

ceeding value of the Fisheries) we would submit, that the wisdom of defending this branch of trade, by such enactments as are calculated so to regulate its prosecution, as to render it advantageous to those immediately embarked therein, and to subserve the general interests of the country, can neither admit of question or controversy. The extensive sea board of this Province, abounds with the most valuable kinds of fish, which form by much the more important article of Colonial exportation, and nevertheless it is passing strange, that so little legislative pains have been bestowed upon the management, direction, or encouragement of this fruitful source of commercial activity and common good. Some feeble attempts were indeed made to foster the Cod Fishery, while the take of Herring and Mackerel was either entirely overlooked, or abandoned to the projects of individual speculation. It is not however our intention at present, to point out all the evil effects of the present system, if that can be called a system which is neither regulated or enforced by legal authority; our object now rather is to stir up a spirit of investigation, which may possibly lead to beneficial results.—Pictou Observer.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

HALIFAX.—The brig Maria, M'Leod, Master, from Quebec for Greenock, struck on a shoal at the Magdalen Islands, on the night of the 14th of Nov.—Vessel and cargo totally lost; crew arrived at Arichat. Cleared—Ship Jean Hastie, Liverpool; brig Amelia, do.

PICOU.—The schr. Glasgow, Graham, from Halifax for this port, got ashore at Bailey's Brook, on Monday night at 9 o'clock.

The Shelburne, Capt Wyman, of Yarmouth, is frozen up at the loading ground, East river. She arrived here on the 23rd On the morning of Monday the 5th inst. a smart gale of wind sprung up blowing from the S. E. accompanied with heavy snow, and towards night came round to the N. W. with the most terrific violence. Several vessels both from Halifax and the fishing ground, being anxiously expected, much apprehension was of course entertained on their account, exposed as they were considered to be, to all the dangers of a narrow rocky strait, during a most tempestuous night. That these were not unfounded, is proved by the stranding during the storm of the schrs. Glasgow, from Halifax, with goods, at Bailey's Brook; of the Maria from Crow Harbour, with fish, on Merigomish Island, and of a small schooner at Tony River, belonging to P. E. Island. The crews of all these vessels happily escaped; but we regret to state, that a young woman who accompanied her father to the fishing station, in the Marie, was by the waves washed out of his arms, and perished. We have not heard of any farther losses along the coast, but we fear they must be greater than we have yet been able to learn; while as regards vessels destined for this port, which were in the gulph on the night of Monday, there is every reason to believe that they bore away for the Gut, and are in safety. The stranded vessels were driven on shore from their sails having given way.

The Schr. Marie, Boudrot, Master, from Fox Island, and Crow Harbour, laden with fish, was driven on shore at Merigomish on the gale of Monday the 5th, and went to pieces.

Cleared—brig Grecian, Newcastle.

ST. JOHN. Cleared—Ships Ant, London; Westmorland, Hull; brigs Anne, Penzance, Breakwater, Plymouth.

QUEBEC.—Schooner Caroline, M'Nair, for Baie de Chaleurs, was driven on the north shore, at Esquimaux River, on the evening of the 22nd inst. during the violent storm from the eastward, and was totally wrecked. Crew saved. The cargo, consisting chiefly of provisions, is much damaged.

The Legislature of Nova Scotia, is summoned to meet, for the despatch of business, on the 25th January next.

ORIGINAL.

MR EDITOR,

On the eve of departure from the Province, for a few months, I have scarce a spare moment left, to take leave of my friend AMICUS.

I am sorry that the "garb of rhetoric" in which my last communication was "wrapped," should have been of so ignominious a texture, as to kindle the ire of my ASSUMED FRIEND. I am proud, however, that my style, against which he spits a bubble of jealousy, he most zealously endeavours to imitate.

Had Amicus been possessed of as much patience as impudence, and as much common sense as impertinence he would, by virtue of the former, have discovered in the subsequent Gleaner, that typographical errors, and not errors in the composition, occasioned the breach of "COMMON SENSE," at which this Eagle winged critic flaps his wings.

It would be absurd for me to name the reasons which induced me to preface my interrogations respecting the conduction of the "PETTY STEAM BOAT," as Amicus is pleased to term her, by first introducing myself to the public; they must be evident to the weakest capacity.

Amicus, by way of improving the sense of his effusion uses such assertions as the following—"Interrogator has been ten years a resident of this country. He is a native of Scotland; has overcome his victim, and sent him to the fathomless depths of eternity." By what flight of rhetoric, or "UNCOMMON SENSE," has he obtained all this knowledge?

As oft as I feel it my duty to take up my pen, on the subject of the Steam Boat, I will do so, undaunted by the hatred of my nominal friend, or even his Latin rhetoric.

INTERROGATOR.

SCHEDIASMA.

MIRAMICHI:
TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1831.

THE St. John papers furnish, via New-York, London dates to the 24th October.

Parliament was prorogued by the King in person, on the 20th, and was to meet again on the 22d ult. By His Majesty's Speech, which will be found in another page, it appears, that Ministers intend bringing the measure of Reform before Parliament, immediately on its reassembling.

Riots still continued in England, but no disturbance of a serious nature had taken place.

The Cholera had made its appearance at Hamburgh, and the British Government had issued orders to enforce a strict quarantine on all vessels arriving from that port, as well as from the North coast of Denmark, down to the coast of Rotterdam.

The differences which existed between Holland and Belgium, have at length been adjusted. A definitive arrangement has agreed upon, and signed by the five Great Powers.

Under the European head, we have copied the principal items of intelligence.

COMMUNICATED.

On the 30th ult. the ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF BATHURST, dined at White's Hotel, with a large and respectable assemblage of Guests. The dinner was well provided, tastefully served up, and reflected much credit on the landlord; the wines were also good. Several excellent national songs were sung, and volunteer toasts given.

The following is a list of the Toasts from the chair.

1. The pious memory of St. Andrew. Tune—Kail brows of auld Scotland.
2. The King—God bless him; may his reign be long, prosperous, and happy. Tune—God save the King.
3. Queen Adelaide, and the Royal Family. Tune—Our Queen is the wife of a sailor.
4. Scotland—the land of bravery; the laurels of liberty adorn her brow, honor is the motto of her heart, may the gallant spirit that has distinguished them, always exist, defying the hand of oppression to destroy the former, or deface the latter. My Highland Home.
5. Earl Grey, and His Majesty's Ministers. Roast Beef of old England.
6. Lord Hill and the Army. British Grenadiers.
7. Sir James Graham and the Navy. Rule Britannia.
8. Our distinguished countryman Sir Archibald Campbell, Commander in Chief of this Province. The Campbells are coming.
9. Lord Aylmer, Governor General of British North America. Sprig of Shellelah.
10. Sir Peregrine Maitland, and the Province of Nova Scotia. March.
11. The sons of St. George and St. Patrick. Britains strike Home, and St. Patrick's Day.
12. Lady Campbell, and the fair Daughters of New-Brunswick. Here's a health to all good lasses.
13. William End, Esq., our worthy representative. Tune—Garree Owen. Song—A man's a man for a' that.

A. Barbare, Esq. returned thanks.

14. Hugh Munro, Esq. and the Magistrates of Gloucester. Speed the Plough.

T. M. Deblois, Esq. returned thanks.

15. Sir Walter Scott, and the Living Bards of Scotland. Sweet Edinburgh Town.

16. The Memory of Bruce, Wallace, and the departed Heroes of our country. Scots wha hae.

17. The memory of Robert Burns, and the departed Bards of our Country. The land of the leal.

18. The Bench and Bar of New-Brunswick. Tune—Money in both pockets. Song—L-a-w.

A. Barbare, Esq. addressed the chair in a very appropriate speech.

19. Our worthy Guests, who have honored us this night with their company. Life let us Cherish.

Mr H. Baldwin returned thanks.

20. Our Countrymen who are celebrating this day all over the world. Auld lang Syne.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE. JEM WARD, the conqueror of Byrne, has offered to fight any man in the world for a sum not less than £200.

GREAT LEAP.—To decide a bet with a brother officer, Mr Boyer, of the 14th [King's] Light Dragoons, rode a favourite horse over a fence SIX FEET TWO INCHES high, near Gloucester. The conditions were, that if the hurdle was either broken or knocked down, the bet should be lost. The leap was accomplished in the most gallant style, in the presence of a large field of Sportsmen.

Nothing of a local nature, as far as we have been able to learn, has transpired during the past week, worthy of record, except, that we have been visited by a snow storm, accompanied with a violent drift, which commenced on Friday, and continued until yesterday morning, and has rendered the roads in many places almost impassable.

The first number of a newspaper, bearing the title of the YARMOUTH TELEGRAPH, was issued at Yarmouth, N. S. on the 25th ult.

MARRIED.—On Saturday, the 17th instant, at St. Paul's Church, Chatham, by the Reverend the Rector, JAMES DAVIES LEWIN, Esq. of His Majesty's Customs, to SARAH ANN, eldest daughter of Richard S. Clarke, Esq. High Sheriff for the County of Northumberland.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE FOR SALE.

The Subscribers being authorized to draw for the balance of the money, (£530 0 0 Sterling) contributed in Glasgow, shortly after the conflagration of 1825, for relieving the necessitous sufferers in Miramichi. Hereby give notice, that they will sell BILLS OF EXCHANGE, at 30 days sight, payable in Glasgow, to the above extent.

Application to be made to ALEXANDER RANKIN, at the Office of Gilmour, Rankin, & Co., at Douglastown, between this and the 24th inst. at 12 o'clock, noon, in writing, the said writing to be SEALED, and marked 'Tender for Bills.'

ALEX. RANKIN,
WM. ABRAMS,
JOHN NESMITH,

Miramichi, 14th Dec. 1831.

WRECK MATERIALS & CARGO.

To be sold at Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY the 28th inst. on the Wharf of Joseph Cunard & Co. at 12 o'clock.

The HULL, Masts, Spars, and CARGO, of the Brigantine Patty, as they now lie on Fox Island, and the Materials, consisting as follows:

Main Lower Rigging,
Fore Rigging,
Fore-Topmast Rigging,
Fore-Topgallant Rigging,
Six Coils Running Rigging,
Sixty-eight Blocks,
Six Top Plates,
Mainsail,
Foresail,
Foretop-sail,
Foretop-gallantsail,
Jib,
Fore-topmast Staysail,
Main Staysail,
About 45 fathoms five inch Warp,
Two Compasses,
Two Pump Spurs,
Two Pump Hooks,
A Boat, three oars.

CHRISTOPHER CLARKE, Auctioneer.
Miramichi, 19th December.

JOSEPH CUNARD & CO.

Have for sale, the following articles, at their Stores in Chatham and Newcastle, which they offer cheap for Cash, or on approved credit,

1000 barrels Corn Meal,
400 do. Oat Meal,
1000 Quintals Codfish,
30 barrels Onions,
100 do. Apples,

Together with their usual stock of rum, Jamaica Spirits, molasses, brandy, gin, whiskey, wines, porter, and ale in bottles, sugar, tea, cast-steel, Crawley, Millington, and Blister Steel, iron, pots, ovens, cut and wrought nails, broad and narrow cast-steel and common axes, traces, Day Goods, Cutlery, and Hardware, Ploughs, Carts, Fanners, Wheel-barrows, &c. &c.
Miramichi, December 17.

STRAYED

From Chatham, on or about the 1st October. A COW, red, with a streak of white across her back; and a STEER, two years old, red, with a streak of white on the back. Whoever may have found the same, or will give such information as may lead to their recovery, will be rewarded for their trouble.

COPP & CARTER.

Chatham, December, 1831.

BLANKS

Of various kinds for Sale at this Office.