

What is the greatest State in the world, and which is yet omitted in all the maps that have been printed? The State of Wedlock.

A very curious phenomenon is now-a-days frequently seen in our streets. It is a cigar with fire at one end and a fool at the other.

Soft soap and flattery are awful slippery things and wonderful in their effects.

A Northern thermometer sunk so low last week that it has not since been heard of.

'Twas wrong from me,' as the chicken said when he lost his head.

Why is a bigger like a piece of charcoal? D'ye give it up? Because he's black, you ninny. Is't that a good 'un?

We have both had a good Nap, as the old hat said to the toper when he awoke from his slumber in the ditch.

## ORIGINAL.

MR. PIERCE,

If consummate ignorance or pitiful evasion, will excuse a Public Journalist for a wanton and unfounded attack upon any part of Her Majesty's liege subjects, Mr. Ward certainly stands excused for his false insinuations upon this county in his paper of 21st November last. It appears from what he says in his paper of the 26th ult., he now binges altogether on Bathurst Bridge, well knowing that bridge not to be in the County of Northumberland, but in Gloucester. As my object was merely to defend Northumberland against his insinuations, I shall leave the good people of Gloucester to fight their own battles, which I dare say they are quite capable of doing. By the by Mr. Pierce, can you tell me how much Mr. Ward got last Session thro' the contingent Bill, for murdering the Members' Speeches? I have heard £150. No misapplication of public money there, I suppose. Glass houses forsooth! Mr. Ward had better look to the materials of his own. I wonder what he expects to get for being Assistant Emigrant Agent at the seat of Government, (where none ought to be required). I don't know,—but if impudence, ignorance, and presumption be recommendations, he will probably look for as much as his principal in St. John.

Your obedient Servant,

A MAN OF NORTHUMBERLAND.  
Tabisintac, 2nd January, 1841.

## SCHEDIASMA.

MIRAMICHI:

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5, 1841.

ARRIVAL OF THE MAIL.

The Courier with the Southern Mail, arrived here on Saturday evening, at 6 o'clock.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

WE, to-day give very copious extracts from English papers obtained by the Acadia. By these, it will be perceived, that very severe weather had been experienced on the British coast, and that a great amount of shipping had been lost, together with a number of lives. France and Italy had also suffered from a similar cause. The rivers, from the quantity of rain which had fallen, had overflowed the country, and caused much distress, and loss of property. At one place, Verres, a small town in Italy, eighty human beings met with an untimely end.

COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER.

On Tuesday evening, the 22nd ultimo, a Public Meeting was held in the Methodist Chapel, Bathurst, for the purpose of forming a TEMPERANCE SOCIETY. John Fraser, Esq., of Bathurst, was called to the Chair, and the Rev. George McDonnell, of the Scotch Church, Bathurst, conducted the Meeting by prayer. The audience were addressed by the Rev. William Allan, of the Methodist connection, the Rev. G. McDonnell, and other Gentlemen. The evils of Intemperance were urged by the different speakers; the importance, necessity, and laudableness of individuals uniting together for the special purpose of promoting sobriety, were also pointed out.

The following Resolutions were moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed to:

I. Resolved—That in consequence of the abounding vice of Intemperance, it is the duty of every patriot, philanthropist, and Christian, to exert those means which are best fitted to remedy this evil.

II. Resolved—That a Society be now formed to be designated 'The Temperance Society of Bathurst,' in accordance with the principles of the British and Foreign Temperance Society, as expressed in their pledge, 'We agree to abstain from distilled spirits, except for medical purposes, and to discourage the practice and cause of Intemperance.'

III. Resolved—That the following Office Bearers be appointed:

The Rev. George McDonnell, President; the Rev. William Allan, and John Fraser, Esq., Vice Presidents; Mr. James Smith, Secretary and Treasurer; Messrs. Archibald Ferguson, John Darthwell, Samuel Brown, Robert Brown, William Deacon, Committee.

The cordial thanks of the Meeting were then returned to John Fraser, Esq., for his conduct in the Chair.

Immediately after the benediction was pronounced, names to the number of 12, were appended to the pledge of the Society, some engaging for Total Abstinence, and some not going farther than that required in the words of the above mentioned engagement.

COUNTY OF KENT.

A meeting of the Officers of the Second Battalion Kent Regiment of Militia, was held on Tuesday, the 8th December, at Mr. Dysart's Inn, at Douglas, Lieutenant Colonel Long, in the chair, to take into consideration a communication received from the Adjutant General of Militia, relative to the re-construction Brock's Monument.

The chairman submitted several resolutions passed at a meeting of Militia and other inhabitants of Upper Canada, held on Queenston Heights, on the 30th July last; and also at a meeting held at Toronto, the 17th August, on the subject of recording the indignation of the Canadian people, at the destruction of the Monument which had been erected to the memory of Major General Sir Isaac Brock, on Queenston Heights, and for its reconstruction upon a more extensive and suitable scale.

It was then unanimously resolved—

1st. That this meeting view with detestation and horror, the atrocious act committed by some miscreants, in the destruction of the Monument which had been erected to the memory of the late Major General Sir Isaac Brock, on Queenston Heights.

2d. That the Officers of the 2nd Battalion Kent Regiment of Militia, regard with satisfaction and admiration, the proceedings at a meeting held on Queenston Heights, of the loyal inhabitants of Upper Canada, on the 30th July last, to take into consideration the re-construction of a monument to the memory of the late General Brock.

3d. That the officers of this battalion do contribute a sum equal to one day's pay of their respective ranks, and that the officers in command of companies, communicate to their respective companies the proceedings of this meeting, and that they be also requested to receive from the non-commissioned officers and men, a sum equal to one day's pay, or such sums as they may be disposed to contribute.

4th. That Lieutenant Colonel Long, Captain Hannington, and Captain Bowser, be a committee to receive the contributions of the battalion, and to pay over all sums when collected, to the Adjutant General of the Province, for the purpose of being transmitted to the Adjutant General of Militia of Upper Canada.

5th. That the funds collected be paid by the respective officers, by the 16th day of March next.

6th. That Lieutenant Colonel Long, be requested to forward a copy of the proceedings of this meeting to the Adjutant General of Militia of this Province.

Lieutenant Colonel Long having left the chair, Captain Poirrier was called thereto. The thanks of the meeting were then voted to Colonel Long, for his urbane conduct in the chair.

CHARLES R. SMITH, Secretary.

THE SENTINEL VS. THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

OUR readers will remember, that some weeks since, we called upon the Editor of the Sentinel, to explain some remarks made by him, respecting the shameful expenditure of public money, in the county of Northumberland. With this request he has not complied. The Gleaner following, contained a communication from a correspondent, dated at Tabisintac, in this county, also, requesting an explanation; and as our correspondents remarks were somewhat caustic, he has replied to him in the following words:—

'Having accidentally taken up the Miramichi Gleaner this week, we find some one of the clique at Bathurst, complaining of our threat to show them up, if they do not mind their own business and leave us alone; and he challenges us to mention any instance of malversation of office in that quarter.

We are not disposed to enter the lists with an anonymous scribbler; but he cannot want proof of any other act calling for public approbation, when the shameful expenditure of the public money on the long bridge at that place is

staring him in the face. If he does, he had better apply to the Editor of the Gleaner for some of the communications which we have been credibly informed, he has refused to insert in his periodical. And if the public want any proof of the existence of a knot of ultras in that quarter, it will be found in their assembling at a public dinner to burn the Nova Scotian, and who were only prevented from hanging its Editor in effigy, by the public feeling that was enlisted in his behalf.'

This may, in the estimation of Mr. Ward, be considered an explanation, but will not be so thought by any reasonable man. If he made an error in naming Northumberland instead of Gloucester, why did he not, as an honest man would, acknowledge his mistake, and make reparation by correcting it. The injured reputation of public functionaries in this County was entitled to such an act on his part. His charge of our having refused to publish communications respecting the expenditure of money in the county of Gloucester, has no foundation; and we do not believe he was ever informed that such had been forwarded to us. The receipt of a communication this morning, from a 'Man of Northumberland' precludes the necessity of our making any further comments on the subject at present.

MESSRS. POLLOCK, GILMOUR AND CO.

The above firm, of Glasgow, says the London Shipping Gazette, 'are at the present time, owners of thirty ships afloat, which register 20,234 tons, and require 800 seamen to man them.' They are we believe, sailed upon the temperance principle.

## THIS MORNING'S MAIL.

THERE is nothing of importance in the papers obtained by the Mail this morning.

ARRIVALS AT HEA'S HOTEL.

December 29—Mr Nelson Patten, Carlton; Mr Robert Maltby, do.; Mr William Taylor, Dorchester. 24—Rev. H. Pickard, Richibucto; Miss Wood, do. 29—Mr Amasa Weldon, Dorchester; Mr Z. Phinney, Richibucto; Mr Boyne, of Dalhousie, from do.; Miss Patten, Carlton. 30—Robert Christie, Esq., Lower Canada; Mr S. Hetherington, Richibucto. January 1—Mr D. S. McAlman, do.; Mr Lestock Desbrisay, do.; Captain Pearce, Georgetown. 4—Mr George Clarke, Richibucto; Mr S. Hetherington, do.; Mr Robert Graham, do.; Mr James Coats, Amherst; Mr John Sharp, do.

## MARRIED.

At Bathurst, on Monday, the 28th December, by the Rev. George McDonnell, Mr. JAMES CHALMERS, of Belle-dune, Parish of Beresford, County of Gloucester, to Miss ANN GILBRAITH, daughter of Mr. James Gilbraith, of the same place.

At Chatham, on Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. McNutt, Wesleyan Missionary, Mr. JOHN RIGBY, to Miss ELLEN, second daughter of Mr. Joseph Dutton, all of Chatham.

## Ship News.

ARRIVALS.—At Gravesend, Nov. 6, Joseph Anderson, from Miramichi; Romanoff, do; Columbia, Richibucto. At Liverpool, 10th, Nith, Miramichi; 17th, Tay, Dalhousie; 27th, Roberts, Miramichi. At Stockton, 4th, Rhine, Miramichi. At Plymouth, 5th, Alice, do. At Falmouth, 8th, Elizabeth, do. At Gloucester, 8th, Mezeppa, do. At Shields, 8th, Fair Isle, do. 27th, Robert, do. At the Clyde, 9th, Springhill, Bay Chaleur; Phoenix, do; 12th, Orwell, Miramichi; Rosebank, do; 16th, Roher, do. At Cork, 10th, Ann Emma, Dalhousie, with loss of deck load foretopmast, boat, sails, &c., 16th, William, do; 18th, Bridget, Miramichi. At Dublin, 21st, Margaret, Miramichi; 15th, Ringdove, do. At Limerick, 6th, Countess of Durham, do. At Somerset Harbour, 8th, David Coffin, Dorchester, with loss of part of deck load, having been struck by a heavy sea. At Belfast, 10th, Jane, Miramichi. At Waterford, 11th, Laurence Forrestall, Miramichi. At Dumfries, 12th, Luna, Dalhousie. At Hull, 16th, Baron, do; 23rd, Hamber, Miramichi; Superior, do. At Swansea, 16th, Robinson, do. At Dartmouth, 17th, Orus, Miramichi, with eight feet water in her hold. At Aberdeen, 18th, Albion, Leslie, do. At Bristol, 24th, Dee, do; Wm. & Ann, do. At Fleetwood, 24th, Ambassador, Dalhousie. Leith Reads, 30th, Pomona, do. At Gloucester, Neptune, Resolute. At Cork, William, Ambassador, and Ann, Dalhousie. At Fleetwood, Helen, Richibucto. At Greenock, Lord Byron, Dalhousie. At Androssan, Warrior, do. At Stockton, Nov. 18, Weatherly, Ronnison, from Miramichi. At Salcombe, Nov. 15, Ferrister, Thompson, from Dalhousie.

Truro, Nov. 27.—The barque Elizabeth, Davison, from Miramichi, is expected to be discharged on Tuesday next.

Boulogne, Nov. 16.—The Emerald, Gaine, from Bathurst, North America, to Hull, went on shore last night near Etaples Bay—crew saved.

Port Hood, Dec. 11.—The three masted schr. Novelty, belonging to Messrs. J. Conard & Co. of Miramichi, bound to Cork, experienced very severe weather in the Gulf, carrying away her rudder and best bower anchor. They then got out sweeps, and expecting by this means to be able to get into the Gut of Canso. From the unmanageable character of the vessel she drifted off Mabon, when the crew worn down by suffering and fatigue, were running her on shore—considering it better, by this course, to save the cargo and materials than to abandon her afloat. When almost on shore she was boarded by J. L. Tremain, Esq. agent for Lloyd's, who unwilling to see the vessel destroyed while there remained a single hope of saving her, ordered the kedge to be let go, when all hands left her for the night. Next day she was boarded and got under weigh, in the hope of making Mabon harbour, but the wind veering round, she went on shore near the mouth of Mabon River. Mr. Tremain still determined not to give her up while in sight of the harbour, proceeded, notwithstanding the surf, to unload her. After working incessantly day and night for some time, with almost incredible labor and fatigue, the weather being severe, they succeeded in getting all the deals on shore. They then attempted to get her into the river, and after the most strenuous efforts were successful. The vessel and cargo are both in a place of safety. The saving of the vessel is wholly owing to the almost unparalleled exertions of Mr. Tremain, who was ever present assisting at the work, and using the utmost efforts to prevent the labourers, worn down by their protracted labour and the severity of the weather, from giving up in despair.—Cape Breton Advocate.

New York Journal of Commerce, Dec. 19.

Another providential Rescue.—Within a few days we have published cards from the British Consul in this city, thanking the commanders of two of our packet ships for their benevolent exertions in rescuing a number of sufferers from wrecks which they had fallen in with at sea.—The packet ship Sheridan fell in on 30th Nov. with the bark Zephyr, from Quebec to London, which shipped a sea, which swept her decks and otherwise injured her so much that in a few hours she filled with water; the crew, 17 in number, in order to save their lives, took shelter in her tops. Captain Depyster took them all on board. They were all in good health with the exception of the carpenter, who had his left leg broken in a fall from the fore yard on the night of the accident.

## New-Brunswick, SS.

To the Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, or any Constable within the said County:

Whereas Michael Samuel, Administrator on the Estate of JOHN LE LACHEUR, late of Chatham, in the County aforesaid, deceased hath filed an Account of his Administration on the said Estate, and hath prayed that the same may be passed and allowed:

You are therefore required to cite the Creditors and next of Kin of the deceased, and all others interested in the said Estate, to appear before me at a Court of Probate, to be held at my Office, in the Parish of Chatham, within the said County, on Wednesday, the Third day of February next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to attend the passing and allowance of the said Account of Administration on the said Estate.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the said Court, this First day of January, 1841.

THOS. H. PETERS, Surrogate.  
GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates  
for said County.

## New-Brunswick, SS.

To the Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, or any Constable within the said county:

Whereas Patrick Henderson, Administrator on the Estate of JAMES HENDERSON, late of Alnwick, in the county aforesaid, deceased, hath filed an Account of his Administration on the said Estate, and hath prayed that the same may be passed and allowed:

You are therefore required to cite the Creditors and next of Kin of the deceased, and all others interested in the said Estate, to appear before me at a Court of Probate, to be held at my Office, in the Parish of Chatham, within the said county, on Wednesday, the Third day of February next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to attend the passing and allowance of the said Account of Administration on the said Estate.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said Court, this Fourth day of January, 1841.

THOS. H. PETERS, Surrogate.  
GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates  
for said County.

## BLANKS.

Blank Promissory Notes for Sale at the Gleaner Office.