

the lozenge line, has emerged from his little shop in Nassau street, into a buyer of lots and houses by the wholesale. I need not mention Swaim of Philadelphia, who, by pouring his panacea into people's stomachs, can afford to buy a single pearl head-band for his daughter worth \$20,000—to prove that we are a pill-eating and bitter-drinking people. Your literary man will starve in his garret, while your pill-maker will emerge from his garret into a palace."

**THE SEASON.**—The weather during the last month, has been the most variable we ever experienced at this season. One day it is extremely hot and sultry, the next uncomfortably cold and chilly, with the wind from the eastward. Every two or three days we have a heavy squall, which is accompanied with rain, thunder, and lightning, and sometimes hail. Between the hours of ten and twelve o'clock, on the night of Monday last, we were visited by the severest squall we have witnessed for some years past. The rain descended in torrents, the firmament was lit up with vivid flashes of lightning, succeeded by loud and terrific peals of thunder. The crops, more particularly the grass, notwithstanding, look very healthy and promising.

The settlers still pursue the dangerous practice of burning their lands, regardless of the sad experience of past years. Extensive fires are raging in the woods around us, and scarcely a day passes without some intelligence being obtained of the loss of property sustained in consequence. Some effectual measure should be adopted by the Legislature, to put a stop to the pernicious system of clearing up land at this advanced period of the season, when the farmer has fenced his property and put in his seed. He has difficulties enough to encounter, without being yearly subject to loss through the heedlessness and folly of his neighbours.

**A STRANGE VISITOR.**—Our star-gazing neighbours for some nights past, have had their curiosity excited by the appearance of a singular Luminary in the firmament, in a northerly direction. It resembles a large Star with a luminous train or tail. All hands pronounce that it is a Comet, but whether it is so or not, we are not sufficiently acquainted with the occult science of the heavenly bodies to determine. In a short time we have no doubt, we shall be better informed regarding the visit of this celestial stranger by some scientific individual.

We have spoken elsewhere of the peculiar weather we have experienced of late—who can tell what influence this strange body in our solar system has on the elements—may it not be the primary cause? who can tell?

### The Fredericton Mail.

Quebec and Montreal papers received by yesterday's mail, furnish us with some further particulars of the late sad disaster with which the first named city has been visited. From the Gazette of the 2nd of this month, we copy the following paragraphs:

"The value of honesty and benevolence is more strongly perceivable than ever on similar occasions. We are sorry that there have been exceptions on the present occasion; the police has already got hold of some of the offenders, and are on the tract of others."

"There are various calculations as to the amount of the loss by the fire. Four and six millions of dollars are spoken of. Four hundred thousand dollars is about the amount of the insurances."

"The loss of life is not yet ascertained. It is estimated at twenty, thirty, and forty, and even more. Many bodies have been found."

The number of houses destroyed is as follows:

Lower Town	110
Saint John's Suburb	58
Saint Roch's Suburb	1432

Total—1,630

The number of outhouses, stores, &c not included in the above statement, may be safely estimated at 2,000.

The following insurances only, have been effected:

Canada	£50,000
Quebec	40,000
Montreal	10,000 about

Phoenix 2,835  
Not even 1-10th of the loss sustained.

About five thousand persons were yesterday fed, and £2,000 have been distributed this day—say pecuniary relief to 4,000 persons.

The inhabitants of Montreal have come forward nobly in contributing towards the relief of the sufferers. £5,000 was subscribed at the meeting called by the Mayor. Government have advanced out of the Provincial chest £2,000. On the list of contributors we perceive the name of the Governor General for £500, the Hon. J. Masson £600, and the Montreal Bank £750.

We take the following paragraphs from the Quebec Gazette of the 4th instant:

"We are sorry to find that there have been several instances of fires since the great conflagration of the 31st May, but they were got under by the watchfulness of the residents and the exertion of the Firemen."

"We beg leave to call general attention to the notice of the Corporation for the immediate whitewashing of wooden roofs, &c. Fences and all outside wooden work are no doubt intended to be included."

"We understand the regulations for the prevention of accidents by fire will shortly be printed and distributed. All are interested in seeing them carried into execution, and a resident visitor for that purpose ought to be appointed by the inhabitants, in one or more of each street and neighbourhood."

"The late fire still occupies the attention of almost every body in Quebec, and we are glad to find that relief is actively extended to the sufferers."

"We have already noticed the excellent disposition of Montreal, and further proofs of it will be found in the extracts in this day's Gazette."

"The well known charitable character of the country parishes, is shewing itself by speedy and beneficent action."

"Since Monday last, parties with provisions, clothing, bedding and money, have been coming in from nearly all the surrounding parishes, mostly headed by the parish priest."

"The Committee, we believe, continue active in the discharge of the duties they have undertaken, and we are persuaded, to the best of their judgment."

"It is our painful duty to announce the death of J. B. Bigaouette, Esq., a respectable inhabitant of St. Roch's, who died yesterday morning, in consequence of severe injury received at the late conflagration, on which occasion, in a very short space of time, he lost the fruits of his industry during half a century."

We perceive by the papers received by the mail yesterday morning, that extensive fires have been raging in the Forest, in different parts of this Province, causing the loss of much property. The Head Quarters contains the following paragraphs. We are sorry to perceive that the Lieutenant Governor has been a severe sufferer by the devouring element:

"During the two last days there has been a number of fires in the Forest not only in the neighbourhood of Fredericton, but extending over the country in almost every direction. In the neighbourhood of the Acton, Harvey, and Cork settlements, on the road between Saint Andrews and Fredericton, the fire on Monday last was raging with fearful violence. On the same day, the residence of the Hon. the Solicitor General was considered to be in jeopardy, from the extensive fires behind his property, and two companies of the 33d Regiment were employed in precautionary operations, by which the fire was prevented from getting among the houses in that neighbourhood. We regret to learn that in the Maryland and Rushington settlements, there has been six or seven houses lost, besides the total destruction of fences and other property which it was found impossible to save. Two individuals have not only lost their houses, fences, and crop, but every article of provision, clothing, and furniture, belonging to themselves and families. We are happy to see that a subscription list has been opened for their relief, which we have no doubt will be contributed to with pleasure, and the same liberality which has been evinced in other places under similar distressing circumstances."

"Yesterday morning about halfpast 8 o'clock, a fire broke out in the out-buildings belonging to the establishment at Government House, which proceeded with such amazing rapidity, that in a few minutes the stables, coach-houses, and barns were enveloped in flames and in about an hour were a mass of smouldering ruins. So rapid was the progress of the fire that three horses, and all the carriages belonging to his Excellency and Mr. Reads, (with the exception of one) together with the saddles, harness, hay and grain were consumed."

"His Excellency's loss is said cannot be much less than £1000. We have been unable to learn the manner in which the fire originated."

We perceive by the Saint John Observer of Tuesday last, that his Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton arrived in that city on the night of Saturday last. From that Journal we copy the following notice of his reception at that place.

"On Saturday night, about 11 o'clock, H. M. steamer *Columbia* having on board the

Right Rev. Dr. MEDLEY, Bishop of Fredericton, and family and the Rev. Mr. KING, his Lordship's Chaplain, arrived in our harbour from Halifax, and at 8 A. M. his Lordship and Suite landed, and proceeded to the St. John Hotel. Notwithstanding the fatigues incident to a voyage across the Atlantic, and from Halifax to this port, his Lordship preached three times during the day—viz., in Trinity Church in the morning, in St. George's Church, Carleton, in the afternoon, and in St. Luke's Church, Portland, in the evening. On each occasion, his Lordship was listened to by large and attentive congregations, and but one opinion prevails respecting his desire to be useful to the people, and to improve their spiritual condition. His Lordship has already expressed himself as deeply sympathizing with the poorer classes of the community, for whom sufficient Church accommodation does not at present exist, and has intimated his earnest hope that ere long that deficiency will be supplied, so that all classes may equally enjoy the free and universal blessings of the Gospel Ministry. His Lordship's various addresses to the Congregations on Sunday, were of the most purely scriptural, spiritual and apostolical nature, and were delivered with a delightful impressiveness and affectionate earnestness, which riveted the attention of the hearers, and profoundly affected their hearts. While expounding some of the vital doctrines of the Gospel, in a masterly, energetic and convincing manner, his Lordship also took occasion to allude most feelingly to the occasion, as being the first meeting of the Bishop with any portion of the Church in his newly constituted Diocese, and affectionately to impress upon all the Members of the Church, that without divisions or differences they should cordially unite with him, in promoting the welfare of their Church, and their own spiritual advantage and happiness, by a unanimity of mind, of spirit, and of practice, springing from a right foundation of Christian Charity and benevolence."

"Yesterday, at 1 and 2 p. m., addresses of congratulation on his arrival, were presented to his Lordship by the Lay Members of the Episcopal Church and by the corporation of Trinity Church, in this City; at the former of which, a large number of the most respectable Gentlemen of the City were present, the address being read by his Honour Mr. Justice Parker."

The Lord Bishop of Fredericton arrived at the Seat of Government on the evening of Tuesday last. The Head Quarters of the following day, thus notices his arrival:

"The Lord Bishop with his Family and suite arrived at Fredericton last Evening in the steamer New Brunswick and was received by the Clergy of the city and adjoining Parishes and by a numerous attendance of our citizens."

"The ceremony of his Lordship's Installation took place this morning in Christ's Church, and was conducted in an exceedingly impressive manner before a large congregation, composed of many of the clergy of the Church of England, the resident Pastors of other Churches, Heads of Departments, and most of the respectability of the City of all Religious denominations."

"A procession was formed at the Province Hall composed of the Clergy, Judges of the Supreme Court, Queen's Counsel, Sheriff of the County, Barristers, &c. &c., proceeded to the Church where the Letters Patent of his Lordship's nomination having been read by his Chaplain, the usual morning service was very effectively performed by the Rev. Mr. Roberts, at the conclusion of which his Lordship preached an interesting and appropriate sermon. His Lordship's discourse was necessarily very short, yet indicated a pleasing style and a benevolent and most Catholic spirit. He intimated to be received with 'affectionate respect, not alone as the 'President of his Clergy,' but as the friend of all men.'"

"The solemn services afford a cheering prospect that the appointment of a Bishop to New Brunswick will be favourable in a high degree to the diffusion of Christian charity and love. In our heart we hope and pray that this prestige may be fulfilled and that the name of our first Bishop may long be remembered with 'affectionate respect.'"

**Emigrants.**—During the last week 966 Emigrants arrived at this port, making a total up to that date, of 3527 this season.—The following vessels are now on their passage; ship New Zealand, 301 passengers; Champlain, 165; Henry Patterson, 91; Non Pareil, 64; Time, 102—all from Cork, except the New Zealand from L'Derry.—There are also several other vessels on their passage, but the number of the passengers is not known.—Saint John Observer.

**EXTRAORDINARY LETTER FROM THE YOUNG KING OF GREECE.**—The following letter, received by the last mail, exhibits King Otho in a very amiable light; it is addressed to a mercantile firm in London, and begins thus:—"Athens, Palais du Pantheon, 1842. "Gentlemen,—I am commanded by his Majesty to offer you his best thanks for the promptitude wherewith you executed the orders for 'Holloway's Ointment,' and 'Holloway's Pills.' The tonic and alterative properties of the latter, as an auxiliary to the former, are duly appreciated, and their conjoint effects are indeed truly surprising. You will please present the gold medal, sent through the courier, to Mr. Holloway, as a token of His Majesty's high sense of his services in the branch of curative medicine."

"I have the honor to be, &c., "GERAMB, Min. Sec. des Aff. Etran."

It becomes our duty, in confirmation of the above, to state, that in all external disorders, these preparations are unrivalled.

**TOKEN OF RESPECT.**—A correspondent at Restigouche, under date of the 7th instant, has furnished us with the following intelligence:

"A Deputation, consisting of Mrs. Ritchie and Miss Campbell, on behalf of the Ladies belonging to Saint Andrew's Church, presented the Reverend JAMES STEVEN with a handsome Pulpit Gown and Cassock, as a mark of their regard for his Reverence, personally, and for his long and faithful Ministry among them as their Pastor."

## Shipping Intelligence.

### PORT OF MIRAMICHI.

Entered, June 7th—brig Amelia, Amess, La Garouche—Gilmour Rankin & Co.

9th—schr Waterlilly, Balcom, Halifax—sundries.

12th—brig Lord John Russell, London—Crane & Allison; schr Three Brothers, White, P. E. Island—James Johnson; brig Mary & Dorothy, Story, Brest—J. Cunard & Co.

13th—schr Defiance, Curry, Halifax.

Cleared, June 7th—schr Coirer, Newfoundland. 9th—brigs Weatherley, Belfast; Canada, do.; Myrtle, Hull; James Bale, do.; schr Pearl, St. Pierre. 10th—brigs Imogene, Scarborough; integrity, Belfast; Morgiana, do. 11th—brig Retreat, Grangemouth; schr Armada, P. E. Island. brigs Sarah Ann, Cardigan; Stamfordham, Galway; Mary Hudson, Torquay; barque Canthness-shire, Belfast; brig Mary Tiffin, Newcastle.

### PORT OF RICHIBUCTO.

Entered, May 31st—schr Marsalla, Lang, Newfoundland.

June 2nd—brigs Falcon, Cairas, London, 50 days—R. B. Cutler; Northumberland, Ade, Brest, 40 days—Holderness & Chilton; Charles, Pattle, Carbonear—James McPhelim; schrs Jean Ann, Mercier, Quebec; Waterlilly, Balcom, Halifax.

5th—brig Chamcock, Carey, Liverpool, 45 days—L. Des Brisay.

6th—barque Asia, Gallili, Liverpool, 28 days—Holderness & Chilton; brig Olive Branch, Charles, Newfoundland.

Cleared, May 29th—schr Nimble, Carruthers, P. E. Island. June 3rd—schrs Jean Anne, Mercier, Quebec; Gaspe Packet, Prulot, Antigonish. 7th—schr Vine, McKay, P. E. Island.

**NOTICE.**—The Quarterly Meeting of the BOARD OF EDUCATION for the County of Northumberland, will be held at the office of the Clerk of the Peace, on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 12 o'clock, noon.

JOHN McCURDY, Secretary.

June 13, 1845.

### FREIGHT OR PASSAGE.

The fine, fast-sailing Brig *British Union*, 213 Tons Register, Al, coppered, and copper fastened, now in port, will sail from London about the end of July next, for Miramichi, via Charlotte Town, Prince Edward Island. Those who are desirous of availing themselves of this opportunity, will please apply to Captain McFARLANE on board, or to Messrs. Christopher STAINBANK & SON, London.

Miramichi, June 7, 1845.

### WOOL! WOOL! WOOL!

The Subscriber hereby informs the inhabitants of the County of Kent, &c. &c., that his well-known CARDING MACHINE is in good order and full operation, on his premises on the south branch of the river Saint Nicholas, Welford.

He has appointed the following persons to act as Agents for the reception of Wool: in the Town of Richibucto, Messrs. MAYBERRY & PHINNEY; at the shipyard of Richibucto, Mr. DANIEL McAWLEY. Wool delivered to either of the above Agents, or at the establishment, properly picked and oiled, or greased with soft fresh grease, say one pound to every ten pounds of wool, will be Carded and returned for THREE PENCE per pound, free of all other charges. Wool will be returned to the agents twice in each month during the season, by the subscriber.

WILLIAM DOHERTY.

7th June, 1845.

### WANTED IMMEDIATELY.

By the subscriber, *Two Journeymen Tailors*, to whom good wages and constant employment will be given.

JOHN CRUISE.

Bathurst, June 11, 1845.

### Wanted—A Good Cook.

Apply at the Gleaner Office.

June 12, 1845.

### Found, a Bundle of Clothes.

about three weeks ago, between Chatham and Newcastle. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying expenses. Enquire at the Gleaner Office.

Chatham, June 13, 1845.