

Editor's Department.

MIRAMICHI:

CHATHAM, SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1846.

THE SEASON.—The weather during the last fortnight has been very changeable. Some days the sun has beamed down upon us with the intense heat of midsummer, and, at other times, the wind has blown cold from the eastward, accompanied with rain. During several nights, ice of considerable thickness formed on the brooks and standing water. This has been very trying to the tender vegetables in gardens, many of which have not only been checked in their growth, but entirely destroyed. The grass and grain, however, look most luxuriant, and are much farther advanced than we ever remember to have seen them at this period of the year.

HALIFAX REGISTER.—We perceive that this paper is to be discontinued at the close of the present half year.

PERCE.—The Quebec Gazette of the 28th instant, contains the following extract of a letter, handed to the editor by J. Le Bontillier, Esq. written at Percé, Bay Chaleur, on the 6th of the month, furnishing an account of a most disastrous fire which occurred in that village on the previous day.

"I have cruel news to write this morning: yesterday it blew furiously, and in the midst of the gale, a fire took in Mr Labbe's house, then to the buildings of Messrs. Moriarty, Robin, Buteau, McGennis, Le Bontillier, Dugay, and Querrien, all of which buildings lining the sea shore, are burned to the ground. Our poor neighbours, one and all, Mr Justice Fiset, and his sons in the midst of them, from first to last, rendered services beyond all the praise in my power. Had the wind veered one point more to the eastward, not a house in the village could have been saved from the flames.—There was a great scarcity of water, for the sea beat the shore so as to preclude the possibility of taking water there, and all the wells were dried up in no time.

"The total loss by the fire is about £5,000, and many of the poor fishermen having lost their houses, fishing boats, and the means of carrying on the fishery this season, are reduced to a state of complete destitution."

QUEBEC.—Halifax and Quebec Railway.—A meeting of the General Committee was held at the Exchange, Quebec, on the 18th inst., L. Mesurier, Esq. in the chair, when several Resolutions, approving of the undertaking, were passed, among which was the following:

"That this committee on such survey and report being made, and the aid and support of the Imperial Parliament, the Provincial Legislatures and capitalists being secured, will be ready to further the project by the subscription of stock, the formation of a company, and the appointment of such local direction as will be required to effect its early and safe completion."

COUNTY KENT.—Launched, from the building yard of John Jardine, Esq. on the 16th instant, a very fine ship, named the Atlantic, of the burthen of 1042 tons new, and 942 old measurement.

COUNCIL GLOUCESTER.—At a Special Session of the Peace, held at Bathurst Court House, on Tuesday the 19th day of May, in the ninth year of Her Majesty's reign, and in the year of our Lord 1846.

Present—Joseph Read, John Miller, William Napier, Benjamin Dawson, Francis Ferguson, S. L. Bishop, William Deacon, Esquires.

It was Resolved—That notwithstanding the partial failure of the Potato Crop in this County, and the consequent destitution of some of the inhabitants, the Sessions do not consider it expedient to avail themselves of the act to provide for the necessities occasioned by the failure of the Potato crop during the past year, inasmuch as the appropriation of the sum granted, in assisting the County to pay its heavy debt, or immediately to the Road service, would, in the opinion of the Sessions, be far more conducive to the general welfare of the County.

Extract from the minutes.

WM. END, Clerk of the Peace.

QUEBEC AND HALIFAX RAILWAY.—Extract from a paper transmitted to the Committee at Quebec, by Lt. Col. Estcourt, for whom the same was prepared by a gentleman well acquainted with the country through which the proposed railway is to pass:

"The principal part of the line from Halifax to Quebec presents no obstacle to the formation of a railroad. The material natural difficulties will be found when the line will interest the broken country at the sources of the Miramichi and the Tobique rivers, but they are believed to be such only as a careful exploration would prove to be avoidable.

"A large portion of the country through which the road would pass is favourable for agriculture. On a part of it the wood has been destroyed by fire, but chiefly the wilderness land abounds with spruce and hard wood timber; also larch, tamarac, and cedar, now of so much value in the construction of rail roads, occur at frequent intervals and in large quantities. The mineral resources, consisting of iron, coal, limestone, gypsum, and Co. may be affirmed to be inexhaustible. Salt springs also occur in the immediate vicinity of the route.

"The natural facilities for constructing the foundation of the railway are all that can be desired, especially where the employment of timber in any manner may be deemed expedient."

J. WILKINSON.

ARRIVALS ET HEA'S HOTEL.

June 1st.—Otty Cudlip, St. John. 4th.—James Fraser, Kouchibouguac. 11th.—S. B. Hetherington, Richibucto; Z. Phinney, do. 13th.—Rev. A. Barron, Bathurst. 19th.—Mrs White, Amherst; Mrs Wolner, Bathurst; Miss White, do. 20th.—Alexander Brown, Ludlow; W. M. Master, Kouchibouguac. 22nd.—P. Quilty, Kouchibouguac; John Graham, do. 23rd.—S. B. Hetherington, Richibucto; Henry Gethell, Bay du Vin; Duncan Allanagh, Mrs Allanagh and child, Kouchibouguac. 26th.—Henry Livingston, Esq., Mrs. Livingston and child, Shediac; Miss Long, Cocagne. 27th.—S. Cummings, Kouchibouguac. 28th.—S. B. Hetherington, Richibucto; Wm. Stevens, Jun. Bathurst.

ASTONISHING RECOVERY OF THE VOICE!—A young lady residing in the vicinity of Bath was, about two years ago, entirely deprived of the use of her voice. This was in consequence of taking cold, and as her talent for singing, had made her the "admired of all listeners," the regret of her friends was deep indeed. What to do, they knew not, but at last, the lover of the young lady flew away on the wings of hope to a chemist's, and purchased some of "Holloway's Ointment," and wonderful to say, within one week, she spoke and sang as well as ever she did in her life! It ought to be stated, that while using the Ointment, she took gentle doses of "Holloway's Pills." The Ointment is too well known to need laudation for its certain cures of all external disorders, and the Pills should be taken, when it is used, as an invaluable auxiliary.

Deaths.

At Caraquet, on the 5th instant, after a short but painful illness, which she bore with calm resignation to the Divine will, Mrs MARY, widow of the late CHARLES COUGHLAN, Esq. in the 45th year of her age. Her death will be a great loss to the community in which she lived.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF MIRAMICHI.

Entered, May 20—brig Emma Zoller, Torquay, ballast—Duncan & Loch.
22nd—brig Britannia, Carkill, Dublin, 33 days; ballast—J. Cunard & Co.; schr Providence, McQuarrie, P. E. Island; produce—Johnson & Mackie.
27th—brig Nancy, Foran, Waterford, 40 days; ballast—J. Cunard & Co.; schr True Friend, Godier, Quebec, goods—W. A. Letson and others; barque Oxford, Burns, Port Glasgow, 35 days; general cargo—Gilmour Rankin & Co.
28th—barque Hibernia, Park, Glasgow, 39 days; ballast—Gilmour Rankin & Co.; schr Felix, Geoir, New York, general cargo—do.; brig Elliotts, Gaseoigne, Dublin, 38 days; ballast—J. Cunard & Co.; brig Pioneer, Seager, Newcastle, 45 days; coals—do.; schr Duck, Ready, P. E. Island; grain—Johnson & Mackie.
26th—schr Mary, Fidler, Quebec; flour—Gilmour Rankin & Co.; barque England's Queen, Wanless, Sunderland, 42 days; ballast—do.; schr Hero, Gallant, P. E. Island, grain—Johnson & Mackie.
27th—ship Heart of Oak, Stoker, London, via P. E. Island, 42 days; general cargo—Gilmour Rankin & Co.; barques Halifax, Wright, Halifax, 4 days; ballast—do.; Ann Eliza Ann, Lesanto, Newcastle, 42 days; do.; brigs Joblings, Somerville, Paimboaf, 42 days; do.—do. Pomona, Templeton, Leith, 52 days; general

cargo—Duncan & Loch: Emerald, Pecker-swail, Dartmouth, 40 days; ballast—do.: barque Emma, Spicer, Plymouth, 42 days; ballast—do.: brig Queen, Clark, Charente, 43 days; do.—do.

29th—brig Affghaniistan, Deverick, Newfoundland; do—do.: schr Happy Return, McNeil, P. E. Island; oats—do.: barque Aberfoyle, Wilson, Liverpool, 35 days; general cargo—J. Cunard & Co.

Cleared, May 23rd—barque Lord Mulgrave, Lickiss, Hull, lumber—Gilmour Rankin & Co.

25th—schr Mayflower, O'Brien, Halifax; lumber—J. Bagnall: schr New Messenger, Sitoman, do.; do—do.

27th—schr Eliza and Ann, Ferguson, Killrush, do—J. Canard & Co.: barque Grace Darling, McLea, Dublin; deals—Gilmour Rankin & Co.; brig Rebecca, Campbell, Belfast; timber and deals—do.

28th—schr John Henry, Gains, Halifax; lumber—G. Taylor: schr Messenger, Barrington, Limerick; timber and deals—J. Cunard & Co.

29th—schr Duke of Wellington, Siliker, Canso; salt—J. Russell: barque Endymion, Cordingly, Hull; lumber—Gilmour Rankin & Co.

PORT OF RICHIBUCTO.

Entered, May 22—Barque Evening Star, Hannab, Liverpool, 30 days; Holderness and Chilton: schr Lady, Michon, Quebec, 10 days.

22rd—brig Crusader, Sharp, Newfoundland, 9 days; R. Cutler.

25th—schr Relief, McNeill, P. E. Island.

26th—barque Elizabeth Holderness, Prodger, Hull, 44 days; Holderness & Chilton.

27th—barque Civility, Bale, P. E. Island; master: schr Jane Ann, Mercier, Quebec; L. Desbrisay: brig Frederick Young, Wallace, Newcastle, 42 days—J. Jardine.

28th—barque Thetis, Richmond, Belfast; 38 days; R. Cutler: barque Falcon, Hatchins, Bristol, 43 days; do. Spoke on the 26th April lat. 45 59, long. 28 10, barque Alchymist from Falmouth to Quebec. May 13—lat. 45 31, long. 49 30, brigs Lavinia and True Blue. May 14—lat 45 17, long. 49 35, barque Forager, from Hull, to St. John, N. B. Brig William Horatia, Larkin, Newfoundland, 10 days; Holderness & Chilton: schr L'Italienne, Bralo, Quebec.

Cleared, May 22—schr Rover, Graham, Newfoundland. 27th—sloop Larne, Smith, Larne.

The Fredericton Mail.

The New York Sun, of Saturday last, furnishes us with some later intelligence from Mexico.

It states that on the 23rd ult., Captain Thornton, with a body of 61 men, was surprised on the Rio Grande, when Lieutenant Mason and nine men were killed, and 2 wounded, the remainder were taken prisoners.

Excitement at Pensacola.—The Picayune of the 12th says we were informed by a friend yesterday, that he had received a letter from Pensacola, dated the 9th, stating that much excitement existed at that place on account of a supposed design among the negroes to revolt. Subsequent advices contradict the rumour.

We do not see any thing worthy of note in the Colonial papers received.

Books & Stationary.

Just received, per barque Oxford, from Glasgow,

An assortment of Books; Consisting of—BIBLES, TESTAMENTS,

Prayer Books, Psalms, Catechisms, The Works of Baxter, Bunyan, Milton, Goldsmith, Burns, &c. &c.

SCHOOL BOOKS, &c., with a variety of Fancy Stationary, Piano Music, and Music Paper.

Also on hand—a few copies of Chambers's Publications. Hourly expected, the remainder of the Stock, from London.

T. VONDY, Jun. Chatham, May 25, 1846.

Two Tons OAT MEAL,

Received from Prince Edward Island. For Sale by H. C. D. CARMAN. May 8, 1846.

Fashionable Summer GOODS.

The Subscriber begs to announce that he is NOW OPENING his

Spring Importation of British GOODS,

And that they are of the same attractive and Fashionable description as have usually been offered for sale by him. With his other Goods he has also imported

STATIONARY

Of various kinds, among which may be enumerated—Bibles and Testaments, Family Worship, Prayer Books, the Christian's Daily Companion,

Mosheim's Church History,

Rollin's Ancient History, Josephus's Works, Chambers's People's Edition, Scottish Christian Herald, Envelopes, Visiting Cards, School Books, Copy Books, Writing Paper, Steel Pens, &c., all of which will be disposed of at exceedingly low prices

Groceries, Liquors, Flour, Oatmeal, &c.

JOHN MACDOUGALL.

Chatham, 30th May, 1846.

Charlotte Town and Miramichi.

The Schooner "PROVIDENCE,"

Captain McQUARRIE, will sail between the above Ports ONCE A WEEK during the season, wind and weather permitting. For Freight or passage, apply to

JOHNSON & MACKIE.

Chatham, 27th May, 1846.

THE CARGO

Of the Schooner "JOSEPH HOWE, from BOSTON, for Sale by JOHNSON & MACKIE.

150 Barrels FLOUR,

125 Barrels Corn Meal:

75 bbls and bags Pilot and Navy BREAD, 50 bbls and kegs Crackers, various kinds, 10 Hogheads, } choice retailing Molasses. 10 Tierces, } 95 boxes Tea, 5 bags Coffee, 10 boxes Confectionary, 120 boxes Raisins, 10 boxes Oranges, 5 boxes Lemons, 7 bags Nuts, 20 drums Figs, 9 jars Prunes, 2 casks Currants, 20 bags Indian Corn, 2 casks Rice, 125 boxes Window Glass, all sizes 2 barrels and 2 kegs Glass Ware, 20 barrels Pitch, 20 barrels Tar, 14 barrels Solar Oil, 2 cases Sweet Oil, 50 doz bottles Castor Oil, 2 bales Cotton Wool, 10 dozen wooden Pails, 6 nests Tubs,

40 Packages Agricultural Implements:

Amongst which are—Scythes and Cradles, Manure Forks, Hay Forks, Scythe Secaths, Hay Rakes, &c &c.

46 boxes and kegs TOBACCO, various kinds, 5 bbls strong Rum, 5 boxes Stoughton's 5 cases Copal Varnish, [Elixir, 12 boxes Tobacco Pipes, 4 cases Pickles, 2 casks Salaratus, 4 boxes palm leaf Hats 14 boxes cotton and wool Cards,

20 boxes Boots and Shoes, assorted;

Clocks, Pictures and Frames, Leather, Furniture, Brooms, Combs, Spices and Drugs, Burning Fluid, Honey, Turpentine, Starch, Scented Soaps, Mats, Matches, Sauff, Corks, Patent Scales, and a variety of other articles.

—Received, per recent arrivals—

100 barrels HERRINGS,

70 do PORK,

BARLEY, WHEAT, OATS, &c. &c.

The rest of their Spring Stock, daily expected. Chatham, 15th May, 1846.

House at Auction.

To be sold at Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 1st June next, at 12 o'clock, noon, on the Premises, in Chatham:

The DWELLING HOUSE, owned and occupied by the subscriber, situate in the upper part of Chatham, adjoining the shop of Mr. B. Stapleton. The house contains 3 rooms on the lower floor, and two up stairs—it has also an excellent Frost-proof Cellar. For particulars enquire of DAVID JOHNSTON. Chatham, May 15, 1846.

NOTICE,

ALL persons indebted to the Subscriber for transactions at his Store in Chatham, are hereby informed that he has placed their Notes and Accounts in the hands of GEORGE KERR, Esquire, Attorney at Law, for Collection; and they are requested to call and pay Mr Kerr without delay, otherwise legal steps will be adopted to enforce payment.

JOSEPH RUSSELL.

Chatham, 17th April, 1846.

The subscriber also offers For Sale that TRACT OF LAND, lying on both sides of the Post Road, leading from Chatham to Richibucto, and adjoining the rear of the Lands formerly owned by the Joint Stock Company, comprising about 30 acres, about 10 of which are cleared. This property is advantageously situated for persons residing in Chatham. For terms and other particulars apply at the office of Mr Kerr. JOSEPH RUSSELL.