

prospect than to be swallowed up by "annexation," in a position much worse than that of Bombay; for the most populous parts of them being shut out from sea by the St. Lawrence during half the year, they would become a "back country" to the United States, share in their burthens, possess few of their advantages, and certainly lose most of those we now possess.

THE STRAMER UNICORN.—The Halifax Morning Post of Thursday last states, that the order for the vessel to proceed to England, has been countermanded in consequence of the present posture of affairs between the Government of Britain and the United States.

UNITED STATES.—It will be seen by extracts from American papers, copied in another column, that our neighbours just now, have their hands full. There is a nice little affair with the Brazilian Government to be arranged: Mexico has taken a hostile position respecting the annexation of Texas, which she still considers a part of her territory, never having abandoned her claim—and notified the American Ambassador that all diplomatic relations between the two countries had ceased; and last, but not least, the Oregon question. We are glad to perceive that all the American Journals of respectability, repudiate the idea of war; but there are some, who talk very bold, and defy Britain to the conflict. We sincerely hope that matters may be amicably arranged, for it is impossible to predict, should a hostile blow be struck, where the direful effects of the war once kindled would be felt, and when it would terminate.

MAIL ARRANGEMENT.—We are requested to announce, that in addition to the existing mail arrangements, a second mail Southward, will be despatched from the Post office in Chatham, every Tuesday morning, at 6 o'clock, precisely; and that a second mail, from the Southward, will arrive on the morning of every Thursday, at six. The other mails, to the Northward, Southward, and Fredericton, will arrive, and depart as at present.

The above arrangement will supersede the utility of forwarding letters to Nova Scotia on Monday via Fredericton.

THE GLEANER.—As an alteration has taken place in the mail arrangements, we shall in future publish on the morning of Saturday, in time to have our paper despatched by the mail leaving on that day. When the British Mail is received on Monday, we shall issue a half sheet on Tuesday, containing the intelligence obtained; and the remaining half sheet on Saturday morning. By this means we shall put our readers in possession of the latest news at an early period, and have our paper despatched to the Southward on the day of publication, and on Monday to Fredericton, and the Counties of Gloucester and Restigouche.

Should the Courier on Thursday next (which is more than probable) bring the British mail, we shall issue a half sheet on Saturday morning. On that day week we shall publish a whole sheet. Advertisements in future will have to be in the office on the evening of Friday.

IMPORTANT—IF TRUE.—Some of the Halifax, as well as the St. John papers report, that Her Majesty's Government have disapproved of the appointment of Alfred Reade, Esq., to the office of Secretary of this Province, as well as of W.H. O'Jell, Esq., as Clerk of the Executive Council.

The St. John Courier of Saturday last contains the following additional intelligence:—

We know that a meeting of the Executive Council has been called for the 8th of the present month, which the two retiring Executives (Messrs. Hazen and Johnston) have been called upon to attend by His Excellency himself, Her Majesty's Government not having thought proper to accept of their resignation, based as it was upon the principle of Mr. Reade's appointment.

"We learn, also, that Mr. McLeod, who was called to the Council and accepted office, consequent upon the retirement of the four members, has also received a summons to attend at Fredericton, and that all will, in obedience thereto, be on the spot on the day appointed for the purpose."

Another week will put us in possession of authentic information on this subject, it would therefore be useless at the present time to speculate thereon.

FRUITS OF POLITICAL AGITATION.—The Pictou Chronicle furnishes the following lamentable picture of the state of society in that township, superinduced by several contested elections. We have had our share of these matters, and can sympathise with our Pictou neighbours in their present distracted state. We trust the time is far distant when we shall be called upon to witness a contested election in this county; and we consider it is the duty of every lover of peace, and of all those who have the welfare of the county at heart, to use their best endeavours to avert such a calamity.

"Every individual, who has the public welfare at heart is becoming sick of the incessant contests in which we have been engaged. They have brought destruction in every form upon the best interests of the community. This is the fourth contest in which Pictou has been involved during the last eighteen months; and the amount of ill feeling, and evil of every sort, which they have infused into the society of this place, cannot be estimated. They have placed man against man; and arranged different classes against one another, who are almost becoming unwilling to exchange the common courtesies of life. They have degraded the whole social virtues which supported the frame work of society; and introduced disturbance, and not unfrequently rancorous animosity, where every lover of his kind would desire to see peace and good will. They have produced vindictive feeling, and have excited every evil passion of man. They have invaded the sanctity of private life, and tainted even the fountains of justice. They have involved many individuals in losses of considerable importance to them—crushed valuable institutions, and retarded every public improvement."

BISHOP OF NEW-BRUNSWICK.—His Lordship, it was expected, would take passage in the steamer leaving Liverpool on the 4th instant.

SIR GEORGE SIMPSON.—This gentleman, it will be remembered, came passenger in the steamer Caledonia. Some of the Halifax papers stated that he was the bearer of important despatches to our Minister at Washington, respecting the Oregon territory; others reported that he came out as Governor of that country. The New York Albion says that Sir George paid a rapid visit to that city, and departed for Canada, from whence he will proceed to the interior. It would appear from this, that there is some probability that the rumour of his appointment as Governor of the Oregon, is correct.

STEAMER SAINT GEORGE.—This vessel will leave Pictou on the 14th, and Charlottetown on the 15th instant, for this port and in a few days she will be advertised for the season. The reason why she did not leave for here, as was named in a recent number of the Gleaner is, that fears were entertained that she would be obstructed in her passage by ice in the Gulf.

THE SEASON.—We do not recollect that we ever saw a more backward season for all the labours of the husbandman than the present. North and East winds prevail, which retard vegetation, keeps the ground in a cold, wet state, and puts it out of the power of the farmer to plough, or prepare his land for the reception of seed.

On Tuesday afternoon last we had the satisfaction of seeing the ice opposite Chatham move slightly downward. Next day there was a general move, and on Thursday the river was quite clear, with the exception of some board ice, which still clings to the shore. The Report from below is, that the ice still holds across the Bay; and as there has been no arrival, we are inclined to believe that it is true.

We obtained the following letter from Mr Ke-fler, proprietor of the Reading Room, at Halifax, by the mail on Saturday:—

HALIFAX, April 27, 1845.
Dear Sir,—Captain Raymar, of the brigantine Stephen Binney, at this port from Pernambuco, via Demerara and Cuba, reports that while at Pernambuco in February last, the ship Sworefish, Green, master, in 25 days from Liverpool, G. B., arrived at that port, being the shortest passage on record. As she was built at your port, it may be satisfactory to some of your readers to know, that she is considered to be a superb and exceedingly fast ship, and that she called forth the admiration of all who saw her."

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.—The Royal Gazette contains the following appointments.

PETER STEWART to be an additional Commissioner for sick and disabled Seamen, Restigouche.

The following persons to be Receivers of Crown Debts, under the Act 7th Vict. cap. 36:—Northumberland,—William Salter. Gloucester,—Richard Carman Restigouche,—Joseph Hunter. Kent,—Peter Muzroll.

The following persons to be Commissioners for Indian Reserves, under the Act 7th Vict. cap. 47:—Northumberland—William Salter. Restigouche—Adam Ferguson. Gloucester—Samuel L. Bishop.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—We little thought when we published the first letter of X, that it would have led to such a hubbub and contention among our literary scribes in the town of Richibucto. It is with some reluctance we give insertion to another communication from the same quarter, bearing the writer's name. He, it appears, considers himself aggrieved by personal allusions in the letters of X. We are not sufficiently acquainted with the local squabbles of Richibucto (a circumstance to be regretted in this instance) as we might have been prepared to expunge the objectionable matter.

It is a pity, that our correspondents did not confine themselves to the matter under discussion; and not have descended to personal animosity—first presuming that certain individuals are authors of the communications, (without positive proof) and then making allusions which were personally offensive, when perhaps the parties alluded to are innocent of the authorship. This is a fault of which we have had frequently to complain. It is unfair and highly reprehensible; and deters persons from writing on useful subjects.

We trust this correspondence will now close, being both uninteresting, and devoid of public utility.

ERRATA.—In the letter of Veritas published last week, we are requested to make the following corrections:—for bestows read becomes; for JED, QED; for asinarium, asinorum; for indignities, iniquities; for literation, literature; for radius, radiance.

Deaths.

At Blackville, on the 1st inst., an infant son of Mr. George Walls.

SHIP NEWS.

The following vessels have cleared at Halifax.—April 25—Waterloo, Eison, Richibucto; New Messenger, Sitemao, Miramichi; 26—De fiance, Currie, Restigouche; Carlew, Eison, Dalhousie; 30—Joseph Howe, Currie, Bay Chaleur; Pearl, Hall, Miramichi.

CARD.

At a Public Meeting of Freeholders of Northumberland, held at the County Court House, on Monday, the 21st ult., by one of the Resolutions passed, it was unanimously agreed to invite ALEXANDER RANKIN, and JOHN AMBROSE STREET, Esquires, the Representatives, to a Public Dinner, to take place at Newcastle, on the clearing out of the ice:

The Constituency of the county are hereby apprized, that the Dinner will take place at Hamill's Hotel, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th inst., at 6 o'clock, P. M.

Tickets to be had in the different parishes of W. Loch, Esq., and Mr J. Wyse, Newcastle, Messrs Haddow & Loudon, Chatham, Mr William McKay, Ludlow, Mr John DeCantillon, Blissfield, Alexander McLaggan, Esq., Blackville, Mr James McKie, Nelson, Donald McKay, Esq., Northesk, Roderick McLeod, Esq., Alnwick, John McDonald, Esq., Glenelg, Until the morning of Friday, the 6th instant.

John Nesmith, Thos. C. Allan, A. Fraser, Jun., William Loch, John Fraser, H. B. Allison, Richard Hutchison, Alex. Davidson, Miramichi, 5th May, 1845.

CAUTION!

The subscriber having obtained a lease of the property in Napan, formerly belonging to the late John Stewart, deceased, hereby cautions all persons from committing any trespass, on said lot, will be prosecuted, as the Law directs. JOHN GRAHAM. Napan, April 23, 1845.

AUCTION.

There will be exposed FOR SALE BY AUCTION, At the Manse of Richibucto, On Tuesday, the 13th day of May next, THE WHOLE OF THE Stock, Farming Utensils,

Household Furniture, &c.; Belonging to the Rev. James Hannay, Comprising the following articles, viz.; A very superior Horse; 3 young Cows with calf, and a two years old Heifer; 20 Sheep and Lambs, several of which are of the Leicester breed; a fat Pig; an excellent Plough; a Waggon; sleigh and sleigh Harness; sled and sled Harness; an English built Gig, in good repair; Cart and cart harness; a Skiff; superior Saddle and Bridle, and a considerable quantity of Oats and Potatoes. ALSO—Elegant mahogany and other Tables and Chairs; Bedsteads; splendid Brussels and Kidderminster Carpets and Rugs; Chest-drawers; dressing glasses; Franklin and other Stoves and stove pipes; brass and other Fenders and fire-irons; an excellent Kitchen-range; brass Clock; superior percussion fowling piece; sets gilt and common China; cut chrysal Decanters, Wines, and Tumblers; the usual kitchen requisites; Crockeryware, and a great variety of other valuable articles.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A.M., and as the whole must be sold without reserve, great bargains may be expected. Liberal credit will be given.

SAMUEL AARON, Auctioneer. Richibucto, April 24, 1845.

An Apprentice WANTED

To the PAINTING & GLAZING Business. Apply to MILLER & BELL. Chatham, 6th May, 1845.

For Sale.

A TRACT OF LAND containing about 30 acres, situate on Bay du Vin Island, extending across and fronting the shore, on both sides of the Island. There is an excellent Salmon Fishery in front of the property, and it is well situated for carrying on the Deep Sea Fishery, having an excellent harbour. There is a building on the premises which will answer the purpose of a Store or Dwelling. A term of years will be given for payment of the purchase money, which will be received in Fish, Lumber, or country produce. Apply to JOSEPH CUNARD & Co. Chatham, 29th April, 1845.

WANTED.

A number of Apprentices, to the Ship Building business. Applicants will be taken on Trial, and when approved of, a rate of Wages will be paid in lieu of Board, Clothing & Tools. Apply at Bathurst and Chatham, to J. CUNARD & Co.

ALSO—CREWS to take Six fast-sailing Schooners of from 25 to 30 tons each, in ballast, from Chatham to Newfoundland, between the 15th and 25th May next. Two men and a boy will be necessary for each schooner. Apply as above. Chatham, April 29, 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. Doucetestown, 19th April, 1845.

Notice.

The Subscriber is advised that a large SHIPMENT of

American Produce

And Manufactured Articles, together with a number of "YANKEE NOTIONS," Will be shipped to his address for sale, to leave New York about 25th instant; among which are named:—

- Rye Flour, Corn Meal, Rice, Salaratus, Tea, Coffee, Tobacco, Arrow-root, Nutmegs, Rosin, Cigars, Snuff, Tar, Pitch, Sweet Oil, Spirits of Turpentine, Castor Oil, Honey, Raisins, Painted Buckets, Hay Rakes, Scythe Sneds, Men's Boots, Women's and Children's Shoes and Boots, India Rubber Shoes, assorted sizes, Pork, Cheese, Hard Bread, Corn Brooms, Sole Leather, Wool Cards, Rocking Chairs, &c.

Persons intending to import will do well to consider, as the articles can be had here as low as they can be bought in Canada or Nova Scotia. JAMES JOHNSON. Miramichi, 1st April, 1845.

—IN STORE—TIMOTHY SEED, RED CLOVER SEED, BUCK WHEAT.

For Sale:

The Subscriber has for SALE the undermentioned articles—100 Bbls. Canada Fine FLOUR, 100 do. 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.