

The members of the Assembly are certainly a whimsical set of individuals—last year they passed a Revenue Bill, taxing heavily the raw material imported into the Province, and placed comparatively light duties on foreign or imported manufactured articles, which, as a natural consequence, bore heavily on the home mechanic. This session, they are going on the other extreme—and protective duties are all the rage. The taxes placed on manufactured articles imported are most enormous. The following duties have been agreed to in committee of supply—6d per bushel on apples; 2s 3d on wine; cattle 20s per head; 60s on horses; 15 per cent on all agricultural implements; 10 per cent on iron castings; 20 per cent on chairs; clocks 25s each; 10 per cent on boots and shoes; 20 per cent on wooden articles.

The house after a discussion which occupied them the greater part of three days, adopted an address to Sir Charles Metcalfe, approving of his recent conflict with his council—it was passed—20 to 11. We shall publish it next week.

The house have closed with the tender of the Bank of British North America for the Loan. The Sentinel of Friday last contains the following paragraph on the subject:—

"One of the most important Legislative measures during the present week, has been the Resolution of the house of assembly to address the Lieut Governor, requesting his Excellency to authorise the commissioners appointed to negotiate a Loan for £70,000, to complete the same, accepting an amended tender of the Bank of B. North America, by which the interest and instalments will be paid into the branch Bank at St John, and credited in London free of expense.

"The report of the committee to whom the subject had been referred, was that fresh negotiations should be opened, and new tenders received, which would have produced a farther injurious delay; and the decision the house has arrived at, will it is presumed lead to the immediate receipt of the Loan."

NOVASCOTIA LEGISLATURE.—The 'great debate' has at length been brought to a close—and the Conservative party have gained the day by a majority of two, rather a tight squeeze. The discussion occupied the house fifteen days. The interest of the populace during the whole debate was intense. The Morning Post says:—

"The debate has been marked by extraordinary features. All the secrets of the government have been revealed, and by the time the voluminous debates become published, the public may trace the kindling of every brand of discord that has helped to boil the political seething pot."

Knowing that considerable interest is taken in the affair in this quarter, we have copied from the Morning Post, a short sketch of the debate during the last day; and give below, from the pen of the Editor of that paper, a graphic description of the incidents as they occurred during the day, as well as some comments thereon.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT.—*Exciting Events and Novel Scenes*.—We pause in the publication of the usual quantity of Legislative matter with which our columns are filled, in the first place as a matter of necessity, from having been so incessantly employed in taking notes as to have been prevented from transcribing for press the part of the debate on the address which we intended for this morning's paper; and, secondly, to give a rapid sketch of the extraordinary and exciting scenes which have taken place in the capital since the issue of the last number.

We intimated on Thursday morning that the house were to meet that day, with rather a fixed determination to close the debate on the address that evening.

The manner in which the debate opened and continued is stated in the report of the proceedings in a preceding column; but many were the features of the business and the debate which do not legitimately enter into the notes of a reporter.

The opening of the house on the preceding day, for which the division was first put down, indicated that calmness which portends the coming storm. Members strongly attached to one side or the other seemed to have come to the conclusion that the majority was pretty well known, and would not be very great on either side, and, like true philosophers, made themselves very easy about the matter—convinced, perhaps, that the decision of the house would lead to the temporary if not the permanent abandonment of ultra principles, and the agreement of some harmonious combination for filling up the vacancies in the government. Even a few friendly witticisms passed from one side of the House to the other, as indicative of a careless spirit.

Towards evening, however, the combat assumed a more exciting character—Mr Howe's speech having extended to the hour of adjournment, and determinations having been expressed on one side not to withdraw the amendment, and on the other not to allow it to be withdrawn—notwithstanding the urgency with which Mr Howe pressed conciliation.

Every member, therefore, had to make up his mind to take part in the struggle, and register his name on one side or the other of the con-

tending parties; and when, on Thursday morning the house opened, out stepped the honble member for Londonderry, like Ajax of old, and threw down his glove at the feet of the honble member for the county of Colchester.

After a few passes by these honble gentlemen resulting in no great damage on either side, the honble Mr Dodd, Mr Huntingdon and Mr Howe occupied the committee till nearly 7 o'clock in the evening.

The house here adjourned for an hour, and at eight resumed.

During the whole of this day the gallery and lobby were crowded almost to suffocation. The audience applauded Mr Howe at the close of his speech, and were reprimanded by the Speaker.

Half past seven o'clock, the crowds began to reassemble, and on the opening of the doors, so great was the rush that several persons in the throng were crying out in real good earnest—not to be crushed to death—and several minutes elapsed before the whole had gained admittance.

On taking our seat in the Reporter's Desk, two dense masses of faces were before us in the gallery above, and "lobby" below, watching with anxious expectation, and pressing forward far beyond the limits assigned to strangers—to the very bar of the house.

Throughout our experience for the last half a dozen years, we have not seen so many persons within the walls of the assembly.

At the close of the attorney general's speech, after some little amusement, on waiting for Mr Spearwater, the division was taken rather doggedly, and the majority announced.

Now commenced another act in the drama. Mr Wilkins, raising his hat, made the usual motion—"Now, sir, I move that the address do pass." Here Mr Uniacke immediately rose on the opposite side:—"No, Mr chairman," said the honorable gentleman, with determination in his manner, and excitement in his tone, as if he had nerved himself for a last struggle, and he proceeded to declare the address not an echo of the speech, and intimated that he had another amendment.

The interruption of Mr Wilkins, as given in another column, created a scene of startling interest. The retort was rather a perversion of the words and meaning of Mr Wilkins, but it suited the moment, and was adroitly made use of by the honorable gentleman, whom we never saw in better temper for a speech.

His whole manner, attitude, voice, and expression, gave a brilliant portrait of a powerful and finished orator—and when, suiting the action to the word, in sympathy with the sentiment flowing from his lips, he placed his hand upon his heart, and stood like a classic statue, waiting for the spontaneous burst of cheers to subside, we thought the learned gentleman could justly be looked upon as having performed one of his highest eloquent achievements.

He was afterwards accompanied home by a large body of the populace.

The honble Mather Byles Almon, and the honble Edward Kenny, were sworn in members of the Legislative Council of the sister Province on the 19th instant, agreeably to writs of Mandamus obtained by the last British mail.

The streets of Halifax have been covered with snow some weeks—a very unusual circumstance.

BRITISH MAIL.—It was the Hibernia, as we intimated, which brought the mail; she arrived on the morning of Saturday week, and had a passage of 12½ days. We have made a few additional selections from our papers—but there is nothing important.

IMPORTANT DESPATCH.—The Saint John Courier of Saturday last states, that it was currently reported, that the Lieutenant Governor had received by the February mail, a Despatch, explaining some of the ambiguities of the Differential Duties Despatch, in which it is intimated that the produce and manufactures of all the North American Colonies are to be allowed to be imported into each other without the imposition of any discriminating duties.

ARRIVAL OF THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR AT NEW YORK.—Her Majesty's sloop Vestal, having on board the Right Honorable Richard Pakenham, arrived at New York on Monday week. It is reported that Mr Fox will return to England in the Vestal.

TO make room for the large quantity of important matter which has pressed upon us during the last two weeks, we have again issued a supplement.

BERMUDA.—Several cases of Small Pox have occurred at this place.

CANADA.—The labourers on the canals have buried the hatchet, and gone quietly to work. Seven hundred stand of arms were given up to the authorities on matters being arranged between the parties.

THE WEATHER.—During the last few days we have been favored with delightful weather, accompanied with slight falls of snow.

Bankrupt Notices.

In the matter of Andrew Irvine, a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a General meeting of the Creditors of the above Bankrupt to be held on Saturday the thirtieth day of March next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office in Chatham, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or of allowing or contesting any claim presented against the said Estate; at which meeting or any adjournment thereof, the said Bankrupt will be examined on oath touching his estate and dealings, and such other business relating to the said estate will be transacted as may be deemed necessary. Dated at Chatham, this twenty third day of February, A D, 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Junior.

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts for the county of Northumberland.

In the matter of James E. Cutler, a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a General meeting of the creditors of the above Bankrupt, to be held on Saturday, the twentieth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office in Chatham, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or of allowing or contesting any claim presented against the said estate; at which meeting, or any adjournment thereof, the said Bankrupt will be examined on oath touching his estate and dealings, and such other business will then and there be transacted as may be deemed necessary.

Given under my hand at Chatham, this twenty sixth day of February, 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Junior.

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts for the county of Kent.

In the matter of John Munro, a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a General meeting of the creditors of the above Bankrupt, to be held on Friday, the twenty ninth day of March next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the commercial building, in Chatham, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or of allowing or contesting any claim presented against the said estate; at which meeting, or any adjournment thereof, the said Bankrupt will be examined on oath, touching his estate; and such other business relating to the said estate will be transacted as may be deemed necessary.

Dated at Chatham, this fifteenth day of February, A D, 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Junior.

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts in and for the county of Northumberland.

In the matter of Jared Tozer, Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to be held on Thursday the fourteenth day of March next, at eleven o'clock, in the forenoon, at the Commercial Building in Chatham, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or contesting any claim presented against the said estate: at which meeting or any adjournment thereof, the said bankrupt will be examined on oath, touching his estate and dealings and such other business relating to the said estate will then and there be transacted, as may be deemed necessary.

Given under my hand, at Chatham, this sixteenth day of January, A. D., 1844

WM. CARMAN, Junior,

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts in the county of Northumberland.

Province of New Brunswick, in British North America, S.S.

In the matter of JOHN McDERMOTT, a Bankrupt

Whereas under the provisions of the acts of the General assembly of this Province, entitled 'an act relating to Bankruptcy in this Province,' and of an act in addition to and amendment of the same, JOHN McDERMOTT, of the parish of Blackville, in the county of Northumberland, Farmer and Lumberer, hath been declared a Bankrupt, and hath accordingly surrendered himself to me; Now therefore, I do hereby give Public Notice, that by virtue of the power and authority to me given in and by the said acts, I have appointed MARTIN CRANNEY, of Chatham, in said county, Esquire, provisional assignee of the estate and effects of the said bankrupt; and I hereby require all persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, to pay to the said assignee, on or before the twentieth day of February next, all such sum and sums of money, debts or duties, as they may owe to the said Bankrupt; and all persons who have in their possession, power or custody, any property or effects of the said Bankrupt, to deliver the same up to the said assignee, on or before the said twentieth day of February next; and I do require all the creditors of the said Bankrupt, resident in the said province, or in any other of Her Majesty's North American colonies, or in the West Indies, or in the United States of America, within three months from the date hereof, to deliver in to the said assignee, and prove to my satisfaction, their respective claims and demands, whether the same be actually due or to become due, against the said Bankrupt.

And notice is also hereby further given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to be held on Friday, the twenty ninth day of April next, at the Com-

mercial Building, Chatham, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or contesting any claim presented against the said estate, at which meeting or any adjournment thereof, the said bankrupt will be examined on oath touching his estate and dealings; and such other business relating to the said Estate will then and there be transacted as may be deemed necessary.

Given under my hand, at Chatham, the tenth day of January, A. D., 1844.

W. CARMAN, Jun.,

Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts in and for the county of Northumberland

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County of Northumberland.

In the Province of New Brunswick, ss.

In the matter of JOHN POND, Bankrupt.

Whereas under the provisions of the acts of the General assembly of this province, entitled, an act relating to bankruptcy in this province, and an act in addition to and amendment of the same, JOHN POND, of the Parish of Ludlow, in the County of Northumberland, Lumberer, hath been declared a Bankrupt; and hath accordingly surrendered himself to me: Now therefore, I do hereby give public notice that by virtue of the power and authority to me given, in and by the said act, I have appointed MARTIN CRANNEY, of Chatham, in the county aforesaid, Esquire, provisional assignee of the Estate and effects of the said Bankrupt; and I do hereby require all persons indebted to the said bankrupt to pay to the said assignee, on or before the first day of March next, all such sum and sums of money, debts or duties, as they may owe to the said bankrupt; and all persons who have in their possession, power or custody, any property or effects of the said bankrupt, to deliver the same up to the said assignee, on or before the said first day of March next; and I do require all the creditors of the said bankrupt, resident in the said province, or in any other of Her Majesty's North American Colonies, or in the West Indies, or in the United States of America, within three months from the date hereof, to deliver in to the said assignee, and to prove to my satisfaction their respective claims and demands, whether the same be actually due or to become due against the said bankrupt.

And notice is also hereby further given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to be held on Friday the ninth day of February next, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the Commercial Building in Chatham, and also another general meeting at the same place, on Friday, the third day of May next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving proof of or contesting any claim presented against the said Estate, at which meeting or any adjournment thereof, the said bankrupt will be examined on oath touching his estate and dealings; and such other business relating to the said Estate will then and there be transacted as may be deemed necessary.

Given under my hand, at Chatham, the twenty fifth day of January, A. D., 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Junior,

Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts in and for the County of Northumberland.

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FOR SALE.

All the Gear and Machinery of a GRIST MILL, including two pair of stones, one pair of Granite, the other of Freestone, five feet in diameter; also the plates for a Kilo head of 12 feet square, with all the other IRON WORK necessary for a Kilo. The whole of the machinery is in good order, and will be sold on reasonable terms. For further particulars, apply to Mr JOHN JARDINE, Napan, or at the office of GEORGE KERR, Esquire, Chatham. Napan, 22nd February, 1844.

Notice.

The Assessors of Taxes for the Parish of Chatham, will meet for the purpose of making the Assessment for the present year, on the Ninth day of March next, until which day they will receive statements of Property, &c, from such persons as are disposed to furnish them.

James Johnson, } Assessors.
James Caie, }
James Kerr, }

Chatham., February 27, 1844.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

COUNTY OF KENT.

Notice is hereby given, to all persons to whom it may concern—that the Partnership which has, during the past few months, existed between us, as Lumberers and Millmen, in this County—is this day mutually dissolved.

Hugh Rankin

William McWilliam.

Richibucto, Feb. 10th 1844.

James R. Cotton, Surgeon.

Respectfully informs the public that in consequence of the pressure of the times, he will attend the lower class of Females, who may be unable to pay for medical or surgical attendance, GRATIS, either as Physician or Accoucheur. N.B. A LAD, respectfully connected, with a knowledge of the classics, wanted, as a student Chatham, February 8, 1844.

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