

FATAL ACCIDENT.—It is our painful duty to-day, to record one of those heart-rending accidents, by which a wife has been bereaved of a husband and a large and helpless family of children, has lost a sober, industrious and tender parent.

On the occasion of the arrival of certain vessels and distinguished personages at this place, it is customary to fire a few cannon by way of a salute. On the unhappy occasion to which we refer, the ship Pollock, belonging to the house of Gilmour, Rankin & Co. having made her appearance yesterday somewhat suddenly, Mr JAMES HERBERT, Cooper, assisted by one or two others, hastened with all possible speed, to procure the necessary powder, wadding, &c. and fired the first cannon, but while in the act of charging the same, a second time, Herbert having neglected, in a hurry of the occasion, to sponge it properly out—if at all—it went off, carrying the body of poor Herbert to a considerable distance, where it was found quite lifeless.

The unfortunate sufferer was a great many years in the employment of Messrs. Gilmour, Rankin & Co. and has sustained throughout, the character of a strictly honest, industrious and sober man. He was esteemed by all who knew him, and we have no doubt but the sufferings of his sadly afflicted wife and bereaved children, will be deeply shared in by his large circle of friends and acquaintances.

We have in this sad accident another instance of the folly of persisting in so fooling a practice, and another warning to be ready, seeing that in the midst of life we are in death.

ARRIVALS AT BEA'S HOTEL,

CHATHAM.

William Wilson, Nelson; J. B. Tremaine, Esq. Charlotte town; Dennis Callaghan, Dorchester; John Mooney, Shediac; Dr. Odell and Lady, Fredericton; Mrs Stevens, Bathurst; Mrs Leggett, do.; William Stevens, do.; Frederick Stevens, do.; William H. Fisher, Saint John; Christopher Smiler, do.; David Crocker, Esq.

Marriages.

At Bathurst, on Wednesday, the 6th inst. by the Revd. George McDonnell, Mr GEORGE PATTERSON, to Miss MARY ANN McDONALD, both of Bathurst.

On Tuesday, 12th inst. by the same, Mr JOHN BELLOW, to Miss JANE WALKER, both of the Parish of Beresford.

Deaths:

On the 24th August inst. at his residence, Ropewalk Cottage, Irvine, Scotland, Captain JOHN HAMILTON, formerly of Dalhousie, in the 80th year of his age. The deceased was the first merchant that commenced business in Dalhousie, Chaleur Bay, and carried on an extensive and successful trade during fourteen years, then retired to spend his declining years in his native land.

He was also chiefly instrumental in bringing to this country a number of settlers, who from their own industrious efforts, have attained a degree of comfort to themselves, and added materially to the agricultural improvement of the County of Restigouche; in the infant state of which hospitality could rarely be obtained or expected, his house was ever open to the traveller or the needy, who always experienced his benevolence. His simple, unostentatious manners, coupled with his truly hospitable and generous disposition, had endeared him to the inhabitants of the Baie des Chaleurs, throughout its whole extent, and they deeply sympathise with his family, both here and in Scotland, in their present bereavement.

Ship News.

PORT OF MIRAMICHI.

ENTERED.—Sept 12.—Sch Don Gola, Crosscup, New York, John Jardine; Brig Wanderer, Benson, do, Gilmour Rankin & Co.
13th—Tusker, Stowe, London, do., 46 days.
Sch Matilda, Boudreau, Quebec.
15th—Ship Standard, McPherson, Liverpool, do, 41 days.
16th—Sch Clarisse, Dichine, Quebec; Vine, Campbell, P. E. Island; Armada, Malone, do.
18th—Siberia, Watt, Halifax.
CLEARED.—Sept 12.—Brig Thames, Bell, Leith; Sch Don Gola, Crosscup, Richibucto.
16th—H. R. S., Smith, Bathurst; brig Mariner, Crawford, Glasgow.

PORT OF RICHIBUCTO.

ENTERED.—Sept.—Concordia, Jiffney, Bordeaux; L. P. Desbriay; Joseph Smith, Babin, Arichat; Zephor, Dart, Charleston.
7th—Cinna, Thompson, Hull, Wark.
11th—Ann, Scott, Boston, Holderness & Chilton; Brothers, Campbell, Prince Edward's Island.
13th—Brothers, Cagan, Halifax, McPhelim; Caroline, Anil, Quebec, Florn.
CLEARED.—Aug 31.—Queen, Watson, Hull, Holderness & Chilton, Deals and Railway Shippers; Themis, Lawler, Hull, Deals; Visitor, Adair, Cork, Deals, Holderness & Chilton.
Sept 4.—Guano, Grant, Picton, Boards.
5th—Veronica, Mountain, Boards, Cutler.
7th—Industry, LeGoff, Newfoundland, McPhelim.

YESTERDAY'S MAIL.

Papers by this mail furnish some items of news which we give below:

The Fredericton Reporter of Friday says—that Sir Edmund Head, and Lady arrived at that city from their tour in the Northern counties in good health.

The St. John papers still make mention of the large amount of persons who are weekly leaving the Province for the United States. Among the parties are a number of young men natives of the city, and others who have been farmers in the upper part of Sussex and on the Nepcis.

His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton came out a passenger in the Europa. He arrived at Saint John on Thursday via Annapolis.

From the West Indies.—Severe Hurricane.—We have received the St. Christopher Gazette of the 25th Aug., and Antigua Register, of the 22d August, by which we have particulars of a severe hurricane in these Islands on the morning of the 22d August.

St. Kitts.—At Basseterre, the hurricane continued from midnight to 5 o'clock, and was more disastrous in its effects than that on the 12th Aug 1835. During the night two or three shocks of earthquake were felt. The barometer fell to 28.6.

The accounts from many parts of the Island are most distressing. In some villages every small tenement was thrown down, and, with the furniture of the poor inmates destroyed. On some plantations the whole of the works and other buildings have been destroyed.

The sugar cane, all laid prostrate and stripped of leaves, seems scorched as if by the hot sun.

The loss of life has been very great. The Schooner Mary foundered and all her crew perished. A vessel from St. Martin's, with ten persons, was lost, together with all on board. The Coroner had held inquests on a number of persons, killed by the falling of buildings.

A subscription for the relief of the more destitute of the sufferers had been opened. The list was headed by the Lieut. Governor with \$100.

A special meeting of the Legislature had been called to consider the state of the Island. The Gazette devotes two pages to the details of the sad calamity.

From Antigua most distressing accounts have been received. The gale set in at 11 o'clock, when a severe shock of an earthquake was felt, and it was at this time that most of the injuries to life and property occurred.

Several large vessels sunk at their moorings, together with several pilot and fishing boats. English Harbor and Falmouth are represented to be nearly overthrown.

All the plantations in the Island are more or less injured. The desolation which prevails can hardly be described.

The Register says—'Each moment brings us some new and authentic account of buildings levelled, and mills overthrown, with serious loss of life.'

The casualties throughout the Island are, however, too numerous for us to enumerate—suffice it to say, that more injury has occurred to property than from the hurricanes of 1837, or the earthquake of 1843.

In the numerous villages scattered throughout the Island, it is feared that serious loss of life had occurred, and that deep distress and misery will ensue.

The Register, published on the morning of the hurricane, furnishes a list of eleven persons killed by the falling of buildings.

Four or five churches were levelled with the earth. In some instances, buildings which cost \$8,000 and upwards, have been demolished.—*Des.*

St. John Courier, Sept. 16.

Electric Telegraph.—We are enabled to state that the United States Electric Telegraph Company are now constructing a line of Electric Telegraph from Portland to Calais (in continuation of the line from New Orleans,) and that they propose continuing this line to St. John the present season. If a sufficient amount of stock is taken up in this province. A Committee having been appointed to solicit subscriptions for shares, and a considerable portion of the required number having been taken up, it was decided at a meeting of the Shareholders, which took place yesterday, that a commencement should be made.

New-York, Sept 10 Sunday, 8½ o'clock p. m.—Destructive Fire in Brooklyn and loss of life.—About 11 o'clock last night, a fire broke out in Fulton Street Brooklyn, which was not checked until 5 o'clock this morning. Over 200 Buildings including the Baptist, Methodist, and Universalist Churches, and many first class stores and dwellings in the heart of the City were destroyed. The entire loss will probably reach \$1,500,000.

The Ferry Bridge gave way, and many were precipitated into the water, some of whom are supposed to have been drowned.

The Earthquake.—The earthquake of Friday night was felt at Sing Sing and Tarrytown. The Newark Advertiser of Saturday says:—The same thing was noticed in all parts of the town, with a general conviction that it was a jar of the earth. We felt it sensibly ourselves and the windows of the house rattled distinctly. Many of the inhabitants with whom we have conversed, were awakened from sleep by the jar. The county jail on the hill was shaken from the top to the bottom. The shock was felt at Jersey City, and also at Belleville.—*Boston Paper.*

Sudden Death of a British Officer.—Lieut. George F. Ruxton, aged 38, of the 59th Regiment, British Army, died at St. Louis on the 29th ult. of Dysentery.

Mr C. Smiler, of St John, will deliver a Temperance Lecture this evening at the Band Room, to commence at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Robert Irvine, of St. John D. V. will preach in the Wesleyan Church to-morrow evening and afterwards address the meeting on the subject of the Theological Institute about to be established in Halifax Nova Scotia. Service to commence at seven o'clock. On Thursday evening he expects to preach and deliver an address at Douglastown.

Ladies' Bible Society.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the Miramichi Ladies Auxiliary Bible Society, will be held in St John's Church, Chatham, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.
C. THOMSON, Secretary.
Miramichi, September, 19 1848.

On Consignment.

600 PAIRS MOCASSINS,
200 Fitch, Sable and French Nutria
Fur Caps,
of different styles.
For Sale at Quebec prices, by
WM J. FRASER.
Chatham, September 18, 1848.

For Sale,

A light, English built
Four-wheel Carriage,
Nearly new, capable of carrying four persons, and may be drawn by one or two horses, having moveable shafts and pole, constructed on the most approved principle, with patent elliptic springs and Lamps. Also
A set of silver mounted
SINGLE HARNESS,
Complete, in most excellent condition, and a Carriage WHIP, also silver mounted. Apply immediately to
WM J. FRASER.
Chatham, 18, 1848.

NOTICE,

The Public are respectfully invited to view a patent mechanical

Table Lamp

Of neat design, and for brilliancy of light have never been equalled: casting a reflection equal to twenty seven Sperm Candles, at a less cost in burning than the common Astral Lamp; and may be seen burning every evening during the week at Wm. J. Fraser's Store, where it lies for sale. Also
About 60lbs west English Sperm Candles.
Chatham, September 18, 1848.

Notice to the Public,

My wife Bridget having left my Bed and Board, all persons are hereby cautioned against harbouring or crediting her, as I will not be accountable for any debts that may be so contracted.

DANIEL BORETY.

Dalhousie, 1st August, 1848.

CATTLE SHOW

AND
Ploughing Match
OF THE
NORTHUMBERLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Ploughing Match and Cattle Show of the Northumberland Agricultural Society, will take place at NEWCASTLE, on TUESDAY, the 3d day of October next, the former in the Field in the rear of the house lately occupied by J. A. Street, Esq., and now in possession of Mr Nevin, and the latter in the town of Newcastle.

REGULATIONS.

PLOUGHING MATCH.

1st—Teams must be on the ground by Nine, ready to commence at 10 o'clock precisely.
2nd—All persons who may have gained the First Prize for two years shall not be eligible to compete this year.
3d—The Society will provide for the expense of Ferrying all horses that have been actually engaged in the Ploughing Match.

CATTLE SHOW.

1st—All Cattle and Horses must be on the ground, and ready to be entered for competition by 11 o'clock, A. M., and none can be entered at or Twelve.
2nd—Cattle and Horses brought for Exhibition must have been raised in the County, and have been the property of the Exhibitor at least three months, previously to the day of Competition, and they must be accompanied by a certificate proving the breed and age of each animal.
For the List of Prizes, and fuller particulars of every kind, the public are respectfully referred to the printed Hand Bills, circulated in June last.

By order of the Board,
JAMES CAIE, Secretary.
Miramichi, 14th September, 1848.

BLANKS.

Custom House, Treasury, Lawyers' and Magistrates' Blanks for sale at the GLEANER OFFICE.

AUCTIONS.

SALE OF LAND.

For Sale at the Office of Mathew Carruthers, Esq., Bathurst, on TUESDAY, the 3rd OCTOBER, at noon, (unless previously disposed of by private sale).

The Property,

lately occupied and owned by the late James Grey, situate on the east side of the Bathurst and Miramichi road, between Foran's and the Tabistacac bridge, and containing one hundred Acres, about five acres of which are under crop, and upwards of ten acres cut down.

Applications to be made to Mr Daniel Witherell, Newcastle or to the Subscriber, at Bathurst.

JAMES WITHERELL, Administrator.
Bathurst, 11th Aug. 1848

On SATURDAY, 23d September, 1848, at 12 o'clock noon, will be sold at Public Auction, in front of Messrs. M. Samuel & Sons' Store, in the Town of Chatham, in one or two Lots, to suit intending purchasers. That

Lot of Land,

of 200 Acres, more or less, situate in the parish of Newcastle, immediately in the rear of George Stewart's Lot, next lot above Mr James Russell. This Lot is bounded on the west side of a Lot granted A. Stewart, Senr., on the east by a Lot granted to James Russell. For farther particulars apply to

J. M. JOHNSON, Auctioneer.
Chatham September 12, 1848.

On THURSDAY, 5th October next, at 11 o'clock forenoon, on the Farm owned by John Porter, Esq., in rear of Douglastown, and presently in the occupation of Mr George Mitchell, will be sold by Auction. The whole

Stock and Crop Thereon,

consisting of:—

6 Milch Cows, 4 Yearlings, three 3 year old Oxen, three Calves, Two 3 year old Heifers, One 3 year old Bull, Three 2 year old Do. The above are some full and other half Ayrshire breed.

2 Excellent working horses, 4 Pigs, 9 Sheep—best breed, eight stacks Wheat and Oats, 14 Tons Excellent Upland Hay, and 4½ Acres Potatoes and Turnips.

A credit will be given until June next, to purchasers as may be agreed upon at the time of Sale. For further particulars inquire of
J M JOHNSON, Auctioneer.
Chatham, September, 18, 1848.

Sheriff's Sale.

At the Court House, in Newcastle, on Friday, the 9th day of February next, between the hours of Twelve and Five o'clock P. M., will be sold at Public Auction: All the Right, Title, Interest, Property claim and Demand of James Fowler, and John Fowler, to any real estate in the County of Northumberland, to satisfy an Execution, issued out by the supreme Court, at the suit of John A. Street, and Allan A. Davidson, against the said James Fowler and John Fowler.

WM. A. BLACK, Sheriff.
Newcastle, August 8, 1848.

Notice.

All persons indebted to WILLIAM TAYLOR, late of the Parish of Weldford, in the County of Kent, are required to make immediate payment of the same to Messrs. J. W. HOLDERNESS & CHILTON, of Richibucto, who have an Assignment of all Debts due to the said William Taylor, and no other person has any authority to receive the same.
Richibucto, 23d August, 1848.

Notice!

Whereas CATHERINE EGAN, otherwise Dyer, my Wife, of the parish of Beresford, County Gloucester, has withdrawn herself from my bed and board, this is to caution the public not to give her any Credit on my account, as I will not be accountable for any thing she may contract.

CONNOR EGAN.

Green Point, August 12, 1848.

ON SALE.

500 barrels Yellow Corn Meal,
200 barrels Canada Superfine Flour,
40 do. Rye Flour,
200 bushels Yellow Corn,
50 barrels Prime Pork,
20 do. do. Beef,
20 do. Navy Bread,
10 boxes Tobacco,
20 boxes Tea in small packages, for family use,
10 boxes Raisins,
20 bags Fine Salt.

WM. J. FRASER.

Chatham 22nd August, 1848.

MIRAMICHI

Candle & Soap Manufactory

The Subscriber offers for Sale at the building opposite the Post Office, Mould Candles, and & 8s by the Box, or retail. Also—Hard and Soft soap, in quantities to suit families.

WILLIAM LETSON.

N. B.—Hardwood Ashes, Soap Grease and Tallow will be received in exchange for Soap and Candles.