

The news from India confirm the melancholy tidings respecting the Cabool tragedy. The treatment of the female and male prisoners however is said to be kind and considerate.

The news from China is not important.

The Columbia, with one paddle, arrived home in 15 days.

COUNTY OF RESTIGOUCHE.

OUR Correspondent has sent us the following interesting communication. The Agricultural Society in the above named County, is in active operation, and we are pleased to learn that much practical benefit has resulted therefrom. The Society in Northumberland has already done much good, and the result of its labours is daily being made manifest, in the great interest which all classes take in Agricultural pursuits, and the large tracts of land which are yearly being put under tillage. We earnestly hope this feeling may long continue, and that this county may soon stand unrivalled by any other in the Province for its Agricultural productions. The opinion which too long prevailed, that our climate and soil were not capable of productive cultivation, is fast dying away, by yearly proofs to the contrary. What is the Society in the small, but thriving Agricultural County of Kent doing? We should be happy to hear something respecting its doings.

The Restigouche Agricultural Society, open to all Farmers in the county. (Reserving, that any person not connected with the society, taking a prize, shall become a Member thereof.) Awarded the following Prizes at their Annual Grain Show, held in the Court House, Dalhousie, on the second Tuesday in April instant: viz—

For Wheat—First prize to Sack No. 2, containing 2 bushels, weighing 133lbs 1oz, equal to 66lbs 8oz per bushel, grown by John Corrie, of Point Le Leme, from seed imported by the Society last year, 20s.

Second prize to Sack No 6, weighing 65lbs 15oz per bushel, owned by John Douglas, 15s.

Third prize to Sack No 10, weighing 65lbs 15oz per bushel, owned by James Menzies, 10s.

Barley.—First prize to Sack No 1, for the best two rowed, weighing 107½lbs, equal to 53lbs 12oz per bushel, by John Corrie, 20s.

Second prize to Sack No 9, weighing 52lbs 10oz per bushel, by Robert McIntosh, of Nash's Creek, in the parish of Durham 15s.

Third prize to Sack No 7, for the best four rowed do. weighing 53 1-2lbs per bushel, by Donald Connacher, 20s.

Fourth prize to Sack No 2, weighing 52lbs 15oz per bushel, by Donald McNish, 15s.

Oats—First prize to Sack No 4, for the best black, weighing 81lbs 1oz equal to 40 1-2lbs per bushel, by A. McNair of Heron Island 20s.

Second prize to Sack No 11, weighing 39½lbs per bushel, by Walter Blair, 15s.

Third prize to Sack No 6, for the best white, weighing 45½lbs per bushel, by Donald McMillan of Black Lands in the parish of Colborne, 20s.

Fourth prize to Sack No 4, weighing 45 lbs 10 1-2oz per bushel, by Donald McNish, 15s.

Gratifications.—For a sample of six rowed Barley, weighing 53lbs 9oz per bushel, grown by John Dickie, parish of Durham, 20s.

For a sample of Sicily Wheat or beardless Barley weighing 64lbs 8 1-2oz per bushel, by John Douglas, 20s.

For a sample of Field Peas, two bushels, by James Menzies, 15s.

The attendance was highly gratifying, the samples of grain generally pure and of an improved quality, the Wheat in particular was very superior, of which alone there were 30 bushels, the lightest weighing 61 1-2lbs.; and it is worthy of remark that the best sample was the produce of the Society's imported Wheat of last year, that weighed but 61lbs per bushel, thus clearly proving the advantage of a frequent change of seed from a distance; and the whole Exhibition presenting a cheering assurance of the capabilities of our soil, the adaptation of our climate to the culture of Grain, notwithstanding the shortness of our summers—and in ordinary seasons of a certain reward to the husbandman for his labour when industriously and judiciously applied. It was pleasing to witness the lively interest shown by those concerned in the prosperity of this Society, and the spirit of emulation manifested by the competitors, whose greatest pride appeared to be not only in having the heaviest Grain, but the freest from mixture with other grain, or the seeds of noxious weeds.

After which a meeting of the Society was held, when it was Resolved that the following Premiums be offered for the growth of the current year—viz—

WHEAT.		
For the best Spring	£1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
The third do	0 10 0	
BARLEY.		
For the best two rowed	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
For the best four rowed	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
For the best six rowed	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
For the best beardless do	1 15 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
OATS.		
For the best black	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
For the best white	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
GRASS SEEDS.		
For the best Sample of Timothy (a bushel)	1 10 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
For the best sample of Clover (one bushel)	1 10 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
INDIAN CORN.		
For the best sample, not less than two bushels	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
PEAS.		
For the best sample, not less than two bushels	1 0 0	
The second do	0 10 0	
BEANS.		
For the best horse, not less than two bushels	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
VEGETABLES.		
For best general show of Vegetables	1 10 0	
The second do	1 0 0	
The third do	0 10 0	
For the best show of Potatoes, in bushel samples	1 0 0	
The second do	0 10 0	
For the best Swedish Turnips	1 10 0	
The second best	0 10 0	
For the best Carrots	1 0 0	
The second do	0 10 0	
AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.		
For the best improved Agricultural Implement, produced by the inventor or maker	1 10 0	
CLOTH.		
For the best Cloth, not less than 15 yards	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
The third do	0 10 0	
STRAW BONNETS.		
For the best	1 0 0	
The second do	0 15 0	
The third do	0 10 0	
STOCKINGS.		
For the best lamb's wool, not less than 6 pairs	1 0 0	
The second ditto	0 15 0	
The third do	0 10 0	

The Grain samples to contain each two bushels, and the whole to be the growth, produce and manufacture of the county of Restigouche; the Show to take place at the Annual Exhibition, to be held on the second Tuesday in April next.

It has been suggested by the committee of the House of Assembly on the subject of Agriculture, that the several Societies should procure statistical returns from their respective counties, of the quantities of Grain, Potatoes, Turnips, Hay, &c. grown in each year; the Members of this Society are therefore requested to furnish the necessary information to the Secretary to enable him to comply therewith.

D. STEWART,  
Secretary & Treasurer.

Dalhousie, April 28, 1842.

OUR PRESENT PROSPECTS.

After a careful perusal of our file of the London Shipping Gazette, we perceive the clearance and sailing of only 10 vessels for this port. There was not one vessel up for loading for this port, either at London or Liverpool, a circumstance which has not occurred for the last 16 years. We must not in consequence despond, but on the contrary put on a cheerful resignation; economise as much as possible; brush up our old garments, set our houses in order in the best possible manner we can, without incurring any unnecessary expense, and we may pass through the present crisis unscathed.

INDIAN MISSION.

We last week alluded to the return of the three Indians who left the Restigouche last fall for Britain, and stated that we had learned that they had conducted themselves in a most unbecoming manner in the old country and in Saint John and Fredericton, and that they had failed in their mission. This information we gleaned from the Saint John papers and also from the Fredericton Sentinel. Since the publication of our last number, these Indians have arrived in Miramichi, and we have seen them, and from their appearance and strict good conduct since their arrival here, we are disposed to think that the reports above

alluded to, must have been circulated upon erroneous information; and are strengthened in this belief from a letter which we have just seen from a highly respectable gentleman, relative to these Indians and their mission, and we now, through the politeness of the individual to whom this letter is addressed, subjoin the following extract.

Joseph Malie and his two companions have arrived in the Warspite Frigate. The Colonial Department shewed them much kindness and attention. They were introduced to the Queen at Buckingham palace, and presented by her Majesty with new and handsome dresses. They were also permitted to inspect the apartments at Windsor palace, and partook of a collation there. They will pass through Miramichi en route to the Restigouche and will have an opportunity to recount their own adventures to their Indian brethren.

We are happy to be enabled to give publicity to the above extract, as it is extremely cruel that reports prejudicial to these men should be circulated, which must tend to their injury, and have the effect of degrading them in the eyes of their brethren. The Colonial Department, we feel assured, would not have treated them with kindness and attention, had they conducted themselves in an unbecoming and improper manner; and a presentment at the palace would never have been granted. They wear very handsome silver medals, presented to them in England, another strong mark we think, of their good conduct. We hope these Indians will repay the British Government for all the kindness and attention bestowed upon them, by directing the energies of their tribe towards the cultivation of the soil, the improvement of their moral and religious duties, and their social and domestic habits, and thereby ameliorate the present condition of their companions, and raise them from their present state of degradation, to one of comfort and civilization.

NORTHUMBERLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The semi-annual examination of the School, taught by Mr James Millar, took place on the 2d inst in the presence of the Trustees, viz: The Rev. Mr Archibald, John Wright, James Gilmour Henry Cunard, and William Carman, Esqrs., and many parents and others friendly to the young and rising generation. The examination which lasted for nearly seven hours, was equally creditable to the zeal and ability of the master, and the diligence and proficiency of the pupils. The ease and grace with which they read and recited in English—their minute and critical knowledge of the principles of English grammar, and of the application of these principles, in the construction of sentences—their very extensive information in history and Geography, and their intimate acquaintance with the Elementary principles of the Greek and Latin languages, would have reflected credit (as one of the Trustees very justly observed) upon many seminaries of high standing on the other side of the Atlantic. Mr Miller has been long known in this community as a zealous, and indefatigable Teacher, and we sincerely wish that his useful life may be long spared, and devoted to that work, in which his heart and soul, are so much engaged.

A PARENT.

Chatham, May 5, 1842.

THE SEASON.

The Weather has been very cold and disagreeable during the greater part of the week. Yesterday we had our annual May storm, when a considerable quantity of snow fell. This is, however, rather later than usual. It continues to blow, snow, and rain this morning.

UNITED STATES.

The New York papers state, that the negotiations between the American government and Lord Ashburton are progressing in a most satisfactory manner.

It is a singular fact, that while the British Ministry are bringing before Parliament measures for the reduction of Duties on many articles of American produce, imported into the home market, Congress is about raising the duty on Foreign manufactured articles brought into the United States, and are urged to this course by petitions from all parts of the Union. So much for Reciprocity—of which we have heard much of late, particularly from our republican neighbours.

TIMBER MARKET.

Liverpool, April 19. Miramichi Yellow Pine 1s. 4d. and 1s. 5d. Richibucto do.

PINE.—The postponement, till the 10th October, of the period when the reduction in the duties take place, will give an opportunity for the disposal of a large portion of the duty paid stock in the market; and any

arrivals in the mean time will doubtless be bonded. The present prices are, however, so very low, that very little reduction can be expected, even when the nominal duty alone is paid. Good St. John's pine for board logs is becoming very scarce, and will command advanced rates.

RED PINE.—Quebec Red Pine has been sold by auction at 21d per foot; good parcels are worth 22d to 2s per foot; and St. John's Red Pine 15d 16d per foot.

DEALS.—of common quality, may be quoted at 2½d per foot of two inches, and first quality deals at 2½d to 2½d per foot of 2 inches.

CALIFORNIA.

A New Orleans paper states, that the rich tract of country lying on the Pacific, bearing the above name, and owned by Mexico, has been recently sold by that government, to Great Britain, for 7,000,000 dollars.

\*\* We are requested by Nicholas Power, to state, that he is not a Pauper on the parish, as stated by the Overseers in last week's Gleaner.

ARRIVALS AT HEA'S HOTEL.

April 5.—Mr Lestock DesBrisay, Richibucto. 8.—Mr E. C. Patten, Carlton; B. Wolhaupter, Esq., Fredericton. 12.—Mr Lestock DesBrisay, Richibucto. May 3.—Mr Seth Bent, Annapolis. 7.—Mr James Fraser, Carlton; Mr James McNutt, do. 9.—Mr John Brockway, Bay du Vin.

MARRIAGES.

At Richibucto, on the 27th ult. by the Rev. James Hannay, Mr Thomas Johnson, of the Parish of Weldford, to Miss Jane McNarin, of the Parish of Richibucto.

DEATHS.

At Bedeque, P. E. Island, on the 14th April, Mr Hezekiah Horton, late of Chatham, and formerly of Musquodoubit, Nova Scotia.

THIS MORNING'S MAIL.

ONE O'CLOCK, P. M. The Stage has just arrived. The papers do not furnish anything of the slightest moment.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF MIRAMICHI.

Entered, April 9.—schrs Sarah, Clarke, P E Island, 4 days—Master; Margaret, Brundage, do. 4 days—do.

A brigantine, from New York, with a general cargo to Gilmour Rankin & Co., arrived yesterday.

Liverpool, 5th ult. sailed—CRC, Healin, Bay Chaleur. 8th—Britannia, Oliver, Restigouche: Dit On, Ballinas, Bay Chaleur; Lady Constable, Lawson, Richibucto. 11th—Aldebaran, Hurr, Richibucto; Traveller, Needham, Dorchester, NB. 15th—Ockbrooke, Richibucto.

Ship Alfred, White, sailed from Alloa, for Dalhousie, on the 11th ult. Traveller, Lyall, from Leth, for Miramichi, on the 11th.

Plymouth, 12th ult.—A ship, from 300 to 400 tons, bottom up, with a quantity of timber floating around her, was passed 31st ultimo in lat 48, long 12, 17th—sailed, Emma, Spicer, Miramichi.

Falmouth, 7th ult. sailed—Harvest Home, Thompson, Miramichi.

Leith, 7th ult. sailed—Columbus, Pearson, Miramichi.

Jersey, 7th ult. sailed—Columbus, La Perelle, Bay Chaleur. 15th—Lady Harvey, Shippegan; Adventure, Gespe; Larch, do.

Darmouth, 7th, sailed—Neptune, for Miramichi.

Waterford, 13th ult. sailed—Boliver, for Miramichi, with passengers.

Aberdeen, 13th, sailed—Amity, Dempster, Restigouche; Caroline, Marsh, Bay Chaleur. Kircaldy, 12th, sailed—Diana, Packwood, Bathurst.

Greenock, 15th, sailed—St. John, Davidson Bay Chaleur; Mariner, Miramichi; Oxford, do Hull, 15th, sailed—Josephine, Lesper, Richibucto.

Deal, 15th, sailed—Romanoff, Turnbull, Miramichi.

NOTICE.

All persons are hereby forbid to harbour or trust my WIFE, FRANCES E. BLACKSTOCK, on my account, as I will not be responsible for the payment of any Debts she may contract from this date.

RICHARD BLACKSTOCK.

Bathurst, 2nd May, 1842.

TO LET.

And possession given after the 1st June next, the STORE now in the occupation of Mr Thomas Vandy, (who intends moving into his new Store next to Mr J. Thompson's). The Store is situated in a central part of the Town, and well adapted for business. Application to be made to

JAMES WHITE.

Chatham, May 10, 1842.