

MONTREAL, Oct. 26.

We have been favoured with the perusal of an interesting letter from a gentleman who lately visited the improvements now going on under the orders of government near the village of Hull, addressed to his friend in Montreal. By it we are happy to find that the great work is in progress, which has been so long desired by both provinces—the Rideau Canal. We have already mentioned in our paper, that His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, during his late visit to the Ottawa River, directed a bridge to be built near the falls of the Chaudiere, and that the corner stone was laid by the Governor himself. This bridge of stone of 30 feet roadway to be erected over the falls of the Chaudiere, will consist of eight arches, five of which are of 60 feet span, two of 70 feet, and the last of 200 feet over the Big Kettle where a 300 feet fathom line has not touched bottom. The abutments of this bridge are made by nature and consist of a series of rocky islands, formed of the hardest horizontal strata of laminated limestone—the arches are raised very high, in order to guard against the spring floods, which there rise about 24 feet. This great bridge, which is an indelible union that connects Upper and Lower Canada has already advanced. One of the arches of 60 feet span is just finished and the centering of another of 70 feet is now putting up. The situation of the bridge is perhaps one of the most romantic that could be chosen, and the most imposing for a piece of architecture that will not have its equal on this continent, and perhaps in the world. The waters of the Ottawa at the falls of the Chaudiere over which the arches spring, tumble over a ledge of rocks into the cauldrons beneath; and instead of furious driving down the channel, they sometimes appear to vanish fairly from sight, and by subterranean passages work their way, and come up boiling and white with foam about half a mile below—the practical mason of this wonderful superstructure is Mr. Thomas M'Kay, who in such an able manner completed the locks of the Lachine Canal from the plans of the late Mr. Burnett.

The Rapids are also undergoing some decided improvements by forming a channel for the raftsmen. This is done by building two very strong dams and deepening one of the *Chenails*.

The grand entrance of the Rideau Canal into the Ottawa River is in a bay situated between the Falls of the Chaudiere and the Falls of the Rideau. The land on both sides of the bay rises about 250 feet, and the valley between is not 400 feet wide. On one side Colonel Bye has proposed erecting a battery or fort, and on the other his dwelling house. The trees and brush wood have begun to be cleared; two villages have been laid out; lots taken and houses commenced to be built. At the Beach two large wharves for the receipt of Government Stores, are already in progress. The view of the Canal from the river in coming up will be beautiful, as from the circumstance of the land rising so rapidly, there will be no less than 6 locks within 500 yards of the beach, and these locks are intended to admit steam-boats of large dimensions. If the weather continues fair, it is expected that the levels for the Canal will be run as far as Perth and Gananoque this fall. This is pleasing intelligence, and when connected with the erection of similar works near this city, will satisfy the political economists of the Edinburgh Review, that the British Government have not the least intention of following their learned advice.

A letter addressed to A. M. B. has been left at the Royal Gazette Office.

FREDERICTON, (N. B.)

TUESDAY, 19TH DEC. 1826.

Alms House and Work House.

COMMISSIONER FOR THE WEEK, JEDEDIAH SLASON, Esq.

SAVINGS BANK.

TRUSTEES NEXT WEEK, HENRY G. CLOPPER, ESQ. JAMES TAYLOR, ESQ. GEORGE MINCHIN, ESQ.

FREDERICTON SOCIETY, For the encouragement of good and honest Female Servants.

The annual Meeting of this Society was held on the 5th ult.

LADY DOUGLAS, Present. When the Treasurer's accounts were inspected and a balance in favour of the Society, appeared, amounting to £18:18:7 exclusive of the yearly subscriptions then due.

Several satisfactory certificates were presented and referred to a Committee, which met on the 13th, and appropriated the following sums:—

To Elizabeth M'Laughlin, servant to Mrs Wetmore, for eight years faithful service, and most exemplary conduct as a pious good young woman, the sum of £3:0:0

To Hannah Nunan, servant to Mrs Wetmore, for two years and ten months good conduct, as a faithful industrious woman, £1:15:0

To Caroline Leonard, servant to Mrs. P. Fisher, for two years and six months good conduct, as a faithful deserving girl, £1:15:0

To ... servant to Mrs Baillie, for two years and three months general good conduct, £1:15:0

To Catharine Orr, servant to Mrs G. West, Princetown, for three years and two months good conduct as an honest industrious girl, £2:0:0

A certificate also was read from Mrs Clopper, recommending Nancy Richards, for eighteen months most exemplary conduct—but, not coming within the period required by the Society, the Committee were compelled to withhold the premium until a certificate shall be produced from her former place of service, to complete the time specified; when the Treasurer is authorised to remit to her the further sum of £1:15:0

The Society have much satisfaction in observing that during this past year of their formation, they have had in their power to reward thirteen respectable, good servants—and although the Society has diminished in numbers, owing to the departure of some from the Province, and the withdrawing of two or three others, still their funds are in the most flourishing state, and they hope to be enabled long to be instrumental in rewarding merit, and doing that good to this community, which a steady perseverance in the measures adopted, must eventually produce.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

Mrs. Hurd, £1:3:4 N. B.—The yearly subscriptions were due on the first of this month—Printed Rules and Regulations can be obtained of the Treasurer. ANN DOUGLAS.—Secretary Fredericton, 16th December, 1826.

We have much pleasure in giving place in our columns to the above Report, as we consider the Fredericton Society for the encouragement of good Servants, a very useful Institution; and one that will do us very much benefit every respectable household in this Town and neighbourhood. Like most other establishments, its full effects cannot be instantaneous; it would be folly to expect it; altho' we find one signal good has already resulted from it, viz: bad characters cannot now, as heretofore obtain good places; for even some of those who are not Subscribers to the Society, now decline taking a servant without some enquiry as to character. Nor is this Society in its general arrangement, which in our opinion is very good, calculated to protect the Mistress alone; for while it defends her from imposition, it establishes the character of the good servant; and as it presents on one side, the strongest inducements to diligence and faithfulness, on the other it creates such feelings of respect and esteem towards the servant as are frequently to be seen in the old Countries where a good and faithful servant is treated with as much respect as a member of the family. It is with no slight concern we perceive that even one or two Subscribers have withdrawn their names, as it savours a little of a want of perseverance in so good an undertaking and we would rather solicit the patronage and support of every Lady in the County to this excellent establishment; for we conceive the sum of half a guinea cannot be better disposed of even if it is deducted from the pin money. From what we can collect further of the Society's proceedings, we understand they have within less than a year appropriated upwards of Thirty pounds in Rewards. Our limits this day will not allow us to make any observations on servants in general employed in these Countries; but we shall take an early opportunity of so doing.

THE NEW YEAR.

Any Contributions for the New Year, (either Poetical or Prosaic,) which may be sent to the Office of the N. B. Royal Gazette, will entitle the Contributors to the best thanks of the Editor; who trusts that the Ladies and Gentlemen of Fredericton, will not, through diffidence, abstain from favouring him with such Reminiscences of the past, as may tend to amuse, or instruct, those who shall live to enjoy the future.

To the Editor of the N. B. Royal Gazette.

Sir.—The indecent and irreverent behaviour of certain persons who sat in the Gallery of the Church last Sunday, impels me thus publicly to notify them, that if they continue to abuse the House of God and annoy those who assemble to worship in it, I shall send you their names for insertion.

Men and Women, not afraid of God, perhaps will fear public exposure. You will lament with me Sir, that there can be reckoned amongst them, those whose station in life ought to lead us to expect (at least) propriety of conduct in so sacred a place.

Fredericton, 18th Dec. 1826.

There will be a Publick

Examination of the Pupils attending the Grammar School, connected with the College, on Friday, 22d current, and of those of the English School, on the 23d at 11 o'clock, A. M. agreeably to the Regulations.

Fredericton, 19th December, 1826.

SUMMARY.

The appearance of an Algerine fleet of six Vessels of war on the East coast of Spain, seems to have excited great alarm here.

A fire which has occurred near Manchester, has destroyed property to the amount of £4000.

A Proclamation addressed by Lord Cochrane to his Countrymen, who choose the profession of arms abroad, and to all others who are free to promote the ends of humanity & justice, and calling upon them to "unite at the Island of Salamis (the theatre of immortal deeds in former days); where the crown of Victory awaits those who advocate the cause of Greece and Liberty," has been received in London: but as it is said to be without date or place, its authenticity may be considered questionable, altho' the Liverpool Chronicle of the 4th Nov. asserts that it is genuine. His Lordship is said to have left Greece.

Intelligence from Constantinople to the 10th Sept. informs us that executions were taken place there daily.

The Russian ultimatum is said to have been agreed to by the Divan, and that its acceptance had been announced to the Russian Plenipotentiaries at Ackerman.

The medical attendants of His Royal Highness the Duke of York we are happy to perceive now entertain a rapid advance to His Royal Highness's complete recovery.

Married on Tuesday, the 24th ult. at Alderley church, Capt. Wm. E. PARRY, R.N. the celebrated voyager, to Isabella Louisa, fourth daughter of Sir John Thomas Stanley Bart. of Alderley Park.

A private letter dated Liverpool, November 2d., states that TIMBER had fallen to 15 1/2d. & 16d. p foot, in consequence of the vessels destined for Scotland having come to that port for a better market. The Whaling-ships from Davis Straits were returning with a much better fare than was anticipated. OILS had fallen, and best Newfld. Cod would not bring £27 per tun. Novascotian Dec. 13.

London, Nov. 2nd.—Some expectation has been entertained among the friends of Lord Cochrane, that his Lordship was about to visit London; but by a letter received today from Paris, it appears that he has left that city with M. Orlando, the Greek Deputy, for Marseilles. This change of determination is owing to the grant of the sum of £11,000, which Lord Cochrane has obtained from the French and Swiss Greek Committees at Paris; and he has returned

to Marseilles with the intention of purchasing a frigate built for the Pacha of Egypt, but which his Highness had not fulfilled his part of the engagement by paying for.

We have at length been visited with a steady snow storm, which, from the present aspect of the atmosphere, promises to be of some continuance:—It already varies from 6 to 12 inches on the ground;—a circumstance very gratifying, no doubt, to those Farmers, who have commodities on hand for the Christmas Market.—The snow began to fall about 3 o'clock this Morning.

Solution of the Geographical Paradox inserted on the 28th ult. Directly under the south pole.

DIED, last Mary's on the 13th instant Mr. JAMES BAILLY, in the 41st year of his age.—His remains were interred on Saturday last, in Fredericton, with masonic honors.

NOTICE.

THE following extract from the Act of the General Assembly, of the 7th Geo. 4. c. 11, is published by the direction of the Firewards, for the purpose of calling the attention of such of the Householders of the town of Fredericton, and its immediate vicinity, (who have omitted to provide themselves with the Buckets and Ladders, required by this Act,) to the necessity of so doing, without further delay, and the Firewards will be obliged to enforce the Act against all persons who shall any longer neglect to attend thereto.

The following is the Section of the Act above alluded to:—

V. And be it further enacted, That as soon after the passing of this Act, as the same can be procured, every Householder in the said Town, or in its immediate vicinity, shall provide himself with two good Leather Buckets of sufficient size to hold two and a half gallons of water, with the name of the proprietor thereof, painted on the side of each of the said Buckets, to be kept always ready, in some convenient place in his House, & shall also provide himself with two good & sufficient ladders, one to reach from the ground to the roof of his House, and the other to lay on the Roof and held at the top, by two substantial Iron hooks, fastened to the end of such Ladder which shall extend down the roof, until it meets the Ladder standing on the ground; which said Ladders, every such Householder shall keep stationary at his House, in such convenient situation as will at all times afford a ready access to the top of his House when necessary, and that on every alarm of fire in the said Town, or in its immediate vicinity, every Householder in the said Town or in its immediate vicinity, knowing of such alarm, and not being a Fireward, shall forthwith carry his Buckets so provided as above directed, or cause the same to be carried to the place where the Fire may be, to be there used as occasion may require, and every person wilfully refusing or neglecting to perform any of the duties by this Section of this Act imposed, shall for every such offence forfeit and pay the sum of forty shillings, to be recovered and applied in like manner as the forfeitures mentioned in the second Section of this Act, are herein before directed to be recovered and applied. Fredericton, 19th Dec. 1826.



THE 27th instant being the Festival of St. John, Solomon Lodge No. 25, will dine together on that day; and such of the Fraternity who are not Members and wish to join them, are requested to leave

their names with the Secretary on or before Friday next. STEPHEN WHITE, Sec. Fredericton, 19th Dec. 1826.

CAUTION.

ALL persons are hereby forbid to purchase either or any part of the undermentioned Notes of hand, amounting in the whole to £115, drawn by the subscriber in favor of Alexander Colwell in the month of January 1825, as he has never received value for the same; they having been given as a consideration for lands which have not been transferred.

The Notes are four in number of £28 1/5 each.—£115 0 0. DAVID WARK. Fredericton, 23rd Nov.