

In Nova Scotia, from Halifax to Baie de Verte, one hundred and twenty four miles; in New Brunswick, from Baie de Verte to Campbellton, two hundred and thirty four miles; in Canada, from Restigouche to Quebec, 277 miles.

The distance from Halifax to Quebec by the Bend and Boiestown, through the centre of New Brunswick, is five hundred and ninety five miles. This route was rejected by the Commissioners, because in crossing New Brunswick through its centre, the line would cut the whole of the range of hills which traverse the Province from North East to South West, at right angles, and thus presenting the most serious engineering difficulties; besides, if the railroad were constructed on this route, it would present such severe grades and steep inclines as would render it very expensive work, and greatly increase the cost of traffic. Mr Wilkinson having advocated this line, on the ground of its being shorter than the Eastern route, his observations were referred to Major Robinson, who has replied at length in a very able despatch, lately transmitted to this Province, which we shall notice hereafter. Major Robinson proves most clearly the superiority of the Eastern route, as well from its greater cheapness as from its being better calculated both for heavy traffic and increased speed when completed; and although it is forty miles longer, yet in railway calculation it would be the shorter of the two, because trains could be run over it in less time than on the central route, with the same power, owing to the more level character of the country.

Another route has been proposed from Halifax to Shediac, thence to this City, and up the valley of the Saint John, by Fredericton and Woodstock to Quebec. The length of this route is as follows:—Halifax to Shediac, 150 miles; Shediac to St. John, 105 miles; St. John to Fredericton 65 miles; Fredericton to Woodstock, 62 miles; Woodstock to the Grand Falls, 71 miles; Grand Falls to River du Loup, 106 miles; Du Loup to Quebec, 110 miles. Total 669 miles.

Besides the greater length of this route. It must be borne in mind that it offers more serious engineering difficulties than any other in this Province. From Woodstock to Grand Falls the difficulties, (within British territory) are so great as to preclude the possibility of constructing a line in that direction, except at a most enormous expense; while from the Grand Falls to the St. Lawrence there is most difficult and unfavorable ground to encounter, and no pass has yet been discovered through the Temiscouata mountains. The St. Andrews and Quebec Railway Company have always been aware of these almost insuperable difficulties, and the original survey of their line diverged from the valley of the St. John at Woodstock, and thence proceeded in a north westerly direction across American territory to Quebec. To this line the St. Andrews Company yet look as their route to Quebec; and in 1850, the Company applied to the Legislature of Maine, by petition, for leave to carry their line from Woodstock to Quebec across the north-eastern section of Maine. This application was dismissed in a very summary manner by the Legislature, the House at once ordering that the Company should have "leave to withdraw their Petition."

We shall discuss these routes more fully hereafter, when we take up Major Robinson's reply to Mr Wilkinson's observations in favor of the central route—a route which runs through an unbroken forest for 300 miles, from the Bend to the St. Lawrence, without a single settlement on the whole line, except the small cluster of houses called Boiestown.

THE  
**Northumberland Agricultural Society's**  
Annual Exhibition of  
**Domestic Manufactures, Grains,**  
**DAIRY PRODUCE, GARDEN SEEDS, &c. &c.,**  
For 1851-2.

The Northumberland Agricultural Society's GENERAL EXHIBITION will take place in Chatham, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of January next.

The undermentioned Premiums are offered to Competition by the Society, for Articles, the "Produce of the Dairy, and Domestic Manufactures;" and the undermentioned Prizes and Prizes, (both inclusive) for Grains, Garden Seeds, &c.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

1. No premium shall be awarded for any article of Domestic Manufacture, or Produce of the Dairy, which has not been wholly manufactured and prepared for Exhibition within this County.

2. That all articles brought for Exhibition, must have been manufactured, raised or produced, within one year from the date of competition, (Cheese excepted.)

3. That the prizes for Domestic Manufactures shall be open to general competition; but persons who have won prizes of Ten Shillings and upwards for such manufactures shall pay the annual Subscription of Five Shillings before receiving the said prizes.

4. That no prize or prize be awarded for Grains, Garden Seeds, &c., nor any premium for Dairy Produce, except to Members of the Society, who have paid their annual subscriptions.

5. That all persons bringing for Exhibition,

any article of Domestic Manufacture, Grain, or Dairy Produce, shall accompany the same with a statement setting forth that the Exhibitor is the owner of the article in question. If Domestic Manufactures—that the materials were produced, and the articles manufactured, prepared within the County during the preceding year! If Grain and Seeds—that the articles were raised by the Exhibitor on the premises occupied by him, during the past year, and were not exhibited for a premium on any former occasion: And if Dairy Produce, a similar statement subscribed, by the owner. These certificates to be handed to the Committee when the articles are being entered for Competition.

6. That no Individual who is awarded the first prize on any article, shall be entitled to a second prize on the same description of article.

7. The Judges shall not withhold any premium on the ground, merely that the article is unworthy of a prize.

8. All articles to be exhibited by persons belonging to the Parish Chatham, Napau, and the neighboring Back Settlements; and all articles to be exhibited by persons belonging to the Parish of Newcastle, must be deposited in the hands of the Receiving Committee, Messrs. J. M. Johnson, William J. Fraser, and Henry Wyse, on the day preceding the Exhibition, and no article will be received by the Committee from persons residing at greater distances, after ten o'clock, on the morning of the 21st.

9. Instead of offering Premiums for the best samples of Clover and Timothy Seeds, and of Grain and Garden Seeds, &c., the Society now offers PRIZES for those articles, which prices include the premiums also.

10. No article of Grain or Seeds of any kind, which has undergone any chemical, or fire-drying process, will receive a premium, or be allowed to enter for competition.

**PRICES (INCLUDING PREMIUMS) OFFERED FOR GRAINS, &c.**

Best sample White Wheat, 2 bushels,	£1 10 0
Second best, do.	1 5 0
Best Red Wheat,	1 5 0
Second best, do.	1 0 0
Best Black Oats, 2 bushels,	0 10 0
Second best, do.	0 7 6
Best White Oats, 2 bushels,	0 10 0
Second best, do.	0 7 6
Best Barley, 2 bushels,	0 14 0
Second best, do.	0 12 0
Best White Pease, 2 bushels,	1 0 0
Second best, do.	0 15 0
Best Green Pease, 2 bushels,	1 0 0
Best Timothy Seed, 1 bushel,	1 0 0
Second best, do.	0 17 6
Best Clover Seed, 1 bushel,	2 10 0
Second best, do do.	1 5 0
Best Carrot Seed, 2 lbs.	0 12 0
Second best, do do.	0 10 0
Best Red Beet, 2 lbs.	0 10 0
Second best, do do.	0 8 0
Best Yellow Turnip Seed, 4 lbs.	0 10 0
Second best do do.	0 8 0
Best Swedish Turnip Seed, 4 lbs.	0 10 0
Second best, do do.	0 8 0
Best Indian Corn, 2 bushels,	1 0 0
Best White Beans, 1 bushel,	0 15 0
Second best, do.	0 12 6
Best Windsor Beans, 1 bushel,	0 15 0
Best Buckwheat, 2 bushels,	0 15 0
Second best, do do.	0 12 6
Early York Cabbage Seed, 1 lb.	0 6 0
Sugar Loaf Cabbage Seed, 1 lb.	0 6 0
Drumhead, do do.	0 6 0
Sage, 4 ounces,	0 4 0
Thyme, 4 oz.	0 4 0
Summer Savory, 4 oz.	0 4 0
Parsley, 1 lb.	0 4 0

**PRODUCE OF THE DAIRY.**

Best sample of Butter, not less than 30 pounds,	0 15 0
Second best do of do.	0 10 0
Third do of do.	0 7 6
Best sample of Cheese, not less than 20 pounds,	0 12 6
Second best do.	0 7 6

**DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.**

Best Homespun Cloth, all wool, not less than 10 yards,	0 15 0
Second best, do.	0 10 0
Best Homespun do, cotton and wool,	0 15 0
Second best, do.	0 10 0
Best piece of Flannel, all wool.	0 15 0
Second best, do.	0 10 0
Best Wove Counterpane,	0 10 0
Best sample of Woolen Socks, not less than six pairs,	0 7 6
Second best, do.	0 5 0
Best piece of Flannel, cotton and wool, 10 yards,	0 10 0
Second best, do.	0 5 0
Best piece Plaid Tartan, all wool, 10 yards,	0 12 6
Best Straw Bonnet,	0 4 0
Second best, do.	0 2 6
Best Straw Hat,	0 4 0
Second best, do.	0 2 6
Best sample Mitts, not less than six pairs,	0 7 6
Second best, do.	0 5 0

By Order of the Board,  
JAMES CAIE, Secretary.  
Chatham, 15th November, 1851.

**TO LET.**

The Dwelling House, Garden and Barn now occupied by John Porter, Esq., at Douglstown. For terms apply to the subscriber  
HENRY CUNARD.  
Chatham, October 18, 1851. 4w

**WASHINGTON COUNTY Mutual Insurance Company OF GRANVILLE, NEW YORK.**

In consequence of misrepresentations frequently and unjustifiably repeated in this city and neighbourhood, it becomes necessary to state a few facts.

The Company has never stopped payment, nor been discontinued by order of the New York Legislature—on the contrary, it was decided by the Supreme Court of New York on the 4th October instant, "That it was a valid, existing Corporation, and that the extension of their Charter for thirty years is in all respects regular and constitutional."—It was at the same time proved "That their business was now gigantic, numbering over One Hundred Thousand Members, with a guaranteed capital of over One Million of Dollars."

One small assessment only has been levied on the members in Seven Years, and that call has been promptly met with but few exceptions.

They do not owe one cent on matured claims, and have a Cash fund of Fifty Thousand Dollars in the Banks of Troy and Vermont to meet claims that may arise.

The number of Policies issued during the past three months alone is 1282. The whole number issued is 121,500. The following amongst other influential men allow their names to be used as references—Hon. Samuel Nelson, at Washington, D. C., one of the Chief Justices of the U. S.; Hon. W. Upham, U. S. Senator; Willis Hall, Esq., late Attorney General for the State of New York.

On the 6th October instant, the Annual Election of Directors took place. The Board is formed of highly respectable and influential men.

A Report of the standing and means of the Company, with accounts of receipt and expenditure up to the 1st October inst, is now in press and will shortly be ready for circulation. The cause and particulars of the slander with other information can be obtained by Policy holders and others, on application to the subscriber.

CHARLES L. STREET,  
General Agent for New Brunswick.  
St. John, 28th October, 1851.

**NEW BRUNSWICK.**

**COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND (L. S.)** To the Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, or any Constable within the said County, Greeting:

Whereas JOHN MANDERSON, late of Chatham, in the said County, Yeoman, lately died Intestate (as it is said), leaving Goods and Chattels in the said County to be administered, and GEORGE KERR, 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 WEDNESDAY, the Tenth day of December 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 Sixth day of November, 1851.

WM. WILKINSON, Surrogate.  
GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates for said County.

**Surrogate Court.**

**COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND, PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.**

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

Whereas DAVID JOHNSTON and WILLIAM PARK, Executors of the last Will and Testament of JAMES McCULLAM, late of the Parish of Newcastle, in the said County, Harbour Master, deceased, have filed an Account of their Administration on the said Estate of the said deceased, and have prayed that the same may be passed and allowed:

You are therefore required to cite the Creditors and next of kin of the said deceased, and all others interested in the said Estate, to appear before me, at a Court of Probate, to be held at my Office, in the Parish of Chatham, in the said County, on FRIDAY, the Nineteenth day of December next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to attend the passing and allowing of the said Account of Administration on the said Estate.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the said Court, this Fifteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and fifty one.

WM. WILKINSON, Surrogate.  
GEORGE KERR, Register of Probates for said County.

**TO THE PUBLIC.**

The subscriber respectfully informs the public that he has opened the shop adjoining the store of Mr Wm. E. Samuel, where he intends keeping a stock of every description of LEATHER for sale, wholesale and retail. Purchasers can obtain any quantity, from a hide to a half-sole. He expects shortly to receive from Boston an assortment of

SHOEMAKERS' FINDINGS of all kinds, which he will dispose of at low prices. Cash or leather given for Hides.  
JOHN NICHOLSON.  
Chatham, October 18, 1851.

**STRAYED,**

From the premises of the Subscriber, about six weeks since, a large brindled COW, with short-tail. Whoever will return her to the undersigned, or give such information as will lead to her discovery, will be suitably rewarded.  
WM. SULLIVAN.  
Chatham, Nov. 17, 1851.

**Legislative---1852---Debates.**

The Queen's Printer having obtained the Contract for Reporting and Publishing the DEBATES of both Houses of the Legislature, requests all those who may be desirous of obtaining Copies, to send their Address forthwith to the Royal Gazette Office, or to either of the undermentioned Gentlemen, (who are respectfully solicited to act as Agents for the above publications) as no supply of complete copies can be relied upon after the commencement of the Session.

The Debates will be printed and published so as to constitute a distinct Volume of Reports, unconnected with other matter, and containing also the Resolutions, Amendments and Divisions.

TERMS.—Five Shillings per single copy, or Seven Shillings and Sixpence for the Reports of both Houses, which must be paid in advance.

AGENTS:

James Caie, Esq.,	Chatham.
Peter Mitchell, Esq.,	Newcastle.
Mr J. M. Wolhaupter,	Bathurst.
D. Stewart, Esq.,	Dalhousie.
Mr S. Bean,	Blackville.
Mr John De Cantillon,	Blissfield.
Mr W. Mackay,	Boiestown.
Mr Morden S. Levy,	Richibucto.
J. McPhelim, Esq.,	Buctouche.
E. J. Smith, Esq.,	Shediac.
Fredericton, November 4, 1851.	

**NOTICE.**

At a Meeting of the President and Directors of the Miramichi and Richibucto Electric Telegraph Company, held in Chatham, on the 5th November, instant:

Resolved, That a CALL of TWENTY per cent on the Stock subscribed to this Company, be called in and paid to J. M. Johnson, Esq., on or before the 30th instant.

By Order of the Board,  
J. M. JOHNSON, Secretary.  
Miramichi, November 18, 1851.

**A CARD.**

DR. JOHNSTON, formerly of Point de Bute, informs the inhabitants of Chatham and the surrounding country, that he intends practising the various branches of his Profession in this place.

Residence—in the house adjoining Mr George Johnston's.  
Chatham, November 3, 1851.

**STEAM!**

Any person suffering from Chronic Rheumatism, Paralysis Acute or Chronic, Languid Circulation, Numbness, and Colds, proceeding from suppressed Perspiration, would find great benefit in trying the

**Galvanic & Medicated VAPOUR BATH!**

The best Remedy yet discovered for those distressing complaints.

WM. FORBES.  
Chatham, October 13, 1851.

**TOBACCO!**

The Subscribers tender their grateful acknowledgments for the encouragement extended to them since they commenced business; and having enlarged their establishment for the purpose of manufacturing more extensively, they are prepared to offer for sale a stock of the best TOBACCO, consisting of Cavendish, Honey-dew, &c.

Merchants purchasing by the quantity would do well to call and examine their stock, and judge for themselves, before purchasing elsewhere, as their whole aim will be to compete with the market.

D. & J. McLACHLAN.  
Chatham, October 20, 1851.

**Notice.**

All persons having any Accounts against the COUNTY, or any of the Parishes within the same, for the current year, are hereby required to hand in the same, with proper Vouchers, to the Subscriber, on or before the Sixteenth day of December next, in order that they may be examined, and reported on at the next January Term, and laid before the Grand Jury.

By Order of the General Sessions.  
ALLAN A. DAVIDSON,  
Auditor.  
Newcastle, October 3, 1851.

**NOTICE.**

All persons having any just claims against the Estate of JOHN LYNCH, late of the Parish of Newcastle, Farmer, deceased, are required to render the same, duly attested, to the subscriber, within three months; and all persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

ALEX. GOODFELLOW,  
Administrator.  
Newcastle, 11th October, 1851.