

CITY COUNCIL, Friday the 5th Inst.—The question of selling coals by weight was brought forward, and notice given of motion to appoint a Committee to consider the matter.

His Worship the Mayor laid on the table a letter received by him from Mr. Selden, in which it was stated that the Directors of the Insurance Co. had given him notice that in view of the difficulties in which he is involved in consequence of the fire, they had withdrawn their opposition to the verdict obtained against them.

The Report of the Financial Committee was taken up.

Estimate for the present year to be provided by assessment:—£12,250.

Ald. Thomson remarked that something like £13,500 would be required to be assessed this year, without reference to the Railway liability; our liabilities are now over £30,000. The salaries of the city officers alone amount £5,061.

Ald. Longard enquired if £9000 would finish the City Prison? He thought it would take twice that much before it was done.

Ald. Twining was not aware up to to-day of the annual expenses of the city. He might possibly be prepared on a future day with some suggestion regarding retrenchment.

Ald. Pugsley said that in the first instance, the City Prison might have been built for £5000, it was now, by the showing of the Alderman from ward 6, to cost £9,450. Is this sum to finish the buildings?

Ald. Jennings—Yes.

The Bill prepared by his Honor the Recorder was read. It provides for the following loans—City Prison £4,000, City Hospital £5,000, for completion of City Survey £500.

Ald. Thomson would move that the clause having reference to the Hospital be struck out—it was a mere waste. If you complete the work it will cost £600 a year for interest, besides expenses of keeping up the same.

Ald. Caldwell was astonished at the motion when the contractors were so far advanced with the work.

His Worship the Mayor called attention to Mr. Selden's letter, as that gentleman was anxious to know the resolution of the Council.

Ald. Thomson moved and Ald. Barry seconded the Resolution following:—

Resolved, that an act be prepared by the Recorder, for the purpose of allowing the question between the city and Mr. Selden being tried on the main question.

Ald. Noble appeared to think the question assumed a different aspect since the Insurance Company sustained the verdict. The gentlemen who gave the order to pull it down thought they were doing it for the best. Mr. Selden was a very great sufferer.

Ald. Caldwell thought there was no way of getting his claim unless he sued the parties that gave the order, and if they lost, it would be for the city to indemnify them or not. The Insurance Company will never do Mr. Selden justice until they give him £400—the face of his policy. The verdict of the Jury gave him £300 only.

Ald. Bell expressed his sympathy for Mr. Selden, who was the victim, it seemed to him, of a most unfortunate train of circumstances. He would vote for the resolution if he thought it would do any good, but Mr. Selden, by his letter, had virtually admitted that he had no legal claim upon the city.

Ald. Thomson wanted to do Mr. Selden justice, and not avail ourselves of a quibble, when there was a main question.

Ald. Jennings and Conway took exception to the term quibble. His Worship the Mayor did not think it was used offensively.

Ald. Caldwell thought the resolution was likely to make more work for the lawyers.

The Resolution was put and lost 4 to 8.

For—Donohoe, Barry, Thomson, Noble.

Against—Caldwell, Pugsley, Conway, Bell, Lownds, Forristall, Longard, Jennings.

Ald. Pugsley gave notice that on next Council day he would move a resolution relative to the appointment of a Harbor Master at this Port.

The Journal announces that the Welsford and Parker Testimonial will soon be erected on the grounds of the Garrison Chapel, a distinguished American Artist having engaged to execute it in the best style and suitably enclose it for the sum of £500, that being the amount now in the hands of the Committee.

We are sorry to hear that a Nova Scotian artist is not to be employed on the Testimonial.

The employment of foreign talent for the best specimens of such works of art is calculated to exert an injurious influence on native workmen, and repress the cultivation of the talent in these higher exhibitions.

FIRE AT PICTOU.—A destructive fire occurred at Pictou on Monday, the 8th, at about 10 o'clock in the evening.

It appears to have commenced in a liquor store, kept by Mr. Arnaton, and to have spread east and north, but by the great exertions of the firemen and neighbours, and by the stillness of the night, it was prevented from extending, as it was first expected. The goods and furniture was removed from several stores and houses, and received much damage. The probable loss is £4,000. Insurance will cover about £1,600.

On Wednesday, the 10th inst., the dwelling house of Mr. Thos. Waters, at Green Hill, was also totally destroyed by fire.

A telegraph to a gentleman in this town, from St. John, on Friday last, states that a person had been arrested there and confessed to the recent robbing of the jewelry from the store of Mr. Agnew of this place. We forbear mentioning anything further at present.—Liverpool Transcript.

The Transcript of the 11th gives a detailed account of the discovery at Hampton, 26 miles from St. John, and confession of a young man named Cook, who had formerly been on terms of intimacy with Mr. Agnew, and had exerted himself with others, in trying to discover the thief.

The imputation of guilt thrown on Mr. James M. Allen, who underwent an examination and other indignities, calls for much sympathy.

The Sun of Monday last informs us that:—

Cook, who was charged with the robbery of Agnew's store, Liverpool, N. S., has escaped through the carelessness of a person named Perkins, who had him in charge for the purpose of conveying him to this province from St. John, where he had been arrested.

We understand that 25,000 cords of wood had been cut on the lands of the Nictaux Mining Association during the past winter.—Examiner.

LONGEVITY.—On the 4th ult. there died in Birtown, Clements, a colored man named Esop Moses, aged one hundred and five years. The deceased was a man who bore a good moral and christian character.—News.

New Brunswick.

The libel case at Fredericton, between the Editors of the Head Quarters and Reporter, resulted in a unanimous verdict for defendant.—Mr. Hill has retired from the editorial management of the Head Quarters.

Application will be made during the present session, on the part of W. K. Reynolds, Esq., the enterprising projector and builder of the Suspension Bridge connecting Carleton with the City of St. John proper. The length of the bridge will be about 3000 feet, and the estimated cost £100,000. It will consist of five spans, two of 500 feet each, at the extremities, and three of 600 each at the center. It will be of the same height as the Upper Suspension Bridge, that is 73 feet above high water mark and will not impede the navigation of the river.—St. John Presbyterian.

A petition has been presented to the Legislature by the principal citizens of St. John, to prevent Post Office labour in that city.

The Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick asked for an Act of Incorporation to enable the Synod to receive and hold property for educational purposes. Strange to say, the motion to grant the Synod's request met the most determined opposition. In the first instance it was actually defeated, but on reconsideration it passed by a small majority. Our readers will be astonished when they learn that the opposition proceeded not from Papists or Episcopalians or Baptists, but from another Presbyterian body! This makes us blush for our common brotherhood.—Witness.

The Government have recommended that £1,500 be given to encourage steam communication between Shediac and Restigouche weekly, there to connect with steamers from Quebec and Gaspe. £14,000 has been appropriated for Roads and Bridges.

Two thousand pounds are proposed to be taken from education, and the grant for agriculture increased.

The Emperor left St. John on Monday last, for her first trip to Portland.

An attempt was made between 3 and 4 o'clock on Sunday morning to enter the Bank of New Brunswick. The robbers broke the windows over the door in the partition between the Bank and the Common Clerk's Office, no doubt thinking they might thus obtain an entrance into the building, but to their surprise they found themselves between two solid walls, and it is believed they beat a hasty retreat, having "their labour for their pains." They are evidently little acquainted with the premises.—Nbr.

Canada.

The Royal Proclamation has been issued authorising the formation in Canada of the "100th, or Prince of Wales Royal Canadian Regiment," and various recruiting depots have been ordered to be opened for that purpose. A large number of applications for commissions have already been sent in.

The Legislature of Canada was opened at Toronto on the 25th ult. The Hon. Henry West, late Solicitor General, was elected Speaker by a large majority.

The Governor General in his opening speech alludes to the Indian rebellion; to Legislation respecting commerce; to the management of public lands; to the Inter-Colonial Railway; and to the permanent seat of Legislation.

A man named Isaac Redmond, aged 62, a native of Nova Scotia, was found dead in a filthy basement in Mulberry Street, New York, last week. The rats had eaten parts of his face and neck. His wife died of want and exposure in the same place in November last.

Commodor Perry, of the U. S. Navy, died at New York on the 4th inst. This officer commanded the United States Japan expedition.

A bill has passed the Kentucky Legislature prohibiting the marriage of first cousins.

Letters Received.

J. A. Smith, 23rd, \$5.90—Balance pays for '58. N. Hooper, 1st. M. A. Bigelow, 5th, 20s. Rev. A. S. Hunt, 3rd. Rev. J. A. Stubbert, 4th. Rev. A. D. Thomson, 3rd. P. Corkum, Esq., 3rd, 10s. Rev. J. V. Tabor. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 5th, 20s. J. W. Barss, Esq., 7th. Rev. Charles Randall, 5th, 32s. 6d. L. I. Payzant, 6th, 20s. X. Z. Chipman, Esq., 6th. J. Palmeter, Junr., 7th, 20s. Rev. Geo. Dimock, 8th. W. A. Tupper, Esq., 7s. 6d. Rev. P. F. Murray, 6th. M. Gustave Pélle, 6th. Rev. J. C. Hurd, 6th, M. E. Harrington, 8th, 10s. Rev. C. I. Burnett, 25th, 1 sub., £3. J. Broderick, 10th, 10s. H. M. Foster, 6th—Your paper is sent as directed to Chute's Cove W. O., Annapolis Co. Rev. W. Burton, 9th. Thos. Margeson, 5th—Yours of the 4th, with 12s. 6d., came to hand correctly. C. F. Hartt, 11th. C. D. Randall, Esq., 3rd.

NOTICE.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

The Quarterly Examination of the Classes will take place on Thursday and Friday, the 18th and 19th inst., commencing each day at 9 o'clock, a.m. J. M. CRAMP, Chairman of Faculty. March 5th, 1858.

Another Letter from India.

Messrs. Perry Davis & Son—I am happy to be able to add that your medicine is getting more and more into note, and consequently the demand for it is increasing. The sales at my various Sub-Agencies are very satisfactory, especially in Maulmain and Dinapore; in fact wherever European Regiments are located the sales are extensive. A party in Agra who sent for a supply for his personal use and that of his friends, says the demand for it is great, and recommends the appointment of an Agent there.

Mr. Toone, of Barraekpore, writes under date of 20th October:—"This will certify that my son, 19 years of age, was taken suddenly ill in the night, with a severe pain in the stomach, followed by Cholera. He found no relief until I gave him a teaspoonful of the Pain Killer, diluted with warm water; but after the expiration of a few moments he brought it up, when I repeated the dose, which partially relieved him. I followed it with a third dose, when he fell asleep, and on waking next morning he was quite fresh. I consider it a most valuable medicine to be always at hand." I remain, yours, &c., J. L. CARRAU, Calcutta.

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GORHAM, ME., March 14, 1854.

MR. H. H. HAY,—Dear Sir: Through me you may confidently recommend the Oxygenated Bitters, as the best, if not the only medicine that will cure Dyspepsia. I suffered for more than six years as only a dyspeptic can suffer, tried numerous medicines, and the skill of many physicians, but found no permanent relief, until I obtained from you the above Bitters. The contents of three bottles so far restored my health, that for the last two years I have had no occasion for medicine. I strongly recommend all Dyspeptics to try it. JOSEPH W. PARKER.

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Commercial.

HALIFAX MARKETS.

CORRECTED FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 16

Table listing market prices for various commodities including flour, rye, cornmeal, Indian corn, bread, pilot, beef, butter, coffee, molasses, sugar, codfish, mackerel, herring, alewives, bar iron, hoop, sheet, lumber, shipping pine, spruce, hemlock, coal, and fire wood.

PRICES AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, MARCH 16

Table listing prices for fresh beef, oatmeal, pork, veal, lamb, bacon, butter, eggs, poultry, ducks, turkeys, calf-skins, yarn, potatoes, apples, and hops.

Married.

At Cornwallis, on the 9th instant, by the Rev. A. S. Hunt, A. M., Stephen Alonzo Rockwell to Eunice Lavinia, youngest daughter of Samuel Rockwell. On the 10th inst., John Alexander Boarden to Maria Jane, eldest daughter of Asahel Bentley. On the same evening, Malcom McBride to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Nelson Wayland, all of Cornwallis.

On the 4th instant, by the Rev. Perez F. Murray, Capt. John Anthony to Miss Julia Chalk, both of Port Williams.

At Cape Canso, on the 9th ult., by the Rev. J. C. Hard, Mr. David Gunn, of St. Mary's, to Miss Elizabeth Jane Cahoon, of Canso, N. S.

In the Baptist Meeting House in Hantsport, by the Rev. Wm. Burton, Feb. 21, 1858, George Parker, Esq., of Walton, County of Hants, to Mrs. Abigail, widow of the late Capt. James Holmes, of Hantsport.

At Upper Aylesford, January 26th, by the Rev. A. Stronach, Mr. Edward Manning Margeson, of Cornwallis, to Miss Caroline Wilson, of Aylesford. At Upper Wilmot, on the same day, Mr. Samuel K. Osborne to Miss Hannah Mallessa Langley, both of Cornwallis. At Evergreen Cottage, Feb'y. 17th, Mr. James Palmer to Miss Julia Emmeline Cogswell, both of Morristown, Aylesford.

At Barrington, on the 14th February, by the Rev. Mr. Swim, Captain William Watt, to Miss Esther Ann Crowell.

Died.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., William Henry, youngest child of L. E. Piers, aged 2 years.

On the 7th instant, Mrs. Ann Brewer, aged 88 years.

On the 9th instant, after a short but severe illness, Clara Catherine, third eldest daughter of John D. Nash, aged 14 years.

On the 10th inst., Albert William, youngest son of Mr. James Gordon, aged 14 months.

On the 11th inst., Sarah, wife of Mr. James Mooney, in the 60th year of her age.

On the 12th inst., James Henry, second son of Mr. James Woodill, in the 9th year of his age.

At Dartmouth, on the 13th inst., Captain William Hunter, aged 67 years.

At the South East Passage, on the 11th instant, Mrs. Eleanor Shiers, widow of the late-George Shiers, in the 95th year of her age.

At Billtown, on the 1st inst., Henrietta Dodge, infant daughter of William C. and Ethelinda Bill, aged one year. On the 2nd inst., Harmon Inkerman, only child of William Henry and Susan Rebecca Rockwell, aged 5 months.

At Cornwallis, on the 6th inst., Sarah, daughter of the late Stephen Harrington, Esq., and widow of the late William Walton, in the 80th year of her age. The deceased was supported in her declining age by a humble reliance upon her Saviour. In her last but painful illness her hope was fixed and her faith unwavering, and mourning friends are comforted in the assurance they firmly cherish that their beloved departed sister has entered her heavenly rest.

At Maitland, County of Hants, on the 3rd instant, Capt. Patrick Moore, aged 32 years.

At Pugwash, on the 13th ult., after an illness of three years, George King, Senr., (for many years Lieut. Colonel in the Militia,) aged 74 years, leaving a large family to mourn their loss.

At Boston, on the 3rd ult., Emily E., daughter of John and Mary Roche, formerly of Halifax, N. S., aged 17 years.

At Belmont Lodge, Guernsey, on the 18th ult., in her 97th year, the venerable Lady Saumarez, said to be, with one exception, the oldest titled personage in the kingdom.

THE CANADA DIRECTORY FOR 1857-8.—Is described as a "Directory for the man of business, a Guide Book and Instructor for the settler, a Gazetteer for the student, and an Army List for the militia officer, Alphabetical directions are also given of Banks, Benevolent and Religious Societies, Clergy of all denominations, Crown Land Agents, Custom Houses and Officers of Customs, Governmental departments and employees, Militia, Newspapers, and Periodicals, Ports of Entry, Registrars, Post Offices and Postmasters, with statements of Imports and Exports, Provincial Debt, Revenue, Expenditure, Revenue from Canals, Trade, Population, School Acts, Tariff of Customs, &c., and Railway and Steamboat routes throughout Canada. The Work is accompanied with a beautiful MAP of the Province, which of itself is worth more than is charged for the whole volume.—Montreal Herald.

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Shipping List.

Arrived.

TUESDAY, March 9th.—Schr. Ocean Wave, Newfoundland, 11 ds.—Eason, Boak & Co; Morning Light, Strum, do; R. M. S. Delta, Hunter, St. Thomas, 12 days, Bermuda, 7 days—7 passengers; Ospray, Sampson, St. John's, N.F., 4 days—4 passengers.

WEDNESDAY, 10th.—R. M. S. Canada, Lang, Liverpool, 10 1/2 days—86 passengers, 14 for Halifax; brig Arab, Mason, Cienfuegos, 22 days—Eason, Boak & Co.

THURSDAY, 11th.—Brigt. Falcon, Wilson, Kingston, Ja., 25 days—J. T. Wainwright.

FRIDAY, 12th.—R. M. S. America, Moodie, Boston, 32 hours—90 passengers, 13 for Halifax; schr. Wm. A. Henry, Jenkins, Porto Rico, 22 days—B. Wier & Co.

SATURDAY, 13th.—Am. schr. Luther Childs, Nickerson, Baltimore, 20 days—J. A. Moren; brig Sarah, Hopkins, Inagua, 21 days.

SUNDAY, 14th.—Govt. schr. Daring, Daly, Sable Island, 2 days; reports no wrecks on the Island since last visited; brig Boston, O'Brien, Boston, 48 hours—Young & Hart—16 passengers; schr. John Tilton, Fortune Bay, Nfld., 16 days—J. M. Tobin.

MONDAY, 15th.—Brigt. Mary, Matson, Mayaguez, 21 days—G. H. Starr & Co; schr. Sylvia, Young, Lunenburg, 8 hours.

Cleared.

TUESDAY, 9th.—Schr. Challenge, Walters, Br. West Indies.

WEDNESDAY, 10th.—Schr. Magnet, Hilson, Newfoundland; Eastern Light, Cox, New York; brig Milo, Feven, Jamaica; R. M. S. Canada, Lang, Boston.

THURSDAY, 11th.—R. M. S. Delta, Hunter, Bermuda and St. Thomas; brig. Queen of the West, Curtiss, Cuba; schr. Lilla, Fraser, Porto Rico; Seaman's Pride, Herman, Richmond, Vir.

FRIDAY, 12th.—R. M. S. America, Moodie, Liverpool, G. B.; schr. Martha, Wilson, Richmond, Vir.; Sylphide, McNab, New York; Eastern Light, Cox, do.

SATURDAY, 13th.—Greyhound, Ganyle, Baltimore; Billow, Virgus, Oderin, N.F. MONDAY, 15th.—Agenoria, Murphy, F. W. Indies, Medway Belle, Morine, Boston.