

which he thought would only further embarrass the province.—He did not expect there would be so great a saving in the Custom House department as Mr Partelow sanguinely anticipated.

Mr CUNARD was for the Duty on loaf sugar, to the extent of 5s per cwt. The hon. member then at some length supported the proposition respecting provincial notes, of which he was himself the original propounder.

The question was then taken, as to the expediency of a duty on Loaf Sugar; and carried.

Mr SPEAKER then moved a similar resolution as to Tea.

Mr S. HUMBERT opposed any general tax on tea, but was willing to tax fine teas, which were consumed only by the rich.—The hon member then reverted to the provincial note subject, which appeared to be a standing theme,) and supported the proposition.

Mr SIMONDS confined his observations on this question solely to the provincial notes subject; which proposal he strongly deprecated as the commencement of a national (or provincial debt), which would induce a system of public extravagance, and hang forever like a dead weight on the country; like the enormous national debt of the mother country.

Mr CUNARD spoke to the Tea resolution, which on the grounds already advanced in opposition, he decidedly resisted.

Mr BROWN also opposed the resolution.

Mr PARTELOW said, that when the debate first opened, there was no resolution before the Committee, and it was then competent to any hon. member to make general observations on the state of the province; but when a question came before the committee, they should confine their observations to the point in discussion. It appeared to him that hon members had wandered the most wonderfully since the resolutions had been moved.—The hon member then supported the resolution.

Mr KINNEAR opposed it, on the same grounds as before stated.

Mr WYER also opposed the tax on tea, which he considered a necessary of life, especially to poor people; and supported the same as those urged by Mr Slason on the subject.

After a few further words from Mr Speaker, and Messrs Scott and Slason, the question was put; and negatived.

Mr CHANDLER moved a resolution, declaring it expedient to lay a small additional duty on brandy.

Mr KINNEAR seconded the resolution.

Mr PARTELOW opposed it, as already sufficiently taxed; and contended that the increase of duty would cause a spurious article to be smuggled into the country, and that the revenue would thereby be injured.

Mr SIMONDS supported the resolution. It was very highly taxed in England (about 19s per gallon) and was principally used by the rich. He would be for taxing it even to a prohibition, if it could be prudently done; but at all events would be for a small additional duty. There were not such facilities for smuggling brandy, because it came from the mother country.

Mr WELDON contended that reference must be had to the rate of duties in the neighboring colonies; because, if Brandy could be imported there to better advantage than in this province, it would be brought there in the first instance, and then smuggled in o this country. He also urged, that a great portion of the brandy brought into this Province was carried out again for consumption; as Captains of British vessels purchased it here for use on their voyages, on account of its cheapness.—It was impossible to prohibit the importation of any spirit; therefore it ought to be made a legitimate article of revenue, but not taxed so highly as to defeat the object.

Mr PARTELOW urged the expediency of increasing the duty on whisky, rather than on brandy.

Mr S HUMBERT was very fearful that an increased duty on brandy would induce smuggling; and he was therefore rather for raising the duty on rum than brandy.

To be Continued.

[FROM THE JOURNALS.]

FEBRUARY 21.—Mr. Partelow moved the following resolution—

Whereas the improvement of Roads, and the opening of means of communication to new settlements are considered by this House of the greatest importance to the Province; and whereas the ap-

propriations for these objects have not been heretofore made on so large a scale as to comport with its true interests, in consequence of it being found necessary to encourage the Agriculture and Fisheries of the Province, by Legislative enactments, in granting bounties on Grain and Fish; and whereas those Acts expire on the 1st April, 1833, and it is considered by this House that the time has now arrived when the bounties thus given should be withheld, in order that the settlement of the country should be more distinctly encouraged by a larger amount being annually applied towards the Road services.

Therefore Resolved, that in the opinion of this house the Acts before alluded to, should not be continued.

Mr. Weldon then moved the previous question—'That the question on the said Resolution be now put.'—Upon which the House divided. Yeas 10. Nays 16.—And it was decided in the negative.

FEBRUARY 21.—Mr S. Humbert; Chairman from the Committee to whom was referred the consideration of that part of his Excellency's Speech at the opening of the session, on the subject of Education, reported, that they had taken the same into consideration, and he was directed to present the following: which he read:

'The Committee to whom was referred that part of his Excellency's speech relative to Education, have given that subject their most serious attention, and beg leave to report; as their opinion, that the education of the youth of this Province is a subject of vital interest, and calls for the peculiar attention of the Legislature; and the more so, as it appears to your Committee that the various institutions now in operation in the Province for the purpose of education, have not proved so fully beneficial as might have been expected from the large expenditure from the public funds made for their support.

Your Committee are of opinion that a more extended system of the elementary branches of education should be adopted, in which provision should be made for obtaining teachers better qualified to impart instruction to their pupils, and prepare them for the more advanced stages of learning.

Your Committee are of opinion that the Grammar Schools in this Province had fallen far short of the advantages contemplated in their establishment; and that the money annually expended upon them by the Province would be more productive of good, if applied to a more general purpose.

The large sum hitherto annually appropriated by the Legislature towards the endowment of King's College, has not as yet afforded an equivalent for the expenditure, and it does not, in the opinion of this Committee, appear probable that such equivalent may reasonably be looked for, for many years to come.

In consequence of the extreme poverty of many parts of the Province, where children are comparatively numerous and schools would prove beneficial; your committee recommend that the amount of the requisition from the inhabitants towards the payment of the teacher should be lessened, and the annual allowance from the public funds augmented.

Your Committee are strongly impressed with the necessity, as well as humanity, of giving encouragement to a few useful and respectable female teachers in the Province. They deem it necessary, in order that female children may not be mingled with boys, and that such as are of more advanced age may not be exposed to the apprehensions of evil from licentious or inebriated male teachers.—and they consider it humane, because there are many respectable but reduced widows and young females, perhaps unprotected orphans, who have been respectfully educated, to whom the extension of a portion of the Parish allowance would be found a real blessing, and by whom it would be received with gratitude,—while it might conduce to preserving them in the paths of virtue and respectability, in which, under the happier auspices they began the career of life.

Your Committee beg leave to recommend the continuance of the usual annual appropriations for Madras Schools in the Province, as they consider that institution peculiarly suited to large towns and dense populations, and consequently affording to many charity schools those means of education which they otherwise could never obtain.

STEPHEN HUMBERT,
R. SCOTT,
W. B. KINNEAR.

MARRIED—At Chatham, on Thursday last, by the Rev. W. G. Johnstone; Mr. WILLIAM BLAKE, to Miss MARY LEWIS. Both of the parish of Alwick.

NOTICE.

A Meeting of the SHAREHOLDERS in the STEAM BOAT ROYAL WILLIAM will take place at Mr. George Johnston's, Chatham, on Saturday, 17th inst. at 11 o'clock, A. M.

J. CUNARD, } AGENTS.
T. C. ALLEN, }

13th March, 1832.

FOR SALE.

That valuable Tract of LAND, situated at Pockshaw, in the parish of Barden, County of Gloucester, at present in the occupation of the Subscriber, containing 500 Acres, including 100 Acres of fine Meadow LAND, and 50 Acres at present fit for ploughing—fronting on the Bay de Chaleur, and commanding an abundant Salmon and Cod Fishery, &c. A good stream of Water runs through the Land, on which is an excellent scite for a Saw or Grist Mill, with a Dam already built.

This Property is also worthy the attention of Ship Builders, there being an abundance of Timber on the Land, which can be brought to the yard at a trifling expense.

The whole is offered for Sale with the DWELLING HOUSE and buildings thereon on moderate terms, in accommodating payments. Further particulars will be made known on application to Messrs Street & Kerr, Miramichi, or to the Subscriber on the premises.

JOHN YOUNG.

Pockshaw 25th Nov 1831.

AMATEUR THEATRE—CHATHAM.

On THURSDAY Evening, the 15th inst. will be performed—Lillo's much admired domestic Tragedy, in five Acts of **GEORGE BARNWELL.**

After which the new and Laughable Farce, in two Acts—of **WHERE SHALL I DINE.**

Doors to be open at 6, and performance to commence precisely at 7 o'clock. TICKETS to be had at the Post Office, Chatham, and of Mr H. Morrell, Newcastle. March 6, 1832.

CONCERT.

The Pupils of the musical Classes under the tuition of Mr. G. S. K. Anderson, will meet at Mr. M'Kenzie's, Chatham, on Tuesday, the 20th instant, at 7 o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of performing a variety of FAVORITE AIRS, accompanied with Instrumental Music.

TICKETS of admission 2s. 6d. each, to be had at the Post Office, Chatham; John Porter's, Douglastown, and of Mr Morrell, Newcastle. Chatham, 12th March, 1832.

ROBBERY.

STOP THE THIEF.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD!!!

WHEREAS some daring Villian or villains during the absence of the Subscriber from Dorchester, entered his office in the night time and broke open the Iron Chest belonging to him, from which was stolen £399 : 9 : 6. The same consisted of New Brunswick Bank Notes of Ten pound, Five pound, Three pound, Two pound, and One pound; to the amount of £327. Nova Scotia Province and Bank Notes of Five pound, Two Pound, one pound ten, and One pound, to the amount of £60 : 10 : And Gold and Silver to the amount of 11l. 19s. 6d. The silver was principally in Dollars, American half dollars, and Spanish quarter dollars. The Gold consisted of 2 Sovereigns and 2 Spanish quarter Doubloons. The above Reward will be paid on conviction of the offenders to any person giving information which will lead to their detection and punishment, or otherwise if the Thieves cannot be detected, a liberal reward or proportion of the money recovered will be paid to any person discovering the stolen property, or any part of it, so that the same may be restored to

JAMES STEWART.

Dorchester, 6th March, 1832.

P. S. It is supposed the Robbery was committed on some night between the 10th and 20th February last, as the Chest was replaced with the broken end towards the wall, and was not discovered until the return of the Subscriber; but these are circumstances which shew the robbery must have been committed some time previous to his return.

PREROGATIVE COURT.

County of Northumberland. }
The several and respective Creditors in particular, and all other persons in General having or pretending to have any interest in, or claim against the Estate or Effects of JAMES GUNN, late of the parish of Glenelg, in the County of Northumberland, deceased, are hereby notified and required to be and appear, (if them or any of them shall think fit) before me Thomas H. Peters, Esquire, Surrogate for the said County, at my Office in Chatham, on Monday the second day of April next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to object to, and shew cause (if any they have) against the allowing and passing of the accounts of Administration exhibited by the Executors on the said Estate, and now on file in the Registry of the said Court.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said Court, at Chatham this 12th day of March, in the year of our Lord 1832.

THOMAS H. PETERS, Surrogate.

J. A. STREET, Dep. Reg.

NEW STAGE.

The Subscriber begs leave to inform the public, that he has commenced running a WEEKLY STAGE between Miramichi and Bathurst: He will leave Mr George Johnston's, Chatham, every Thursday morning at 8 o'clock; and Mr Samuel Waitt's, Bathurst, every Monday afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

He hopes by paying every attention to the comfort and accommodation of Passengers, to merit a share of public patronage.

March 1, 1832.

WILLIAM DEMPSTER.

STAGE BETWEEN MIRAMICHI AND BATHURST.

The Subscriber respectfully announces to the public his intention of running a WEEKLY STAGE between the above places. The Stage will leave the Post Office, Chatham, for Bathurst, every Saturday afternoon, on the arrival of the South Mail, and King's Arms, Bathurst, for Miramichi every Monday at 3 o'clock, P. M. FARE—only Ten Shillings for each Passenger.

The Subscriber pledges himself to devote every attention to the comfort of Passengers, and he trusts that that assurance, together with the moderation of his charges will entitle him to a liberal share of Public support.

JAMES FORAN.

February 27, 1832.