

has relieved in a corresponding degree many classes of my faithful subjects from sufferings and privations, which at former periods I have had occasion to deplore.

For several successive years the annual produce of the revenue fell short of the public expenditure.

I confidently trust that in the present year the public income will be amply sufficient to defray the charges upon it.

I feel assured that in considering all matters connected with the financial concerns of the country, you will bear in mind the evil consequences of accumulating debt during the time of peace, and that you will firmly resolve to uphold that public credit, the maintenance of which concerns equally the permanent interests and the honor and reputation of a great country.

In the course of the present year the opportunity of giving notice to the Bank of England on the subject of the revision of its charter.

It may be advisable that during this session of Parliament, and previously to the arrival of the period assigned for the giving of such notice, the state of the law with regard to the privileges of the Bank of England, and to other banking establishments, should be brought under your consideration.

At the close of the last session of Parliament, I declared to you my firm determination to maintain inviolate the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland.

I expressed at the same time my earnest desire to co-operate with Parliament in the adoption of all such measures as might tend to improve the social condition of Ireland, and to develop the natural resources of that part of the United Kingdom.

I am resolved to act in strict conformity with this declaration. I forbear from observations on events in Ireland, in respect to which proceedings are pending before the proper legal tribunal.

My attention has been directed to the state of the law and practice with regard to the occupation of land in Ireland.

I have deemed it advisable to institute extensive local enquiries into a subject of so much importance, and have appointed a Commission with ample authority to conduct the requisite investigation.

I recommend to your early consideration the enactments at present in force in Ireland concerning the Registration of Voters for Members of Parliament.

You will probably find that a revision of the Law of Registration, taken in conjunction with other causes at present in operation, would produce a material diminution of the number of county voters, and that it may be advisable, on that account, to consider the state of the law, with a view to an extension of the county franchise in Ireland.

I commit to your deliberate consideration the various important questions of Public Policy which will necessarily come under your review, with full confidence in your loyalty and wisdom, and with an earnest prayer to Almighty God to direct and favour your efforts to promote the welfare of all classes of my people.

Acquittal of Mrs. Gilmour—The trial of Mrs. Christiana Cochran or Gilmour, for the murder of her husband—a case which excited great interest, both from the circumstances, and the panel's apprehension in New York, under the Ashburton treaty, occupied the High Court of Justiciary on Friday and Saturday week. Evidence was laid, on Friday, for the prosecution, at great length; and on Saturday, the jury were addressed by the Lord Advocate, and Mr. Maitland for the prisoner. After a summing up from Lord Justice Clerk, the jury retired to consider their verdict, and in about an hour afterwards they returned into the court and by their chancellor returned the following verdict:—"The jury, after careful and mature deliberation of the evidences before them in this case, are unanimously of opinion, that John Gilmour died from the effects of arsenic; but they find that the charge is not proven against the panel at the bar as libelled."

The Conservatives in the agricultural districts fearing, we suppose, that the efforts of the League will ultimately be crowned with success, are now bestirring themselves in right good earnest, and are using every possible effort to counteract their Anti-corn Law movements, by the organization of an anti league. They have held meetings in most of the agricultural districts of England, and have set a subscription on foot, and succeeded in raising nearly ten thousand pounds. This movement might have done something to lengthen the life of the existing Corn Law, had it been commenced some months ago, but now it is too late.

Auctions.

To be sold by Public Auction, on Wednesday the 10th day of April next, at noon, in front of Hamilton's Hotel, Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, for payment of the debts of the late Alexander P. Henderson, late of Chatham, in the said County of Northumberland, Merchant, deceased, in consequence of a deficiency of the personal Estate of the said deceased, for that purpose, pursuant to a licence obtained from the surrogate court of the said County. All the Right and Title of the said deceased, in and to the Piece of Land, lying in the Town of Chatham, fronting on the North side of Water Street, thirty feet, and extending back thirty feet, on which piece of Land there is a Dwelling House at present occupied by Mr. William White. Also the Wharf and Blacksmith's Shop, situate at the upper side of the Public Landing in Chatham, and extending from thence Westward Forty feet, and from the Bank of the River

outwards, with the privilege of the water in front.

Also, a Lot of Land, lying on the east side of Cair's river, granted by Government to the deceased, known as Lot No. 1, containing 200 acres. This Lot embraces the mouth of Salmon Brook, and the stream runs through to the rear, on which stream there is an excellent site for a mill.

All that Valuable Property lying at French Fort Cove, in the Parish of Newcastle, consisting of the Farm, Dwelling House, Double Saw Mill and other Buildings thereon, formerly occupied by the deceased. The Lands are bounded above by the property occupied by Mr. Alexander Russel, and below by Lands owned by Mr. William Scott, and by the Estate of the said William Abrams, Esq. deceased, and extends from the River to the rear of the first Tier of Lots.

Also Seven Lots of LAND, each containing 110 acres, lying in rear of French Fort Cove, and fronting on the road running along the rear of the Front Lots, from Newcastle to Douglas-town, and a Lot containing 200 acres, known as Lot number four, granted to James B. Lowe.

Terms at Sale. For further particulars apply to John M. Johnson, Esquire, one of the Executors, or at the office of George Kerr, Esquire, Chatham. By order of the Executors. JAMES JOHNSON.

To be sold by Public Auction, on Thursday, the seventh day of March next, at Twelve o'clock, noon, on the premises, in Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, for payment of the debts of the late JOSEPH HOME, late of Newcastle, aforesaid. Esquire, deceased, in consequence of a deficiency of the personal Estate of the said deceased for that purpose, pursuant to a Licence obtained from the Surrogate Court of the said County, the LANDS and PREMISES following, that is to say—

All that Lot or Piece of Land, Situate in the said Parish of Newcastle, bounded on the lower or easterly side by lands belonging to the heirs of the late Honorable Richard Simonds, deceased, and on the upper or westerly side by lands owned and occupied by William Abrams, Esquire, and by Patrick Bunberry, in front by the River Miramichi, and extending in the rear the full extent of the original grants, being the premises on which the said Joseph Home resided. By order of the Executor, JOHN FRASAR, Auctioneer. Dated this first day of February.

County of Northumberland,

In the Province of New Brunswick, In the matter of ALEXANDER DAVIDSON, 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 in amendment of the same, Alexander Davidson of Nelson in the County of Northumberland, Merchant, 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 given to me, in and by the said acts, I have appointed MARTIN CRANNEY, of Chatham, in the said County, Esquire, Provisional assignee of the Estate and Effect 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 Eleventh 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 Eleventh day of March: 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 fifteenth day of March next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at my office, in Chatham, and also another General Meeting of the creditors on Monday the 30th day of May, next at the same hour and place for the purpose of receiving proof of or contesting any claim presented against the said Estate, at which meeting or at 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, aforesaid, the twenty fourth day of January, A. D., 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Jun.

Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts for the County of Northumberland [First published in the Gleaner of February 14

County of Northumberland.

In the Province of New Brunswick, ss, In the matter of LEONARD HAWBOLT, 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, LEONARD HAWBOLT, of Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, merchant, 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, 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 hereby 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 given that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the said Bankrupt, to be held on Monday, the fourth day of March, at eleven o'clock, in the forenoon, at the Commercial Buildings, in Chatham: and also another general meeting of the creditors on Friday the third day of May next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the same place, 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, aforesaid, this thirtieth day of January, A. D., 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Junior.

Commissioner of the Estates and Effects of Bankrupts, in and for the county of Northumberland. [First published in the Gleaner, January 31 1844]

COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

In the Province of New Brunswick, in British North America, ss.

In the matter of Phineas Williston, William Williston, and Alexander Williston, Merchants, lately carrying on business, under the style and firm of Phineas Williston, and Brothers, Bankrupts.

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, Phineas Williston and William Williston of Chatham, merchants, and Alexander Williston of Gt. Falls, merchant, lately carrying on business under the style and firm of Phineas Williston and Brothers, have been declared bankrupts, and have severally surrendered themselves 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, Esquire, Provisional assignee of the estate and effects of the said bankrupts: and I do hereby require all persons indebted to the said bankrupts, or either of them, to pay to the said assignee, on or before the first day of February next, all such sum and sums of money, debts or duties, as they may owe to the said bankrupts: and all persons who have in their possession, power, or custody any property or effects of the said bankrupts, or either of them, to deliver the same up to the said assignee, on or before the said first day of February next: and I do hereby require all the creditors of the said bankrupts, or either of them, resident in this 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 bankrupts: and I do hereby further require all the creditors of the said bankrupts, residing in any part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to appoint an agent or agents in this Province, and 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, within three months from the publication of notice in the London Gazette.

And notice is also hereby further given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the said Bankrupts, to be held on Thursday, the twenty fifth day of April next, 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 bankrupts will be examined on oath, touching their estates 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, aforesaid, the twenty ninth day of December, A. D., 1843.

WILLIAM CARMAN, Junior.

Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts in and for the County of Northumberland. First published in the Gleaner, January 10, 1844.

COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

In the Province of New Brunswick, British North America, ss

In the matter of Andrew Irvine, a Bankrupt.

Whereas under the provisions of the acts of the General Assembly of the Province, aforesaid, made in and for, relative to Bankrupts, a Fiat hath been issued and directed to me against ANDREW IRVINE, of Chatham, in the

County of Northumberland, Farmer, who hath duly rendered himself to me; Public Notice is hereby given 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 the said County, Esquire, Provisional assignee of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupt. All persons therefore indebted to the said Bankrupt, or having in their possession, power or custody, any property or effects of the said Bankrupt, are hereby required to pay to the said assignee, all such sum and sums of money, debts or duties, as they may owe to the said Bankrupt: and to deliver up to the said property and effects to the said assignee, on or before the fifteenth day of January next: and all creditors of the said Bankrupt, resident in this Province, or in any other of Her Majesty's North American Provinces, or in the West Indies, or in the United States of America, are hereby required to deliver in to the said assignee, and to prove to my satisfaction within three months from the date hereof, their respective claims and demands, (whether the same are actually due, or to become due) against the said Bankrupt.

Given under my hand, at Chatham, the Ninth day of December, 1843.

WM. CARMAN, Junior,

Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts for the County of Northumberland. First published in the Gleaner of Jan. 3, 1844.

County of Northumberland,

In the province of New Brunswick, in British North America, ss.

In the matter of Alexander McBeath, Donald McBeath, and John McBeath, Couriers, Bankrupts.

Whereas under the provisions of the act 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, Alexander McBeath, Donald McBeath, and John McBeath, of the parish of Gt. Falls, in the county of Northumberland, Couriers, lately carrying on business under the firm of Donald McBeath and Brothers, have been declared bankrupts, and have accordingly surrendered themselves 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, Esquire, Provisional assignee of the estate and effects of the said bankrupts: and I do hereby require all persons indebted to the said bankrupts, or either of them, to pay to the said assignee, on or before the fifteenth day of February next, all such sum and sums of money, debts or duties, as they may owe to the said bankrupts: and all persons who have in their possession, power, or custody, any property or effects of the said bankrupts, or either of them, to deliver the same up to the said assignee on or before the fifteenth day of February next; and I do hereby require all the creditors of the said bankrupts, or either of them, resident in this 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 delivering 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 bankrupts.

And notice is also hereby further given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts, to be held on Thursday, the eighteenth day of April next, 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 at any adjournment thereof, the said Bankrupts will be examined on oath touching their 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 aforesaid, the sixth day of January, A. D., 1844.

WM. CARMAN, Junior.

Commissioner for the estate and effects of bankrupts, in and for the county of Northumberland. First published in the Gleaner, January 10, 1844.

In the matter of Timothy C. Gallagher, a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a further general meeting of the creditors of the above Bankrupt, to be held on Wednesday, the sixth day of March next, at Eleven o'clock, in the forenoon of that day, at the Commercial Buildings, 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.

And Public Notice is also hereby given, that upon the application of the said Bankrupt, this day made to me, I do appoint a Public Meeting to be held on Wednesday the tenth day of April next, at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon of the same day, at the place aforesaid, for the allowance of a certificate of conformity to the said Bankrupt, pursuant to the provisions of the acts of the General Assembly of this Province, concerning Bankrupts, when and where any of the creditors of the said Bankrupt may be heard against the said allowance of such certificate; and such order will then and there be made as the justice of the case may require.

Given under my hand at Chatham, this twenty first day of December, A. D., 1843.

WM. CARMAN, Junior,

Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts for the County of Kent.