

United States News.

AMERICAN NAVY.—The following is the strength of the American Navy:—

One ship of 120 guns; nine ships of the line of 90 guns each; one razee of 62 guns; twelve 52 gun frigates; one 50 gun frigate; two 48 gun frigates; eleven first class sloops of war of 24 guns each; three 22 gun sloops; five 16 gun sloops; two sloops for store ships, 6 guns each. There are also four first class sloops on the stocks nearly ready for launching. Eleven 10 gun brigs and schooners; three ditto used as storeships, and one for a receiving vessel at Charleston.—The steamship Mississippi, of 12 guns, the Fulton of 8 guns, the Princetown, [Ericson's propeller] of 12 guns, the Union of 4 guns, with Hunter's submerged wheels, the Poinsett of 2 guns, and an iron steamer, the Michigan, nearly ready to launch on Lake Erie. There are likewise four small schooners employed as packets or receiving vessels. In all, seventy six vessels of the various descriptions.

AMERICAN ARMY.—The following is the strength of the regular army of the United States:

The regular army consists of 716 commissioned officers, 17 military storekeepers, and 7,500 enlisted men, [non commissioned officers artificers, musicians and privates, of dragoons, artillery, infantry and riflemen,] 40 sergeants, and 250 enlisted men, of ordnance, making an aggregate of 8,613.

Boston Nation, Dec. 30.

Important from Buenos Ayres—Great Loss of Vessels in a Storm.—By an arrival at New York, Monte Video dates to September 23, are received.

The National of October 27, chronicles the loss, in a recent gale, of the Buenos Ayrean schooner Palmer, with every soul on board, fifty in number. It also briefly announces, in two lines, that fourteen vessels were lost in the same gale, but gives no names or other particulars.

A violent south east gale took place on the river Plate between the 8th and 10th October: at Buenos Ayres many vessels went ashore, among them the ship Brutus, of New York; schr Jersey, do, and brig Arcturus, of Boston. All of them will be lost. The Buenos Ayrean schooner of war Palmer went down at her anchors. Her officers and crew, numbering 50 men, all perished.

There is great rejoicing over a success achieved by Col. Flores, of the Riverista party over a detachment of Oribe's troops under Velasquez and Gomez, in which some 3,500 of the latter are said to have been routed and put to flight; and a great route is made concerning divers official documents and despatches taken among the spoils, which the Monte Video journals parade as additional proofs of the blood thirstiness, ferocity, cruelty, perfidy, &c. of the Buenos Ayrean Governor General, Rosas. But this is a mere pot calling the kettle black, as is shown by the atrocious appeal of the Riverista editor to the physicians of Buenos Ayres, on the occasion of a report that Rosas had been attacked with bleeding at the lungs and was in a dangerous way; the humane editor calls upon them not only to withhold their assistance, but actually to take advantage of the opportunity and assassinate Rosas secundum artem.

Quite a stir had been created at Buenos Ayres, in consequence of the Brazilian minister at Monte Video having directed the imperial commander to withhold a recognition of the blockade of that port, until fresh instructions should be received from Rio Janeiro. War with Brazil was openly talked of, but we presume it will end in smoke.

Rise in the Price of Cotton at New Orleans.—New Orleans papers of the 9th inst., says the New York Sun, bring news of a great excitement in the Cotton market and of a reasonable rise in rates. The sales for the two or three days previous had been very heavy, at an advance of about one cent per lb. The total business of the last three days, had been 16,000 bales, and total for the week 33,000. Expectations of a short crop are the chief cause.

The New Orleans Bulletin of the 12th, inst., says there were in port 170 ships, 43 brigs, and 36 schooners. Total 249.

Colonial News.

Nova-Scotia.

From the Halifax Royal Gazette. OFFICIAL RESIGNATIONS.

A detailed, and in some respects erroneous, statement of the circumstances attending the recent resignations having appeared in the Acadian Recorder, we have been instructed to publish the following correspondence.

The Lieutenant Governor presents his compliments to Mr Howe, and informs him that the Lieutenant Governor expects to have the reasons by which Mr Howe and his colleagues are induced to retire from the Executive Council, stated in writing when they tender their resignations.

Halifax, 21st December, 1843.

My Lord, Your Excellency having announced to me your intention to appoint a gentleman to your Executive Council, whose elevation, at the pre-

sent moment, will, in my judgment, be justly regarded as an indication of a change of policy which has hitherto been approved, I feel myself reluctantly compelled to tender my resignation of the seat I hold in that Council.

Your Excellency's right to make any appointments which in your opinion will strengthen your Government, or promote the interests of the country, I freely admit; I only wish to guard myself from the weight of the obligation to defend a policy of which I do not approve, and which I believe will have a contrary effect, both in Parliament and the Council, to that which your Excellency anticipates.

My office of collector of Impost and Excise for the district of Halifax, shall also be placed at your Excellency's disposal as soon after the end of the year as the accounts can be prepared, and the business of it brought to a close.

In retiring from the Council I should not be doing justice either to your Excellency or to my own feelings, if I did not express warmly and sincerely the sense I entertain of courtesy and confidence extended to me by your Excellency since I have held the high station which I now respectfully beg leave to resign.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your Excellency's most obt.

Very humble servant,

JOSEPH HOWE.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Halifax, 21st December, 1843.

My Lord,

Your Excellency having dissolved the Assembly, and since the election communicated your intention of making a change in the Executive Council of the Province, thus indicating a line of policy which I deem injudicious, I am compelled to tender my resignation.

In discharging this duty I frankly admit your Excellency's right to make such appointments as you please to your Council; but feeling that I cannot cordially concur in this measure, I think it due to your Excellency to place my offices at your disposal, so that you may strengthen those who advise and approve of it.

I assure your Excellency that I am influenced in this step entirely by public considerations, and that I still entertain for your Excellency the highest respect and esteem.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's obt. servant,

J. B. UNIACKE.

To his Excellency Lord Falkland.

Halifax, 21st December, 1843.

My Lord,

Your Lordship having decided on calling to a seat in the Executive Council, a gentleman whose appointment in my humble opinion the House of Assembly and country will disapprove, I feel myself obliged respectfully to tender my resignation as a member of that Board.

In separating with your Excellency as one of your advisers, I beg to offer your Excellency my warmest thanks for the uniform kindness you have shown me in all our intercourse, both as a member of your Government, and in my individual capacity.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your Excellency's obt. servant,

JAMES McNAB.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

New-Brunswick

Saint John Chronicle, December 29.

BISHOPRIC OF NEW-BRUNSWICK.

We insert the following notice and list of Subscriptions, lately published by the Committee appointed in London to promote the endowment of a Bishopric in this Province, in the hope that Churchmen throughout the Province, when they see what is doing in the Mother Country, will be incited to corresponding exertion on their own behalf:—

The Committee appointed to promote the endowment of a Bishopric in the Province of New Brunswick, earnestly request attention to the following extracts from the Second Report of the archbishops and Bishops, under whose authority they are acting:—

"The Impertant Colony of New Brunswick, equal in extent to one half of England, and rapidly increasing in population, has been too long without a resident Chief Pastor. The time, however, seems at length to have arrived for the supply of a deficiency so generally felt and acknowledged; and as a proof of the interest excited in New Brunswick, by the proposal of forming the Province into a separate Bishopric, it may be stated that the Governor, Sir William Colebrooke, has officially expressed his opinion in favour of such a measure, while the Chief Justice, the Solicitor General, and other leading persons in the Colony, are exerting themselves to raise a fund towards the endowment.

"The Special Committee to whom was entrusted the duty of soliciting Subscriptions on the same behalf in this country, have estimated the necessary income at £1,200; but though we are far from regarding such a provision as to great, we shall be prepared to recommend to Her Majesty's Government the appointment of a Bishop, as soon as a clear revenue of 1000 a year has been permanently secured.

"A capital sum, therefore, of £30,000 will be required. The contributions, which had only commenced in New Brunswick, amounted at the date of our last despatches, to £2,150, but a much larger sum was expected; and the Bishop of Nova Scotia had addressed a pastoral letter "to the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church," recommending a collection in aid of the endowment fund, in every Parish and Mission of the Diocese.

"Having taken these matters into our serious

consideration, and looking to the great urgency and importance of the case, we have determined to appropriate a large portion of the fund remaining at our disposal, namely, the sum of £20,000 towards the endowment of a Bishopric in New Brunswick. Assuming that £5,000 will be collected within the Province, it will only remain, for the Church at home to raise an equal sum, in order to complete this most desirable work. And we cannot refrain from expressing an ardent hope that the public at large, and especially those connected by trade or property with New Brunswick, will make a new effort to provide the required amount."

After noticing the wants of other Colonies, the Report of the archbishops and Bishops proceeds as follows:—

"We propose, first of all, to recommend to Her Majesty's Government, as soon as the adequate endowment has been secured, the erection of a separate Bishopric for the Province of New Brunswick."

Nothing is now wanting for the accomplishment of this excellent design, but the comparatively small sum requisite to complete the moderate endowment which the Bishops consider necessary.

The object proposed, and now almost within reach is the planting of another branch of the Church of England among a population of British origin, which is every year increasing by the influx of emigrants from the mother country.

That the Colonists themselves anxiously desire to have a Chief Pastor of the Church resident among them, is evident from the contributions which they have supplied from their own very limited means for the due support of the Bishopric. It would be sad to think that these should prove unavailing for want of brotherly co-operation at home.

The Committee, therefore, confidently appeal to all who feel an interest in the welfare of the Colonies, and especially to every true hearted member of the Church, for such liberal assistance as may at once remove the only existing obstacle to the appointment of a Bishop of New Brunswick.

- HARRY CHESTER, J. T. COLERIDGE, CHARLES LESLIE COURTENAY, ALEXANDER HALL HALL, JOHN LONSDALE, JOHN ARTHUR MOORE, STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE, WALTER B. RIDDELL, HENRY TRITTON, W. P. WOOD.

79 Pall Mall, June 28, 1843.

Donations and Subscriptions will be received by any member of the Committee, and at the Office, 79, Pall Mall, where Communications addressed to the Honorary Secretary will be immediately attended to.

[Here follows a long List of Subscribers names, and Donations.]

The Committee have much pleasure in giving publicity to the following proposal, which originated in the diocese of WISCHER:—

"New Brunswick Bishopric.—It appears from an official circular, that there is now wanting only £4900 to secure the immediate erection of a Bishopric in this important Colony. It is believed that if this were generally known, many would be ready to come forward, and by an united effort, bestow at once this blessing on their fellow countrymen in that land. Those who are willing to join in this effort, are requested to put down their names below and return the paper so signed to the Rev Dr. Dealtry, Clapham Rectory, London: the Ven. Archdeacon Wilberforce, Alverstoke Rectory, Gosport; or to the Secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, 79 Pall Mall, London.

[Here follows a List of Subscriptions.]

Notice:

All persons having any just demands against the Estate of JAMES HOSFORD, late of North Esk, in the County of Northumberland, Farmer, are requested to render the same, duly attested, within three months from the date hereof, and all persons indebted to the said Estate, will make immediate payment.

EDWARD WILLISTON, Administrator.

Newcastle, December 6, 1843.

NOTICE.—All persons having just demands against the Estate of LYDIA PEABODY, late of Chatham, Widow, deceased, are requested to render the same within three months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to the said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to GEORGE KERR, Esquire, who is duly authorized to transact all the business of the said Estate.

JOHN T. WILLISTON, Sole Executor.

Chatham, 18th November, 1843

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the late WILLIAM WHITE, of Bathurst, in the County of Gloucester, Innkeeper, deceased, are hereby requested to render their accounts, duly attested, within four months from this date, and all those indebted to the said estate are called upon to make payment within the same period to the Subscribers.

THOMAS WHITE, WILLIAM NAPIER, THOS. M. DEBLOIS, Administrators on the said Bathurst, Nov. 23, 1843.

AUCTION.

To be sold at Public Auction, on Friday, the 26th day of January inst., at 11 o'clock forenoon, in front of Mr Chalmers Inn, at Douglstown.

All that Tract of Land,

situate at Moorfields, in the Parish of Newcastle, fronting on the River Miramichi; being the upper half of the Lot formerly occupied by the late John Henderson, deceased, extending along the River thirty Rods, and back to the rear of the Grant; now in the occupation of Mr. Hugh McMurray and containing by estimation, 75 acres. There is a good Dwelling House and BARN on the premises, and from twenty to twenty five acres of the Land are cleared and under cultivation. A large portion of the cleared Land, is in a state for a crop in the Spring. Possession will be given as soon as required.

Terms; 50 per cent, of the purchase money down, the remainder in six months. A good title deed will be delivered to the purchaser, on payment of the whole of the purchase money.

For further particulars, apply to Messrs McMour, Rankin & co., Douglstown or at the office of George Kerr, Attorney at Law, Chatham.

Chatham, January 10, 1844.

New Brunswick.

COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND. L. S. To the Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, or any Constable within said County, Greeting:—

Whereas ALEXANDER RANKIN, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Joseph Hogg, late of Newcastle, in the said County, Esquire, deceased, hath represented to me, that the personal Estate of the said deceased is insufficient to pay the Debts due by the said deceased, and hath prayed that Licence may issue to authorize me to sell all the Real Estate of the said deceased towards paying the said Debts: You are therefore required to cite the Heirs of the said deceased, personally, to be and appear before me, at a Court of Probate to be held at my office, in the Parish of Chatham, on Monday, the twenty second day of January next, at the hour of Eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, to show cause why Licence should not be granted to the said Executor to sell all the Real Estate of the said deceased towards paying the said debts: And you are further required to cite and require the said Executor, and all and every the creditors and other persons interested in the said Estate, personally, to be and appear before me at the time and place aforesaid, with their vouchers and papers, in order that I may then and there proceed to hear and examine the proofs of the said parties, and the validity or legality of the debts and demands alleged to be existing against the said Estate; and make such further order in the matter as may seem just.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the said court, this twenty seventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and forty three.

THOMAS H. PETERS, Surrogate. GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates for said county.

New Brunswick.

County of Northumberland. [L.S.] To the Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, or any Constable within said county, Greeting:—

Whereas Alexander Rankin, Alexander Key, and John M. Johnson, Executors on the Estate of Alexander P. Henderson, late of Chatham, in the said county, merchant, deceased, have represented to me, that the personal estate of the said deceased is insufficient to pay the debts due by the said deceased, and have prayed that Licence may issue to authorize them to sell all the real estate of the said deceased, towards paying the said debts: You are therefore required to cite the Widow and Heir of the said deceased, personally, to be and appear before me, at a court of Probate, on Monday, the twenty second day of January next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to show cause why Licence should not be granted to the said Executors to sell all the real estate of the said deceased, towards paying the said debts. And you are further required to cite and require the creditors and other persons interested in the said estate, personally to be and appear before me at the time and place aforesaid, with their vouchers and papers, in order that I may then and there proceed to hear and examine the proofs of the said parties, and the validity or legality of the debts and demands alleged to be existing against the said estate; and make such further order in the matter as shall seem just.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the said court, this eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and forty three.

THOMAS H. PETERS, Surrogate. GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates for said county.

NOTICE.—All persons having any just demands against the Estate of ANGUS FRASER, late of Alnwick, in the county of Northumberland, Farmer, are requested to render the same, duly attested, to Edward Williston, Esquire, Solicitor on said Estate, within three months from the date hereof, and all persons indebted to the said Estate, will make immediate payment to him or to the subscriber.

JOHN T. WILLISTON, Administrator. Chatham, December 13, 1843.