

saw several barrels, and they were all of extraordinary large growth. Mr D. informs us that he obtained sixty barrels from one of seed. They are the long blue potatoe, and of very excellent quality. A notion seems to prevail among our farmers that the white potato thrives better than any other kind, and yield a much larger return. They are far inferior to the blue or red, being generally wet, and deteriorate very rapidly after they are dug. We hope the success which Mr Douglas has met with will induce our agricultural friends to give this description a fair trial.

**AGRICULTURAL.**—We recommend to the attention of our Agricultural readers, an article in this days paper, pointing out to them the advantages of retaining on their farms, some trees, which add very much to the beauty of the scenery, and what with many of them, will be considered of much more advantage, affording shelter to the cattle, from the severity of the bleak winter winds, and the scorching rays of the summer sun.

**CANADA.**—Our Montreal papers are to the 22d ult., and Quebec one day later. They furnish us with some returns of members elected to serve in the Canada Parliament. We give a list below:—

- [D] for Destructive—[C] Conservative.
- Sherbrooke—Mr Hale, (C)
  - Chambly—Mr Lacoste, (Doubtful)
  - Yamaska—Dr. Rousseau, (D)
  - L'Ange—Mr Dewitt, (D)
  - Rouville—Mr Franchere, (Doubtful)
  - Vercheres—Mr Leslie, (D)
  - Champlain—Mr Guillet, (C)
  - Quebec—Messrs Aylwin and Chabot, (D)
  - Three Rivers—Mr Grieve, (C)
  - Brockville—Mr G. Sherwood, (C)
  - Russell—Mr Petrie, (C)
  - Kingston—Mr Macdonald, (C)
  - Cornwall—Mr R. M. Donnell, (C)
  - Prescott—Mr Stewart, (C)
  - Toronto—Messrs. Sherwood and W. H. Boulton.
  - Terrebonne—Lafontaine.
  - Gatineau—Christie.
  - St. Maurice—Desaulniers.

At Montreal, Messrs. Moffatt and De Bleury (Conservatives) were 128 ahead of the opposing Candidates—Messrs. Drummond and Beaudin, on the afternoon of the 22d ult.

The Quebec Transcript contains the following paragraph:—

"It was rumored in town yesterday that extensive riots had taken place in Beauharnois, and that four habitants, in attempting to escape from a party of Irish, were driven into the river and drowned. We fear that there are good grounds for the report, though the particulars have not yet reached town. Three Companies of the 52d were sent to Beauharnois some days ago, in anticipation of some disturbance."

The Montreal Courier of the 22nd ult. contains the following paragraphs:—

"Rumours were rife in town yesterday, that some serious disturbances had broken out on the Beauharnois Canal, but we have not been able to trace them to any credible source. It appears, however, that at Quebec something is brewing; it is stated that serious fighting has been going on there; and in reference to this, we have been furnished with the following copy of a letter to a gentleman in town:

"Lachine, 20th October, 1844.  
My Dear William—I understand that the Canalliers, to a man, will attend on Tuesday at the Election: a good many are unwilling to go, but will be forced by the others. The Cork and Connaught quarrels are going on briskly amongst them, and I think, after all, that we must have troops out. I hope they will all be allowed to vote peaceably in Montreal, on Tuesday"

**INFLUENCE OF THE PRESS.**—The New York Christian Advocate contains the following eloquent remarks upon this subject, by the Rev. G. D. Abbott:—

"No reflecting mind can contemplate the present position of the United States, without a full conviction that it is without a parallel in the history of nations; that we live in an era pregnant with great events; that the press has for us yet undeveloped energies; that it may in our hand, as it has already done in others, work reformation or revolution. The whole land is a vast school. The rail-car, the steamboat, the manufactory, the workshop, and the farm yard, the mines of the Schuylkill and of Galena, are all vast schools. The printer is the daily teacher. Canada's mail to-day brings the 'latest' from London and Liverpool, Paris and Canton; all night the presses of Boston and New York groan with their labour, and tomorrow the car and the steamer are bearing

every description of news, and of moral or immoral influence toward every point of the compass. The iron horse, whose sinews are steel and whose provender is fire, 'is off' for Washington and Buffalo, St. Louis, and New Orleans. His unceasing thunder, louder than that of the 'war horse' echoes among our hills all day, and his fiery train illumines our valleys at night. In less time than it once took to go from London to John O'Groats, the news from the other hemisphere is borne over one half of this. The mail bag with its teeming sheets is dropped in every city and village of a territory 1500 miles square! The columns of the Chronicle and the Times, read at Monday's breakfast in London, have but one intervening Sabbath before they enliven the offices and parlours of Boston and New York; and ere the Acadia sees Holyhead again, they are 1500 further on, in the saloons and verandahs of Louisiana. Every thing seems to conspire to rouse and excite the public mind, and reading it will have

"How immeasurably important is it that the reading furnished be of the right hand; such as may contribute to purify, enlarge, and elevate the soul; rather than to dissipate, pervert, and degrade its immortal powers. The public mind is indeed alive, and eager in its curiosity, and open for any impression which the pen of the reader writer may enstamp upon it. Probably newspapers are sought after and read much more than all other writings. Through these the true patriot and philanthropist may give the impress of his own pure spirit to many thousands at once. And when it is considered that a paragraph committed to one of those winged messengers may, in the course of a fortnight, tell throughout the United States and throughout Europe, and in a few weeks more throughout the civilized world; it can surely be regarded as no mean privilege thus to give utterance to a word of truth and love to mankind. That word or that paragraph may contain but one idea; but that idea will continue to expand, it may be hoped with happy influences, 'beyond the bounds of earth and time.'"

**THE BIBLE.**—The following admirable and truly pious advice, is taken from the Life of the Rev. R. Houseman:—

"Casting away the fear of being accounted superstitious, cultivate the habit of looking at a Bible with respect and reverence. Open it with a kind of solemn pleasure, for God is there, in all His greatness, and holiness, and love. Read it with thankfulness; for it is a grant to you under the hand of God, and it is sealed to you by the blood of Christ; and the grant secures to you, if you be a humble believer, forgiveness and sanctification, and victory and heaven. It secures to you all things, for 'you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.' When good old Bishop Latimer was led to the stake, he took the Bible with him. He clung to it with holy affection. It had pointed out to him a Saviour; it had taught him how to live with comfort; it was now to teach him how to die with triumph.—There is scarcely a page in the Bible which does not show more of God than all the wonders creation."

**TRIAL BY JURY IN THE COLONIES.**—The following remarks on this subject, appear in the St. John Observer of Tuesday last, in introducing an article from our paper of the 19th ult.

"With regard to one part of our contemporary's observations, relative to 'trial by jury,' we can assure him, that Miramichi is not the only section in the Province, where that justly boasted safeguard of British subjects has been found inefficient in practice; and the occurrence of such facts in more places and instances than one, in this Province, has served strongly to convince us, that some of the most valuable of British privileges as enjoyed and applied in practice in the Mother Country, lose much of their value, because they fail much in their efficient application, in thinly populated colonies. Where communities are small, and where almost every individual, there is generally too much of personal sympathy, as well as too widely ramified a congeniality of interests, to render men fit as wholly disinterested, unprejudiced, unbiased Jurymen. It is too often the case, indeed, in such communities, that the Juror's self interest is in some way or other, directly or indirectly, so liable to be affected by his own verdict, that it is almost hopeless to expect strict justice to be done between man and man, or between individuals and the community at large, by the much vaunted 'Trial by Jury.' We have seen, and at no very distant date, glaring instances of this fact; and we are therefore strong in our opinion, that the system of trial by jury, altho' the greatest possible of all privileges and securities, both to society at large and its individual members, in densely populated countries, where the chance of a wholly unbiased jury if great in proportion, is yet liable to much abuse and deterioration in smaller communities and thinly peopled colonies; and therefore positively needs some modification, to adapt it in practice to local circumstances. Perhaps one remedy for the evils complained of might be, by forbidding the venue in certain classes of actions, being laid in the County where the cause of action arises."

**CAPABILITIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK.**—There is much truth and good sense in the following paragraph taken from the Novascotian of Monday last.

"Ship Building is increasing in St. John's,

N. B. Only a few days ago a ship of 800 tons burden was launched from the shipyard of Messrs. Owens and Duncan. It is, however, a fact, that one farm reclaimed from the forest, is more conducive to the permanent prosperity of the Province, than half a dozen ships consigned to the billows and buffeting of the ocean. Industry applied to the improvement and cultivation of the soil, conduces more to the advancement of such a country as New-Brunswick than when applied to any other purpose. That Province abounds with immense tracts of alluvial lands and extensive ranges of fine fertile upland, which if properly improved, would render it far superior to any of the New England States in Agricultural resources."

**UNITED STATES.**—The American papers are filled with details of the melancholy loss of life and property, by recent gales. The Buffalo paper contains the following paragraph relative to the loss of life there.

"The most appalling part of the calamity is the loss of life. It is impossible to get at any thing like accuracy in our estimate. The number brought up to the Court House for inquest was twenty-nine—these, with one killed and two (Mr Havens and his boy) not taken to the Court House make 32; to them may be added three lost on the Fulton and four on the St. Louis, making 39 in all besides several who are missing. It is impossible to speak yet with certainty of the number of lives lost."

Such was the rise in the water in the Niagara River that at Tonswanda the water rose 10 or 12 inches above the dam—actually reversing the current and changing the color of the waters far up as Pendleton.

**PR. ED. ISLAND.**—Passengers in the Steamer St. George inform us, that two men were shot, while attempting to board a schooner in the harbour of St. Eleonor, which had clandestinely obtained a cargo of oysters. Another man was slightly wounded. The authorities are in search of the schooner.

**Marriages.**

On Tuesday, the 29th October, by the Rev. Samuel Bacon, Rector, Mr. JOHN MAINE, to Miss SARAH JANE BREW, both of the Parish of Chatham.

On Thursday, the 31st Oct., by the same, Mr. ROBINSON CROCKER, of the Parish of Nelson, to ALICE, second daughter of Mr. John Percival, of the Parish of Chatham.

**Shipping Intelligence.**

**Port of Miramichi:**

- Entered, Oct. 26—brig Grace Darling, Laverty, Dublin—Gilmour, Rankin & Co.
- 28—schr Mary, Perce, P. E. Island—Duncan & Loch; brigs Hazellrigg, Short, Southampton—J. Cunard & Co; Black Prince, James, Newfoundland—do; ship Wallace, Summerson, Hull—Gilmour, Rankin & Co; brig Arab, How, Swarsea—do; schr Miscou, Goulson, Quebec—Sundries; schr Saucy Jack, Gallon, P. E. Island—do; ship Constitution, Neal, Belfast—Gilmour, Rankin & Co.
- 29—schr Neptune, Richards, Quebec—Duncan & Loch; ship Defence, Dowsley, Liverpool—J. Russell.
- 31—brig Albion, Howell, Cork—Gilmour, Rankin & Co.
- Nov. 1—schr Temperance, Brundage—P. E. Island—J. Cunard & Co; Superb, Lowe, Halifax—do and others; Pearl, Hall, do—Sundries.
- Cleared, Oct. 26—brigs Lord Althorp, Brack, Hull; Resolution, Davis, Penzance; Redwing, Stewart, do; barque Elizabeth, Bruce Hull. 28—schr Susan, Bell, P. E. Island. 29—schr Queen Victoria, Babin, Quebec. 30—barque Nautilus, Plymouth; schr Lord David, Dougall, P. E. Island; Saint Anne, Hoffman, Quebec; Unity, Hall, Picou. Nov. 1—schr Eliza Ann, Caruthers, Charlestown.

**Port of Shippegan.**

- Entered—brig Eagle, Callam, London, 35 days—William Fraing & Co.
- HALIFAX—Cleared for this port, Oct. 24—schr John Henry, Tobia. For Dalhousie, Oct. 27—schr Phoenix, Caldwell.
- The Quebec Gazette reports the loss at Portneuf, on the 18th ultimo, of the ship Catharine, Baird, master, from that port, bound to

Liverpool. The captain, mate, nine of the crew, and a passenger, named Hughes, with his son, were drowned.

**EDUCATION!**

The following are the Terms of Mrs. REEVES'S SCHOOL, Newcastle, including instruction in Spelling, Reading, Grammar, Geography, History, Biography, Writing, and Arithmetic; also, useful and ornamental Needle-work.

For Young Ladies above fourteen years of age,	£5 0 0
For do. under fourteen do.,	4 0 0
For do. under ten do.,	3 0 0
For do. under seven do.,	2 0 0
The extra charge for Boarders per annum, is	10 0 0
Ditto for Drawing, per annum,	2 0 0

Newcastle, Oct. 29, 1844.

**Fashionable Dancing!**

Mr. McLEAN returns sincere thanks to the inhabitants of MIRAMICHI and BATHURST, for former patronage, and begs to state that he intends opening Classes for teaching the above elegant accomplishment in Bathurst, on Friday next, the 8th instant, and in Miramichi, on or about the first week in January next. N. B. Quadrille, Waltz, and Gallopade Parties attended and instructed. Miramichi, November 1, 1844.

**Strayed**

From the residence of Mr James Murdoch, below Black Brook, in the parish of Chatham, about two months since, a purely BLACK OX, about middle size, with B. W. branded on the left horn. Whoever has the same, and will deliver him to Mr William Douglas, or to J. T. Williston, Esq.—or give such information to either of these individuals as may lead to his recovery, will be handsomely rewarded for the trouble.

BENJAMIN WILLISTON.  
Miramichi, Nov. 1, 1844.

**Land for Sale.**

The LOT OF LAND, on the North side of Black river, lately owned by John U. Ross, deceased, extending Forty rods in front, and containing 100 Acres. There is a Dwelling House and Barn on the lot, and it cuts annually eight tons of hay.

The Lower half of the Lot on the South side of Napan, known as the Bowman Lot, extending in front 45 rods, and containing 145 Acres, of which from 30 to 40 acres are cleared.

The Upper Half of the Lot lately occupied by John Cockerham, deceased, lying on the south side of Napan River, with a front of 30 rods, and containing 100 acres, of which from 6 to 10 acres are cleared.

A Tract of Land lying on the South side of the Little South West, having a front of 120 rods, and containing about 400 acres, of which from 20 to 30 acres is intervalle.

For Terms and particulars apply at the office of GEORGE KERR.

Chatham, Nov. 1, 1844.  
To Lend, on interest, for Five Years, on approved security, the sum of £60. Apply as above.

**In the matter of George Stewart Harris Bankrupt.**

Notice is hereby given, that upon the application of George Stewart Harris, this day made to me, I do appoint a public sitting to be held on Tuesday, 5th November next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, at my office, in Chatham, for the allowance of a certificate of conformity to the said George Stewart Harris, pursuant to the acts of the General Assembly of this Province, in force concerning Bankrupts, when and where any of the creditors of the said Bankrupt may be heard against the allowance of such certificate; and the same will be allowed unless cause be shewn to the contrary, or such other order will be made as the justice of the case may require.

Given under my hand, at Chatham, this 1st day of October, A. D. 1844

William Carman, Junior,  
Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts for the County of Gloucester.

**CAUTION.**

All persons are hereby cautioned NOT TO TRUST any of the Crew of the barque Pursuit, as I will not be answerable for any Debts contracted by them.

JOHN SPENCE, Master.  
Chatham October 24, 1844.

**Notice:**

Whereas Phineas Williston, Wilham Williston, and Alexander Williston, lately carrying on business in Chatham, in the county of Northumberland, under the firm of Phineas Williston and Brothers, by Deed bearing date the 22nd day of August last past, assigned and made over to the Subscribers, all their real and personal Estate, debts and effects, in Trust for the benefit of their creditors,—

Notice is therefore hereby given to all the creditors of the said Phineas Williston and Brothers, that the said Trust Deed now lies at the office of Mr. JAMES A. PIERCE, in Chatham, for signature, and all the said creditor, are required forthwith to execute the same otherwise they will be excluded the benefit of the said Trust Deed.

J. CUNARD,  
M. SAMUEL,  
JAMES A. PIERCE.