

these men to contend, while Roads were yet unopened, and while implements of husbandry of every kind were difficult to find, and costly if found. Could any enterprise on earth have seemed more discouraging than this? yet in almost every instance, where industry, temperance, and frugality have characterised the conduct of such men, their condition has now become—after a hard struggle it is true—more enviable perhaps than that of any other class of men in the community. But 2nd. Let Farmers look at the bright prospects which the future now presents. The tide of emigration which swept from New Brunswick so many of its inhabitants, has turned, and is now bearing back many whom it but lately bore away, having rid themselves of their spare cash in other lands, and learned the folly of rambling in search of riches; they are returning to us wiser men and better subjects, having been taught by experience, that it is better to bear the ills we know "than fly to those we know not of."

Prior to 1825, not less than a fortnight was occupied in communicating a message to and from Halifax, Pictou, or P. E. Island, but now this may be done in five days by mail, or five minutes by telegraph. Prior to 1835, not less than two, and often six months were necessary to communicate a message to and from the mother country; since the era however at which the Cunard, or Royal Line of Steamers began to ply, one month may suffice, but before the close of 1855, there is little doubt that we may correspond with friends in England, Ireland, and Scotland, by means of the Electric Telegraph every day or hour we choose. Not only so, but we shall be enabled to transport ourselves and our commodities, over the length and breadth of these Provinces, or indeed, over the whole of the North American Continent by railway, travelling a greater distance in 24 hours than in this County we can now travel, during a whole week, and with ten times greater ease and safety; so that in whatever way we view it, whether we consider the success which has already crowned the efforts of our Farmers population, or contemplate the animating prospect of better times and greater facilities which the future presents, we cannot but arrive at the conclusion, that Farming—even in Northumberland—is a desirable occupation, and if it be so in a worldly or pecuniary point of view, surely it is doubly enviable, when viewed in a social and moral aspect, for farming is that avocation to which Statesmen, Warriors, and Merchants, when wearied of the world's pomps and vanities, have retired, to enjoy that sweet serenity of soul, which no other situation in life could bestow.

JAMES CAIE, Secretary.

ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT, JANUARY 1852 TO JANUARY 1853.

Dr.	
Expense at Cattle Show, 1851,	£2 0 0
Ferriages, 1851 and '52, Horses and Cattle,	3 19 2
Premiums Ploughing Match,	9 7 6
Cattle Show,	18 0 0
Grains, Dairy Produce, and Domestic Manufactures,	21 10 0
Paid New Brunswick Society towards Exhibition,	30 0 0
Pigs and Sheep,	6 6 6
Expenses repairing Thrashing Machine, 1851,	2 13 7
Rent Mechanics' Institute, 1852-3,	3 10 0
Expenses, Meetings Cattle Show, Grains, &c.,	6 0 0
Contingencies,	14 11 2
Printing,	9 19 0
Balance per Account, audited,	98 5 1
	£225 13 0
Cr.	
1852.	
January 21, by balance per account audited,	79 19 10
Seeds sold,	8 7 6
Net proceeds Pigs and Sheep,	1 7 6
Received for Thrashing Machine, &c.,	38 5 0
Order on Provincial Treasurer,	75 0 0
Subscriptions and Donations to date,	22 13 8
	£225 13 0
Balance in hand,	£98 5 1

CROWN LAND NOTICES.

CROWN LAND OFFICE.

January 17, 1853.

The Mining Rights secured by the Crown in the Grants of the undermentioned Lands, containing in the whole 1,760 acres, will be offered for sale by Public auction, at this Office, on Monday the 21st day of March next, at noon, agreeably to the accompanying Regulations:—
In the Parish of Dundas, County of Kent—The part of the Grant to Humphry Gilbert and others which lies north of Cocagne River.
The first Tract in the Grant to James Peiers, Junr., and others, north of Cocagne River.
The first Tract in the Grant to Millisint Nevers, north of Cocagne River.
R. D. WILMOT, Sur. Gen.

Editor's Department.

MIRAMICHI:

CHATHAM, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1853.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.—15s. in advance: 20s. at the end of the year.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING.—Seven lines and under, first insertion 2s. 6d., and 6d. every subsequent publication: from 7 to 15 lines, 5s. the first, and 1s. every insertion afterwards. Longer advertisements in proportion. Advertising by the year as may be agreed upon.

No order except from persons with whom we have an account, will be attended to, except accompanied with the cash.

We should like on the opening of the navigation, to publish TWICE A WEEK, on a sheet somewhat larger than half the size of our paper. To procure a suitable Press, and other necessary materials, would involve an expense of about £200. Will our subscribers, who are the parties to be benefitted by the arrangement, make an effort to put us in possession of the necessary funds? A small percentage on what is due by them, would enable us to carry out our wishes.

PRESENTMENT OF GRAND JURY.

January Term, 1853

Northumberland Sessions.
We, the Grand Jury of the County of Northumberland, having examined the several Parish and Conny Accounts laid before us, do present as follows:

OVERSEERS OF POOR ACCOUNTS.

Parish of Newcastle—we find a balance of	£163 13 6
Parish of Hardwick—we find a balance of	11 2 0
Parish of Glepelg—we find a balance of	43 0 6
Parish of Chatham—we find a balance of	253 14 10 1/2
Nelson—we find a balance of	103 16 11
North Esk—we find a balance of	56 9 11
A considerable part of the amount passed and allowed in the last account is still unpaid, while Gilmour, Rankin & Co. have been paid not only what was due them last year, but a great part of their advance this year, the amount due them last year was only £8 3s. 7d., and they have received £25 16s. 11d., an order should be passed for them to pay over the difference to the parties in whose favor it was passed last January.	
Blissfield—we find a balance of	14 9 0
Ludlow—no account received.	
Alnwick—no account received.	
Blackville—we find a balance of	67 9 7

The Grand Jury, after examining the accounts of the Overseers of the Poor, for the different Parishes, would recommend to the Sessions the propriety of ordering that all supplies for the Poor, must be offered to public competition, as well as the Boarding of all Paupers, for they find that whenever this is done, the supplies are furnished at much cheaper rates. All overseers not complying with this rule, and not furnishing the particular items, shall subject their accounts to be rejected. If this course were adopted in all the Parishes, we feel persuaded it would reduce the cost of maintaining the poor very considerably, the articles furnished, would be of a better description than if supplied by the Overseers, or procured without competition, and would facilitate very considerably the task of examining their accounts.

COLLECTORS OF RATES.

Newcastle—Lower District—W. Gordon, Collector, we find a balance of	3 10 6 1/2
and the accounts satisfactory.	
Middle District—John Ferguson, Collector, we find an error in the account of £2 6s. 1d., leaving a balance in his hands of	3 2 10
This account is neither signed nor sworn to, and the list of defaulters is large.	
Upper District—Edward Farrell, Collector, this account is very satisfactory.	
Alnwick—Upper District—John Macdougall Chatham, this account is very satisfactory.	
Lower District—Henry Regie, Collector, this account is satisfactory.	
Hardwick—Donald McRae, Collector, account very satisfactory balance in Collector's hands	2 10 8
Glenelg—James McDonald, Collector, Defaulter's list very large, otherwise account satisfactory.	
Blissfield—James A. Getvie, Collector, this account very satisfactory.	
North Esk, North side—Edward R. Whitney, Collector, this account satisfactory, amount in Collector's hands	1 10 5
South side—Michael McKendrick Collector; there is an error in this account of 20s., making the balance in Collector's hands	1 17 11
Mr Justice Tezer will give the	

Sessions some information about this account.	
Chatham—Edward Lobban, Collector; this account is satisfactory, balance in Collector's hands	2 3 2 1/2
Nelson, South side—John Kain Collector.	
North side—J. Mowat, Collector; both these accounts show a great many defaulters, otherwise satisfactory.	
Blackville, Upper District—Simon Bean, Collector, account satisfactory.	
Lower District—Edward Daulton Collector, account shows a great many defaulters, otherwise satisfactory.	
Ludlow—Wm. Fairly Collector, account satisfactory, balance in Collector's hands	0 10 0

CONSTABLE'S ACCOUNTS.

We recommend the following sums to be paid the several Constables herein after named in full of the several accounts rendered	
Edward Farrell,	3 19 0
Richard Grimly,	3 5 0
Dennis Pheham,	0 12 6
Barney McCormick,	0 6 0
Luke Pike,	0 13 6
Thomas Carrigan,	0 7 6
Patrick Wheeler,	1 16 0

COMMISSIONERS OF HIGHWAYS.

Ludlow, No. 1 District—Miles McMillan, Commissioner, account satisfactory, balance in Commissioner's hands	1 2 1 1/2
No. 2 District—Edward Price Commissioner, returns all hands worked.	
No. 3 District—Charles Amos Commissioner, accounts satisfactory.	
Blissfield, District No. 1—Hiram Freeze, Commissioner, balance in Commissioner's hands	0 7 6
this return does not give the parties names who paid fines, otherwise satisfactory.	
District No. 2—Wm. Sevim Commissioner, balance in commissioner's hands	0 5 0
the same remarks will apply to this as last account.	
District No. 3—John Decantelon Commissioner, account satisfactory, balance in Commissioner's hands	0 17 0
Blackville District, No. 1, or upper—James Donald, Commissioner, balance in Commissioner's hands 9s., this account is correct except that John Rugens is returned as excused, as old and infirm, we consider he should not be excused being a man of large property.	
District No. 2 or Middle—John Whalen, Commissioner, account correct, but two persons excused without certificate, one of whom, Michael Scott, is well able to pay.	
District No. 3, or lower—Nathaniel Underhill Commissioner, balance in hand	0 7 3
six persons excused without certificate, no money expended this year.	
Nelson, Upper District, south side—Alexander Saunders, Commissioner, account satisfactory, balance due commissioner	0 13 0
sundry prosecutions were lost in consequence of an overseer not doing his duty, the overseer should have been proceeded against at the time.	
Lower District, south side—J. Flett Commissioner, there is an overcharge of 20s. in this account for removing John Flett's fence, making the balance due by Commissioner £3 0 0, there is a balance due by the former commissioner, Richard Sutton, of 22s. 6d. still unpaid.	
Middle District, north side—Roland Crocker, Commissioner, account correct, balance due commissioner,	1 2 6
North Esk, Lower District—Anthony Rogers, Commissioner, account satisfactory, balance in commissioner's hands	2 15 1
Upper District—Paul Lyons, Commissioner, returns all worked.	
Middle District—David Goodfellow, Commissioner, balance in Commissioner's hands	0 6 9
several fines are in suit, account correct.	
Newcastle, Lower District—Wm. Russell, Commissioner, his return is most satisfactory	
Middle District—Francis Elliott Commissioner, return satisfactory, balance due commissioner	0 7 9
Upper District—Daniel Wetherall Commissioner, Commissioner reports £4 1s. 0d. in hand, he charges paid Robert Johnson 3s. sundry jobs 11s., stationary 4s., for where there are no vouchers, and unless properly explained, should be added to the balance in his hands.	
Chatham, Upper District—Thos. Vondy, Commissioner, balance in commissioner's hands	2 19 5
account satisfactory.	
Middle District—George Johnston Commissioner, there is an error	

of 40s. in his account, leaving balance due commissioner 31 4 11 1/2
account otherwise satisfactory.
Lower District—Finlay McDermott, Commissioner, balance in commissioner's hands 1 7 5
satisfactory, except that he has excused too many people in good circumstances.
Glenelg—Charles Stewart and Enoch Godfrey, Commissioners, this account is satisfactory, balance in commissioner's hands 1 1 2
Alnwick—Hon. James Davidson, Peter Allan, and Wm. McLeod Commissioners, account satisfactory, balance in commissioner's hands 1 12 2
Harkwicke—Andrew Brunfield, and Alex. McRae, Commissioners, the charge in this account of 23s. 4d. for council fee, and 25s. for attending prosecutions we do not think correct, otherwise correct, leaving balance due by commissioners 2 12 2

TOWN AND PARISH ACCOUNTS FOR MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.

The Grand Jury recommend the petition of Stafford Benson be complied with, and the amount of £2 4s. 0d. be paid him.
The Grand Jury reject the petition of John Grant for return of fine inflicted on him for a breach of the Fishing Laws.
The Grand Jury having examined the old accounts said to be due by the County, are of opinion from their long standing, if correct, former Sessions would have allowed the same, and have therefore unanimously rejected them, and recommend they be struck from the books, and that they be not brought up again before any Grand Jury.
Firewards Account, Town Newcastle—Account satisfactory; recommend the sum of fifteen pounds to be Assessed on said Town.
Firewards account, Town Chatham—Account received too late, the Grand Jury however recommend the sum of seventy five pounds be assessed on said Town.
Town Clerks account, Parish of Chatham—Richard Hocken amount of account due him £1 6s. 0d. and recommend the same to be paid him.

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

High Sheriff's account, balance due him 45l. 13s.; the Grand Jury recommend this account be paid him.
James L. Price, Coroner, account, for the sum of 5l. 6s.; recommend this account be paid him.
Martin Cranney, Coroner, recommend this account of 9l. 14s. be paid him.
Stafford Benson, Coroner, recommend 14l. 8s. 10d., be paid him in full.
Thomas H. Peters, Clerk of Peace, there are several charges in his account which the Grand Jury cannot approve of without explanation, and therefore recommend the sum of 61l. 7s. 7d. be paid him.
Richard Gremly, Jailor, in this account there is an overcharge of 15s. for six barrels Lime, the same being charged in County account; the Grand Jury recommend the balance of 51l. 9s. 10d. be paid him.
James A. Pierce, the Grand Jury recommend this account of 3l. 15s. be paid him.—The charge of 10s. for Licenses, Mr Pierce can receive from the Clerk of the Peace.
Phillips & Sons, the Grand Jury recommend this account of 7l. 16s. be paid.
William McLeod, the Grand Jury cannot recommend this account to be paid.
Comr. Branch Bank account satisfactory.
Highland Society account satisfactory.
William Loch, the Grand Jury recommend this account of 10l. be paid him.
County Treasurer's account satisfactory.
Jail Committee account amounting to 25l. 16s. 2d., satisfactory.
William Loch's account for a book for Registry of Clerk of Peace, 8s. 6d., rejected.
William M. Kelly We, recommend this account of 1l. 2 6 be paid him.
John Wilson, We recommend this account of 7l. 7 10 be paid him.
The Grand Jury disapprove of the payment of ten pounds to Mr Edward Williston for extra services in 1851, the same never having had the sanction of the Grand Jury to our knowledge, and recommend the same to be refunded to the County until a Grand Jury approve of it: the Clerk of the Peace having a permanent salary.
The Grand Jury recommend that it would be desirable that each Justice at the January Sessions should furnish the Grand Jury with a detailed account of the fines collected by them during the year; this would materially assist the Grand Jury in checking the overseers of poor accounts. The Grand Jury further present that having examined the Jail and Court House, recommend that the Court House be Painted, and sundry work about the Jail; that the underpinning and chimneys be repaired, and recommend that the said work and painting be done by Tender, and that the County be assessed to the amount of Forty Pounds to cover the cost of the same, and they further recommend that a large size cooking stove be procured for the use of the Jail, and one of the cell doors be repaired; and they further recommend that the sum of Three Pounds per annum, be allowed the High Sheriff to keep the beds and bedding in repair.
The Grand Jury recommend that the Public Spring near Mr Nesmith's store should be placed in the charge of the wharfinger; for him to let the keeping of said