should have both fallen. In an instant I foresaw this inevitable result, and I prevented it by dealing the blow which precipitated him, and which saved the as you see. Now tell me, you who call me a monster. If I had killed myself at the same time with him, who would have supported his unfortunate wife and children, who henceforward have nothing to look for but my labours? To die for him would perhaps have been the duty of a father; but to die along with him without any utility, is, I believe, what neither religion nor justice require.

During some moments a profound silence reigned throughout the assembled crowd; but the clamours recommenced; the mason was arrested, and delivered over to the tribunal. He there displayed the same firmness he had shown before the people. The judges, like the multitude, could not resist a first impulse of horror; but, upon reflecting on the situation in which he was placed, and the motive he had assigned for his conduct, they acknowledged that his reasoning, however heroic, was just, and exhibited a presence of mind to which, though with shuddering, they could not refuse their admiration.

HALIFAX, DEC. 21.
From the Free Press.

The Rev. Mr. WILLIS who is appointed Rector of St. Paul's, arrived in town some days since; and finding that the Church Wardens would not induct him; we understand the Attorney General has been consulted, and that his opinion is against the position that this Parish has a right to the presentation.

Subsequently a Mandamus issued from His Honor the President, addressed to the Church Wardens, directing them to induct Mr. Willis; upon their refusal another was issued, addressed to the Rev. Mr. GRAY, who accordingly proceeded on Friday last to perform the ceremony of induction. He was unable to procure entrance into the Church, but went through the prescribed formalities at the door.

Saint Andrews, December 25.

The Eastern and Western Mails due on Saturday, only arrived here last evening. We have no later intelligence from Europe since our last publication. We are in possession of President MONROE'S Message to both Houses of Congress. It is as usual, a luminous and full exposure of the affairs of the nation, exhibiting a comprehensive view of the relations of the Government with Foreign Powers, the state of the finances and a general and explicit account of the proceedings of the Executive during the recess of Congress.

At the late hour we received this document, we have not ventured even to attempt a general outline of it. The following is the substance of what more particularly relates to ourselves:—

It states that an earnest desire exists on the part of the U. S. Government, to place the commerce with the British colonies, on a footing of reciprocal advantage; and that it is hoped that ere long, the British Government will accede to it.

That the question of the boundary between the Territories of the U. States and Great Britain, under the fifth article of the Treaty of Ghent, was in a course of amicable negotiation, and it was hoped would be satisfactorily settled in that mode.

That the question of the Boundary, under the sixth article of the same treaty, had been established by the decision of the Commissioners; that from a report recently received, there was good cause to presume that the question of the Boundary, under the seventh article of the treaty, would be settled in the course of the ensuing year. And lastly, that he has suspended the conclusion of a new Convention with the British Government on the subject of the stipulation of the Slave trade, until he ascertains the sentiments of Congress on the documents relating to the negotiation, which he had submitted for their consideration.

ALMANACKS for 1825
for sale at the Royal Gazette
Office.

FREDERICTON, (N. B.)

TUESDAY, 28th DECEMBER, 1824.

Alms-House and Work-House.

COMMISSIONER FOR THE WEEK,
GEORGE F. STREET, Esquire.

No Business will be transacted in future at the Public Offices, on the following

- Holidays.
1st of January—New Year's Day.
2d do.
17th March, Saint Patrick.
23d April, Saint George.
29th May, King Charles the 2d res.
30th November, Saint Andrew.
25th December, Christmas Day.
26th do. } Christmas Holidays.
27th do. }
Good Friday.
Easter Monday.
Easter Tuesday.

AT the Public Examination, of the Grammar School annexed to the College, held on the 23d current, at which His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and the Trustees of the College were present; the Pupils acquitted themselves much to the satisfaction of the Examiners. The progress which they had made, since the last semi-annual Examination, was a convincing proof of the zealous exertions, and the ability of the Teacher, as well as of the attention and industry of the Scholars. They showed a very correct Grammatical knowledge of Latin, both in Syntax and Prosody, and in translations of the different Classical Authors which they had read, were neat, appropriate, and elegant. Those in Algebra, who had proceeded as far as Quadratic Equations, appeared from the answers which they gave to the questions put to them, to be well acquainted with the principles of the Science and ready in their application. His Excellency expressed himself highly gratified with the whole, and from his own eminent experience, was pleased to suggest a mode, by which the theoretical knowledge they had already acquired, might be sooner, and more effectually be applied to practice. The Governor generously bestowed (from his own Library) Hutton's Course of Mathematics, and Bonnyycastle's Algebra, upon Henry Smith and William Odell, for proficiency in Algebra; and Prizes were also awarded by the Board to Stephen Miller, Thomas Saunders Wetmore, and Henry Hart. The English Scholars, also, under the immediate care of Mr. Holbrook, who were examined upon the subsequent day, gave much satisfaction to the Governor and Trustees of the Institution and to a numerous and most respectable Audience assembled upon the occasion, among whom, were Lady Douglas and the Miss Douglasses. The specimens which they exhibited in Reading, English Grammar, Writing and Geography, were clear and convincing proofs of the talents and diligence of the Teacher, of the rapid improvement of the Pupils, and the distinguished excellence of the system upon which they have been so successfully taught. In this Department, premiums were assigned to James Segee, Charles Segee, John Ellwood, and George Segee, also from the Governor's Library. In delivering the prizes to the successful Candidates, His Excellency was pleased in an elegant, and appropriate Speech, to express himself in such a manner, as not only to stimulate the Pupils to future exertion, but likewise to make a powerful impression upon the Audience, particularly the Parents and Guardians of Youth.

Under such an Administration, there is every reason to hope, that the inestimable blessing of a Religious, Moral, Scientific, and Literary Education, may be widely diffused through a Province rapidly increasing in population, wealth, and political importance.

DIED] At Fredericton, on Monday the 20th instant, Mrs ABIGAIL STREET, Et: 64, the wife of the Honorable Sir JAMES D. STREET, after a very long and severe illness which she sustained with the most patient and exemplary fortitude and pious resignation; the cheerful pleasure of her temper had educated her to all to whom she was known. Her departure, therefore, will long cast a shade of the deepest regret on the recollections of her family and friends.

The funeral took place on Sunday the 26th inst. very respectably and numerously attended.

At his house in Lincoln, on the 8th inst. SAMUEL PEABODY, Esquire, one of the first Settlers in this Province, in the 82d year of his age.

At Exeter (England) on the 16th Oct. Mrs. M. WANTON, relict, of the late Collector of the Port of Saint John.

Fredericton Savings Bank.

AT a Meeting of the principal Inhabitants of the Town of Fredericton, held at Government House, on Wednesday the 15th day of December, 1824, at the request of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of establishing and organizing a Savings Bank or Provident Institution in the said Town.

His Excellency was pleased to open the business by the following Address:

Gentlemen,
I refer you to the reports which you will have read of the proceedings of a meeting held elsewhere, to take into consideration the expediency of establishing Savings Banks in this Province; on which occasion I brought forward the measures in an address, which you will probably have already perused: I shall not therefore take up your

time, with any introductory remarks on the importance, the expediency, and the benefits of such Institutions. — These advantages are no longer speculative: these admirable institutions have realized, wherever they have been established, all the expectations engrained by their framers. The great leading principles upon which Savings Banks have been established, have been amply repaid by the confidence that has been placed in their utility and security—by the avidity and alacrity with which they have been adopted by all classes—by the happy tendencies they have of increasing the comforts of Society, by giving a spur to industry; furnishing a fund for the education and settlement of children, and of operating as a resource against the day of want, sickness, and old age.

These admirable institutions have proved to encourage a new order of things in the common concerns of life, among the labouring classes of society; they have a direct tendency to produce order, regularity, temperance, and economy, and all those domestic habits and dispositions, which tend to increase human happiness, and to improve moral principle.

They create the pride of industrious independence, which by its honest exertions, in such a Country as this in particular, would soon place men above want, and enable them to meet sudden and unexpected calls, arising from sickness, or the contingent distresses of unfavorable times, and that without intrenching deeply on the hopes and expectations of a more favourable period, in a manner that would require the exertion of years to overcome.

To consolidate all these interests here: Support and protection of these measures must be looked to elsewhere; but I am persuaded we may lay the foundation we are preparing by these beginnings, with full confidence that they will meet the fostering care, which must be bestowed upon them hereafter, to secure the benefits which they have elsewhere produced."

IT WAS THEREUPON RESOLVED, That a Bank be accordingly established; to be called

"The Fredericton Savings Bank." And that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be respectfully requested to become Patron; to which His Excellency was pleased to signify his assent.

The following Gentlemen were then chosen to fill the respective offices, viz.

- PRESIDENT.
His Honor the Chief Justice.
VICE-PRESIDENT.
Peter Fraser, Esquire.
DIRECTORS.
Henry Smith, Esq.
George Minchin, Esq.
Jedediah Slason, Esq.
Mark Needham, Esq.
James Taylor, Senr. Esq.
Mr. Peter Fisher.
SECRETARY.
Henry G. Clopper, Esq.
TREASURER.
James Taylor, Senr. Esq.

RESOLVED, That a Subscription be set on foot, to defray the contingent expences of the institution.

H. G. CLOPPER, Sec'y.

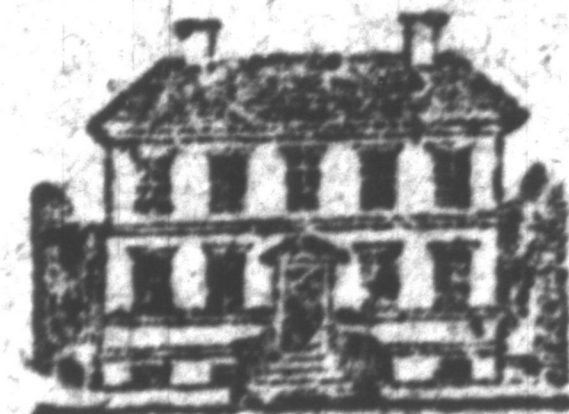
ST. JOHN, Dec. 16.

The brig Eagle, Warder laden with timber, and lying in the harbour, ready for sea, unfortunately caught fire, early in the morning of Sunday last, and although the alarm was immediately given, the length of time that elapsed before the engines and other assistance could be conveyed to her, had given the flames such an ascendancy, as to threaten her entire destruction. The exertions of the Firemen, however, and other Citizens, prevented the fire from raging above decks; and the precaution taken to scuttle the vessel, had the effect of completely arresting the progress of the devouring element.—We regret to add, that the Mate, who was sleeping in the cabin at the time of the accident, unfortunately perished in the flames. The Captain came very near sharing a similar fate, having just awoke in time to escape from his perilous situation. The fire was chiefly confined to the after part of the vessel; and the damage she has sustained is very considerable.—Star.

The Eagle belonged to London, and was consigned to Andrew Crookshank & Co. She lost her mainmast and several spars, on her voyage out, and had been completely refitted.

A Court of Nisi Prius, and also a Court of Oyer and Tenner and general Goal delivery, is appointed to be held at Newcastle in the County of Northumberland, on Monday the twenty-fourth day of January next.

FREDERICTON HOTEL,



THE Subscriber returns his sincere thanks to the Public in general for past favours, and begs leave to

inform them, that he has fitted up the above House in the best style, with the choicest WINES and LIQUORS that could be had in St. John. He has made arrangements for the constant supply of his Table; and pledges himself to all who may be pleased to visit him this Winter, that no exertion on his part shall be wanting to render their stay agreeable.

WM. MILLER.

Fredericton, 28th Dec. 1824.

EDUCATION.

T. D. STOKOE re-

spectfully informs his Friends and the Public, that his School in the long room over the Shop of Mr. Thomas Taylor, at the corner of King Street and Camperdown Lane, will be re-opened on Monday the 3d of January, 1825, where the Youths of both Sexes will be taught the following branches of English Education:—viz. Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, and the Rudiments of English Grammar.—Book Keeping, Geometry, Geography, Mensuration, and Conic Sections, plain & Spherical Trigonometry, Navigation and Architectural Ship-Building or Drafting; Also AN EVENING SCHOOL.

T. D. S. begs permission to tender his most grateful acknowledgements for the encouragements he has received; and trust by punctual attention to the improvement of those intrusted to his tuition, to merit a continuance of Public Patronage.

TERMS may be known on application at the School Room.

Fredericton, 25th Dec. 1824.

LOST,

SOME time in this month, in Fredericton, or on the road to Maryland, a black leather Pocket Book, containing several receipts, two Notes of Hand, and the eighth of a Doubloon. Whoever has found the same and will return it to the Subscriber, shall receive a reward of Ten Shillings.

FRANCIS SEGEE.

Fredericton, 23d Dec. 1824.

THE Committee of the Bible Association of Kingsclear and its vicinity, will meet at Mr. Jacob Ring's at Six o' Clock on Saturday next, when the Collectors are particularly requested to attend.

T. T. SMITH, Secy.

December, 28th, 1824.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

TO be sold by Public Auction to the highest bidder on Friday the 1st of July next, between the hours of 12 and 5 in the afternoon, at Miller's Hotel in the Parish of Fredericton and Co. of York.

ALL the right and title of WILLIAM TURNER, deceased, of, in, and to Lot No. 30, on the east side of the river St. John, and the half of Lot No. 51, and Lot No. 52, on the west side, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Parish of Wakefield, in the said County of York. The same being seized by me from Sarah Turner and William P. Turner, Administrators of the said William Turner, deceased, by virtue of an execution issued out of the Supreme Court, at the suit of Alexander Ross.

Dated this 22d of December, 1824.

E. W. MILLER, Sheriff.

Wanted Immediately. A HOUSE MAID at Government House, who can bring proper recommendations: Fredericton, 6th Dec. 1824.