

YESTERDAY'S MAIL.

CANADA.—A most destructive fire occurred at Toronto on the morning of Saturday, the 7th inst: One of the papers states that this was altogether the most extensive and destructive fire which has ever occurred in Toronto, and a vast amount of property, both in houses and merchandise was consumed by it. We heard the loss variously estimated by persons on the spot, at from £100,000 to £150,000, but it is impossible yet to give anything like a correct statement of the loss. A great portion of it, of course, is insured, and from the great extent of the loss it must press heavily on the Insurance Companies.

The Montreal Pilot reports, that the Rev. Pere Chiniqny, had administered the Total Abstinence Pledge in that city to upwards of Nineteen Thousand persons in four days. Among them were some of the most respectable citizens, male and female.

NOVA SCOTIA.—The Halifax Editors are in high glee at the favorable turn in the conduct of our Legislative body respecting the Great Trunk Railway to connect Halifax with Quebec. They feel sanguine they will have the Railway. The Dalhousie College was opened on the 11th inst.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—The St. John Courier reports that the Shediac Railway Bill has been lost in the Council. We are indebted to the Fredericton Reporter for some additional Legislative news, which we copy below:—

April 7.—The house was occupied in Supply, and at a late hour closed their Supply Bill. The total amount of the various sums voted in Supply this Session amounts to about £56,000 exclusive of the expenses of the Legislature; or about £62,000 including those expenses. This would make the sum total of the expenditure of the year about £108,000; but from this must be deducted whatever grants may be rejected by the Legislative Council.

April 8.—The house went in Committee on a Bill for the relief of unfortunate debtors. This Bill (which emanated from a Select Committee) provided that any person owing £200, or upwards, and being unable to meet his demands, may apply to the Master of the Rolls on oath, accompanied by a certificate from one-fourth of his creditors, and that the Master of the Rolls shall then call a general meeting of the creditors. At this meeting the debtor may compound, and thereby discharge his debts, provided that four-fifths of the creditors (in both number and amount) are agreed. If no such arrangement is effected, the debtor may surrender all his effects and receive a discharge. The Bill was amended in Committee by reducing the qualifying sum to £100; it then passed.

Hon. Attorney General moved a Resolution to the effect that one half of the money appropriated for any particular bye-road may, under the sanction of the government, be at once advanced to relieve the distresses of settlers in the immediate vicinity of the road, upon their giving satisfactory security to the commissioner that they will perform work to the amount of money drawn, immediately after seed time. This resolution passed unanimously.

April 10.—The House went in committee on certain despatches from the Colonial Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor.—Some pretty severe comments were made upon the despatch prohibiting the Provincial Legislature from granting bounties to encourage any particular branch of industry. It was generally considered inconsistent with the powers secured to the Legislature to expend the Provincial Revenue, and to regulate our own trade, and therefore unconstitutional; and a resolution was passed for an address to Her Majesty to that effect.

A Bill for issuing £60,000 Provincial Paper, was rejected in the Council on Wednesday. On Tuesday, all the appropriations for the services of the Courts, were also lost in the Council.

CHOLERA.—The Steamer W. Scott, at Louisville, on the 5th April, from New Orleans had thirty cases of Cholera among the deck passengers—four of them died. The Cholera prevails all the way up the Rio Grande. At Metamoras it was dreadful; in one day there were fifty-six deaths and sixty in another—all in a population of 10,000 or 12,000. One small settlement had been abandoned—the people taking to the woods.

One Thousand Lives Lost.—A Letter from Captain Brown, of the ship Hannibal, on the coast of Patagonia, states that the coast is covered with wrecks, and

that one thousand men have perished in the loss of these vessels.

Marriages.

At Chatham, on Thursday, 12th April, by the Rev Samuel Bacon, Rector, GEORGE BURCHELL, of the Parish of Nelson, to BRIDGET, eldest daughter of Mr John Percival, of the Parish of Chatham.

Deaths.

At Chatham, on the 8th inst., Mr JOHN O'KEEFE, aged 74 years

On Sunday morning last, of consumption, ANN, eldest daughter of Mr David Saddler, aged 18 years.

At his father's residence, Beaubair's Island, yesterday morning, of consumption, THOMAS, son of Mr Joseph Russell, aged 22 years.

AUCTION.

To be Sold by Public Auction, on TUESDAY 24th April, instant, at 12 o'clock, noon, on the premises lately occupied by Mr PATRICK TAYLOR, deceased, below St. Andrew's Church, Chatham:

THE LOWER HALF of the Lot No. 30, called the Patrick Taylor Lot, from the River to the Wellington Road, (except 3 acres owned by David Cassidy) containing about 23 acres of excellent land, with the easterly half of the Stone Dwelling House lately occupied by Mr Patrick Taylor, deceased.

Also—THE WHOLE OF THE LOT No. 30, lying in rear of the Wellington Road (excepting 3 acres owned by John Harrington and William Masson), bounded below by Mr Geo. Johnston's farm, above by Lot No. 31, called the England Lot, being about 60 Rods in width, and containing 140 acres or thereabouts.

The lands will be sold together or in lots. A plan of the premises can be seen, and all other information will be given on application at the office of George Kerr, Esq.

HENRY CUNARD.

Chatham, April 12, 1849.

LOST.

Some time since, by one of the members of the Chatham Amateur Band, the Mouth Piece of a Trombone. If it has been picked up, the party, on leaving it at the Gleaner Office, will be rewarded.

Chatham, April 16, 1849.

County of Northumberland, PROVINCE OF NEW-BRUNSWICK.

In the matter of WILLIAM DAVIDSON, Junior, and ALEXANDER DAVIDSON, Junior, of the Parish of Nelson, in the County of Northumberland, Lumberers and Co-partners, Bankrupts.

Whereas under the provisions of the Acts of the General Assembly of the Province aforesaid, made and in force relating to Bankruptcy, a Fiat in Bankruptcy has been awarded and issued, and is now in prosecution before me, the Commissioner named in the said Fiat, against the said Bankrupts, (and they have accordingly surrendered themselves to me); Public Notice is therefore hereby given, that WILLIAM SALTER, of Newcastle, in the said County, Esquire, has been appointed Provisional Assignee of the estate and effects of the said Bankrupts; and all persons indebted to the said Bankrupts, or either of them, or having in their possession, power, or custody, any property or effects of the said Bankrupts, or either of them, are hereby required to pay all such sums of money, debts or duties, and to deliver up such property or effects to the said Assignee, on or before the First day of May next; and all creditors of the said Bankrupts, or either of them, are hereby required to deliver in to the said Assignee, and to prove to my satisfaction, within three months from the date hereof, their respective claims and demands, whether the same are actually due or to become due. And notice is hereby further given, that I appoint a General Meeting of the creditors of the said Bankrupts to be held on FRIDAY, the 20th day of April next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, at my office in Chatham, in the said county. And also another General Meeting of the said creditors on FRIDAY, the 27th day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the same place, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or allowing or contesting any claim presented against the said estate; at which meetings, or at any adjournment thereof, the said Bankrupts will be examined upon oath touching their estate and dealings, and such other business relating to the said estate will be then and there transacted as may be deemed necessary.

Given under my hand, at Chatham aforesaid, this 27th day of January, A. D. 1849

W. CARMAN,

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts for the county of Northumberland.

LIST of LETTERS

Received at the Newcastle Post Office during the month of February, and remaining for delivery

- Aylwood John McLean Robert
Broad John Wm Williamstown
Brander John Seabrook Henry
Little south west Smither Margaret
Brian Michael Souley James
Ballock Stephen care of John Hays
Baile Thomas Ward John
Eannon Edmund care of E Farrell
Carier Francis

NB Persons asking for advertised letters, will please say 'advertised.'

HUGH MORELL.

New Brunswick, COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

[L. S.] To the Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, or any Constable of the said County, Greeting:

Whereas ARCHIBALD HADDOW, late of Chatham, in the said County, Merchant, lately died Intestate (as it is said), leaving Goods and Chattels in the said county to be administered; and whereas JOHN M. JOHNSON, of Chatham aforesaid, Esquire, hath prayed that Administration may be granted to him on the said Estate; You are therefore required to cite the next of kin of the said deceased, and all other persons interested in the said Estate, to appear before me at a Court of Probate to be held at my office in Chatham, in the said County, on THURSDAY, the twenty sixth day of April next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to shew cause why Administration on the said Estate should not be granted to the said Applicant

Given under my Hand, and the Seal of the said Court, this seventeenth day of March, 1849.

THOS. S. PETERS, Surrogate, GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates for said County.

COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND, SS.

In the matter of JAMES FOWLER, of Blackville, in the County of Northumberland, Lumberer, lately carrying on business in partnership with one John Fowler, as Lumberers.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a further general meeting of the creditors of the above named Bankrupt to be held on TUESDAY, the seventeenth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office in Chatham, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or allowing or contesting any claim presented against the estate of the said Bankrupt; at which meeting the said Bankrupt will be examined on oath touching his estate and dealings; and such other business relating to the said estate will be transacted as may be deemed necessary.

And Public Notice is also hereby given, that upon the application of the said James Fowler, I appoint a public sitting to be held on SATURDAY, the twenty eighth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office aforesaid, for the allowance of a certificate of conformity to the said James Fowler, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided; when and where any of the creditors of the said Bankrupt may be heard against the allowance of such certificate; and the same will be allowed unless cause be then and there shown to the contrary, or such other order will be made as the justice of the case may require.

Given under my hand, the fourteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

W. CARMAN,

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts for the county of Northumberland.

RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY, SS.

In the matter of JAMES McNAIR, a Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, that I appoint a further general meeting of the creditors of the above named Bankrupt, to be held at my office in Chatham, on WEDNESDAY, the eighteenth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving proof of, or allowing or contesting any claim presented against the said Bankrupt; at which meeting the said Bankrupt will be examined on oath touching his estate and dealings, and such other business relating to the said estate will be transacted as may be deemed necessary.

And Public Notice is also hereby given, that upon the application of the said James McNair, I appoint a public sitting to be held on FRIDAY, the twenty seventh day of April, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, at my office aforesaid, for the allowance of a certificate of conformity to the said James McNair, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided; when and where any of the creditors of the said Bankrupt may be heard against the allowance of such certificate, and the same will be allowed, unless cause be then and there shown to the contrary, or such other order will be made as the justice of the case may require.

Given under my hand, the fifteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

W. CARMAN,

Commissioner of the estate and effects of Bankrupts for the county of Restigouche.

Notice.

EDWARD M. LOWDEN, of the late firm of LOWDEN, FRASER & Co., having assigned over all his Estate, Property and Effects, including also all that of the late Firm, unto the subscribers, in Trust, for the benefit of Creditors; all persons interested will hereby take notice, that we alone are fully authorized to settle and adjust all accounts, and that the Trust Deed is at the office of WM. HAMILTON & Co, at Campbellton, for signature within six months from date (either in person or by authorized agents) of creditors wishing to avail themselves of the benefit thereof. Those indebted to the said estate are required to make payment without delay.

A. FERGUSON,

JOHN McMILLAN, Campbellton, Restigouche, March 24, 1849.

Valuable Property for Sale.

The subscriber, being about to retire from business, offers to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Court House, Newcastle, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th September next, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Beaubair's Island,

With the whole of the Establishment for carrying on an extensive Mercantile, Shipbuilding, and Fishing business.

The Island is a mile and a quarter long, of an irregular width, not exceeding any where half a mile. It contains 300 acres of land, (more or less) and is situated at the confluence of the North and South West branches of Miramichi River, near the head of the navigation for vessels of the largest class, two miles from Newcastle, the Shire Town of the County, and six miles from Chatham. There are from 20 to 25 acres of the land under cultivation, and the rest of the Island is well wooded.

There is an excellent two story Stone Dwelling House, pleasantly situated on the South side of the Island, near the lower end. It is 40 by 38 feet, thoroughly finished, has a frost proof cellar, kitchen, well of water, wood house, coach house, convenient Out Houses, and a large Kitchen Garden, the whole being furnished with every comfort and convenience for a large family.

The Barn will contain from 30 to 40 tons of Hay, and stabling for five or six horses, besides cattle.

The Retail Store is situated near the Dwelling House, is two stories high, with a Cellar underneath the whole. The shop is fitted up with the usual conveniences. There is a back room, and a comfortable office, with ample room on the upper flats for storage.

There is another Store, two stories high, used as an iron and provision store, having ample room to contain a large stock.

A Wharf runs out into the river in front of the retail store, at which ships of from 5 to 600 tons can discharge and load. On this wharf there is a new Store 90 by 18 feet, two stories high, finished and fitted up as a warehouse.

There is also a Salt Store, one and a half story high, close to the wharf, which will contain upwards of three hundred tons. There is a safe and convenient Boom, capable of holding from 7 to 800 tons of Timber, between the wharf and the lower end of the Island, near which there is a Ballast Berth, which has been used for many years. There is also a convenient Deal Yard adjoining, above the salt store, which will accommodate, without any further expense, a million of deals.

The SHIP YARD is also on the South side, about the centre of the Island, completely sheltered from every wind except the South East. There are now three ships budding in it, each upwards of 500 tons, with accommodation to lay down two more. The Yard has attached to it a Blacksmith's shop with three fires; a Joiner's shop, 40 feet long; a Moulding Loft of sufficient dimensions for laying down a ship of the largest class; a Shed and two Saw Pits, a Steam Box and Boiler, and every other convenience.

There is a Cook House, with frost proof cellar, well of water, kitchen, eating rooms, bed rooms, and accommodation for 50 workmen.

There is a comfortable house for a Foreman, with a barn and garden attached, near the building yard.

The workmen's houses are situated in a range but distinct from each other, along the South side of the Island, just below the yard. There are seven houses, one and a half story high each; they are framed buildings, finished outside and plastered inside. Two of them contain apartments for three families each; the other five for two families each. Each dwelling has a distinct entrance, and there is a Garden Plot set apart for each family. An excellent well of water is situated close to these buildings, and the whole bring in an annual rent of £90.

There is a good Salmon Fishery on the North side of the Island, and the Gaspercaux Fishery is prosecuted all round it.

Shipbuilding materials can be procured from the surrounding country, within a moderate distance, and hauled into the yard in any quantity that may be required, during the winter season.

Altogether, the subscriber believes, from his own experience for upwards of ten years, that there is not a more desirable or advantageous situation in the lower Colonies, for Shipbuilding; and he is satisfied that any man of prudence and experience might, with the command of a reasonable amount of capital, continue the business from which he is about retiring, with every prospect of making money.

The purchaser of the Island may obtain any of the stock and materials remaining on hand, on very moderate terms.

The Terms of Sale will be liberal, and a part of the purchase money may remain on security, for such period as may be agreed upon.

For further information apply to the subscriber on the premises, to JAMES ADAMS, Esq., Nelson street, St. John, or to Mr GEORGE H. RUSSELL, merchant, Chatham.

JOSEPH RUSSELL.

Miramichi, 23d February, 1849.

LIME.

The subscriber has a quantity of LIME for sale, at the Kiln above the Ship Yard, in Chatham, which he offers cheap for Cash, or in exchange for Wheat, Oats, &c. &c.

HENRY CUNARD.

March 5, 1849.