

thorough conviction of its importance. We should rejoice, therefore, at a decree which has divested the Portuguese monasteries of their wealth, had we not been apprehensive that the mode in which it is about to be carried into execution may be attended with inconvenience. The articles which provides for pensioning the tenants of the extinguished convents is followed by so many exceptions, that the great majority must be turned loose on the world without the means of subsistence. The Portuguese people have been accustomed to the ministry of these men and of their predecessors for upwards of 700 years. The houseless pauper will have nothing to do but to foment resistance to the government of the Queen throughout the country.

LONDON TIMES.—*Portugal*.—The restored government of Portugal has issued two decrees, which reflect the highest credit on its liberality and good sense. The first abolishes the monopoly of the Oporto Wine Company, which had long been an instrument of great commercial embarrassment and oppression. The vine growers of Portugal it is understood, will derive extensive encouragement and advantage from the overthrow of this unpopular establishment, which fettered their cultivation of the grape, by taxing for the profit of a privileged corporation the fruits of their care and industry. It will likewise relieve from vexatious charges and restraints, the British capital employed in the Oporto wine trade, and tend greatly to revive that general intercourse between the subjects of the two crowns, which seasons of war, disturbance, and suspended credit, have materially impaired and weakened. Certainly, while we rejoice at this demonstration on the part of Portugal of an improvement in the principles of her commercial system, it is not for us Englishmen to reproach any other people with the stupid perverseness of the course which they have at length abandoned. If, after a long and doubtful struggle, we have lately shaken off nearly all the formal and direct monopolies which aggrieved us, there still remain monopolies of a less acknowledged, but even a more pernicious and provoking kind—that one, for instance, of the staff of life itself—which seems destined to bear down upon all classes of consumers in Great-Britain, and to continue a byword of shame and disgrace to this country, long after nations whom we pretend to treat slightly shall have set us an example of justice and spirit which we are unable to follow. What, after all, are the landlords of England, but an overgrown wheat company? The second decree, which we shall briefly notice, is the one for 'the total extinction of all convents, monasteries, and every religious house, of whatsoever denomination. With respect to Portugal itself, this is one act of Don Pedro's administration, whether regarded as an index of the manly and enlightened spirit which animates the councils of the young Queen, or as a ground of future and rapid progress in freedom of sentiment, in civilization, and prosperity among the Portuguese people, is a subject of hearty congratulation.

SCHEDIASMA.

MIRAMICHI:
TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 12, 1834.

EUROPEAN NEWS.—The Duke of York Packet arrived at Halifax on Saturday week. She had a passage of 26 days. The dates by this conveyance are to the 3rd July, but they furnish little of moment. We have devoted a large portion of our sheet to-day, to the intelligence thus furnished, more especially to the opinions of the London Editors on a variety of subjects which now agitate and engage the attention of the inhabitants of the old world.

The report, via St. Andrews, of a change in the Ministry, has turned out, as we anticipated, a fabrication.

FIRES IN THE WOODS.—Much alarm was excited during the greater part of last week, by extensive fires in the woods in our neighbourhood. The wind on Thursday morning, blew strongly from the N.W., and caused the fire which had been burning for some time on the Nipisiguit, as well as on the N.W. branch of this river, to advance with rapid strides toward us; and so near had it approached, that a large quantity of burnt leaves fell in the streets of Chatham. Our neighbours in Newcastle and Douglas, became sensibly alarmed for the safety of their property, when the wind veered suddenly round to the S. E. and checked its progress. While this change allayed the fears of the inhabitants on the other side of the river, it excited those living on this, as it blew the fire in their rear down upon them. Although no immediate danger was apprehended for the buildings in Chatham, from the extensive clearances, the inhabitants adopted every precautionary measure. Punctons were filled with water, ladders placed on many of the houses, and all easily ignited materials removed; the Firewards

caused the brooks to be dammed up, to afford a supply of water, and a watch to be set during the night.

On Friday afternoon a breeze sprung up from the Eastward, and brought with it copious showers, which have continued to fall at short intervals ever since, and all danger is now banished. As far as we can learn, the damages sustained have been trifling, confined principally to fences.

This should be a caution to the inhabitants how they set fire to the woods at this season of the year. But they have had many similar warnings, which have had but little effect. It will hardly be believed—but it is nevertheless true—that amidst the alarm on Thursday, persons clearing land a short distance from our village, set on fire piles of brushwood. If there be no law on our statute books for the summary punishment of such aggressors, the sooner there is one the better for the safety of our property.

COUNTY OF KENT.—Our attentive Correspondent in this County, thus writes us:

On Thursday last the fire in the woods in rear of the town of Richibucto, raged awfully, fanned by a north westerly breeze. It bore down on the premises of Mr Weldon, Mr Layton, and Mr Powell, but as it was entering over the fences, the property was providentially rescued by a change of wind from the north east. Mr Patrick Hannerbury, the evening of the same day, had his hay on Bass river burnt, and the Mill premises of John Jardine, Esq. on that river, were in imminent danger.

Our Correspondent also informs us, that the crops in this County, are burnt up with the heat, and that Potatoes are a total failure.

The Hon. Thomas Baillie, Commissioner of Crown Lands, Lady and Family, have arrived at Fredericton, from London.

MARRIED.—On Monday, the 4th instant by John W. Weldon, Esquire, at Richibucto, Mr John Dunning, to Miss Mary Murphy.

DIED.—At Aberdeen; on the 11th June, James Thom, Esq., sincerely regretted by his family and friends. For a period of thirty years, Mr Thom carried on business in this and the neighbouring province of New Brunswick, and maintained the character of an enterprising, intelligent, and honorable merchant, a sincere and steadfast friend, and a worthy member of society. His memory will be long held in affectionate remembrance by his numerous friends in this Country.—*Novascotian*.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF MIRAMICHI.

ENTERED, August 10—schr Pictou, Graham, Pictou, 2 days—Master, Brothers, M'Donald, do., 2 days—do.; brig Kugaloch, Thornton, Newfoundland, 10 days—W. Broad.

CLEARED, August 5—brig Thompson, Burton, Loch Gilp Head: schrs Margaret, Pillman, P E Island: Victoria, Morecan, Dalhousie. 6th—schrs Harriet, Lecherue, Arichat; Richard Smith, Langlois, Halifax: Beaver, Burchell, Richibucto. 7th—ship Janet, Laidley, Bristol: bark George, Day, Hull: schrs Sally, Murray, Richibucto: Happy Return, Clark, Halifax; Maria, Rotchford, P E Island. 8th—ship Nancy, Rogers, Liverpool: schr Nestor, M'Cullum, Halifax. 9th—brig Ajax, Story, Hull.

From Lloyd's List up to July 3.

Exmouth, June 15, ar.—Susannah, St. Andrews.
Liverpool, 18, ar.—Hannah, St John: 17, Catherine Jane, P. E. Island: London, Miramichi: John Briton, St. Andrews: 22, Elizabeth, Halifax: Wakefield, St. John: 24, Ellen, do.: 25, St. Catherine, do.: Unity, P E Island: 27, Samuel, St John.
Clyde, June 26, ar.—Oxford, Miramichi: 27, Hunter, St. John: 28, Quebec, do.: Mariner, Miramichi.
Off Cove of Cork, June 23—Catherine, St. John: 27, New Brunswick, do.
Waterford, June 19, ar.—Margaret, P E Island.
Hull, June 19, ar.—Tay, St. John.
Dublin, June 29, ar.—Charity, St John.
Exmouth, June 27, ar.—Dormus, Miramichi.
Torquay, June 27, ar.—Susan, Miramichi.

PORT OF RICHIBUCTO.

Cleared, August 2—brig Lion, Crow, Penzance.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

Arrd. July 29—brig Zephyr, Donegal; passengers. Aug. 1—brigs Thomas Hanford, Cork; passengers: Eleanor Gordon, Londonderry; do. 2nd—brig Britannia, Sligo; passengers. 3rd—schr. Little Mary, Newport. 4th—brig Sultan, Liverpool 5th—ships Sir Robert H. Dick, Liverpool: Adelaide, do.
Cleared—ships Mary, Liverpool: Edmond, do: John, do: Margaret Rait, South Seas: brigs Robert Burns, Londonderry: Dorcas Savage, Belfast.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

Arrd. July 28—brig Margaret, Galway. 29th—ship Princess Victoria, Liverpool.
Cleared—brigs Colonist, Liverpool: Garland, do: Hero, Cork: Jane Kery, Sunderland.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrd. August 1—brig Commerce, Newcastle: H. M. ship Vestal, Quebec. 3rd—H. M. Packet Duke of York: Falmouth, 5th—schr. Perseverance, Miramichi.

Cleared—brig Black Diamond, Newcastle.

The bark Lord Wellington, of London, 501 tons, Captain Wylam, from St. Andrews to London, out 14 days, sprung a leak at sea, and put into this port on the morning of the 6th inst. water-logged. Part of her cargo will have to be discharged.—*Newfld. Gazette*, July 8.

P. E. Island, July 23.—The schr. John Wallace, Donald M'Gregor, master and owner, 78 tons burthen, from Quebec bound to Guysborough, N.S. got embayed in a thick fog, on the northern part of this island, on the 22nd inst. A breeze having sprung up they endeavoured to work off the land, which being unable to accomplish, they dropped their anchors, from which they soon after parted, and went on shore about 14 miles from East Point. The vessel being bilged in both sides, Messrs. Tattersall and Dodd, who were appointed to survey her, have recommended both vessel and cargo to be sold for the benefit of the underwriters. Her cargo, consisting of 200 barrels of flour, and some other articles, will be nearly all saved.

NEW AND FASHIONABLE GOODS.

Miss LOWE, begs to intimate to the Ladies of Miramichi, that she has just arrived from Halifax, with a General assortment of FANCY GOODS, consisting of:—Sattins, Ribbons, gauze Handkerchiefs, Laces; a few elegant worked Robes, and fancy Dresses; Corsets, Artificials; Frisettes, and a great variety of other articles in the Millinery line, which she intends opening for Sale on Friday next, at the house lately in the occupation of Mr George Letsen, nearly opposite the Methodist Chapel.

As she intends remaining only a few weeks, the above will be offered for sale on the most reasonable terms.

Chatham, August 12, 1834.

A CARD.

Miss ELIZA THOMSON, begs leave respectfully to intimate to her friends and the public, that she has lately arrived from Quebec, and intends commencing the Business of MILLINERY and DRESS MAKING, &c., at her mother's residence, Springville, Chatham; and solicits their support.

Chatham, 12th August, 1834.

NOTICE.—Tenders will be taken by the Rev. Mr. Egan, until Saturday evening, the 16th instant, for *Painting the Chapel at Nelson*. For particulars apply as above.
Miramichi, August 12.

ROADS.

The Subscriber will attend on FRIDAY next, 15th instant, at 9 o'clock in the morning, at the end of the Road leading in at the Rev. Samuel Bacon's to the Back Lots, for the purpose of

Letting the Road

in continuation from the Settlement in the rear of the residence of Thomas H. Peters, Esq., to the Napan Road, in Chatham.

Payment to be made in Dollars, on the completion of the work.
MARTIN CRANNEY, Commissioner.

Chatham, 9th August, 1834.

At a General Session of the Peace, held at Newcastle, in and for the County of Northumberland, on the fourth Tuesday in March, A. D. 1834.

WHEREAS in consequence of the Parish and County, and other Accounts not being rendered in the early part of the Session, a sufficient examination and audit of the same cannot be made.

Therefore Ordered, That in future all Parish Accounts and also all Accounts with or against the County be rendered to the Clerk during the first week of General Sessions in each Term. And that no account rendered after the time aforesaid, shall in future be passed or ordered for payment.

And further Ordered, That the Clerk do give Notice of this order in the Gleaner.

Extract from the Minutes,
JAMES H. PETERS, Deputy Clerk.

Northumberland Common Pleas,

JUNE TERM 4th, Wm. 4th.

JAMES WILSON, one of the Branch Pilots for the River and Harbour of Miramichi, having been at the last March Term accused of neglect of duty and improper conduct, in his capacity as a Pilot, by Joseph Russell, the owner of the Ship Milo; and the Court having on the application of the said James Wilson, allowed him until this Term to answer the said charges—and the said James Wilson now not appearing to answer the said charge, the Court adjudge him to be guilty of the charges alleged against him: and do therefore order him to be displaced as a Pilot for the River and Harbour of Miramichi; and do declare him from this period not entitled to receive pilotage for any Ships or Vessels within the said River and Harbour.

By Order of the Justices,

JAMES H. PETERS, Deputy Clerk.

STAGE.

The subscriber, grateful for the patronage he has obtained as a Courier on the road to Fredericton, returns his sincere thanks to the public for the support he has hitherto received, and begs to inform them, he intends in future to run a Stage during the summer as well as the winter months. Due attention will be paid to the comfort of passengers, and any orders entrusted to his care, will be promptly and faithfully executed. He will leave Newcastle every alternate Thursday, at 10 A. M. and Fredericton every alternate Tuesday, at 3 P. M. Fare—45s. June 16, 1834. JACOB CARVELL.