

snow is rapidly disappearing. Many of the streets and fields are quite bare. A few horses and sleighs are still to be seen on the river, but we cannot imagine the travelling to be very safe. A horse got to yesterday afternoon, opposite the establishment of Messrs. Gilmour, Rankin & Co. at Douglstown.

#### PUBLIC MEETING.

To JOHN M. JOHNSON, Esquire, High Sheriff of the County of Northumberland. SIR: We, the undersigned Freeholders of the County of Northumberland, request you to call a MEETING of the Freeholders of the County, at the Court House, in Newcastle, (on County, at the Court House, in Newcastle, (on an early day) for the purpose of expressing by Resolutions, or otherwise, the approval of the Constituency of the County of the conduct of their Representatives, at the late Session of the House of Assembly.

John Fraser, John Nesmith, Thomas C. Allan, H. B. Allison, Moses M. Sargeant, Oliver Willard, John Brander, Roderick M. Kenzie, John Begnal, Niel M'Lean, Christopher Wishart, John Wyse, Robert T. Miller, Alexander Taylor, William Hay, Archibald Haddow, Gavin Rainnie, Simon Hamilton, Daniel Keith, Charles J. Hawbolt, William Loch, Alexander Fraser, Jun., Alex. Foster, Hugh Hamill, James Ledden, Samuel Jardine, William Gremley, Edward Williston, William Masson, Alexander McKillop, Charles Marshall, John Porter, Andrew Peterson, Patrick Lawlor, William Letson, Caleb McCulley, William Clark, Robert Nicholson, R. Hutchison.

Miramichi, 16th April, 1845.

Pursuant to the above Requisition, I hereby appoint a Public Meeting to be held in the Court House, Newcastle, on MONDAY NEXT, the 21st day of April, instant, at 2 o'clock, afternoon.

J. M. JOHNSON, Sheriff of Northumberland.

Agreeably to Requisition, a Public Meeting of the Freeholders of the County of Northumberland, having been called by the High Sheriff of the County, at the Court House, in Newcastle, on Monday, the 21st April, 1845;

JOHN M. JOHNSON, Esquire, High Sheriff being called to the chair;

And MR NIEL McLEAN being requested to act as Secretary;

It was moved by Alex. Fraser, Jun., Esq., and seconded by John Nesmith, Esq.,

Whereas from the various important and complicated questions, and variety of new measures that have been brought under the consideration of the House of Assembly during the Session that has just concluded, the duties of the Members of the House have been both arduous and laborious; and to the Representatives of this County in particular, as some of the most important of these measures not only emanated from them, but were, and are, immediately connected with the peace, welfare, and prosperity of the county; and whereas in the disposal of these questions the Representatives of this County have discharged their Legislative functions in a way that has, and ought, to be highly satisfactory to the Constituency—therefore—

Resolved, unanimously—That the Representatives of this County are entitled to, and should receive the thanks and approbation of this meeting, comprising as it does, a large and influential portion of the constituency.

Moved by T. C. Allan, Esq., and seconded by William Loch, Esq.,

Resolved unanimously, That a Public Dinner be given to Alexander Rankin, and J. A. Street, Esquires, our Representatives; to take place at Newcastle, on an early day after the clearing away of the ice. And that a Committee of eight persons be appointed to invite these Gentlemen, and to fix a day, and make all necessary preparations for the same. And further

Resolved—that T. C. Allan, Richard Hutchison, John Nesmith, Alexander Davidson, Alexander Fraser, Jun., William Loch, Henry B. Allison, and John Fraser, Esquires, be such committee.

Moved by Henry B. Allison, Esq., and seconded by Donald McKay, Esq.,

Resolved unanimously, That a copy of the Requisition calling this meeting, and of these Resolutions, be transmitted by the Secretary, signed by the Chairman, to the Editors of the Gleaner, Loyalist, and Courier, Newspapers, for publication.

Moved by John Fraser, Esq., and seconded by Richard Hutchison, Esq., and

Unanimously Resolved, That a copy of the

Requisition calling this meeting, and of these Resolutions, be transmitted to each of the Representatives by the Secretary of the meeting.

J. M. JOHNSON, Chairman.

The High Sheriff having left the Chair, and Alexander Davidson, Esquire, being called thereto, it was then moved by A. Fraser, Jun., Esquire, seconded by Wm. Loch, Esquire, and

Unanimously Resolved, That the thanks of the meeting be given to J. M. Johnson, Esq., for his able and impartial conduct in the Chair.

The proceedings having been carried by acclamation, the meeting adjourned with three hearty cheers for the Queen.

NIEL McLEAN, Secretary.

The late hour at which the mail arrived yesterday afternoon, put it out of our power to make an attempt to get to Newcastle, a circumstance we much regret, as it prevented us from obtaining by personal observation, an opinion of the extent and character of the Meeting, of which we have no doubt we shall hear very conflicting opinions.

ERRATUM.—In the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor from the County of Gloucester, published in the Gleaner a fortnight ago, it was stated, that it was from the lower district—it should have been the upper. A similar address was presented from the lower part of the County.

#### Deaths.

At her residence, in Blackville, on Sunday, the 13th instant, after a long and painful illness, which she bore with christian fortitude, Margaret McDonald, eldest daughter of Mr. Charles Campbell, of the same place, in the 35th year of her age; leaving a disconsolate husband and eight small children to lament their loss.

#### Communications.

Mr Editor;

You will oblige me by putting the following brief Questions to the persons who got up the Requisition to the Sheriff, requesting him to call a meeting at an early day, to give an expression of approval of the conduct of the Representatives of the County, during the late sitting of the Legislature; and in your next paper I trust satisfactory answers will be given.

I remain, yours,  
AN ADMIRER OF THE BRITISH CONSTITUTION.

Why was the meeting called so hurriedly, when it was next to impossible to travel any distance on the land, and imprudent to travel on the river?

Could parties living at any distance from Newcastle, have the slightest chance of attending; and is it not highly probable, from the short notice given, that a large majority of the Freeholders of the County never heard a word about it?

Why was it not left an open question, instead of confining it to such freeholders as "approved" of the conduct of members; debarring, of course, all others entertaining contrary opinions, from attending?

And I should like also to be informed, how those who did attend could speak for the "Constituency" of the County as stated in the Requisition?

Miramichi, April 22.

Mr Editor,

If you think the following Lines worthy of a place in your valuable Journal, you would oblige the author by giving them an insertion in your next Gleaner.

ADDRESSED TO A YOUNG LADY, ON HEARING HER SING.

Sweet girl! I love to hear thee sing,

Those notes of grateful melody no more

Full to my memory they bring

The joys of happier hours gone by.

These are the soul-enchanting strains,

Which touched my heart in younger years,

Before I felt life's jarring pains,

Or ere my mind was racked with cares.

They tell what happiness, dear Miss,

Resides within thy bosom fair,

They tell what innocence, what bliss,

What joys, dear maid, are centred there.

One word of love from those sweet lips,

Would calm the throbbings of my heart;

'Twould bid a lover yet to hope,

For joys thou canst alone impart.

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Chatham, 11th April, 1845.

#### Notice to Pilots.

WHEREAS JOHN HORAN has recently erected a BLOCK, with the intention of a Ballast Wharf; Now I forbid all Pilots from taking Vessels there to discharge Ballast, until properly built. Also—the lower end of the Wharf called Wilson's, until properly planked to my satisfaction.

JAMES McCULLAM, Harbour Master, Douglstown, 19th April, 1845.

#### TENDERS.

Will be received by the RECTOR and CHURCH WARDENS of Saint Paul's, until the first day of MAY next, for the ERECTION OF A FENCE around Saint Paul's Church. Specification may be seen, and further particulars made known, on application to the Rector.

SAMUEL BACON, Rector.  
JOHN WRIGHT, Church  
HENRY CUNARD, Wardens.

April 14, 1845.

The Northumberland Agricultural Society

Have for sale, a

General Assortment of Garden Seeds, Imported last autumn from the Seedsmen of the Highland Agricultural Society of Scotland, and by them highly recommended.

Also—Dutch Red Clover Seed, imported from Britain; 2 and 4 rowed Barley.

Aberdeen Yellow, and purple top Swedish Turnip Seed; Spring Tares; Dutch sowing Flax Seed, and Bone Dust, in Barrels.

March 18, 1845.

The Society's SEEDS for sale at the stores of Mr Daniel McLaughlin, Chatham, and of Mr Patrick Watt, Newcastle.

#### For Sale.

The Subscriber has for SALE the undermentioned articles—

100 Bbls. Canada Fine FLOUR,

100 do. OATMEAL,

TEA in Chests & Boxes,

TOBACCO in Boxes,

SUGAR in Hhds,

MOLASSES,

SOAP.

Superior ALE in Barrels, 3 1-2 dozen.

Port and Sherry WINES of Superior quality.

H. CUNARD.

Chatham, Jan. 21, 1845.

THE NORTHUMBERLAND

Agricultural Society.

THE ANNUAL CATTLE SHOW and AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION

of the Society will be held at CHATHAM, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of January next, and the following premiums are offered by the Society for Competition on that day, viz:—

For the following articles, to be manufactured in the County within one year from the time of exhibition:

For the best Homespun Cloth, made entirely of wool, not less than 10 yards, 0 15 0

For the second best do 0 10 0

For the best Homespun made of wool and cotton, same quantity, 0 15 0

For the second best do 0 10 0

For the best piece of Flannel, entirely of wool, same quantity, 0 15 0

For the second best do 0 10 0

For the best wove Counterpane, 0 7 6

For the best sample of woollen Socks, not less than 6 pairs, 0 7 6

For the second best do 0 5 0

For the best sample of Mitts, same quantity, 0 7 6

For the second best do 0 5 0

For the best Straw Hat, 0 5 0

For the best Straw Bonnet, 0 5 0

GRAINS, &c., the growth of 1845, raised within the county.

For the best sample of White Bald Wheat, not less than 2 bushels, 0 15 0

Second best do 0 10 0

Third best do 0 7 6

For the best sample of Red Bald Wheat, not less than 2 bushels, 0 15 0

Second best do 0 10 0

For the best sample of Black Oats, not less than 2 bushels, 0 10 0

Second best do 0 7 6

For the best sample of White Oats, do 0 10 0

Second best do 0 7 6

For the best sample Barley, do 0 10 0

Second best do 0 7 6

For the best sample White Field Peas, 1 bushel, 0 10 0

Second best do 0 7 6

The Society will purchase any quantity of good, pure TIMOTHY SEED, raised in the county, not exceeding 20 bushels, in quantities of not less than 1 bushel, at 6d. per lb.

#### Produce of the Dairy.

For the best sample of Butter, in firkins, of not less than 30 lbs. 0 17 6

Second best do 0 15 0

Third best do 0 10 0

For the best sample of Cheese, the quantity exhibited to be not less than 20 lbs. 0 10 0

Second best do 0 7 6

LIVE STOCK raised within the county.

For the best 2 year Bull 1 0 0

Second best do 0 15 0

For the best 1 year old Bull 0 15 0

Second best do 0 10 0

For the best 2 year old Heifer 1 0 0

Second do 0 15 0

For the best 1 year old Heifer 0 15 0

Second do 0 10 0

For the best Ram, 2 year old 0 10 0

Second do 0 7 6

For the best Ram, 1 year old 0 10 0

Second do 0 7 6

For the best Ewe, 2 year old 0 10 0

Second do 0 7 6

For the best Ewe, 1 year old 0 10 0

Second do 0 7 6

For the best Boar, 1 year old 0 10 0

Second do 0 7 6

For the best Sow, 1 year old 0 10 0

Second do 0 7 6

For the best Colt, 2 year old 1 5 0

Second best do 1 0 0

For the best Colt, 1 year old 1 0 0

Second best do 0 15 0

The decision of the Judges, or any two of them, to be final. All the premiums of 10s. and upwards, to be competed for by members of the Society only: the premiums under 10s. to be open for general competition. In all cases, whether there be any competition or not, it will be in the discretion of the Committee to withhold a premium, if in their opinion, the objects offered are not worthy of it.

It is a standing rule of the Society—That the premiums to be awarded shall be confined under the rules of competition to that class of persons coming under the description of Farmers, and who depend principally upon the cultivation of the soil for a livelihood.

By Order of the Board.

NIEL McLEAN, Secretary.

Miramichi, 1st April, 1845.

NORTHUMBERLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Society will hold Two PLOUGHING MATCHES in OCTOBER next. The first to take place in Chatham, on Wednesday, the 1st of October; the second at Douglstown on the following day, Thursday 2nd of October. The sum of £6 will be offered as Premiums at each of the Ploughing Matches, subject to the undermentioned conditions:—

1st CLASS.

Open to all competitors, except the persons who have received the first prize on any former Ploughing Match of the Society.

For the best Ploughman 5 0

Second best 1 0 0

Third best 0 15 0

2nd CLASS.

Open to natives of the Colonies, and persons from the old country who arrived in the Colonies when under 15 years of age, except the winners of the first prize in this class at any former Ploughing Match of the Society.

For the best Ploughman 1 5 0

Second best do 1 0 0

Third best do 0 15 0

CONDITIONS.

1st. The Premiums to be awarded by three Judges, whose names will be announced by the Board on the morning of competition.

2nd. The teams intended to compete must be the property of members of the Society.

3rd. The owner of a team may, if he see fit, employ his son or steward to hold the plough.

4th. No driver to be allowed.

5th. The particular ridge or portion assigned to each team, to be determined by lot.

6th. The size of the Furrow to be 8 inches broad by 4 inches deep.

7th. The teams to be on the ground by half past nine o'clock, and ready to start by 10 o'clock, A. M.

8th. The Judges to determine and announce before starting, the quantity of ground to be ploughed; the length of time allowed for the performance of it; and any further conditions that may be deemed necessary.

The Judges shall be at liberty to reserve the three premiums in each class, should the work performed in their opinion, not deserve this mark of approbation, or in case of a sufficient number of teams not coming forward to afford fair scope for competition.

By Order of the Board.

NIEL McLEAN, Secretary.

Miramichi, 1st April, 1845.