

this power of choosing Jurors may be, and in former times been used as an engine of cruelty, rancorous revenge, despotic hatred, judicial murder, by different administrations of the nation. The great civil and moral revolution, ascribable to the Bible, that has since then taken place; the high toned enlightenment that now obtains and still advances with unabated stride, is relied on as walls and bulwarks, and will doubtless prevent the recurrence of those blood-stained historic pages.

But another duty, and one in which the people of the County alone are interested has, by the strange species of legerdemain played in the melo-drama of modern legislature, among other anomalous antics, been detailed to this body, the power of taxation, and the right to expend the aggregate tax, and this without being responsible to the people, or answerable to any known tribunal; and have, I say, neither the qualification required by law, nor the manner of assembling that body, affords any proper security to the people, and this right will be exercised, and this power employed faithfully, honestly, fairly, and made subservient, wisely, to their interests and welfare.—As the Inquest for the County on behalf of the Crown, they are sworn to their duty, and to secrecy: as auditors of the public accounts, and imposers of the public tax, they are sworn, but the oath of secrecy is said to abide on them, and veils out the prying eyes of the tax-payer. Is it astonishing that iniquity lurks in the dark places and secret? Is it wonderful that the people should bethink, bestir themselves, on apprehending the huge power that holds their rights in his fist, and marks out their path as by the finger of destiny? What effectual check is a Bench of Justices ever so well intentioned, to the prowlings of an overgrown lion's whelp like this? But can the people in this particular look to the Bench with any degree of confidence for protection? They have but little in common and no responsibility exists on the side of the Bench to the people.—They too, are the appointees of the Crown, and ender the fostering hand of the Executive.—What assurance have the people that these two bodies will not unite pander to the ignoble passions of each other, and banquet upon their spoil? What sort of protection does this principle of management insure to the local interests of Her Majesty's subjects? What altar is this where the people may burn incense, and offer up peace offerings, and lay hold of the horns thereof for safety? 'Tis a very mockery of justice and sound polity. A loathsome fungus in a vital part of our local Constitution.—The astonishment is that the evil exists at all in this day: that the people have not shook it off as filth from their garments. The influence possessed by this institution—free, forsooth!—has been exercised, and is solely adapted to lead the public mind further into darkness, not to disseminate light. The misbegotten of 1810 and a senseless luxury, it feeds upon superstition, and fattens upon the blind madness of passion.

To many, the picture I have drawn of County government, may seem like the wild fancies of a heated brain, that have no existence in reality. Let those who so judge examine the matter thoroughly for themselves, but let them stand upon impartial, disenchanted ground while doing so, free from the prejudice of self-interest, and free from that worst of all, prejudices the prejudice of education.—The bee and the spider extract, the one honey, and the other poison, from the same flower. The bad passions and bad principles of men are too sensitive and too alert not to improve every favorable opportunity for exercise. Generally, they are more active than all the better qualities that go to his composition, and that ennoble and dignify his character. The very principle upon which the government of Counties by a Bench of Justices and a Grand Inquest is based, is rotten at the core, and filled with corruption. It is a trap set for pious wretches. Her steps take hold on hell; confusion lies in all the paths thereof. But a very few of those who are brought into the vortex escape destruction. Few who are subjected to the ordeal come thence unscathed.

Point out the man whose integrity and independence have preserved him uncorrupt by the

temptation, unfascinated by the witchcraft, undefiled by the sorcery of the hydra-headed monster; and I will show you a *lustus nature*, a wonder unto many. It pollutes all that it touches. It breathes upon the fine gold and it becomes dim.

Just sit yourself down. You, my jolly fellow, that lives at home at ease,—you, my grave friend, that vents bad philosophy,—you, my toiling, moiling brother, that pays taxes. Sit you down, bring the eyes of A-gus to bear, and examine the practical workings of this system among yourselves—in your own shire—parish—community—family—for it pervades all things, even to the very hearth-stone of the fire,—and tell me if I have overdrawn the picture, or made one feature more hideous than it really is.

Yours, &c.,
BOLINGBROKE.
Tobique, February 19th. 1853.

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Victoria County ss.

To FRANCIS E. BECKWITH, Esq., High Sheriff of the County of Victoria.

The humble petition of the undersigned resident Freeholders and Householders of the said County of Victoria, paying rates upon property,

Humbly sheweth—

THAT, in their opinion, the time has arrived when a change in the Constitution and management of the affairs of this County has become necessary—Your Petitioners therefore pray, that a Public Meeting be called at the County Court House, for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of incorporating the County, pursuant to an Act of the General Assembly, entitled: An Act to provide for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in this Province; and your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

- F. Rice, M. P. P. Edward Eaton
C A Hammond, J P Martin Stafford
R Beveridge, J. P. Robert Kelly
W M McLaughlan Jos Michaud
Mie'l Curran A W Raymond
John Costigan D B Raymond
David Bleany John Leslie
Barth Lynch John Bradley
Pat'k McCaffrey Israel Munroe
Thos E Perley Lawrence Crook
Mie'l Kilin Alex King
Pat'k Kilin Chas King
Wm Hart Augustus Onillette
Chas McCuskey Jas M Clish
B W Hammond A W Rainsford
Jos Cyr Jas Hiechock
Dudley Langan M Riley
Jean Robitaille Jos Michaud
Harier Martin Jas White
Wm Clifford Thos Dyer
M P. Gilbert Mavis McCuskey
Firman Thibodeau Dominick Michaud
Thos Caldwell Jas M Allion
Jas Hiechock P. M Carly
Jos Dube Simon Ballard
A C Hammond Geo Ballard
Jas E Turner John Anderson
P Sheburn Francis Serois
Thos Dixon Robert Magarr
John Laggan John Kelly
N Churchill M Moriarty
Wm M Cluskey C H B Turner
John Baptiste Godine James Lovely
Louis Bijou Enoch Lovely
Patrick Quinn S Eversett
Robert Maccomb J Fitzherbert
W F Bedell Wm Everett
A J Hammond J D Giberson
Frederick Tapley R Fegor
Wm Kilburn W Pickett
A S Hammond
Wm Curry

Grand Falls Jan. 15. 1853.

IN compliance with the prayer of the above Petition this day presented to me, I do hereby give notice that a Public Meeting of the resident Freeholders, Householders and Ratepayers in the County of Victoria, will be held at the Court House in the Parish of Grand Falls, in said County, on Wednesday the first day of June next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to take into consideration the propriety of incorporating the said County pursuant to the Act of Assembly relating to Municipal Authorities in this Province.

F. E. BECKWITH, High Sheriff of Victoria County. Sheriff's Office, Feb. 14. 1853.

LONDON HOUSE. SELLING OFF AT COST!!

IN order to make improvements in his store, to receive his Spring Goods, the Subscriber offers his present stock at cost. Call and examine as you are sure to get bargain.

JAMES McCANN, Woodstock, February 19, 1853.

GREAT BARGAINS! IMPORTANT SALES OF DRY GOODS.

IN order to make room for heavy importations in the Spring, the Subscriber now offers the remainder of his Winter Stock of Dry Goods &c. at great reduction in prices, as it is his object, if possible, to effect a clearance of all his heavy goods. Parties who wish to save money have now a rare chance. His present stock comprises a very large assortment of Dry Goods, Groceries, Provisions, and Crockery ware—Also on hand a few thousand rolls of Hall and Room paper, which will be sold at a decided bargain—this article must be cleared out to make room for a large quantity expected early in the Spring. Customers would do well to keep this in mind. On the whole his stock will be found well worthy the attention of cash customers.

J. BRADLEY. Woodstock, Feb. 19, 1853. N. B. Parties indebted to the Subscriber are requested to call on or before the 20th March, and settle on J. B.

LIST OF LETTERS Remaining in the Post Office, Woodstock, 19th February, 1853.

- Harriet A. Akerson, Mrs. Mahala,
Geo. Beacom, Michael Magee,
Robert Barker, David Melvin, 2
Rev. Jas. Cairns, Patrick Maguire, 2
Enoch Campbell, Wm Monaghan,
Jas Caldwell, Geo. W. Mills,
Catherine Conerway, John McGillevay,
Geo. W. Cleary, 2 George M. Cann,
Mrs. Cottle, Thos M. Servey,
John Christie, Jas M. Urquhart,
Edward Cornil, Elder Wm E. Pennington,
Mary Debeck, Wm Pennington,
Edward T. Drine, Wm Frece, 2
Duncan Dickison, Eliza Kockwell,
Thos Dufield, Wm E. Roulston,
Michael Dwyer, Wm Stiekney,
Jessie Eades, W T Spivie,
A. Fitzpatrick, Israel Smith,
Robert Fitzpatrick, D R Thomas,
Geo. Grass, Baptiste Thebodeau,
Jas. Gilland, Chas R. Upton,
Thos W. Golding, Mary Vanhorn,
Anna Maria Hayes, Eliza Wilson,
Michael Kelly, James Woodworth,
Andrew Kerr, Wm Walsh,
Geo D. Ketchum, John Wells,
JAMES GROVER, P. M.

BAZAAR IN THE UNION HALL, UPPER WOODSTOCK.

THE promised BAZAAR in aid of the funds for the erection of this Building, will come off in the month of July, first of which due notice will hereafter be given.

While assurances of support and assistance have been received from all the Ladies applied to, the undersigned Ladies have kindly consented to receive contributions, and in forwarding the undertaking viz:—

- MRS. WINSLOW, MRS. J. KETCHUM,
MRS. MARYLYN, MRS. RALPH KETCHUM,
MRS. R. KETCHUM, MRS. WILLY,
MRS. H. M. GARDEN, MRS. R. HARPER,
MRS. J. C. PHILLIPS, MRS. A. N. GARDEN,
MRS. CHAS. CONNELL, MRS. CHAS. PERLEY,
MRS. STREET, MRS. JAS. GROVER,
MRS. GEO. BULL, MRS. GEO. CONNELL,
MRS. A. K. S. WETMORE, MRS. JOS. HARVEY.

Subscriptions will also be thankfully received by the Trustees of the Building, viz:—

- JAMES KETCHUM,
F. E. WINSLOW,
RALPH KETCHUM,
H. STODDARD,
D. MUNRO

Upper Woodstock, February 12. 1853.

VALUABLE PROPERTIES FOR SALE MILL PRIVILEGE &c., &c.

THE Subscriber offers for sale a very valuable PROPERTY, fronting on the River St. John, at the mouth of the Beckagumick Stream, in the County of Carleton, about 12 miles above Woodstock, consisting of a splendid Water privilege, with power at all seasons of the year, sufficient for driving the machinery of Saw Mill, Grist Mill, or Factories of any description that may be erected thereon.

Attached to the Privilege there are about 60 acres of Land under Good Cultivation, with DWELLING HOUSE, Out House, Barn, &c. &c.

This privilege is unequalled in the County, being situated on the mouth of a Stream, abounding in Spruce, and Pine Trees, in a section of the County, rich in Agricultural resources rapidly increasing in population and wealth, thereby offering to parties wishing to purchase an opportunity seldom to be met with in this Province.

Also—Three Valuable FARMS, partially cultivated in the Parish of Brighton, County of Carleton, each of first quality Land, one of 100 acres situated on the River St. John. The others, 200 acres each, situated on the Beckagumick Stream together with BUILDINGS and other improvements thereon.

Further particulars may be ascertained on application to Geo. Connell Esq., Woodstock, Israel M. Severs, Brighton, or the Subscriber St. John.

The above Properties if not sold previous to the 10th day of March next, will then be offered at Public Auction, at Woodstock. ISRAEL MERRITT, Jan. 22. 2mos

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

THE following non-residents owning Property in the Parish of Wakefield are taxed the amounts set opposite their names, which they are required to pay to the Commercial Bank Agency, Woodstock, forthwith.

- John Gregory, £0 13 4
William Robinson, 0 10 3
Samuel Gardner, 0 13 4

FRUIT TREES.

PERSONS intending to purchase Trees from the Woodstock Nurseries, are respectfully requested to forward their Orders as soon as the 15th of March: as in consequence of very large sales this Fall, the Stock of saleable Trees on hand is but limited, and being all dug from the Nursery (to protect them from the winter) must be disposed of; therefore all Trees on hand by the 15th of March, will be sold by the lot to Dealers in Trees, after which time no orders can be filled. The assortment on hand has been selected from several hundred varieties with great care, and is unequalled as a selection for this climate.

Grafted Apple Trees, 1s. each. A superior assortment of 12 varieties of hardy grafted Plum Trees, 2s. 6d. each. Also a few of the celebrated M-Lauchlan Plum Trees, 5s. each.

Amateurs wishing to test varieties, can be supplied with Scions of 250 varieties of Apple, warranted true to name. Scions \$1 per hundred, 25 cents per dozen, or 3 cents each. Full printed Instructions for Transplanting and Management of young Orchards, sent gratis with each hundred Trees.

FRANCIS P. SHARP. Feb. 5 1853.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, Tuesday, 6th April, 1853.

ORDERED, That the Fortieth Standing Order of this House be for three months previous to the next meeting of the Legislature published in the Royal Gazette, and also in a newspaper in each County in which a newspaper is published.

X. That no Bill, or Resolution or other Proceeding, founded upon any application addressed to the House of Assembly, be sustained by the Council unless an application to the same effect, with such documents as may accompany the same, be also presented to the Council in General Assembly. Jan 1, 1853. 3m



THE following were adopted as Standing Rules in the session of 1851—

37th.—That no Bill of a private nature, or Petition for money or relief, shall be received by the House after the fourth day from the opening of the Session, both inclusive; and that the Clerk of this House do, one month previous to the meeting of the Legislature, cause fifty printed copies of this Rule to be sent to each of the Clerks of the Peace in the several Counties for distribution, and cause the same to be inserted in the Royal Gazette, and two Newspapers in such County where Newspapers are published.

38th.—That this House will sustain no application for allowances to Teachers of Common or Parish Schools, unless it shall be certified by at least two Trustees of Schools for the Parish where such School has been taught, showing the time actually taught—the Teacher to be licensed.—The cause why such Teacher was not certified to the sessions in the ordinary way—and that such Teacher was not compelled to discontinue his or her School on account of any improper conduct.

CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.



GRAND ORANGE LODGE.—A special meeting of the Grand Orange Lodge of New Brunswick, will be held in the City Hall of Fredericton, on the 10th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. All persons interested will take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.

By order of the W. M. WM. C. GODSOE, Grand Secretary.

FLOUR & CORN MEAL

Superfine Canada Flour. Country Mill do. Fresh Ground Corn Meal. Selling low by LOOMER & WOODWORTH. Upper Woodstock February 12. 1853.

A CARD.

G. A. BROWN, M.D. SURGEON & PHYSICIAN, OFFERS his Professional services to the citizens of Woodstock and vicinity. Residence at A. E. English's Woodstock Hotel. February 3, 1853.

Collector's Notice.

THE following non-residents owning property in the Parish of Woodstock, are taxed the amounts set opposite their names, which they are required to pay to the Commercial Bank Agency, Woodstock, forthwith.

- Charles Emery, £ 14 0
George Flood, 0 2 9
Peter Lyons, 0 35 1
James Smith, (St. John) 0 29 1
John S. Saunders, 0 17 7
Estate of Hon. Geo. Sher, 0 7 0
Estate of Jeddish Sharon, 0 5 0
Samuel Dow, 0 1 0

THOMAS CURRIE, Collector. Woodstock, Jan 15, 1853. 3m pd