

<p>1824, when the requisite certificates are received, amounting to £348 0.</p> <p>The Deputy Treasurer at St. Andrews charges £3 17 6, in his account for stationary and postage, which in the opinion of your Committee cannot be allowed.</p> <p>No. 23, Is the General Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer of Miramichi, shewing a balance in his hands in Bonds on 31st day of December 1825, amounting to £5781 7 11.</p> <p>No. 24, Is a particular account of the duties on West India Produce (Gin, Wine, Brandy and Whisky imported into Miramichi in 1825, amounting to £184 15 1.</p> <p>No. 25, Is an account of drawbacks paid on Merchandise exported from Miramichi in 1825, amounting to £184 15 1.</p> <p>No. 26, Is a General Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer of Richibucto, shewing the balance in his hands in Bonds and Cash, £1438 13 9 1/2.</p> <p>No. 27, Is a particular account of duties on West India Produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy and Whisky imported into Richibucto in 1825 amounting to £906 18 11 1/2.</p> <p>No. 28, Is an Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at Fredericton, shewing a balance in his hands in Cash and Bonds, £287 6 5 1/2.</p> <p>No. 29, Is an account of duties collected at Fredericton and Woodstock, on Horses and Cattle in 1825, } £99 0 0</p> <p>No. 30, Is an account of Auction duty collected at Fredericton, amounting to . . . . . 77 5 1/2</p> <p>No. 31, Is an Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at St. Peters, shewing a balance in his hands of £814 10 6 1/2.</p> <p>No. 32, Is a particular account of duties on West India Produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy and Whisky imported into St. Peters in 1825, amounting to £187 19 1.</p> <p>No. 33, Is a General Account of the contingent expenses incurred at the Treasurer's Office in 1825, amounting to £243 1 11</p> <p>Viz: Two accounts of John Chaloner, for Gauging and weighing, amounting to £127 16 6</p> <p>Account of Alexander Miller, Tidewater, amounting to 91 5 0</p> <p>An account for Printing, Stationary and Postages, 24 0 5-243 1 11</p> <p>In John Chaloner's account 20s. is charged for Papers and Quills, which in the opinion of your Committee cannot be allowed.</p> <p>No. 34, Is the Account Current of the Commissioners of the Revenue Cutter with the Province, shewing a balance due them on 31st day of December 1825, of £1607 10 5.</p> <p>No. 35, Is a particular account of the Province Treasurer, of money collected at St. John, St. Andrews, Miramichi, Richibucto and Shediac, for the relief of Sick and disabled Seamen, also his account current with that fund shewing a balance in his hands, amounting to £174 15 1 1/2.</p> <p>The other Ports have made no returns.</p> <p>The Treasurer has furnished an account of the following sums of money received since closing the General Account:</p> <p>From the Deputy Treasurer of Miramichi, £205 0 0</p> <p>Do. Charlotte, . . . . . 646 7 4</p> <p>Do. Richibucto, . . . . . 76 13 9</p> <p>Do. St. Peters, . . . . . 259 5 0</p> <p>Do. Ristigouche, . . . . . 54 12 1</p> <p>£1241 18 2</p> <p>All which is respectfully submitted to this Honorable House.</p> <p>RUFUS SMITH. ANDREW S. RITCHIE. JOSEPH N. CLARKE.</p> <p>Thursday, 2d February.</p> <p>Mr. C. Smonds, from the Committee appointed, in pursuance of a resolution of the 23d ult. relating to the further improvement of the Great Roads of Communication throughout the Province, Reported that they had taken into consideration the best means of carrying this object into effect, and beg leave to submit the following report:</p> <p>"That for the improvement of the several Roads of Communication throughout the Province the sum of £8,500 will be required, which sum, in</p>	<p>From Fredericton to St. John by the Nerapsis, £1700</p> <p>" " to the Canada Line, . . . . . 2000</p> <p>" " to Ristigouche, . . . . . 6000</p> <p>" " to Finger Board, . . . . . 200</p> <p>" " to St. Andrews, for exploring, . . . . . 1000</p> <p>From St. John to Westmorland, . . . . . 100</p> <p>" to the Bellisle, . . . . . 1000</p> <p>" to St. Andrews, . . . . . 1000</p> <p>From Chediac to Chatham, . . . . . 100</p> <p>" to Dorchester, . . . . . 100</p> <p>" to the Bend, . . . . . 100</p> <p>£8,500</p>
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FREDERICTON, (N. B.)

TUESDAY, 7th February, 1826.

Alms-House and Work-House.

COMMISSIONER FOR THE WEEK,  
FREDERICK P. ROBINSON, Esq.

SAVINGS BANK.

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

Amount deposited Yesterday, £25 2 8

MR. EDITOR,

In contemplating the recent events which have passed within our knowledge, adverting to the awful calamity with which this colony has been visited; we cannot but feel a warm sense of gratitude that fortune has placed us in a land of Sympathetic charity; where the woe fraught tale of suffering is not heard by calous hearts, nor the voice of supplication in vain; where bounteous liberality with promptitude has been bestowed to send the palm of relief to those in distress.

Scarce four months ago, Mr. Editor, we beheld the awful deluge of a devouring element spreading its rapid course over a land of hope and happiness—where the dawns of civilization had opened a source to commercial wealth—where industry was rewarded with its earnings—where the labourer spent his days in peaceful toil, where affluence dwelt with independence, and content was visible as well upon the brow of the poor as the rich. We witnessed that deluge spread around with horrible facility; we saw the lonely cot and proud edifice, the humble dwelling of laborious industry, and the stately residence of affluent wealth alike ignited. We saw also the lofty forests suffer under sheets of horrid fire, and a desolating whirlwind hurl them trembling to the ground; the fruits of well earned industry—the comforts of some—and the luxuries of others—alike perished. The little capitals of young and the more considerable fortunes of elder men of business, buried in one common grave of oblivion.

But could we here stop—could the mind retract from the recollection, and bury alike in that oblivion the remembrance of property lost, as of those whom we shall see no more, of a Brother, a Father, a Mother, a Sister, a friend, could I say recollection here stop, happy would be the case of many. But alas! Nature forbids it, and neither the softings of humanity nor the voice of reason can check the briny tear, or prevent the distracted remembrance of those, who but before were as vigorous and full of expectation as ourselves, in the recollection of their misfortunes, the Survivor cannot help to return his grateful thanks to an Almighty Benefactor that such was not his fate.

At length the horrid clouds dispel, the vivid flames subside, and nature seems rescued from a premeditated destruction. If we cast our eyes around us we behold where once stood the habitations of our friends, a perishing heap of smoking ruins, we see also those friends torn from the enjoyments of competence, cast upon the wide world; those who yesterday bestowed with bounteous hand to the needy, to day needy themselves require a similar bounty from a sympathising community.

But Mr. Editor has that bounty been craved in vain? Has the sufferer been left to deplore in misery his unexpected reverse of fortune? Happy are we in pronouncing No! To those who have been forward in the great work of charity, too much praise cannot be due. To the wisdom of a compassionate Governor, the Sufferer reverts with a heart of warm expression. And we doubt not but the exertions of that indefatigable character in this unfortunate dilemma, will have produced sensations, which future generations will cherish with gratitude, as the Saviour and Protector of their progenitors. To the kindness of an American Public, all the praise which disinterested charity can deserve has a right to be paid; certain it is that he who causes afflictions, never fails to reward those who offer the balm of friendship to those he chastens; the people of a neighboring nation from whom we had not a right to demand, and from whom we had not pretension either from interest or kindred to expect much, have warmly entered into the scheme of awarding succour, and their unbounded liberality does them an honor which shall last, we trust, as long as the remembrance of its cause.

And here we cannot forget our Sister Colonies, who have come forth nobly in the good cause, and have amply shewn that theirs are hearts to feel and melt at the woes of others.

In the present state too; that state from which we derive every other succour (originally) The voice of sympathy is not idle, the eloquent exertions of that gentleman, whose talents give honor to the Province which gave him birth, has not been spared in representing the situation of his brother colonists; and hope leads us to expect, that from that quarter, our accounts will not be the least considerable. Never could a more desirable agent be obtained for representing to the charity of a warm hearted British public, the wants and necessities of their fellow subjects than that gentleman; and we trust his memory will be long cherished, by not only those who are about to share from his patriotic zeal, but by all those who call themselves the sons of New-Brunswick.

And if at any future period a similar contagion should ever visit the abodes of those whose generosity now calls forth our highest eulogy; may New-Brunswick not be wanting on her part to show

Fredericton, 30th Jan. 1826. A SUFFERER.

MIRAMICHI, 10th JANUARY 1826

Northumberland Agricultural and Horticultural Society.

The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Society was this day held at Newcastle, pursuant to the Rules for transacting the business of the Society, and choosing office Bearers for the present year. The proceedings of the Society for the last year being closed, the following gentlemen were elected to office:—viz.

Thomas H. Peters, Esq. President.  
James Gilmore, Esq. Vice-Presidents.  
William Abrams, Esq. Treasurer.  
Alexander Rankin, Esq. Secretary.  
Jno. Amb. Street, Esq. Secretary.

COMMITTEES

Alexander Rankin, junr. John Fraser, Esq. John M. Johnston, Esq. Dudley Lister, Esq. William Kerr, Donald M. Donald, Richard Woodstock, James Ledden, Samuel Waitt, James Gillan, Richard M. Laughlan, William Jepin, and Adam Gerrard.

A Resolution was then passed making Mr. Waitt, of Chatham an honorary and permanent member of the Society, in compliment and as a mark of respect to him for being the first who had imported to this County "the Hand Grist Mill" a Machine remarkably well adapted to a New Country, and from which the most beneficial effects may be expected.

The following Rule was also proposed and agreed to, and ordered to be added to the Rules of the Society:—viz.

That all the Funds of the respective sub-societies (which of course do not include the annual subscription to the County Society) transmitted to the Treasurer of the County Society, are to be expended for the sole and exclusive benefit of such sub-societies respectively:—viz. The Funds of each to its own benefit and after the manner the Secretary or Chairman of such sub-Society may direct.

The Cattle Show was also noticed for this day, but owing to the late unfortunate calamity, so generally disastrous to the Inhabitants of this County, few (as might naturally be expected) were in attendance. Mr. Richard M. Laughlan, of the Newcastle Branch however had a premium of £5—awarded him for producing the two finest Hogs; they were raised on his own farm, the weight of the largest was estimated at nine hundred, and the smallest at eight hundred weight.—Mr. M. Laughlan, has also a very superior breed of South Down Sheep and horned Cattle reared on his own farm, he was unable to exhibit any of them from the difficulty of bringing them down, but they are (in the opinion of those of the Members of the Society who have seen them) quite as superior of their kind as the Hogs.—On the above premium being awarded to Mr. M. Laughlan, he very liberally presented it to the Society, as a donation from him to be added to the general funds.

Mr. James Gillan, of the Northwest (and one of the Committee) at the same time laid before the Society a document of very considerable importance as respects the Agriculture of the County, for which he received the thanks of the Society.—As this document may have a tendency to promote emigration, and is a proof of the fertility of the interval lands on this river, as well as a striking instance of the advantages and profits of farming in this part of the Province, the Society have ordered it to be published.

The following is the Document alluded to:—

Northesk, 2nd Jan. 1826.

J. A. STREET, Esq.

SIR,

It is generally believed by persons unacquainted with the soil of this County, that it is sterile, unproductive, and seldom repays the cultivation;—this is a very erroneous opinion as the sequel will shew;—The only reason why the lands on the Miramichi river are not in general as productive as in other parts of the Province, is the want of proper cultivation.

The following is a statement of the expenses incurred in bringing in 30 acres of interval land on a Farm of mine on the Northwest of this river, and the net profit of the crop grown thereon last year.

The wood upon the land had been cut down about forty years since, but the land being neglected, had grown up with Alder, Thorn, and other bushes and lay quite in a useless state.

To Cash paid for clearing and } £27 0 0  
Ploughing, . . . . . } 8 0 0  
To Man's wages driving Horses, } 8 0 0  
To Oats for Horses and } 9 0 0  
work, . . . . . } 9 0 0  
To Sowing, Harrowing and } 30 0 0  
Rolling, . . . . . } 30 0 0  
To 100 bushels of Oats for seed } 37 10 0  
at 7s 6d. . . . . } 40 0 0  
To cutting and stacking 40 tons } 40 0 0  
of Oats, . . . . . } 40 0 0

£153 10 0

By 40 tons of Oats raised on } 240 0 0  
the said 30 acres at 120s per } 240 0 0  
Ton, . . . . . } 240 0 0

Balance, . . . . . £86 10 0

Leaving me a clear profit of eighty eight pounds ten shillings, after paying every expense, next year calculating upon an average crop, I shall cut 40 tons of Hay upon the same ground, which at £5 per ton, will leave me a profit of £118 after paying for the Grass seed, cutting, making and stacking the Hay, &c. The same quantity of upland cleared from the wilderness would cost including the expense of clearing and cultivating £287 0 0, and supposing the crops to be equally abundant, as in many parts of the County, I am sure they would be the first year crop would nearly pay the expenses of clearing and cultivating, and the second year would leave a considerable balance in favor of the cultivator! I am Sir, &c &c.

(Signed) JAMES GILLAN

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MARRIED] On the 19th of January, by the Rev. Samuel Bacon, Rector of St. Pauls, Miramichi, Mr. Samuel Waitt, Merchant, to Miss Janet Young, both of Chatham, Miramichi.

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