

tion; but in consequence of the supplies coming forward so freely and the dealers being unwilling to increase their stocks the importers have been induced to resort to auction sales, which as might have been expected on a depressed market, has caused a decline in prices; the rates realized, at the late public sales being 2½d to 2-916 per foot but only a small portion of what was offered found purchasers.

**THE GOVERNMENT CONTINGENCIES.**—We mentioned last week that the Assembly had refused to grant the usual contingencies to His Excellency. It appears that when the House was in Committee of Supply on the 10th instant, a motion was made that a (blank) sum should be granted to His Excellency to defray the contingent expenses of the Government for the current year. This was passed, Yeas 27—Nays 6. The several sums of £450, £300, and £100, were mentioned, all of which were lost. A motion was then made to re-consider the question, when the committee divided—Yeas 14, Nays 19.

Does such a silly, ridiculous proceeding, comport with the dignity of a Legislative body; and we ask the members of the Assembly, how this measure, as well as the efforts made by certain parties to withhold the usual grant to the Government Messenger to the Executive Council, coincide with the declaration in their recent Address to the Throne, that they "intend to pass the Revenue and Appropriation Bills, and to forward all other business in which the Country is interested." Surely they will not be so foolishly as to say that the country is not interested in these matters, and that in consequence of their not passing the necessary grant for defraying the contingent expenses of the Government, its business will not suffer. Do they imagine they can make the constituency of the Province believe this. No; they will view it in its proper light—a factious opposition to the Governor and his advisers. Had the House adhered to their vote of "want of confidence," such an act as withholding all supplies, would be perfectly justifiable and consistent; but when they made the promise they did to the Sovereign in their Address, that no unnecessary difficulty would be thrown in the way of Her Representative, they were bound in honor to adhere to their declaration, which we contend they have not done in refusing the grant alluded to.

A Correspondent in another column comments on the injustice of another measure of the Assembly, towards a large body of petitioners.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE.**—We have been put in possession of the Journals of the Legislature to the 15th instant, and have devoted a large space to extracts therefrom. The arrival of the British mail prevented us from giving the whole of Doctor Key's interesting report to day; but we shall publish the remainder next week.

We perceive by the St. John Courier, that the Revenue Bill finally passed the House on the evening of Thursday last, after being two days under discussion. The Editor remarks:—

"We have been favored with a statement of its principle details. It presents a much more reasonable appearance than the Act of last session; and will probably give more satisfaction than any enactment of the kind that has passed for many years. The following are some of the impositions:—Apples, (green) 6d per bushel; Agricultural implements 4 per cent, ad valorem; British Manufactures, Clothing, Hats, Cut Nails, &c., 4 per cent; Leather, sole, 1½d. per lb.; Harness, 2d., upper, 3d.; Brandy, 2s. per gal.; Wine, 2s. 3d. per gal.; Lard, and all other spirits, 1s. 4d. per gal.; Flour and Wheat, 4 per cent, ad val.; Coffee, 4d. per lb.; Tobacco, 4d. per lb.; Brown Sugar, 2s. 6d. per cwt; Loaf Sugar, 1d. per lb.; Candles—Tallow, 1d; Sperin and Wax, 2d. per lb.; Cattle one year old and upward, £1, each; Horses, £2, each; Household Furniture and Chairs, Sauff and Cigars, Oranges and Lemons, 10 per cent, ad. val.; Iron Castings, Boots and Shoes, and Looking Glasses, 7½ per cent.; Raw Hides, Looking Glass Plates, Cabinet-maker's Wood, Articles for shipbuilding, Metals, (salted and fresh of all kinds), Cod, Seal and Porpoise Oils, all Grain, (except Wheat), Molasses, Printing paper, duty free.

The Act, when passed, will come into operation on the 1st of April."

The Council have agreed to the Bill to amend the Charter of King's College, 8 to 6. They have also agreed to the grant of £300 to the Sackville Academy.

The Registry Bill, introduced by Mr J. A. Street, was lost in the Assembly by a majority of one.

The Courier says that it was expected the Assembly would bring their business to a close about the 10th April.

**PUBLIC MEETING.**—INCREASE OF REPRESENTATION.—We have for many years advocated this measure, and endeavoured to rouse the people to action. We are glad to perceive they have at last taken one step toward accomplishing the object—and we sincerely trust, as they have put their shoulders to the wheel, they will not rest satisfied until success crowns their labours. (See requisition to the Sheriff among the advertisements.)

**PICOTU ELECTION.**—The Picotou Chronicle of Wednesday last furnishes details of the proceedings at the opening of the poll in that town, for the election of a member to represent them in the Assembly. Mr Wilkins's friends requested that a barricade of ten feet high should be erected across the street, with passages for the ingress and egress of the respective parties. To this the friends of Mr Fraser protested, and the opinion of the Attorney General was sought and obtained, who coincided with the friends of Mr W. The barricade was erected, and as a portion of the same encroached on the premises of Captain Graham, he removed it. A meeting of Mr Fraser's friends was held, who were unanimously of opinion, that such a mode of proceeding would expose them to great disadvantage; but after considerable discussion they resolved to proceed with the election under protest.

On Monday a large body of Mr Wilkins's friends, amounting to 300, armed with sticks, with bagpipes playing, and flags flying, entered the town, and parading through market lane, met a small party of Liberals, who requested them to lay aside their bagpipes, &c. This was refused, and the parties had a regular set-to. The Liberals at first gave way—but being reinforced, and without any weapons, except such as they procured from their antagonists, (so says the Chronicle) they ultimately beat back the Conservative party. The election then proceeded, and at the close of the poll on the evening of Tuesday, each candidate had 233 votes.

This is a brief history of the affair, as it is detailed in the Chronicle.

**ADDRESSES TO THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.**—We are gratified to be enabled to state that Addresses to His Excellency the Lieutenant Government, approving of the stand he has made to preserve the Prerogative of the Sovereign against the recent efforts of certain members of his late Cabinet, as well as a majority of the members of the Assembly, to interfere with the same, are now in course of signature in this, and the neighbouring counties of Kent and Gloucester.

**ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF MAILS.**—As a few errors inadvertently crept into the sketch we published last week of the arrival and departure of the mails at the principal Post offices in this Province, we re-publish the same corrected.

**Departure of Mails—Miramichi.**—The Mails for Halifax, Saint John, the United States, Canada, &c. via Fredericton, will close (after the 5th April) on Mondays, at half past Nine in the Morning. The Mails for the same places, via Dorchester, will close as usual, on Saturday morning, at half-past 5.

The Mails for Baie des Chaleux, will close as usual, on Monday, at half-past 7 in the morning.

**Arrival of Mails—Miramichi.**—The Mails from Halifax, Saint John, the United States, Canada, &c. via Fredericton, will arrive at Chatham, on Friday, at a quarter after 4 in the afternoon. The Mails from do. via Dorchester, will arrive as usual, on Monday, morning at 7 o'clock.

The Mails from Bay Chaleur will arrive on Friday at half past 5 in the morning. Despatch and Arrival of Mails, at Saint John, Fredericton, and Dorchester.

**SAINT JOHN.**  
Despatch of United States Mails, via Saint Andrews, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at half past seven in the morning.  
Arrival of do. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at half past 2 in the afternoon.

**FREDERICTON.**  
Despatch of United States Mails, via Houlton, Tuesdays, Thursdays, at Saturday, a 10 in the morning.

Despatch of Canada Mails, Tuesdays and Saturdays, same hour.  
Arrival of United States Mails, Tuesday, at 5 A. M. Wednesday, at 5 P. M. and Friday, at 5 A. M.  
Arrival of Canada Mails, Tuesdays and Fridays same hour.

**DORCHESTER.**  
Despatch of Halifax Mails, Sundays and Thursdays, at noon.  
Arrival of the same, Sundays and Wednesdays, at 7 in the morning.

We made an error in the Notice of the Agricultural Society, in our last number. The meeting is to be held in WITHERALL'S HOTEL, not Mitchell's.

### Marriages.

At Newcastle, on Thursday, the 13th March, by the Rev. William Henderson, Mr James Henderson, of the Parish of Nelson, to Miss Mary, daughter of Mr George Ingram, of the Parish of Newcastle.

### Deaths.

On Friday last, at the residence of his son in law, Dudley Perley, Esq., Mr Alexander Gilliss, in the 89th year of his age. At Chatham, yesterday morning, James Casey, in the 19th year of his age.

### PUBLIC MEETING.

Miramichi, 22nd March, 1845.

SIR,

WE, the undersigned, would respectfully request you to call a PUBLIC MEETING of the Freeholders of this County, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of March, instant, at the Court House, in Newcastle, to take into consideration the propriety of petitioning the Legislature for an Increase of the Representation of this County.

To JOHN M. JOHNSON, Esquire, High Sheriff of the County of Northumberland.  
John Fraser,  
John Nesmith,  
Henry B. Allison,  
Thomas C. Allan,  
Richard Hutchison,  
William Loch,  
John Porter,  
Gavin Rennie,  
Alex. Fraser, Jun.,  
John Chalmers.

In pursuance of the foregoing REQUISITION, I hereby call a Public Meeting to be held at the Court House, Newcastle, on Wednesday next, 26th March, at ONE O'CLOCK, afternoon, for the purpose therein stated.

JOHN M. JOHNSON,  
Sheriff of Northumberland.

### CONCERT!

MR. BRYANT,

Assisted by a number of Ladies and Gentlemen Amateurs, will give an Instrumental and Vocal

**CONCERT of SACRED MUSIC,**  
in the large Room of the MARINE HOSPITAL, at DOUGLASTOWN, on the evening of THURSDAY, the 3rd April.  
Tickets may be had of Mr Thomas Vondy, Jun., in Chatham, of Mr Boyd, at the store of Gilmour, Rankin & Co., Douglastown, and of Mr Foster, Newcastle.  
PRICE—2s. 6d.—Children 1s. 3d.  
To commence at half past seven.  
March 25, 1845.

### Seeds, Seeds.

EUROPEAN CLOVER,  
AMERICAN TIMOTHY,  
WHEAT, RYE, OATS, and  
BARLEY SEEDS, for Sale by  
GILMOUR RANKIN, Co.  
Douglastown, 20th March, 1845.

### NOTICES.

A Meeting of the Committee of the Highland Society of New Brunswick, will be held at Little's Hotel, Chatham, on TUESDAY, the 25th March, instant.

Niel McLean, } Secretaries.  
Alex. Lowden, }  
Miramichi, 17th March, 1845.

The Annual Meeting of the Northumberland Agricultural Society, will be held at Wetherall's Hotel, Newcastle, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th March, inst., when a full attendance of Members is particularly requested.

NIEL McLEAN, Secretary.  
Miramichi, 17th March, 1845.

### Bankrupt Notices.

In the matter of THOMAS COUGHLAN, of Blackville, in the County of Northumberland, Innkeeper and Lumberer; a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the above named Bankrupt, to be held on Tuesday, the fifteenth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office, in Chatham, for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of selling all the Interest which the Creditors have in the Outstanding Debts due to the estate of the said Bankrupt.

Dated at Chatham, in the county of Northumberland, this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1845.

WM. CARMAN, Junior,  
Commissioner for the estate and effects of Bankrupts in the county of Northumberland.

In the matter of HUGH FRASER, of Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, Farmer; a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the above named Bankrupt, to be held on Thursday, the tenth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office, in Chatham, for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of selling all the Interest which the Creditors have in the Outstanding Debts due to the estate of the said Bankrupt.

Dated at Chatham, in the county of Northumberland, this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1845.

W. CARMAN, Junior,  
Commissioners for the estate and effects of Bankrupts in the county of Northumberland.

In the matter of LEONARD HAWBOLT, of Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, Merchant; a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the above named bankrupt, to be held on Saturday, the twelfth day of April next, at my office, in Chatham, for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of selling all the Interest which the Creditors have in the Outstanding Debts due to the estate of the said Bankrupt.

Dated at Chatham, in the county of Northumberland, this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1845.

W. CARMAN, Junior,  
Commissioner for the estate and effects of bankrupts in the county of Northumberland.

In the matter of Alexander McBeath, Donald McBeath, and John McBeath, of the Parish of Glenelg, in the County of Northumberland, Couriers; Bankrupts.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a general meeting of the creditors of the above named Bankrupts, to be held at my office in Chatham, on Thursday, the seventeenth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of selling all the Interest which the Creditors have in the Outstanding Debts due to the estate of the said bankrupts.

Dated at Chatham, aforesaid, this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1845.

W. CARMAN, Junior,  
Commissioner for the estate and effects of bankrupts, for the county of Northumberland.

### LYING DOWN THE BUOYS.

Tenders will be received at the Store of Mr. L. HAWBOLT, until the 15th April next from such persons as may be desirous of entering into Contracts for laying down said BUOYS in their proper places in the River Miramichi.

L. HAWBOLT,  
Com. of Buoys and Beacons.  
Chatham, March 25, 1845.

### HAY! HAY! HAY!

A quantity of MEADOW HAY of Superior quality for Sale. A credit of six months will be given, upon receiving notes with approved security. For particulars enquire of Mrs. HARKINS.  
Newcastle, 17th March, 1845.

### 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.  
Chatham, Jan. 21, 1845.

### Wanted

A FEMALE TEACHER, to take charge of a school in the Town of Bathurst, County of Gloucester. Apply to

Rev. A. Barron,  
S. L. Bishop,  
Richard Carman.  
Trustees of Schools for the Parish of Bathurst, or to WILLIAM CARMAN, Jun. Esq. Chatham.  
March 17, 1845.