

lost about eighty habitations or stores, and property to the value of at least thirty three thousand pounds. On the Rivers Oromoco and Rushogonish tributaries of the St. John, several lives and many habitations have been lost and destroyed, and some of these ravages accompanied by terrific circumstances. On the Miramichi River, the loss of life cannot, I fear, be estimated under three hundred souls. Great numbers of the destitute survivors had collected in the village of Chatham for relief, and as so many of the provision stores of the merchants had been consumed (the settlement depending almost entirely upon imported food), serious apprehensions were entertained of approaching famine. So soon as I learnt this, I assembled His Majesty's Council to consider what measures it would be expedient to adopt, and an agent has been sent to Quebec to purchase supplies, and to proceed with them to Miramichi.

In a calamity so extraordinary and extensive, I feel that I am called upon to depart from that brevity, with which the most momentous operations of my own profession are commonly reported, and if I have trespassed too much at length in doing so, it is to shew amply the grounds upon which I ought to apply and appeal for succour.

I have done all in my power to afford and extend relief upon this melancholy occasion, and I have been most nobly supported by the liberality of the country.

For the benefit of the sufferers in the fire which has taken place at Fredericton, a subscription has been raised, which will be sufficient for the supply of its immediate wants. The subscription in Miramichi has been most liberal; the city of St. John has come forward with a great degree of liberality, and I have just learnt by a dispatch from His Excellency Sir James Kemp, that our sister colony was about to send prompt and considerable succours from Halifax; but effectual relief beyond averting the horrors of want, in the approaching long winter, of seven months' duration, is not within such means.

In promoting subscriptions, I have on my own responsibility paid two hundred pounds from the King's funds for the benefit of each of the two suffering places. I know well enough His Majesty's benevolent disposition, and your Lordship's doubt of receiving sanction for this appropriation.

The succours to which the people here naturally look, are those which the abundant charity and benevolence of the mother countries usually contribute, on such calamitous occasions; and should any funds be so raised at home, they would be effectually and properly applied by Committees here, to many cases of very great distress, brought upon those who will endure it silently, but severely and to re-establish in business many persons who have entirely lost their little capitals, invested in the beginnings of a productive trade in the prosperity of which the mother countries participate, and to aid others who are reduced more partially to difficulty. Should funds so considerable be contributed as to be applied further to restore buildings that would be carefully regulated by measures to render the recurrence of such dangers less likely, in a way which could not be effected, if the sufferers are constrained, from insufficiency of funds, to rebuild in the cheaper, but more perilous manner and material of the country. Means for immediate subsistence and succour being thus provided, I shall to-morrow open a subscription here for those latter important purposes, and to this fund, instead of that for rebuilding the Government House, I crave your Lordship's grant in aid from the King's revenue. To this too I invoke the benevolence of the mother countries, and I trust some measures may be adopted to excite it. The subscription for this purpose will be commenced to-morrow, and immediately afterwards I shall proceed to the site of the greater calamity, leaving my family in their difficulty here, to a continuance of those kindnesses and protection which they experienced, when driven from their own residence.

I have, &c.  
(Signed) HOWARD DOUGLAS.

EXTRACT FROM THE TIMES (London Paper) OF 17TH DECEMBER, 1825.  
The following Letter from Major-General Sir Howard Douglas, Baronet, Lieut.-Gov. of New-Brunswick, to John Bainbridge, Esq. Agent for the Province, and who, through a private communication, Mr. Bainbridge at the request of the New-Brunswick Committee has felt himself obliged in publishing, will convey a more authentic and interesting account of the sufferings of

that devoted Colony, and, we trust, excite the benevolence of the public to aid the Subscription for their relief.

Miramichi, 26th October.

My dear Sir,—I have no doubt that the public journals will soon announce the awful calamity which has befallen the province. I have not time to enter into any of its terrific details. I shall confine my communication to purposes of succour and relief.

So soon as I had completed those arrangements which I considered it proper for the Government to make, and had despatched an agent to Quebec to purchase provisions and clothing to the amount of between five and six thousand pounds, I set off for this afflicted place, where I arrived last night; and I shall only say, that I could form no conception of misery and desolation so deep as that which has occurred here: other parts of the province have greatly suffered. Fredericton is more than half destroyed, and there has been a loss of property to a great amount.

My Government-House was the first to fall, and we have sustained severe loss; but in the greater which others have suffered, we lose all consideration of our own. Here the loss of life cannot be estimated under three hundred souls!!! Newcastle, and all the settlements for twelve miles in continuity, are consumed. The subscription in the province, and in Nova Scotia, have been most liberal, and I hope there is nothing to fear for want in the winter; but effectual succour is beyond such means; and I write this to urge all your influence into action for promoting a general subscription. Your influence with the leading men in Liverpool, and other ports, as well as in London, would be most useful to this effect, and never was there a fiercer or stronger claim upon the abundant charity and benevolence of our country.

Although we may arrest the strides which famine threatened to make, and afford immediate relief, yet without such succours this country will be thrown back for years in the progress it was making, and the mother country feel inconvenienced from languor in those operations which her wants have excited so much.

But you will be fully informed of all that has occurred here, and the measure I allude to will be suggested by your own feelings for the case, and for the colony. Pray, then, do what you may consider right in this very afflicting case. My letter is written in haste and in affliction, amidst scenes which I have considered it right to visit, to do what may yet further be in my power to comfort, succour, and restore. I cannot stay long for the weather I have experienced on my journey hither warns me to lose no time. Believe me, my dear Sir, yours, very sincerely,

(Signed) "HOWARD DOUGLAS"

Under the Patronage of His Excellency the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR and Lady DOUGLAS. A Grand Sacred ORATORIO to take place on Thursday evening the 23d instant, in Christ-Church, Fredericton, consisting of VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC. The proceeds to be applied to Charitable purposes.

Tickets, 1 DOLLAR each, to be had at this Office. 14th Feb. 1826.

College of New-Brunswick.

A MEETING of the Governor and Trustees of the College of New-Brunswick, is requested at the College on Saturday the 18th day of February instant, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

WM. F. ODELL,  
T. WETMORE,  
S. D. STREET.  
7th Feb. 1826.

ANY Person having received by mistake a BOX about two feet square, supposed to have been landed from on board the Steam-Boat the 28th or 30th of October last, containing some Alabaster Figures, the property of the Lieutenant-Governor, will please give information thereof to the Subscriber.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.  
Fredericton, 6th Feb. 1826.

A Special Session of the Peace is hereby summoned to meet at the County Court-House in Fredericton, on the third Monday, being the 20th day of February next, at 11 o'clock A.M. when all Collectors of Rates and other public accountants, who neglected to settle their accounts at the last General Sessions, are required to attend, and render satisfactory accounts, and also be prepared to pay over the Collections in their hands, on pain of incurring the penalty of the Law.

By order of the Court of General Sessions,  
H. G. CLOPPER, Clerk.  
14th January, 1826.

SAINT JOHN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE CAPITAL or STOCK of the St. John Marine Insurance Company having been paid by the Stockholders agreeably to the Act of Incorporation, The PRESIDENT & DIRECTORS do therefore give notice, that they have commenced the business of the said Company.

Orders for Insurance, with a full description of the risk, to be addressed to the President of the Saint John Marine Insurance Company.

N. MERRITT, President.  
St. John, April 26. 1825.

LOTS In Fredericton for Sale, (By order of the Governor and Council.)

ON Thursday 23rd February, will be Sold by Public Auction, at the County Court-House, a number of VALUABLE BUILDING LOTS, situate in Front of the Town Plot of Fredericton, contiguous to the Market square, including the Water Lot in front, on which permission will be granted to the Purchasers to build Wharves.

A Plan of the Lots and Conditions of Sale, will be exhibited at the time by WM. TAYLOR, Auctioneer.  
Fredericton, 16th January, 1826.

Pasture Lots.

ON Wednesday the 1st of March next will be Let for the term of seven Years, by Public Auction, at the Store of Messrs James Taylor & Co at 11 o'clock, Forenoon.

Several valuable PASTURE LOTS, situate above the Town Plot of Fredericton, on the Public Road and on the Brick-kiln Road.

A Plan of the Lots may be seen by applying to Wm Taylor, Auctioneer  
24th January 1826.

THE Subscriber wishes to express his thanks to the public for past favours; and to inform them that he has removed back to the same place from where he was driven by the late fire, and of several valuable general assortments of Groceries, Linens, Cottons, Bombazets, Cloths, &c. cheap for Cash or country produce. — And earnestly requests all that is indebted to him by note or book account to call and settle the same without delay.

ZEBULON CURRIE.  
Fredericton, 24th January, 1826.

To be Sold

By Public Auction, on Tuesday the 21st day of February next,

ALL the Right, Title, Estate and Interest of the late ANDREW HOGAN, of, in and to the unexpired term of 21 years, of lot No 13 in block 7, in the Town Plot of Fredericton, fronting on King street, together with the dwelling House standing on the said lot.

Sale to commence at 11 o'clock on the premises. — When the conditions of sale will be made known.  
JAMES CAMERON, Auctioneer  
Fredericton, N.B. 27th January, 1826.

NOTICE.  
Commissioner's Office, St. John, N.B. 24th January, 1826.

IT is requested that all claims for Half-Pay and Military Allowance, may be made at this office the instant they become due; and that the quarterly payments (paid always in advance) to Out-Pensioners, Chelsea Hospital, may be regularly applied for at the commencement of each quarter. N.B. Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, are the regular Pay days at this Office, and Thursdays for receiving Money, or for granting Bills on His Majesty's Treasury for British Silver.

For Sale

By private bargain, & payments made easy.

THAT Valuable Building situate in Regent Street, one House from the corner, part of which is occupied by the subscribers, and Mr. Samuel Kendall, it being newly fitted up with two Stores in front, and the upper flat being capable of accommodating a large family, and possessing superior advantages as a good stand for business renders it well worth the attention of any person who may wish to purchase.

Also a lot of land in the flourishing settlement of Woodstock, fronting the river St. John, containing 300 acres more or less with the usual allowance.

Also a lot of land situate two miles from Fredericton, fronting on the Nashwalk stream known by the name of Hollybrook lot, containing about 400 acres more or less, it having a good growth of hard wood, and ship timber, and a wood road from opposite the Market-House to the rear of the same, renders it valuable. For particulars apply to GEORGE WOODS, & Co  
Fredericton, N.B. 28th Jan 1826.

A few Copies "Remarks on the improvement of Live Stock," for Sale at this Office, price 2s 8d.

ASSIZE OF BREAD.

At a Special Session of the Peace of our Lord the King holden in and for the County of York, on Friday the 19th day of November, 1824.

IT IS ORDERED that from and after Wednesday the 24th instant, the ASSIZE of BREAD in the Town of Fredericton, be as follows:—

The Sixpenny Wheat Loaf to weigh 1 1/2 lb. 14 oz.

Do. Rye do. 3 lb. 8 oz.

And other Loaves in proportion.

G. H. CLOPPER, Clerk.  
20th November 1824.

PROTECTION Insurance Company.

JAS. BALLOCH, Of FREDERICTON,

AGENT OF THE

Protection Insurance Company,

OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

OFFERS TO INSURE

Houses, Stores, Mills, Factories, Barns,

And the Contents of each, together with every other similar species of Property.

AGAINST LOSS OR

Damage by Fire.

THE rates of Premium offered, are as low as those of any other similar institution, and every man has now an opportunity for a trifling sum to protect himself against the ravages of this destructive element, which often in a single hour, sweeps away the earnings of many years.

The course the Office pursue in transacting their business, and in the adjusting and payment of losses is prompt and liberal. For terms of Insurance application may be made to the above named Agent, who is authorized to issue policies to applicants without delay.

Fredericton, October 16, 1825.

REMOVAL.

THE Subscriber, grateful for past favours in his line of Business, informs his Customers and the Public in general that he has removed from the Royal Oak Inn, to the

Golden-Ball, or BARRISTERS' INN,

where, having accommodation for Travellers, inferior to none in Fredericton, he solicits a continuance of their custom.

Benjamin Creighton.

Fredericton, Decemr 29. 1825.

To be sold at Public Auction on Friday the 24th inst at the House of WM B. PHAIR, Esq. in Kingsclear, at 12 o'clock.

One Horse: Cart: Plough and Harrow.

6 Cows.

20 Sheep.

Hogs, &c. &c. &c.

Fredericton, 6th Feb. 1826.

TO BE SOLD,

THAT pleasantly situated FARM,

in Kingsclear, 8 Miles above Fredericton, owned and occupied by Wm. B. Phair, Esq., on which is a new 2 Story Frame-House, with a superior Frost Proof stoned Cellar under the whole, comprising a Dairy and other apartments, a Barn, Out Houses &c. &c. and a Stoned Well within a few yards of the House; on the FARM is a valuable and extensive Orchard, which produces an abundance of Apples, Plums and Cherries; also to be disposed of on the Premises, 2 Horses 6 Cows 25 Sheep, Hogs &c. &c. &c.

The TERMS of Payment will be made as easy as possible, and possession given on the first of May next, or sooner, should it be particularly required by the purchaser  
Fredericton, 2d January, 1826.