

ehi. The history of our voyage across the waters of the Atlantic Ocean may be read in the Log Book of almost any vessel that happily crosses in the same time and season. We made the Columbian shore, near the Island of Scuterea, and on the 10th May just as the sun had begun his diurnal journey, we could perceive Esquimaux Point to leeward; at our foremast head our signal jack was waving; about half an hour afterwards we were boarded by a French pilot, and before night were landed in good health and vigour, in the village of Chatham.

A stranger in a strange land, young, inexperienced, and without friends, I determined to act my part on the stage of life, in which I was about to set foot, with caution and prudence, I therefore devoted a short time industriously in acquiring knowledge of the trade, manners and customs of my newly adopted Sylvan Country. About a month after my arrival, I gladly accepted the offer of Messrs. —, to become their clerk, with whom I remained four years; till through the medium of their influence, and that of other well-wishers, I obtained a Government situation, and this situation I still enjoy.

O! can the mouldering hand of time have deprived me in fifteen years of every dear relative, or can it be possible, that living in rather a remote part of Scotland, my letters had not reached their destination. Such reflections as these filled my mind during the beautiful walk I was enjoying on the Banks of the Miramichi, when I degressed to give the reader the narrative of my life since I left the abode of my Fathers; throughout my heart clung to the dear hope that they still lived, and ere I returned, I resolved quickly to arrange my business so as to be enabled to visit the home of my nativity.

Fifteen years had thus transpired since I arrived in Miramichi; during which, new ties had arisen to entwine themselves around my heart—Ties, rendered more verdant by their having birth, and being enjoyed in a foreign clime, distant far from that which gave birth to those in my heart, of a still more endearing nature, consanguinity.

#### A SUBSCRIBER.

To be Continued.

### SCHEDIASMA.

#### MIRAMICHI.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25, 1831.

The Courier left Richibucto on Saturday at 11 A. M. and arrived here about half past eleven P. M.

The papers by the mail furnish nothing later from Europe than we were previously in possession of.

It is our painful duty this week, to record the destruction of a large portion of the village of Chatham, by that devastating element, whose ravages a few years ago, laid a large portion of this section of the Province, in a heap of ruins.

On Wednesday evening last, about half past nine o'clock, the dwelling house owned and occupied by Mr. Joseph Russell, in Chatham, was discovered to be on fire, and a few minutes after, the flames were seen blazing through the roof. In a short time the Engine was out; her works being formed of metal, immediately froze, and would not work, and as no person belonged to the company sufficiently acquainted with her machinery, to state the cause, she remained idle during the night. No blame can be attached to the Company, as the greatest care has been taken of her, and every attention paid to render her efficient in time of need, and on the evening previous to the fire, they had taken her to pieces, carefully dried her out, and placed every thing in readiness, in case of an alarm.

As the exertions of the people to extinguish the fire in Mr. Russell's house, were rendered unavailing, they immediately turned their attention to the saving of the furniture, &c. as well as the property in the stores

adjoining, occupied by Mr Joseph Samuel, and Christopher Clarke, Esq. as they were considered in imminent danger, as the wind prevailed from the Westward, and it is satisfactory to state, notwithstanding they were consumed, their contents were principally removed. The progress of the fire in this quarter was checked by Messrs. Cunards stone store, and it required the greatest vigilance to prevent the wharf, as well as the store, from taking fire.

The fire extended upwards as far the stores of Messrs. Joseph & Samuel, and totally consumed the dwelling house and forge, formerly occupied by James McDonald, and the building occupied by Mr Keilor as a slaughter house. Messrs. Joseph & Samuel's stores though only a few feet distant from the dwelling house above mentioned, were through the most strenuous exertions of the inhabitants, providentially saved, after their contents were removed:

Had not the night been unusually calm, and what little wind there was, from the westward, but a small portion of the village could possibly have escaped the flames; as it was, the houses on the opposite side of the street, from the extreme heat, were in great danger, and several families removed their furniture, &c.

We hourly hear the humane exertions of several persons from Newcastle, Douglastown, &c. spoken of in the highest terms, but as the Firewards have pointed many of them out personally, we shall only add, that a stronger manifestation of real zeal in a case of the kind, has never been heard of, than that displayed by the individuals who conveyed the Newcastle Engine, with such alacrity, to the assistance of their unfortunate neighbours in Chatham.

The following buildings were destroyed—the dwelling house owned and occupied by Joseph Russell, two stores owned by do. and occupied by Mr Joseph Samuel, two stores occupied by Christopher Clarke, Esq. the house and forge formerly occupied by J. McDonald and the slaughter house owned by Mr T. Keilor. In all eight buildings.

It is with much satisfaction we learn, that the loss will not be so severely felt, as we were at first led to imagine as the principal part of the property destroyed, was insured.

REPORTER TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.—It is with much satisfaction we perceive by the St. John papers, that a subscription has been entered into at that place, for defraying the expenses of a Reporter in the House of Assembly at their approaching Session, and a meeting of the subscribers has been called, for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements. As subjects of vital importance to this and the neighbouring Counties, are yearly brought before the Legislature, and the discussions thereon entirely unknown to the public from the want of a Reporter, we have now an opportunity to remove the evil, as we have no doubt some arrangements might be made, for a trifling sum, with the gentleman sent from St. John, to report at full length, the discussions on all subjects in which we are more immediately interested. We are in hopes, measures will be entered into in this county, to carry so desirable an object into effect, which we have no doubt will be followed by the inhabitants of Kent and Gloucester.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—We received X's communication last night, but too late for insertion this week, but as it may be of immediate consequence, we shall state its purport. Our Correspondent wishes to be informed, if the Firewards have lately examined the stove pipes and fire places in two or three houses, not two hundred yards from the rear of the dwelling of John T. Williston, Esq. and if not, the sooner it is done the better. PANDORA, shall appear in our next.

A Correspondent has sent us the following Conundrum for publication, and wishes a solution.—Why is William Carman, Esq. like the Duke of Wellington?

### NOTICES, &c.

#### NOTICE.

WHEREAS Richard Blackstock, John M. Johnson and Christopher Clarke, Esquire, of Miramichi, Trustees on the ESTATE of GEORGE JOHNSTONE, of the same place, Joiper, by Indenture bearing date the 18th day of January, instant, Did assign and make over to the Subscribers all the real and personal Property, Judgment bonds, Notes, and other securities for money conveyed to them by the said George Johnstone, then remaining in their hands undisposed of and uncollected.

All persons indebted to the said Estate, are therefore hereby required forthwith to make payment of the sums they respectively owe to Messrs. STREET & KERN, Attorneys at Law; who are authorized to grant discharges for the same.

JOSEPH CUNARD.

Chatham, 21st January, 1831.

#### NOTICE.

By instructions received from the General Post Office by last Post, I am directed to dispatch the Bay de Chaleur Courier with the Newcastle and Douglastown Letters, in an hour after his arrival at this Office, from Bathurst.

He will, on his return, leave the former place on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock—the Office of Messrs. Gilmour Rankin, & Co., Douglastown, at Three; and this Office, as soon after the arrival of the Mails from Southard, as the Bathurst Mail can be prepared for transmission.

JAMES CAIE, POSTMASTER.

Post Office, Chatham, January 24.

#### NOTICE.

The Subscriber having appointed Messrs. M. Samuel, and Phillip Bremner, of Chatham, Trustees for the Settlement of his affairs, requests all persons having any demands against him to render their accounts for settlement, to either of the above named Trustees, within Three Months from this date, as no notice will be taken of them after that period, and all persons indebted to him are requested to make immediate payment.

THOMAS BLACK.

Nappan, Dec 21, 1830.

#### NOTICE.

All persons having any just demands against the Estate of ANDREW STRAHORN, late of Bathurst in the County of Gloucester, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested, within three months from the date hereof, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are called on to make immediate payment to

JANE STRAHORN, Administratrix.  
JOSEPH READ, Administrator.

Bathurst, Dec 1.

### CABINET MAKING, UPHOLSTERY, &c.

JAMES COMBIE, Cabinet Maker, and Upholsterer, from ANDREWS, respectfully intimates to the Inhabitants of Miramichi, that he carries on work in these branches of Business in the neatest and most approved taste—and will be enabled to execute work substantially and handsomely to those, who may be pleased to honor him with their employment, and to whom it will be his most earnest study to give all desirable satisfaction.

In the Upholstery branches of the business he will be able to complete work in Window and Bed Curtains, Sofas, Chairs, and all kinds of stuffed work—and in putting up Paper Hangings, in such tasteful and fashionable style as may accord with the newest patterns with which he will be furnished from time to time.

N.B.—Funerals conducted on reasonable terms.

All orders from a distance punctually attended to; the smallest favor thankfully received.

Chatham, Miramichi, 25th November, 1830.

#### DANIEL GREEN.

CHAIRMAKER,—lately from the city of St. John. Respectfully begs leave to inform the public, that he has commenced the above business in Newcastle, where he will keep constantly for sale—Fancy and Windsor CHAIRS, TABLES, BEDSTEADS carved, Window Poles, plain or gilt. FURNITURE of all kinds, made, repaired and painted on the shortest notice. He feels confident from the long experience he has had both in England and in this country, and by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage. Turning and carving done on the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.

N. B. Two good Cabinet Makers wanted to whom constant employ will be given.

#### ALMANACKS.

New-Brunswick Almanacks for the Year 1831, for sale at the Post Office.

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#### BLANKS

Of various kinds for sale at this Office.  
November 6.