

Editor's Department.

MIRAMICHI:

CHATHAM, SATURDAY, DEC. 10, 1853.

TERMS.—New subscribers Fifteen Shillings per annum, in all cases in advance. Old subscribers 15s. in advance, or 20s. at the end of the year. We prefer the advance price, and as it effects a saving of 25 per cent., we hope soon to see all our subscribers avail themselves of it.

A FEW WORDS ABOUT OURSELVES.

In July last we commenced publishing the Gleaner twice a week. To accomplish this, we incurred considerable expense in procuring an additional press, a larger quantity of material, and it entailed on us an additional weekly outlay for paper, extra hands, &c. These we cheerfully entered into, having a full assurance that we would be compensated by an additional patronage. In this we have been sadly mistaken. Never since we published a paper here, have fewer names been added to our subscription list since the alteration, or less advertising.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, we should have been content to persevere, had the mail arrangements continued as they were at the time we commenced our semi-weekly issue; but as a change has taken place, which precludes our subscribers residing in the Northern Counties, —where we have an extensive circulation— from participating in any benefit from the extra publication, which is now solely confined to the towns on this river, we have decided in falling back on our Weekly issue. We do so simply, because it will not pay.

Some persons hold back because they think the price is high. Things are dear or cheap by comparison, (and we presume Newspapers must be judged by the same rule): but if a Newspaper is to be judged simply by its size, without any reference to the reading matter it contains, whether one page or three, (the labour of the compositors being the principal item of expense), then we admit the Gleaner is dear; but if it is to be judged by the amount of matter (original and selected) which it furnishes its readers weekly, then we unhesitatingly say, that there is not a cheaper paper published in the Province.

Others say—that it lacks spicy articles on political subjects—that is—it does not keep up a constant fire against all men in power, and seek constantly for subjects calculated to excite public feeling. To this we plead guilty. This is not our forte; and besides, we do not think such a course compatible with the duties of an editor, who studies the interest and well-being of the community in which he resides.

But we have never been backward, when public abuses required investigation, or the conduct of public men deserved censure, to speak our mind freely and fearlessly. We have also endeavoured to guide the people aright on all subjects that agitated the public mind, and to suggest measures calculated to benefit the community.

This is the course we have pursued, and the one we shall continue to follow. The irregularity in the arrival of the Southern mails is also a serious impediment in our way, for we can make no calculation when it will reach Chatham.—To enable us to forward our paper by the Wednesday's mail, which leaves at four in the afternoon, we have often been compelled to go to press ere the one which is due at five in the morning, has come to hand.

At the commencement of the year we shall resume our Weekly issue. One edition will be published on Saturday evening, to be despatched by the following day's mail to the Northward; and the other on Monday, which will be circulated here, and forwarded to the Southward by the mail which leaves in the afternoon.

Terms—New Subscribers—12s. 6d., in all cases in advance. Old subscribers can have it for 17s. 6d. at the end of the year. The former we prefer.

THE MAILS.

THE protracted non-arrival of the mails at the proper time, is creating considerable dissatisfaction in this quarter. Our Correspondents in the Northern Counties, frequently allude to it—one characterised it "a perfect farce." We should not be surprised if the evil be not speedily remedied, to see a spirited remonstrance forwarded to the head of the Department. If the Couriers have not ample time allowed them, let it be extended; but when an hour is stated, some re-

gard should be paid to it; as it is, it subjects the public as well as the Postmasters, to much inconvenience.

COUNTY KENT.

THE annexed is a Communication which was embodied in an Editorial in a recent number of the St. John Freeman. We give it publicity with a hope, that some friend in that quarter will give us some particulars respecting the truth or falsity of this strange affair.

However much we may be disposed to censure the acts of the present Government, and however hostile we may be to them, we cannot believe that one of its leading members is so base as to perpetrate such a vile fraud on his associates as the Freeman's correspondent reports has been done; neither can we believe that the gentleman at the head of the Crown Land Department, would lend himself to such a disreputable act.

It makes Mr Cutler, who has always shown himself a staunch opponent to all public abuses, a party in this disgraceful affair, we therefore think it is a duty he owes his constituents, to set this matter right—if he does not, the natural inference will be drawn—that he is guilty.

"Take up any of the Royal Gazettes, and under the notice of Crown Land Sales by the Surveyor General, you will find the first is Kent, by Deputy Douglas, at Buctouche, on Tuesday the 6th day of December next, at noon—

- 160 acres, lot 12, Middle Township, J. Quesi, survey 16a.
- 160 acres, lot 13, Middle Township, F. Leger; survey 16a.
- 160 acres, lot 14, Middle Township, H. Hebert; survey 16a.
- 160 acres, lot 15, Middle Township, L. Arsenau; survey 16a.
- 156 acres, lot 79, Middle Township, N. Briot; survey 16a.
- 155 acres, lot 80, Middle Township, E. Lelance; survey 16a.

"Before going any farther at present, I will again trouble you to take up the Royal Gazette, any or all printed in the month of September, and under the part before referred to, you will find, 'Kent, by Deputy Douglas, on Tuesday, the 4th day of October next, at noon.' With other names are those above written, and for the very same lots. Well, on the 4th day of October these different lots were all sold, and R. B. Cutler bought all of them at the upset price, 3s. 6d. per acre, but for whom I cannot at present learn. The cash, it appears, did not come to him within 14 days after the sale, therefore that accounts for the re-appearance of the same notice in the Gazette again. You will not fail to notice that the names of the applicants are French, and naturally conclude that it is so—no such thing, every one of them is fictitious, and I am of the belief that the real applicants are Hon. John H. Gray and Mr. Kaye, his partner and friend. Cutler is a sort of 'cat's paw' for them, furnishing them with a list of petitions and French names for the purpose of deceiving the public. This is an old trick. In the notice of Crown Land Sales to take place at Buctouche on the 7th day of last June, if you will look at the Gazette you will see, J. Grier, two lots, North side Cocagne River; J. Foster, two lots; J. McGowan, two lots;—each lot 155 acres, and all in Kent. Afterwards, in the beginning of July,—the 5th, I think,—by the Deputy, at Buctouche, 160 acres, lot 16, J. McGowan; lot 17, 157 acres, B. Doherty; 157 acres, lot 18, J. Doherty; 157 acres, lot 19, T. Moran;—all in the middle township, and 150 acres, lot 41, North Township. And also, in the Gazette of May, 'by Deputy Wilmot, at Salisbury, on Tuesday, the 7th day of June next, at noon, 156 acres, lot 33, Cocagne River, Tom Williams; 97 acres, lot 48, Cocagne River, Tom Williams, J. Marshall, and several others."

"But I think I will not trouble you with any more quotations from the Gazette at present. I was quite surprised to observe so many applicants for land in this County, and all strange names to me, as I am acquainted, I might almost say, with every name in the County. It at once struck me that there was trickery some where. I wrote to the Surveyor General upon the 19th day of May, stating my suspicions, and asking him for some information respecting the place of abode of the several applicants, and their real names. I wrote upon the same day to Mr Fulton upon the same subject, after waiting a reasonable time and receiving no answer, I wrote to the Surveyor General again, declared that I was convinced that it was a deep laid scheme by some tricking monopolists, and that in the event of not having my doubts upon this head set at rest before the day of sale, I would most positively bid against all the land. I received an answer from the Surveyor General to my first letter, upon the afternoon of the 7th day of June, the sale having taken place according to notice, at noon of that day, and although the Surveyor General is well aware that I live at Buctouche, and always before and since directs my letters to me here, yet strange to say, that particular letter was directed Richibucto, that it might not reach me before the time of the sale. I gave Messrs. Weldon and Chandler notice of what was going on. They both attended at the Deputy's Office on the 7th of June, and bought all the land offered for sale on that day at the upset price, although Hon. J. H. Gray, and his partner, Kaye, had an agent there to bid for them also, and it was by their petitions, and at their request the sale was brought, under the fictitious names of Crier, McGowan, and Foster, and that the sale was held by

Wilmot at Salisbury. I see that the two lots noticed Tom Williams, should have been William H. Needham, for both these lots are now granted to him. Well, the sale noticed to take place upon the 5th July came off also, at the proper time and place. Moses H. Perley, H. M. S. Agent, attended. Messrs. Weldon, Chandler and James M'Phelim were all present, each for the purpose of purchasing. There were only 5 lots to be offered for sale on that day; here were four purchasers and Perley wanted all. After much talking and a great amount of shuffling upon the part of Perley, they agreed each to take a lot at the upset price without competition and then to draw lots for the remaining lot, which was then done, and it fell to Perley. I see the person he bought it for is an Englishman, residing in London I believe, and his name is Hulbut. So, up to this time, after all their trouble there are only 4 lots granted to them namely; two lots to Needham, Nos. 33 and 48, advertised in the Gazette for Tom Williams; and two lots to John Hulbut, Nos. 16 and 17, bought by M. H. Perley, and which were advertised J. McGowan and B. Doherty; all the others having been bought by Messrs. Weldon, Chandler and J. M'Phelim. Having failed to pay for their last purchase, made in October, within the time which the law prescribes (14 days after the sale) they are about to make the same purchases over again, on Tuesday, the 6th day of December. If you could see a plan of the tract surveyed into townships, '45,440 acres,' so says the New Brunswick, you would observe that the Mac Laughlan road forms a base line running through the centre of the whole and that each lot abuts upon it. That is—the lots to the West run from the road a mile West and each tract contains 160 acres. So it is again upon the East side, the road still the base line as upon the West, containing the same complement of land. In this whole tract up to the present time there are only seven or eight lots granted. Although repeated applications have been made for a lumber license, from Irish Town, upon the West side of the M'Laughlan road to Richibucto, not one application for a license to cut either timber or logs has been complied with by government this year.

"Now this tract contains some excellent lumbering birch and would readily sell for £2 10s. per annum for each square mile yet the revenue loses this amount, and for what?—to give a monopoly to some one of the favored in high places? I will take this subject up again soon but if you can understand enough of what I have written to write an article, for the purpose of exposing the abominable practices pursued, why then I will be quite satisfied my time and trouble has not been spent in vain."

MIRAMICHI SHIPS.

THE St. John Times, after copying the favourable notices from British papers respecting Johnson & Mackie's vessels which appeared in the Gleaner, the Editor says:

"From these cheering paragraphs it will be perceived, that while our City ship-builders are doing so much to merit the applause of the mercantile and maritime world, the industrious ship-builders of rural districts are ably seconding their endeavors, and affording good service in this sound lucrative branch of industry. We are happy to insert these flattering notices of the firm of Johnson & Mackie, and trust the success which is thus crowning their labors will have a happy effect on themselves as well as on all the ship-builders of the Province. Nothing should so stimulate them to action as the fact that New Brunswick ships have attracted, are attracting, and many continue to attract the admiration of the world; while, to the honor of young New Brunswick be it recorded, the quickest passages ever yet accomplished, were made by the celebrated ships of the Province once unknown and uncared for beyond its own boundary—New Brunswick."

THE HUMBOLDT.

THE Halifax Sun of Wednesday, furnishes the following intelligence in addition to what we gave in our telegraph despatch on Wednesday, respecting the loss of this steamer:

"Steamer Humboldt, Lines, from Southampton, bound to New York, with a freight valued at a million of dollars, and 90 passengers, making this port, struck yesterday morning about 6 o'clock, in a thick fog, on the Sisters, near Sambro Light House. Having found the vessel in a sinking state, ran her ashore a little to the northward of Portuguese Cove, about 12 miles from this city, in order to save the lives and property. Small steamers were despatched to bring up passengers and cargo, a part of which will be saved in a damaged state. She lies in a dangerous place, and in the event of a southerly or easterly blow, will be sure to go to pieces."

ERRATA.—In Mr Parkin's death, in Wednesday's issue, second paragraph, eleventh line, for above, read alone. In telegraph despatch, for Queen of Portland, read Portugal.

BOWSER'S HOTEL.

ARRIVALS DURING THE PAST WEEK.
December 5, J. McCausland, Fredericton. 7th, John Atkinson, Kichibouguac; James Graham, do.; Mr. Carvil, Richibucto. 8th, A. C. DesBrisay, Restigouche; Joseph Shaw, Esq. Gaspé; George Moir, Restigouche; Stephen Peters, Richibucto; Daniel Stewart, do.

The Southern Mail arrived yesterday at half past 1 o'clock.

BY TELEGRAPH.
TO MIRAMICHI GLEANER OFFICE.
IMPORTANT NEWS.

ST. JOHN, December 9.
Niagara at Halifax half past ten yesterday, A. M. Sarah Sands sailed on 26th, from Liverpool for Portland, Maine.—Hostilities have ceased along the whole of Moldavia, Wallachian line. Floods in the Danube prevent operations, but when frost sets in fighting will be resumed.

Vienna letters of 23rd says, Omar Pacha is ordered from Constantinople to prosecute the war with energy.

From Bucharest, 14th, we learn that Gortschakoff has received similar instructions, in the meantime diplomacy is active. On the 7th British steamer Fury brought to Constantinople draught of a new Anglo-French Note, but Porte declined to consider it. Note, therefore withdrawn. Other propositions about to be made.

Present position of military affairs—Omar Pacha holds Kalafat with 4,000 men; is fortifying himself in the strongest manner. Turks under Ismael Pacha had fought the Russians under General Kishbakh, and took from them Krajova. Omar is combining his troops to attack the divisions of General Lnders, in Bessarabia, and the Turkish Fleet in Ottoman, Black Sea, is to co-operate with the land forces in that attack.

On the 15th, Turks attempted a surprise of Russian posts of Turnal, were discovered, and returned to Kalafat.

Success of Turkish Army in Asia, continues brilliant. The militia of Laristan, whom the Czar, had armed and equipped, had gone over to the Turks. Russia Consul-General at Belgrade struck his flag on the 14th, and left a proof that Serbia did not co-operate with Russia.

Wallachian militia much against their will, are incorporated in Russian army. Military executions of deserters daily in Bucharest. Consuls at France and England were still at Jassy, but their official functions had ceased.

British Cabinet Council held on Wednesday.

Turkish sympathy meeting of 3,000 held at Glasgow. Kossuth sent a long letter expressing his views.

Cholera had appeared at Paris. Young King of Portugal, only 18, affianced to King of Belgium's daughter, aged 14.

CHINA.—Rebel army still successful.

EAST INDIES.—In Burmah another war imminent.

Liverpool.—Bread Stuffs remain quiet—market firm all the week; say wheat 1d. and flour 6d. to 1s. decline. Freights tending upwards.

Niagara takes large number of Humboldt's passengers to Boston: she left Halifax at 1 p. m. No timber reports.

Anglo-American Magazine.

TO THE PUBLIC.

Our acknowledgments are due to the Public for the support that the "ANGLO-AMERICAN MAGAZINE" has received, at their hands, up to the present issue. Our circulation has, since the appearance of the first number, steadily increased, although still below the number we hoped it would have reached, considering its purely national character. To those who may prefer an "anti-British picture book," instead of the wholesome literature contained in our pages, we would remark that steps have been taken to present the "ANGLO" in a more attractive guise, as, at present, arrangements are being made to procure Steel Engravings from the Mother Country. In regard to original matter, we would observe, that at least half of every issue is the production of persons resident in Canada; and although we could easily make the "MAGAZINE" wholly original, we prefer using selections from standard English Journals, which, at the same time, unlike our neighbours on the other side of the lake, we duly give, "credit for." We are induced to make this last remark, as in more than one occasion articles have appeared in the "A. A. MAGAZINE," with acknowledgment from whence taken—while the same have figured in some of the United States Magazines, introduced in a such a manner as to leave an impression on the reader's mind of their being original.

In conclusion, we assure our readers that we would long since have improved the appearance of our Journal, had we not felt conscious that we were catering for a public that we prefer "substance" to "shadow," as well as of keeping the "MAGAZINE" purely Canadian, so far as the mechanical arrangements are concerned.

FALL & WINTER GOODS.

Received by the Facide from Glasgow, and now open at the Glasgow House, a large assortment of

DRY GOODS,

comprising every novelty and style, suitable for the present and approaching season, which will be sold Cheap for cash. Also, Good Tea, at 1s. 8d. per lb.

M. RYAN, Proprietor.
Chatham, October 8, 1853.
English Goods hourly expected per Hampton, from Liverpool.
N. B. Garments as usual, made to measure and a good fit warranted.
No Second Price.

STOLEN OR STRAYED.

A YEAR OLD FILLY, Dark Grey, with a Star on the Forehead, and a little white on one Leg; whoever will give such information to the Subscriber, as will lead to her recovery, will be suitably rewarded for his trouble.

WILLIAM S. CAIE.
Kichibouguac, 23rd November, 1853.

New Advertisements.

AUCTIONS.

To be sold by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 13th of DECEMBER, at noon in front of the Promises. The one and a half story

Dwelling House,

on the north side of Water Street, near the Cunard Steam Mill, occupied by Mr Peter Walsh. Also the SMALL BUILDING, on the Lower side of said House, with the LAND on which the Houses stand, having a front on the Street of about 59 feet, and extending back to within one foot of high water mark.

The Premises will be sold in one or two Lots, as may be decided upon at the time of Sale.

TERMS.—Half the purchase money to be paid down at the time of sale, the other half by approved notes at 3 months.

A good Title will be given to the Property. For further particulars apply to Messrs Kerr & Thomson, or to

J. M. WOLHAUPTER, Auctioneer.
Chatham, 8th December, 1853.

Underwriters' Sale.

To be Sold by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 20th day of DECEMBER, instant, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon, on board the Ship Golden Light, at the Horse Shoe, if practicable to get on board, and if not, on Fox Island, on account of the Underwriters, and all concerned.

The HULL of said Ship,

as she now lies stranded on the Horse Shoe, of 1,204 Tons Register, O. M.

The ANCHORS, CHAINS, Running and Standing Rigging, SAILS, BOARDS, and STRONGS, in lots—a Catalogue of which will be ready before the sale. The vessel was launched in November, and the whole of her materials are new, and of the best quality. Also,

The Cargo of Deals & Timber

on board the said ship, consisting of about 686 M. S. Feet of Pine and Spruce Deals, Deal Ends, Battens, and Scantling,
150 tons Birch Timber, and
80 tons White Pine Timber.

TERMS—Cash.
W. J. FRASER, Auctioneer.
Chatham, December 10, 1853.

Underwriters' Sale.

To be sold by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 20th day of DECEMBER, instant, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on board the Ship Golden Light, John Harvey, Master, at the Horse Shoe; if practicable to get on board, and if not, on Fox Island, on account of the Underwriters, and all concerned.

400 boxes Preserved Salmon,

containing 19,200 lbs, put up in Tin Cases, as they now lie on board of the said ship, stranded on the Horse Shoe.—Terms CASH.
J. M. WOLHAUPTER, Auctioneer.
Chatham, 10th December, 1853.

ESSENCES, SPICES, &c.

FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBER.

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| Raisins, | Ground Rice, |
| Currants, | Buckwheat Flour, |
| Ground Cinnamon, | Irish Moss, |
| Orange Peel, | Sage, |
| Citron Peel, | Cloves, |
| Oil of Lemon, | Mace, |
| Oil of Orange, | A variety of Syrups, |
| Oil of Cassia, | Sperm Candles, |
| Oil of Caraway, | Table Salt, |
| Honey, | Bbls. Onions, &c., &c. |

JOHN MACDOUGALL.
Chatham, 9th December, 1853.

Patent Yellow Metal.

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| 12 bars 1 1/4 inch | PATENT
YELLOW METAL. |
| 25 bars 1 1/8 do | |
| 50 bars 1 do | |
| 82 bars 7/8 do | |
| 80 bars 3/4 do | |

For Sale in one lot. Apply to
JOHN W. HOLDERNESSE.
Kingston, Richibucto, December 7, 1853.

Miramichi Mechanics' Institute,
Chatham.

The SEASON'S LECTURES will commence on THURSDAY EVENING, 22nd December, instant, at half-past 7 o'clock, P. M., at the Institute Room.

The Opening Lecture will be delivered by J. M. Johnson, Jr., Esq. to which the admittance will be free.

Tickets may be obtained from
W. WILKINSON, Secretary.
Chatham, 2nd December, 1853.

List of Letters for October,

Received at the Post Offices Chatham and Newcastle, &c., remaining for delivery 20th November, 1853.

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| Bizar Alex. Indian | Jardine George Napan |
| Barburn, brig Ann | Murphy Thomas |
| Marshall John | Marshall John |
| Capt Bell 2 | Millins Robert |
| Craig John | Maimohan James |
| Dins Frank | O'Neil Mary care of |
| Frost Amos | Andrew O'Neal |
| Hilbert Michael care of | Sullivan Patrick |
| John Cahill | Spears William |
| Heans Tintan | Thompson Robert Dou- |
| Hooper John care of S. | glasfield |
| Binly | Weaver Ann |
| Heran Mrs Mary A. | |
| Jones Patrick | |

AT NEWCASTLE OFFICE.

Fish George Newcastle
P. S. Persons asking for above letters will please say Advertised.
JAMES CAIE, P. M.

County and Parish Accounts.

OFFICE OF CLERK OF THE PEACE.
Newcastle 22nd November, 1853.

All persons having any ACCOUNTS with the County, or with the respective Parishes, are requested to render the same to this Office, duly vouched, on or before the 16th of DECEMBER next, that the same may be prepared and ready for submission to the Grand Jury at the next January Sessions.

By order of the General Sessions,
EDWARD WILLISTON,
Clerk of the Peace.

HOUSES TO LET

in the Town of Chatham.
Half the Dwelling House, formerly occupied by the Bank of British North America. The Double House, in the upper part of the town, occupied by Mr Charles Richardson.
A House on the Murphy property.
HENRY CUNARD.
Chatham, October 8, 1853.