

A Returned Californian.

The Toronto *Patriot* has received from Mr. Edward McBride, who left Toronto township for Australia in July last, and returned to Toronto on Saturday, 25th ult., a copy of the Melbourne *Argus*, of March 17th. Mr. McBride prefers Canada to Australia. He says the climate of the latter is not agreeable, being either too hot or too cold. The number of convicts among the population make a residence in the country unpleasant or unsafe. The great majority of diggers make only small wages, while for weeks or months many of them make nothing. This operation of digging, he says, is hard work, a good deal like digging wells in Canada, and a man might make more money in a year, or rather save more, by digging wells in Canada, at the ordinary rate paid, than the average of diggers are able to save in Australia. The reports that have reached us of the isolated cases of successful mining, give us a false idea of the state of prosperity of the great mass of the mining community. The *Argus* is a large paper, having 12 pages of the Daily *Patriot*, and the extraordinary increase of business in Melbourne may be judged of by the fact that no less than 10 of these pages or 70 columns of them, are auction sales, to take place on the day of the date of the paper, or within a few days after. The other advertisements are for or about all sorts of things that can be imagined, plain cooks, married men, sheep stations, missing friends, houses and lands, vessels to sail, bullock drays to the diggings, &c. Whatever the general prosperity of Australia may be, the newspapers are doing well, judging from the terms of advertising by the *Argus*, which are about 4d sterling a line for every insertion. We should state in addition to the above, that McBride describes the postal arrangements as being very defective. He brings news of several young Canadians, who went to Australia about the same time as himself, and says, that several of them have not yet received a line from home, although we have certain knowledge of a number of letters and papers having been sent to parties named by him, which should have been received long before McBride left.

COUNTERFEIT BANK NOTES.—On Thursday evening last, a man who gave his name as Andrew Brown, and stated that he had been born in New Hampshire, was given in charge to the Police by Mr. Justice Sears, for attempting to pass a forged note of the Casco Bank, Maine, at the store of Messrs. G. & E. Sears.

On Friday he underwent an examination at the Police Office, when it was ascertained that he had arrived in the Steamer *Admiral* on the preceding evening, and had managed to pass several of the counterfeit notes at different stores in the City. He was committed to take his trial at the next sitting of the Supreme Court in the City.

Twelve \$5 counterfeit bills of the Casco Bank and a bundle of other bank-notes were found in his pockets when taken to the Watch House, and in a carpet-bag which he had left at his lodgings there were two hundred and fifty-nine \$5 notes, similar to the others. He stated that he had bought all the notes from a person at a corner in Boston for ten dollars, and on referring to the Bank Detector could not find that they were bad.

Notice by the Boston *Atlas* of Wednesday, that five men were undergoing examination in that City, for passing similar forged notes on the Casco Bank.—*St. John Courier*.

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.—The season thus far has been very dry and warm, not only in New Brunswick, but as far as we can learn throughout the neighboring Colonies.—The crops generally look very luxuriant, especially upon the uplands, has been considerably parched. Mowing has already commenced, and the reports thus far prove that the crop will be about an average one.

In Canada the grain crops are remarkably good. We learn from the Toronto *Patriot*, that the wheat promises an abundant return, and that in that section of Canada there is a larger space under wheat cultivation than in any former year, while more diligence has been observed in procuring good seed, and greater pains have been bestowed upon improved systems of husbandry.—*New Brunswick*.

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of last week were days of intense excitement at our Provincial Lands Office. Very extensive sales of timber berths took place on those days for different counties and we never remember to have seen so numerous a gathering of the leading operatives of the districts, and certainly never witnessed anything like the keen eagerness which was apparent in every face.

These three days sales realized to the Government some £4000, and the mileage in contested cases ranged from twenty-five shillings to forty-five pounds.—*Fredericton Head Quarters*.

SUCCESSFUL SURGICAL OPERATION.—We yesterday saw the successful result of a surgical operation of so novel and ingenious a character as to deserve mention in our columns.—It was performed by Dr. Dixon, editor of the *Scalpel*, upon Mr. D. Hyslop, of this city, for a cancer of eight years standing, involving the whole of the lower lip. The membrane lining the lip being sound, the operation consisted in dissecting off the diseased part and removing it, leaving the membrane in its natural place. Then two incisions were made downward from the corners of the mouth to the chin, and the skin covering the latter, being loosened on each side, was crowded up, and by a few delicate stitches connected with the membrane. When we saw it the lip was nearly well, and was perfectly natural and symmetrical; and when entirely healed a slight scar from the cut on each side of the chin will be the only trace of the disease, or of the operation for its removal. It forms a striking illustration of the resources of both nature and art.—*N. Y. Tribune*, 15th.

OPENING OF THE RAIL ROAD FROM MONTREAL TO PORTLAND.—In accordance with notice previously given, the grand line of rail road extending from Montreal to Portland, and including the Atlantic and St. Lawrence corporations, was opened for travel on Tuesday last throughout its length. The first through train from Montreal arrived at Portland about seven o'clock that evening, amidst the firing of salutes, ringing of bells, and other demonstrations of joy. We congratulate our Portland friends upon the consummation of this great result of their energy, perseverance and public spirit.—They are entitled to a rich reward, which they will no doubt realize. The arrangement under which the road is to be operated is such as to secure the highest success, and the greatest benefit to the general commercial and industrial interests of Portland.—*International Journal*, July 23d.

The harvest prospects in Ireland are said to be of the most satisfactory character. Every description of produce is exceedingly forward, giving promise of a bountiful yield.

Maurice O'Connell, Esq., M.P. for Clare, died at his London residence, 18th inst. His son, now the head of the house of O'Connell, is an officer in the Royal Navy, and has just returned from the West Indies in the ill-fated *Danville*. The remains were taken to Ireland and interred beside those of his father, Glasnevin Cemetery.

A very large emigration still continues from various districts in the south of Wales. Large bodies of Mormonites, principally from Carmarthenshire and Glamorgan, still continue to leave their native land for the banks of the Salt Lake. Labor is now scarce in most parts of Wales.

John B. Gough, the well known advocate of temperance, is shortly to visit England, by invitation of the London Temperance League.

The liquor stores near the Crystal Palace, New York, have extra attractions for Sunday. Bands of music play polkas and Ethiopian melodies, and the rush "to licker" is enormous.

One of Queen Victoria's state balls, it is said, causes an expenditure of half a million of dollars, for dresses and jewels. The London tradesmen, therefore, approve of state balls.

The Canadian Legislature have appropriated £25,000 toward the improvement of the Great Road between the St. Lawrence and the New Brunswick frontier.

Marriages.

On the 7th inst. by the Rev. William Harris, Mr. Samuel Cogswell, of Wicklow, to Miss Sophia Shaw, of Simonds. Also, by the same, on the same day, Mr. Hayward Shaw, of Simonds, to Miss Betsey McClintich, of the same place.

At the Howard settlement, Dumfries, on the 11th inst., by Rev. Thomas Martin, Missionary, Mr. Charles Winters, to Miss Margaret Carroll, both of Howard settlement. On the 14th inst. by the same, Mr. Matthew Lutwick, of Melroy settlement, to Miss Ruth Weaver, both of the Parish of Woodstock.

New Advertisements.

CORN AND OATEN MEAL.—For sale by J. GAYNOR. July 22.

HAYING TOOLS AND GRAIN CRADLES.—For sale by J. GAYNOR. Fredericton, July 22, 1853.

MANILLA ROPE.—Just received two tons Manilla Rope, assorted sizes from 1 1/2 inch to 4 1/2 inches, for sale by J. GAYNOR. Fredericton, July 22, 1853.—4in

SMOKED SALMON.—30 Superior Smoked Salmon, for sale by J. GAYNOR. Fredericton, July 22, 1853.

BRASS KETTLES, &c.—Brass preserving Kettles, Preserve and Jelly Jars, Loaf Crystal and Crushed Sugars. J. GAYNOR. Fredericton, July 22, 1853.—4in

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to the subscriber in the County of Carleton, are requested to make immediate payment to L. P. Fisher, who is authorized by my authority to collect the same. GEO. S. WINTER. Woodstock, July 20, 1853.—Reformer 3ins.

WANTED.—A Blacksmith who understands Horse Shoeing, and general Job Work. Enquire at this Office. July 20th, 1853.

JUST RECEIVED BY THE SUBSCRIBER AT THE YORK AND CARLETON STORE,

PER ships *Canmore* from Glasgow, and *Lisbon* from London, a splendid assortment of Goods, consisting of Dress Materials, in Muslins, Organdies, Veronas, printed and plain Coburgs, Orleans, Cashmeres, Alpaca and Carcassian C oth, plain and embroidered Robes; Mull, Swiss, Jacquett and Corded Muslins; Paisley, Barege and Cashmere Shawls; Earstone Plaid and Linen Gingham, Neck Ties, Opera do, and Handkerchiefs in great variety, Gentlemen's Aerial figured Opera Ties and Albert Cavaits, Victoria Lawns and John Adams Irish Linens assorted, colored rolled, Jacquett, Selasias, Shalloon, Brown Holland and Osnaburg. With a great variety of Etes., too numerous for an Advertisement.

Goods at Wholesale as Cheap as can be purchased in St. John. GEO. S. WINTER. Fredericton, July 1853.

6 DOLLARS REWARD.—The above Reward will be paid to any person giving information of a Meerschaum PIPE, belonging to G. L. Mossman. W. W. HAMMOND. Woodstock, July 23d, 1853.

FLOUR. THE Subscriber has on hand a quantity of FLOUR, and other articles in the Grocery line, which he will sell cheap for CASH. JOHN COLWELL. July 23.

LIST OF LETTERS Remaining in Post Office, Woodstock, July 20, 1853.

Henry Akerley	Thomas McGinley
Thomas Collins	Eliza McFadden
Mary Dougherty	Mary McDonnell
Joseph Fulkens	Peter McGinn
Sidney Gates	Hugh McLean
George R Ham	Alexander McCachim
Michael Hamilton	Mrs Hil Pettier
N S Hooper	Dominic Rover
Thomas Lafferty	Edward Smith
Michael Lanegun	Domalte Thibodeau
James Matherson	Adam Wise, 2
William Mays	Adam Waters
Ronald McDonald	J GROVER, P. M.

NOTICE. TO be sold at Public Auction, on SATURDAY the twenty-second day of August next, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the Central Bank, Woodstock, County of Carleton, for payment of the debts of the late Moses Colwell, of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, deceased, in consequence of a deficiency of the personal estate of the deceased for that purpose—pursuant to a License obtained from the Surrogate Court of the County of Carleton.—The lands and tenements following, that is to say: The undivided half of the following lot, piece, or parcel of Land, situate in the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, South Richmond, and bounded on the north by lands owned by one Knowlton, and Crown lands, and on the south by B. McQuillan, and on the east and west by lands owned by Knowlton; the whole of which lot contains about one hundred and fifty acres.

TAMAR COLWELL, Administratrix. JAMES COLWELL, Administrator. Dated at Woodstock, 20th July, 1853.

Anglers Defence. A SURE Protection against the attack of Mosquitos, Black Flies, and other venomous insects, to which persons in the woods and on stream, are now exposed.—Put up in strong bottles for carriages by WILLIAM T. BAIRD. Woodstock, July 16, 1853.

More Haying Tools. THIS day received A.I. improved Patent Scythe Sneaths, with patent screw fastenings, a new article, Improved Patent Iron Scythe Sneaths, with patent fastenings. A variety of Elastic and Steel Hay Forks, new patents; Grain Cradles; which with his former stock will be found to comprise one of the largest and best selected ever imported into this Province. Prices unusually low. Purchasers will please call and examine for themselves. Fredericton, July 8. JOHN T. SMITH.

More New Bonnets, Received at the Cheap Fashionable Store, Woodstock.

JUST OPENING, a Splendid Assortment of Plain and Fancy STRAW BONNETS, 1 Case of Drawn SILK BONNETS, 2 Cases of FANCY GOODS, Trimmings, &c. &c. JOHN BRADLEY, & CO. Woodstock, 7th July, 1853.

Bonnets, Bonnets, &c.

JUST RECEIVED this week a Splendid Assortment of Plain and Fancy STRAW BONNETS, Satin and Kossuth HATS, Glazed, Silk, and Cloth CAPS, Children's Hats, Caps, &c., &c. J. BRADLEY. Woodstock, 7th July, 1853.

FIRE! FIRE!!

THE Old Bridge didn't quite burn down last evening, but fearing it may, the Subscriber is about removing his place of Business to the store recently occupied by Mr. Geo. S. Winter, where he will in future be most happy to treat customers in the best possible manner, on the principle of "Quick Sales and Light Profits." July 9th, 1853. A. PAYSON.

TO FARMERS.

Can't be Undersold!

THE Subscriber has completed his Stock of HAYING TOOLS, consisting of:— 25 Doz. American German Silver, and Cast Steel Scythes, English pattern, from 38 to 50 inch, 5 Dozen American Scythes, narrow, 10 do Griffin's do, 6 do Moor's do, 35 do Hay Rakes, 13 do Scythe Sneaths, 15 do Hay Forks, 6 Boxes Quinabog Scythe Stones, 6 do Indian Pond do do, 40 Dozen Rifles; 10 doz. Cast Steel Hoes, 5 Boxes Patent Wheel Heads, 4 do Wool Cards.

Imported direct from the best Factories, and will bear inspection, both in price and quality, with any other stock of the kind ever imported into the Province. JOHN T. SMITH. Fredericton, June 29, 1853.

P. S.—A large variety of those patent improved labor saving CHURNS, constantly on hand. J. T. S.

New Advertisement.

MORE NEW GOODS.

JUST OPENING, a Splendid STOCK of Staple and Fancy DRY GOODS, which has been selected from the most fashionable Establishment in St. John. The Subscriber most respectfully solicits purchasers to call and examine the quality and prices of his Goods, as they will be found well worthy a trial.

—ALSO— 175 Barrels extra Superfine FLOUR, 100 Bags Mill Flour, 25 bbls Kith dried Corn Meal, 25 Barrels Spring caught Pickled Herrings, 25 cwt. dried Codfish, 3 Doz. boxes Smoked Herrings, 10 Puncheons Muscovado Molasses, 15 Chests Souchong and Congoo TEA, 5 Kegs Honey Dew TOBACCO, 1 Tierce RICE, 1 barrel Ground LOGWOOD, 2 Hds. Muscovado Sugar, 1 bbl. Ground Redwood, 1 bbl. Salgaratus, 1 do Whiting, 6 Dozen Griffin's Scythes, 4 doz. Patent Sneaths, 1 Bale Batting, 4 dozen Rakes, 1 cwt. Putty, 6 Ladders Stuffs, 12 boxes Soap, 10 boxes wax Wick Candles, 7 dozen Pails, 2 bags Soft Shelled Almond Nuts, 2 do Filberts, 2 do Pecana Nuts, 1 do Castina, 2 Crates Crockery-ware, Biscuit—in Great, Graham, Soda, Water, Pilot and Medium. Seed, Sugar, and Molasses Cakes. Dye Stuffs in every variety. The highest prices will be paid for Butter in exchange for Goods. W. M. Q. SHAW. Woodstock, July 7th, 1853.

WILBOR'S PURE COD LIVER OIL,

AND PHOSPHATE LIME,

A CURE FOR CONSUMPTION, COUGHS, COLDS, ASTHMA, INFLUENZA, HOARSENESS, BRONCHITIS, and all Scrofulous Humours. A supply of the above valuable preparation, direct from Proprietors, is now received. WILLIAM T. BAIRD. Woodstock, July 16, 1853.

JUST RECEIVED. 50 BARRELS new Pickled Herrings, superior quality. 100 Barrels Superfine FLOUR. For sale as low as any in the market, by July 9 HENRY DOW.

CROWN LAND OFFICE, July 5, 1853. THE undermentioned Lots of Crown Lands will be offered for sale by Public Auction, on Tuesday the second day of August next, at noon, by the respective Deputies, at their Offices, agreeably to the Regulations of 11th May, 1843, and no sale on credit will be made to any person who is indebted to the Crown for previous purchases.

(The right of granting Licences for the cutting of Logs and Timber is to be reserved by the Government, after the Land has been surveyed and improved to the value of not less than ten pounds, until the first day of May next following such survey and improvements.) (No person is allowed to hold more than one hundred acres payable by instalments.)

VICTORIA. By F. E. Beckwith, Grand Falls. Town lot 60, Grand Falls, W. Molly; upset price, £13. Town lot 61, Grand Falls, J. Irvine; upset price, £35. Town lot 76, Grand Falls, T. Theriault, improved; upset price, £15. Town lot 77, Grand Falls, F. Sivois, improved; upset price, £15. Town lot 78, Grand Falls, T. Hanna; upset price, £15. Town lot 23, Edmundston, C. Connell; upset price, £7 10s. Town lot 25, Edmundston, C. Connell; upset price, £7 10s. Town lot 43, Edmundston, C. Connell; upset price, £10. Town lot 47, Edmundston, J. T. Hodgson; upset price, £10. Pasture lot 6, Edmundston, J. May; upset price, £6. Pasture lot 9, Edmundston, — Hodgson; upset price, £10. Pasture lot 7, Edmundston, — Hodgson; upset price, £7 10s. R. D. WILMOT, Sup. Gen.