

placed on the lists. The whole number now belonging to this society is about 3100, although it has been but three months in existence! Considering all the circumstances we know of no higher eulogy that can be pronounced on the instruments of the work, than the statement of the fact. We have not heard of a single retraction of those who have taken the pledge at St. Mary's, and we believe that very few, if any, will be found returning to any participation in the slough from which they have escaped. Very few, we understand, have caused regret to the other Halifax society by a relapse; when such unfortunately may be seen, the fact should afford a warning to those who stand, a call on the Philanthropic to replace the erring,—but surely, not a triumph to any, except the enemy of human prosperity.

Beside the cards of the St. Mary's society, 3000 elegant medals, with very suitable devices and inscriptions, have been procured. Of these 2000 have been distributed; persons able to pay, give a quarter dollar in return for a medal; those who are not, get them at a lower price, or gratuitously, as the case may require. 500 have been given without any charge, 1000 additional have been ordered. We could wish that they should not be limited, except by the number in the whole community. The 'Halifax Temperance Society' has, also, made preparations for a supply of medals.

Happily, notices from almost every quarter of the colonies, afford evidence of the spread of this cause,—which, in its consequence to society, almost absorbs every other movement.

**Colonial.**

**NOVA-SCOTIA.**

Pictou Mechanic & Farmer, April 28.

Opening of the Season.—A succession of warm rains at intervals during the last ten days, has removed the frost from the soil, and we rejoice to see the farmer again at his labors in the field, preparing with persevering industry, his ground for the reception of another crop. At no period during the year, are his hours of more importance to him than at present. Winter, after delaying its departure till all are glad to bid it adieu, is usually succeeded by a short spring or sowing season. Those who by a judicious pre-arrangement of their work, pursue a stated system of procedure, are always enabled to 'drive their business' to good advantage; while their neighbors, from want of system and perseverance, are ever late with the operations, and their work, as in other branches of business, becomes unpleasant and burdensome.

By the use of the best implements, and these always kept in good order, the labour on a farm may be greatly facilitated. In this branch the Nova Scotia farmer, however much he may be disposed to a contrary belief, pays quite too little attention. Little or no desire is manifested to improve either the materials or models of the implements in general use, much less to invent or introduce new and useful ones. We find, however, some few exceptions to this system of agriculture, and we have reason to believe that a general spirit of improvement is now beginning to manifest itself. If the Agricultural Board about to be formed at Halifax, meet the expectations of its supporters, the Legislative grant will be conducive of much good to the county. We should rejoice to see Nova Scotia take a higher stand as a field of Agriculture than it now enjoys. No argument can be adduced to show that its Agriculture cannot be vastly improved; and this point established, it should be the business of those connected with its agriculture, to introduce the change.

H. M. Mails.—We learn with pleasure that the proprietors of the Eastern Stage Coach have contracted for carrying the Mails between Halifax and Pictou. The faithfulness of these gentlemen, during the time they have been established on this line of road has secured to them the confidence of the public generally. The contract will commence on the 5th of May, after which the Mails will be conveyed three times a week from Halifax to Pictou, and vice versa.

The Unicorn will leave Halifax for Quebec direct, on the arrival of the next Steamer from Liverpool. She will thence return to Pictou, and resume her regular trips between Pictou and Quebec, during the season. Nearly all her berths are already secured for her first trip, by gentlemen now out, and others coming out from Britain in the next Steamer.

Steamboat Pocahontas.—This steamer has undergone some very essential improvements during the past winter. She now contains a spacious Cabin with a convenient and airy apartment for ladies. She was launched on Monday, and in a few days will be ready for sea. She will probably be employed on the route between Charlottown and this place during the summer season.

Halifax Morning Post.

Promotions and Exchanges.—We understand that the honorable S. G. W. Archibald, (now Attorney General), is to be offered the appointment of Master of the Rolls; that the honorable J. W. Johnston (present Solicitor General), is to succeed to the office of Attorney General; and that the honorable J. B. Uniacke will accept the office of Solicitor General.

These appointments will leave vacancies in the representation of Colchester and Cape Breton; for the latter County the hon. J. B. Uniacke will again offer, and we have no doubt will be returned. We also understand that John Whidden, Esq. will receive the appointment of Provincial Secretary, *pro tem*, during the absence of Sir Robert D. George, on a visit to England.

Repeal of the Union.—The Repeal meeting at the Mason Hall, last Monday, was attended by about 700 persons, and went off with order and decorum. Three resolutions were adopted: The first expressed the sense of the meeting that a repeal of the Legislative Union, between Great Britain and Ireland, was a measure necessary to ensure the proper enjoyment of civil and religious liberty in Ireland; the second was against Lord Stanley's, and in favor of Lord Morpeth's Bill; and the third appointed a Committee, of 40 persons, to adopt the best method of giving a more effectual expression to the views of the meeting. The meeting was addressed by several gentlemen of distinguished talents.

Halifax Guardian, April 28.

The North American Colonial Committee, of London, has presented a memorial to Lord J. Russell, Secretary for the Colonies, soliciting assistance from the Government, for encouraging emigration to British North America.

**NEW-BRUNSWICK.**

St. John Herald, April 28.

Mr. Labouchere's attempts to equalize the duties on foreign articles imported into the Colonies, it is thought, will be carried out without opposition; while the long agitated question of equalising the Timber duties appears to be again under discussion before the British public.—We hope that no hasty steps will be taken in this important matter, without at first weighing and deliberating the consequences; or without granting some extraordinary bonus or equivalent to those Colonies, whose interests such a measure would so seriously and materially interfere with. We are not prepared to give our views fully on the different points this matter suggests, but we cannot help feeling a dread of the results that assuredly would take place among capitalists who have invested large sums of money in this branch of Colonial Trade—and who employ so many thousand of lumberers and seamen to carry it on to advantage. We hope, that the Lords and Commons of Great Britain will not sacrifice the property of one individual Colonist, or of any body of them, to the dangerous chimera of experiment—which might have the effect of destroying that loyal and devoted trust which the mother and her offspring have so long reposed in one another; and what we pray may continue for ages to come. It is generally believed, that Mr Labouchere is about effecting some change, in this respect, by the late suggestion he has introduced; if so, we cannot forget to throw them out a suggestion.—That Great Britain, in time of war, must depend on her Colonies for the Timber Trade; as well might she sacrifice her Navy, and say she can borrow ships from Russia and Prussia, as to equalize the Timber Duties, and depend on Foreign supplies.

Sir John Harvey, proceeds immediately to Halifax; where he has positively taken passage in the Steamer Columbia, for England, to leave on the 4th May.—Lady Harvey and family accompany him. Sir John is expected in town to-day, from Fredericton; and it is stated will hold a levee here—which no doubt, will be numerously attended by all who wish to pay respect to her Majesty's late Representative of the Province. He has our strongest wishes for his future prosperity, both in public and private life.

The weather, which we are so very apt to complain of, has been extremely unpleasant for nearly the whole of this month. Fogs and rain have quite shut us out from every thing like a genteel appearance. Our streets are knee deep with mud—and in many places utterly impassable;—and business throughout the city remains almost suspended.—The steamer North America, from Boston, due on Monday, did not arrive until to-day at one o'clock, in consequence of the foggy weather.—The fog bell has been ringing on Patridge Island constantly. There are several vessels off the harbour—and when a change of wind and weather takes place, we may look for a fleet to arrive—goods to land—business to get brisk—and the spring trade to commence—but not until then. The present prospects are very discouraging to our farming interests.

His Excellency Lieut. Colonel Sir William Macbean George Colebrooke, Knight, the newly appointed Lieut. Governor of this Province, came passenger in the Columbia to Halifax, and arrived in this city on Thursday morning last, in the North America from Windsor. He landed immediately after the steamer's arrival, without ceremony, and proceeded to the St. John Hotel, where, during the day, he received the calls of the Heads of Departments, Executive Councillors, and other Public Officers. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon, Sir William, with his Secretary, A. Reade, Esq., who accompanied him from England, left town for Fredericton, via the Nerepis road, intending to stop at the Douglas Arms Inn, during the night, and arrive at Fredericton the following day, Friday.

First Trip to Fredericton.—The steamer Fredericton started for Head Quarters at

7 o'clock, yesterday morning, being the first boat this season.

**PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT.**

William Ead, Esquire, to be one of Her Majesty's Law Counsel.  
Secretary's Office, April 19, 1841.

Royal Gazette, April 28.

His Excellency Sir William Macbean George Colebrooke, K. H., having been appointed to succeed His Excellency Sir John Harvey, K. C. B. and K. C. H. as Lieutenant Governor of the Province, came this day to the Council Chamber and presented his Commission, which being read, his Excellency took the usual Oaths, and assumed the Administration of the Government.

By His Excellency Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Macbean George Colebrooke, K. H. Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick.

W. M. G. COLEBROOKE.

**A PROCLAMATION.**

Her Majesty having been pleased, by Her Royal Commission this day published, to constitute and appoint me to be Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New Brunswick, the Administration of the Government of which I have this day assumed, I do therefore publish this Proclamation, of which all persons concerned are required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Fredericton, this twenty seventh day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one, and in the fourth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

WM. F. ODELL.

Alfred Reade, Esquire, to be Private Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor.

His Excellency Sir W. M. G. Colebrooke, K. H. arrived at Government House, via Nerepis Road, on Friday evening last, accompanied by his Private Secretary, Alfred Reade, Esq., and yesterday, as announced by Proclamation, his Excellency came to the Council Chamber, took the usual oaths, and assumed the Administration of the Government.

Yesterday his Excellency Sir John Harvey held his farewell Levee at Government House, which was more numerously attended than any we have before witnessed.

**MIRAMICHI.**

MR. MCLEOD.

It is somewhat singular that while the people of the British Isles, and the Colonies, are looking with much anxiety, to obtain some information, respecting this gentleman, all they can learn is, that he is still in prison, but what the Governments are doing, or what they intend to do, is kept a profound secret.

We are indebted to the last St. John Observer for the following paragraph, which furnishes something new respecting him:

An opinion appears to have got abroad that a writ of Habeas Corpus will shortly be issued to bring Mr McLeod before some Judge, when if he prove an alibi, he will be liberated; and thus will end his imprisonment. In fact, it has been given as the opinion of the new Secretary of State, that if the trial had proceeded, and Mr McLeod had put in the plea of nationality, the indictment would be quashed, and the affair ended; hence, the cause of Attorney General Crittenden, and General Scott having attended at Lockport, and the reason of a pretended informality in the proceedings of the Clerk of the Court in empannelling the Jury.

**MARRIAGES.**

At Carleton, District of Gaspé, on the 27th instant, by the Rev. Mr Malo, Mr PATRICK GREEN, of Dalhousie, New Brunswick, to MARIAN, second daughter of T. M. LeBoillol's, Esq., of Villeneuve Cottage, Maguasha, District of Gaspé.

At Germain street Chapel, St John on Monday, the 26th ult. by the Rev. Wm. Temple, the Rev. F. SMALLWOOD, Wesleyan Minister, of this city, to MARY, second daughter of Mr Aaron A'kin, Birmingham, England.

At St John, on the 24th ult. by the Rev. W. Scovil, Mr DANIEL GREEN, to Miss ANN B., eldest daughter of Francis Leavitt, Esq.

**DEATHS.**

On Sunday last, in Chatham, ROBERT OWEN, infant son of Mr Owen McEwan, aged 2½ months. His funeral will take place this afternoon, at 3 o'clock, when the friends of the family are requested to attend.

**SHIP NEWS.**

PICTOU, April 28, advertised—Schooner Alert, Graham, to ply regularly between Miramichi and Pictou, during the summer—to sail on or about the 1st May.

**PORT OF HALIFAX.**

Arrived, April 21, barque Salem, Savannah, timber. 23rd, brig William Ash, Morrish, Cadiz. 25th, Gov. schr. Sisters, Sable Island, with rigging, &c. of the barques Glasgow, and Eliza, wrecked there.

Cleared, April 26—schr. Defiance, Car-

rie, and Mary Ann, Balcom, for Miramichi—with general cargoes.

**PORT OF ST. JOHN.**

Arrived, April 25, ship British America, London. Several vessels off the harbour, bound in.

Cleared—ship Lady Milton, Liverpool; brig Arethusa, Cork.

**NOTICE.**

PILOTS are requested to call on the Secretary of the Board of Health, for copies of the QUARANTINE REGULATIONS. By order of the Board.

WILLIAM LETSON, CLERK.

Chatham, 20th April, 1841.

**NOTICE.**

A Meeting of the CHATHAM FIRE COMPANY, will take place at Mr George Johnston's Hotel, Chatham, on Wednesday Evening next, at 7 o'clock; and all the members are particularly requested to attend.

J. M. JOHNSON, Junr., Secretary.

Chatham, 3rd May, 1841.

The SEEDS imported by the Northumberland Agricultural Society, are for sale at the Stores of Mr Niel McLean, Newcastle; John Porter, Esq., Douglastown; and Daniel McLaughlan, Chatham.

**REMOVAL.**

The Subscribers have removed their Office to the Brick Building, adjoining the Store of Michael Samuel, Esq.

STREET & KERR.

Chatham, 27th April, 1841.

**CONSIGNMENT.**

On the opening of the navigation, the Subscribers expect a Consignment of the following Articles, which they will dispose of at prices little over cost and charges; say—

- 10 to 12 puns, Demerara RUM,
- 3 to 400 barrels superfine FLOUR,
- Kegs TOBACCO,
- 200 to 300 barrels INDIAN MEAL, &c.

JOHNSTONE & CAIE.

29th April, 1841.

**BOOM to LET.**

To be Let at Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 13th day of May next, at the Subscriber's Sale Room, Chatham, That

Valuable and Desirable Property BARNABY'S ISLAND, situate up the South West Branch of the River Miramichi, together with the BOOM and FISHERY; for a Term not exceeding Five Years. The Island and Fishery to be let separate from the Boom if thought desirable at the time of letting.

W. LETSON, Auctioneer.

Chatham, 4 April 19, 1841.

**Notice to Builders.**

The Justices of the Peace for the County of Gloucester, are desirous of receiving Plans and Specifications for a NEW GAOL, to be erected at Bathurst, of the following size and description, that is to say:—The Building to be constructed of Wood, raised on a Stone wall, to be twelve feet between the wall plate and basement floor; to contain on the basement story—two Debtors Rooms of unequal size, two Criminal Rooms of unequal size (the smaller one to be adapted for a Condemned Cell, when required), a good Day Room for Prisoners, with a Kitchen and Bed Room for a Gaoler.

The Attic to contain three Apartments not to be used as prison rooms. The whole Building not to be materially larger than 30 by 40 feet. The Plans to be conceived with a due consideration to ensure strength, facility for warming in winter, ventilating in summer, and the convenience of Water Closets without foul air.

The Plans and Specifications to be lodged at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace, on or before the first Tuesday in June next, on which day they will be submitted to a Special Session of the Peace, for consideration. Five Pounds will be paid for the approved plan.

Estimates and Tenders to build according to the Plan there adopted, will be received until the last Tuesday in July next succeeding.

WILLIAM END, Clerk of the Peace.

Bathurst, 13th April, 1841.

NOTICE.—The subscriber will feel obliged to any person who has Razors, Scissors, or any kind of cutlery to sharpen, to furnish him with the same. He is also prepared to do any work in making or repairing Tin Ware. Residence—nearly opposite the Methodist Chapel. Orders will meet with prompt attention.

CHARLES PAREN.

Chatham, April 6, 1841.

**NOTICE.**

The Co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm of BENJAMIN MILLER & Co is this day dissolved by mutual consent; all persons standing indebted to the said firm, are requested to make payment to; and all persons having just claims against the said firm, will exhibit the same to Shepherd J. Frost for payment.

BEN. MILLER,  
S. J. FROST.

Chatham April 6, 1841.