

wind; had it been otherwise, we are apprehensive considerable property would have been consumed, as the premises adjoin other houses, and there are numerous outbuildings in the rear. We trust our Firewards will have a sharp lookout after stove pipes—there are too many of them protruding through roofs for the safety of our town.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The members of the Total Abstinence Society, in conjunction with the Sons of Temperance, held a very interesting meeting in the Band Room, in Chatham, on Thursday evening last. It was numerously attended, and the parties present appeared highly pleased with the proceedings of the evening. A similar meeting is to be held in the same place on the second Thursday in December, in accordance with an unanimous vote of the meeting.

FIRE IN NEWCASTLE.—About 10 o'clock yesterday morning, the usual serenity of our little town was thrown into alarm by a fire having broken out very suddenly in the premises owned and occupied by Mrs Burke, as an Inn. The fire is supposed to have originated about the chimney, and the flames spread very rapidly, and the whole roof was one sheet of fire within a short period. The engine was on the spot in a few moments, and the company being in a very efficient state, did good service, and every male in the town was early on the spot, and rendered most active and energetic service; but all their efforts were unavailing, as from the progress the fire had made, no human efforts could save the building. The furniture was saved but much injured. It was impossible to save the building,—the attention of the firewards was mainly directed towards saving the adjoining buildings, and very fortunately, and from the unparalleled labour of the inhabitants, we are rejoiced to learn that the fire was subdued, having only destroyed the building where it originated. Mr Sargeant's store and dwelling house adjoining at eastward, and the barn on the premises within a few feet of the house to the westward, having been saved from destruction. The Douglastown engine was in attendance as soon as could have been reasonably expected, considering the distance, headed by Richard Hutchison, Esq., and others, and was placed under the direction of the firewards. It worked admirably well during the fire.—Communicated.

YESTERDAY'S MAIL.

From papers by this mail we glean below a few items of news. New Brunswick.—The Fredericton Reporter says—that the new Steamer, Forest Queen, occupies six hours in her downward passage, and eight in her return. By the same paper we perceive that a heavy fall of snow, the first for the season, was experienced at headquarters on Thursday. The St. Andrew's Standard thus speaks of the labours performed on the Railway, and the future prospects of the Company: "It gives us much pleasure to announce that the Stock in our Railroad, is rapidly arriving at completion, notwithstanding the great depreciation in English Railways. We understand, that John Wilson, Esq, the President of the Company, now in London, is most sanguine of success. There cannot be a doubt of the work going on in good earnest early in the Spring. The portion of the road already graded, reflects much credit upon those persons employed in its construction. The laborers employed have worked faithfully, and the work has progressed as fast as could be expected. We are also happy to notice, that the house erected for the emigrants from Earl Fitzwilliam's estates, have been shingled, and large chimneys built, which has added materially to the comfort and convenience of their occupants, who appear to be contented." The same paper contains an account of a very interesting Soiree given by the Sons of Temperance belonging to that town. Nearly 500 persons were present. The St. John papers report stormy weather during the last week, with snow and rain. The Courier contains a long article respecting the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, which, it appears, is completed, and the contractors have handed the keys to the Commissioners. The following account of the place of its location, and description of the building, will be interesting to our readers: "The new Lunatic Asylum has been erected about a mile from the City of St. John, on the Western side of the Harbor, on a great tract of ground about fifty acres in extent, part of which forms the Lower Falls. This site was purchased of the city corporation by the government, for this particular purpose, and certainly, taking everything into account, it may be said with a boldness which defies contradiction, that the province does not afford one that is better adapted to the purpose than it. It is at once both public and private—in the

town and yet out of it; the heart of the forest cannot be more private and secluded than this spot will be made, while its proximity to the city will give it a command of the best market for everything necessary for the supply of the house, and will place within reach all the medical advice and assistance which occasion may at any time require; and what is of the utmost importance in all establishments of this kind, it will ensure that constant and unexpected supervision at all times so necessary.

The buildings are constructed of good pressed Brick, with Free Stone dressings. The main building is three stories above the basement, which rises high enough above the ground to be sufficiently lighted and ventilated, and furnishes extensive kitchens and cellars. The front, which has a very imposing appearance, is divided into five compartments; the centre one of them is thrown a little forward, and contains the principal entrance, covered by a Stone Porch, of suitable and elegant design. It rises the height of another story above the rest of the house, by which means the long sky line is agreeably broken. The two wings, which form the two exterior compartments of the five, project considerably more than the centre, and into the ground floor room of each of them, a large and handsome bow window has been introduced, to counterbalance the bold projection of the eaves of the roof; and they also interrupt what would otherwise be the uniformity of the front. In the rear, the building is carried back from the centre to the height of only two stories from the basement; the upper one of them is intended, when the design is complete, to form a chapel. To this a small tower and cupola are attached, the design of which is much admired. Detached from the main building is a lodge of somewhat different arrangement, for the reception of noisy and dirty patients, in those stages of the malady which renders seclusion necessary. Both the buildings are so arranged as to separate effectually one sex from the other, and there is the same separation in the airing grounds.

United States.—Late papers give the particulars of the destruction by fire, of the Bangor Lumber mills. The Bangor Whig says: "The destruction was complete and entire; the whole mills, two immense blocks, are burnt up clean. It is but a short time, only some year and a half, we think, since these mills were rebuilt, at a cost of some \$80,000. They were among the best mills on the river, and were furnished with all the late improvements, and have been running out an immense quantity of lumber. They were run day and night, and the fire took about twelve o'clock, while the men were at their night meal."

It is not known how the fire originated.—They were but partially insured—about \$40,000. The New York Sun reports, that a contract has been completed between the Postmaster General and Messrs Howland & Aspinwall, merchants, of New York, for the conveyance of a monthly mail across the Isthmus, from Chagres to Panama, and thence by steamship to California and Oregon, on the Pacific. The contract was completed yesterday.

The Mail Steamers.—The next steamer at Halifax will be the Acadia, which would leave Liverpool on the 4th November—to be succeeded on the 14th by the Cambria, on the 18th by the Britannia, and on the 25th by the Canada, on her first trip. The Mails will afterwards be once a fortnight until April, and will be conveyed in the four new steamers—the America, Europa, Niagara, and Canada.

ARRIVALS AT HEA'S HOTEL.

Arthur Ritchie, Esq., and Mrs. Ritchie, of Dalhousie, from P. E. Island; Capt. Pettigrove, late ship Deborah, of St. Andrews; Mrs Pettigrove and child; Robert Pettigrove, 1st mate ship Deborah; T. DesBrisay, Esq., Bathurst; Wm. Sprague, Esq., New Bandon; Wm. Southwood, do.; James Young, Tracadie; W. Parker, Nelson; Rev. Mr. Wallace; Henry Sargeant; J. H. Harding, Esq., of Shippigan, from St. John; Thos. Scott, Dalhousie; Arthur Ritchie, Esq., do.; Z. Phinney, Richibucto; John Stymist, Tabusintac; Wm Stymist, do.; Donald McRae, Bay du Vin; John McRae, do.; James Fraser, Kouchibouguac; P. Stymist; Tabusintac; John Potter, Kouchibouguac.

Ship News.

PORT OF MIRAMICHI.

ENTERED, Oct. 31—schr Caroline, Bell, P. E. Island; Maria, Mercier, Quebec. Nov. 4—schr Margaret, Sinclair, P. E. Island. 6th—schr Mary, Graham, P. E. Island; Emma, Duquette, Quebec. 8th—brig Eliza, Henderson, Boston—Assignees of J. Canard; schr Caroline, Bell, P. E. Island. 9th—schr Billow, McLeod, P. E. Island. 10th—schr Catherine, McLeod, P. E. Island. 13th—schr Clarinda, Boig, Boston. CLEARED, Nov. 1—schr New Messenger, Siteman, Halifax; Caroline, Bell, P. E. Island. 3rd—schr Echo, Brien, Sydney, C. B. 4th—brig Agnes, Williams, Pwllheli, Wales. 6th—schr Maria, Mercier, Quebec. 7th—schr Mary, Graham, P. E. Island. 8th—schr Margaret, Sinclair, P. F. Island; Caroline, Bell, do. 3th—brig Palmerston, Jones, Aberystwith. 10th—ship Cassandra, Gall, Belfast.

11th—schr Catherine, McLeod, P. E. Island; Billow, McLeod, do.

PORT OF DALHOUSIE.

ENTERED, Nov. 1—ship Compton, Houghton, Rochester, 47 days, ballast—A. Ritchie & Co. 2nd—barque John Walker, Craig, Hull, 49 days, ballast—A. Ritchie & Co. 5th—schr Defiance, Curry, Halifax, 14 days, general cargo—A. Ritchie & Co. CLEARED, Nov. 2—schr Prudent, Audette, Maria, ballast. 7th—schr Pacific, Bernier, Quebec, ballast.

To Let,

And possession given immediately, the premises now occupied by Mrs. Bird, in the upper part of Chatham. Apply on the premises. November 14, 1849.

CARD!

We, the undersigned, Firewards of the town of Newcastle, beg to return our sincere thanks to Richard Hutchison, Esq. and the other Firewards and Firemen, of Douglastown, for their promptitude in bringing up the Douglastown Fire Engine and placing it at our disposal, in subduing the fire which took place this day, in the premises occupied by Mrs. Burke. T. C. ALLAN, HENRY B. ALLISON, W. LOCH, JAMES LEDDEN, E. WILLISTON. Newcastle, November 14, 1848.

VICTORIA HOUSE

The Subscriber being about to retire from business, is now selling, off at 30 per cent. below first cost:

THEIR STOCK,

CONSISTING OF Fall and Winter Goods,

viz:—Broad-Cloths; Tweeds; Doeskins; All Wool Cloakings, Muffs, Boas and Victoreens, Ladies' Fur Cuffs, Printed Orleans, Striped Gaieties, Mexican Delaines, Tartans and Cobourgs, Printed Muslins, Ginghams, Lawns, Musline Edgings, Laces, &c. &c. &c. Sawls, in black and drab filings, Mourning and Plain Black Indiana and Fancy Handkerchiefs in great variety some of the latest styles of Fancy Dresses, Grey White, Striped and Printed Cottons, White and Red Flannels, Hollands, Ginghams Checks, &c. White and Coloured Stays, Black and Coloured Neck-kerchiefs, Scarfs and Stocks, Indian Rubber and Buckled Braces, Ready made Clothing, Boots and Shoes—strong and fine, a great variety of Books, and a number of other articles, too numerous to mention.

EDWARD DALEY & SON, Chatham, October 9th, 1848.

LIST of LETTERS

Received at the Newcastle Post Office during the month of September, and remaining for delivery Adams Edmond Woods Jas Nelson Ballock Stephen Hutchison John Courney Mary Barnaby River Cowie Andrew Kelly Phoebe miss Connor Wm Lynch Wm or Mary Casey Johanna McMas er Wm D novan Timothy McKendrick Bell Flynn John North Esk 2 North Esk Graham Michael McFarran John Henderson Simon snip Rebecca Handley John care of Tozer Elson N Esk Rev Mr Egau Mitchell Alex

Persons asking for advertised Letters will please say 'advertised.'

HUGH MORELL, P. M.

For Sale.

The LOT of LAND fronting on the north side of Miramichi River, nearly opposite middle Island, known as Lot No. 43, containing 100 acres. There is a snug dwelling HOUSE on the Lot, and from 8 to 10 acres of cleared Land. The front abounds in free stone, fit for building purposes, and has a good Salmon Fishery. The premises are at present in the occupation of Mr. James McIntosh. For Terms and further particulars, apply at the office of GEORGE KERR.

Chatham, May 29, 1848

To Let.

The HOUSE and PREMISES formerly occupied by the late JAMES PATTERSON, in Chatham, situate between the residences of Mr John Fitzpatrick and Mr Robert Coulson. Immediate possession can be given. JAMES PATTERSON, Chatham, 7th October, 1848.

Passage to Belfast.

The fast sailing ship CASSANDRA, ROBT. GALL, master, now lying at Chatham, can take a few cabin passengers. Apply, in Chatham, to Mr. W. Johnstone, or to the master on board. November 6, 1848.

BLANKS.

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

Notice to the Public.

Arrangements for the Arrival and Departure of Her Majesty's Mails between Sackville and Campbelltown.

On and from the 6th October next, the Mails to and from the north will be despatched from and sent to SACKVILLE, where, in future, the junction with the main St John and Halifax line will be effected, instead of at the Bend of Pettitcodiac, as heretofore. The following is a Table of the hours arranged for arriving at and leaving the several Post Offices on the route, viz.

SACKVILLE TO CAMPBELLTOWN.

SUNDAYS AND THURSDAYS. H. M. Mails despatched from Sackville at 5, 0, p. m. (or one hour after the arrival of the Halifax Mail when late.) Due at Dorchester at 6, 40, p. m. Despatched from Dorchester at 6, 55, p. m. Due at Shediac at 11, 25, p. m. Despatched from Shediac at 11, 40, p. m.

MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

Due at Richibucto at 5, 20, a. m. Despatched from Richibucto at 5, 35, a. m. Due at Chatham at 0, 15, p. m. Newcastle Mail despatched at 1, 0, p. m. (or thirty minutes after the arrival of the southern mail when late) Due at Newcastle at 2, 20, p. m. Mails (for the north) despatched from Newcastle at 3, 0, p. m. Due at Chatham at 4, 20, p. m. Despatched from Chatham at 5, 0, p. m. (or one hour after the arrival of the southern mail, when late)

TUESDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

Due at Bathurst at 2, 20, a. m. Despatched from Bathurst at 2, 50, a. m. Due at Dalhousie at 11, 30, a. m. Despatched from Dalhousie at 0, 30, p. m. (or one hour after the arrival of the southern mail when late) Due at Campbelltown at 3, 10, p. m.

CAMPBELLTOWN TO SACKVILLE.

TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

Mails despatched from Campbelltown at 9, 0, a. m. Due at Dalhousie at 11, 40, a. m. Despatched from Dalhousie at 1, 0, p. m. Due at Bathurst at 9, 40, p. m. Despatched from Bathurst at 10, 10, p. m.

WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

Due at Chatham at 7, 30, a. m. Newcastle mail despatched from Chatham at 8, 30, a. m. Due at Newcastle at 9, 50, a. m. Mails (for the south) despatched from Newcastle at 11, 0, a. m. Due at Chatham at 0, 00, p. m. Despatched from Chatham at 1, 0, p. m. Due at Richibucto at 7, 40, p. m. Despatched from Richibucto at 7, 55, p. m.

SUNDAYS AND THURSDAYS.

Due at Shediac at 1, 35, a. m. Despatched from Shediac at 1, 50, a. m. Due at Dorchester at 6, 20, a. m. Despatched from Dorchester at 6, 35, a. m. Due at Sackville at 8, 15, a. m.

W. W. BARNARD.

Post Office Surveyor.

Chatham, 22nd September, 1848.

FREE CHURCH COLLEGE,

FOR THE

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NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND, & NEW-FOUNDLAND.

THIS COLLEGE will be opened on WEDNESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER, 1848, when the REV. ANDREW KING, Professor of Theology, will deliver an INAUGURAL ADDRESS, in St. John's Free Church, Halifax.

Hour of Meeting, Twelve o'clock.

Students will be enrolled for the different Classes, immediately after the inauguration discourse is concluded.

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The Rev. ALEXANDER FORRESTER has agreed to give a course of Lectures, on Natural Science, in connection with Natural Theology, and the evidence of Revealed Religion.

Classes for Hebrew and Oriental Literature, will be formed under Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN. Money is already secured for four Bursaries.

Books and Subscriptions for the Library, will be received at the Stationary Store of Messrs. A. & W. Mackinly, Halifax. It is most desirable that there should be as liberal donations and as large subscriptions as possible before November next.