

**NEW ELECTION LAW.**

THE Hon. Mr Brown, much to his credit, has introduced into the Legislative Council, a "Bill intituled an Act to amend the Law relative to the election of Members to serve in General Assembly." We have been favoured with a copy, from which we glean several sections, not having room for the whole bill. It is evidently a great improvement on the old law, and we trust it will be adopted by the Legislature.

"As soon as may be after the passing of this Act, the Justices of the Peace for the several Counties in their General Session, or any Special Session to be for that purpose convened, shall appoint three able and discreet men in every Parish, and in every Ward in the City of St John, to be Registrars, for the purpose of preparing, revising, and returning lists of the names of all persons resident in their respective Parishes and Wards, who are qualified by law to vote for Members to serve in General Assembly, which Registrars so appointed shall forthwith be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty in the usual manner, before a Justice of the Peace, and for refusal, neglect, or other default, shall in all respects be liable to the same penalties and forfeitures to which other persons are made liable by the 51st Section of the Act to which this is an amendment.

"The Registrars shall, on or before the first day of July in each year, fix or cause to be fixed in three public and conspicuous situations in every Parish, District, or Ward, as the case may be, one fair copy of every such list in each place, the same to be alphabetically arranged, with the christian name and surname of every person written at full length, and shall also retain in their own custody single copies of such lists respectively.

"The votes shall be given at the Election by Ballot.

"No person shall be allowed to vote at any polling place, unless his name be on the list of voters so posted up within the same.

"The Poll Clerk, at every polling place, shall enter on the Poll Book List, the name of every elector voting, and shall write the word "sworn" opposite to the name of any voter to whom an oath may have been administered.

"The ballot shall be a paper ticket, which shall contain in writing or printing, or partly written and partly printed, the name or names of the candidate or candidates for whom the elector intends to vote."

**LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.**

Our Correspondent's Letter, extracts from the Journals, &c., will furnish our readers with a pretty fair idea of what is doing in the Legislature.

The house has now been in Session a month, and the actual business it has done, is small indeed. Mr Kerr it appears, has sought for some important information, and created considerable stir by introducing a Resolution relative to travelling fees of members. It is quite time this fraud should receive its quietus.

Our Correspondent asks us—"How would it do to retain the one per cent duty for School purposes, in addition to the sum now granted in aid of Parish Schools?"

The people on this side of the Province are decidedly hostile to the present high scale of duties imposed by our present tariff, as it bears extremely heavy on them. They are mainly engaged in three branches of business—the manufacturing of Lumber, Ship Building, and Fishing, and have consequently to import a very large portion of all the necessaries of life. They cannot reconcile themselves to the propriety, much less to the justice of being compelled to pay duties ranging from 7½ to 30 per cent. to protect and encourage Domestic Manufactures in and around St. John, while they have but little or no intercourse with that city from the want of a railway, or some other speedy mode of transit. The distance by water at present is too great, and to transport goods, &c., over land on wheels, is impracticable. They are therefore compelled to seek in other markets for those articles, and why they naturally ask, are they to be taxed so heavily to support manufactures, while they cannot avail themselves of them.

Notwithstanding the people in this County are opposed to the present high scale of duties, this being the last Session of the present House, the feeling is very generally entertained, that it would be better not to meddle with the present Revenue Law, as the new house would be sure to make alterations, and these frequent changes create confusion and give rise to much dissatisfaction. The opinions advanced by our Correspondent on the subject of free trade and protection, we feel persuaded, will meet with the approbation of a large majority of the population on this side of the Province.

In answer to his enquiry, we say—why retain the one per cent duty?—The necessity for it no longer exists, as the debt is paid off—why not therefore sweep it away; but if

members will not assent to this, the amount realized from it could not be devoted to a better object than Education; more particularly, when we see members standing up in the Assembly asserting that we are too ignorant to manage our own local affairs. If this be the case—but we question its truthfulness—the sooner the Schoolmaster is sent abroad to enlighten us, the better.

Since the above was put in type, a gentleman in Chatham, has handed us the following Despatch:—

"Fredericton, March 18.

"The Revenue Bill is not to be altered this year."

**UNITED STATES.**

Our papers inform us that the United States Senate has passed Douglass's bill providing for the organization of the new territories of Nebraska and Kansas. Yeas—from free States 14, slave States 23, total 37; nays—14.

The Senate of New York State passed to its third reading, the bill prohibiting the Traffic in Intoxicating Beverages. Yeas—17, nays—10.

The Homestead bill passed the House by a vote of 107 to 72.

**BOWSER'S HOTEL.**

**ARRIVALS DURING THE PAST WEEK.**

March 11.—Adam Ferguson, Esq., Restigouche. 12.—D. B. Stevens, Esq., St. John. 14.—Hon. W. Hamilton, Fredericton; W. McLeod, Tabusintac; Mrs W. Barry, Bathurst.

Passengers in the Steamer Asia, at Halifax, Messrs. William Muirhead and Robinson Crocker, of this place.

Recollect the Sale of Books, by Auction, which is to take place at the Educational Depository, this Evening.

**DEATHS.**

At Chatham, on Friday, the 10th instant, after a long and severe illness, which she bore with truly christian resignation to the will of her Divine Saviour, Miss JOHANNAH FURLONG, in the 27th year of her age.

After having received her Education in the Ursuline Convent, Quebec, she was visited by that scourge of the human family, small pox, which laid the foundation of her future sufferings; and caused her to leave that happy and peaceful abode where she intended to spend her days; but the will of God must be done whether we like it or not, and none was more ready to submit than she was. Her sufferings were long; let us hope they are ended, and that she is now in the company of those who continually attend the Lamb, singing Hallelujah forever more.

[St. John Freeman and Boston Pilot please copy.]

On Sunday, the 12th inst., at Campbellton, after a short illness, Lewis J. Biggs, a native of this place, in the 69th year of his age.

On Sunday afternoon last, in Chatham, WILLIAM ALFRED, only son of Mr William Kelly, aged nine months.

**BY TELEGRAPH.**

TO MIRAMICHI GLEANER OFFICE.

**EUROPEAN NEWS.**

St. John, February 15.

Arabia arrived at Halifax at half past two, P. M., paddle-floats much destroyed by the ice.

Latest by Mail at Liverpool. No later from the Danube or Asia. Times Vienna Correspondent, says—date 2nd, Austrian manifesto is about to announce that Austria will occupy Bosnia and Servia.

The St. Petersburg Journal of 24th, contains the following as the substance of the answer by the Czar, to the Emperor Napoleon. If his Imperial Majesty extends his hand to me as I extended mine, I am ready to forget the mortification I have experienced, harsh though it may be, then, but then only, can I discuss the subject treated of in his letter, and may perhaps arrive at an understanding. Let the French fleet prevent the Turks from transporting reinforcements to the theatre of war, and let the Turks send me a Plenipotentiary to negotiate, whom I will receive as befits his character. The conditions already made known to the conference at Vienna, are the sole base on which I will consent to treat.

Latest intelligence. Paris, Friday. Bourse heavy. Funds declined.

Vienna, February 25.—Movements of the

troops towards the frontier continues. The Government have decided, in conjunction with the Western Powers, to summon Russia to evacuate the Principalities, and if necessary, to employ force to compel her to do so.

The Brussels papers publish Hamburg letters which state that the Russian fleets are preparing to leave Cronstadt, probably to gain the sea before the arrival of the combined fleets.

The War.—Actual operations exhibit no new feature. Every power in Europe continues to arm. Admiral Seymour, second in command of the Baltic fleet, under Sir Chas. Napier. Over twenty ships already assembled at Spithead. Ice in the Baltic breaking up.

Russian fleet at Cronstadt ready to sail.—Some military men do not think that Russia intends to attack Kalafat, but wish to entrap the Turks to come out. Another convoy of 16,000 men preparing to leave Constantinople for Betoum.

Greek Insurrection is in the way of being suppressed. Several British Ships of War are ordered from Malta to Epirus.

Political Aspect.—The current statement is, that Couriers are on the way to St. Petersburg with joint Note, demanding categorical reply within one week, whether the Czar will or will not evacuate the Principalities before April 3.

Britain.—The war quite popular, although not without a shade of anxiety.

France.—Napoleon opened Legislative session of 1854, on Thursday the 2nd. He said—France had gone as far as honour permitted to avoid collision, but must now draw the sword. English press unanimous in praising Napoleon's Speech. Marshal St. Arnaud reported Commander of the East.

Russia demands Swedish and Prussian ports should be closed against English and French ships.

England and France request Denmark to allow Allied fleets to lie at Kiel.

Spain.—Insurrections in Saragossa, formidable. Madrid in state of siege.

Liverpool—Breadstuffs.—declining—Wheat 3d. to 4d. Flour 1s. to 2s. per barrel. Indian Corn 1s. to 2s., Brown supply, quote White Wheat at 11s. 6d. to 12s. 3d. Red 10s. 10d. to 11s. 9d. Western Canal Flour 39s. Canada 30s. 6d. Money easy.

Consuls closed 91 1-8 to 91 3-4. Freight firm, particularly to New York.

**GARDEN SEEDS.**

The subscriber has been appointed Agent for a Nursery and Seed establishment in England, expects at an early day, via St John, a well selected assortment of GARDEN SEEDS Notice will be given of their arrival.

JAMES J. PIERCE.

Chatham, March 11, 1854.

**SHINGLES.**

Wanted, One hundred and Fifty Thousand Best Pine Shingles.

Liberal prices will be paid by JOHNSON & MACKIE. Miramichi, 20th February, 1854.

**NOTICE.**

A Meeting of the Shareholders of the MIRAMICHI AND RICHMOND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, will be held at the MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE HALL, on THURSDAY, 23rd instant, at 8 o'clock, P. M., when matters of importance will be laid before them.

A full attendance is requested. JOHN MACKIE, President. Miramichi, 11th March 1854.

**South West Boom Company.**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the above Company will take place on TUESDAY, the 21st inst., at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the House of JOHN DEANVILLE, in Blissfield, for the purpose of organizing the Company, and taking measures to carry out the object of the said Corporation, when all the Stockholders, and others desirous of promoting the object contemplated, will give their attendance.

RICHARD SUTTON.

Miramichi, March 7, 1854.

**CANDLES! CANDLES!!**

ONE HUNDRED BOXES TALLOW CANDLES—Moulds Sixes, for sale by the Subscriber.

H. F. LETSON.

N. B. Apply at the Shop of W. A. Letson, Commercial Building. Chatham, Miramichi, March 11, 1854.

**CARD.**

The Subscribers in soliciting the patronage of the Inhabitants of Chatham, and surrounding Country, beg to inform that they have purchased Mr Michael Ryan's STOCK OF DRY GOODS, and are determined to sell at an off, at unprecedented low prices, so as to effect a clearance previous to the arrival of large Spring importations.

THOMAS WALSH & Co.

Glasgow House, Chatham, March 11, 1854.

**New Advertisements.**

**Bazaar---Newcastle.**

A BAZAAR will be held in Newcastle, in the early part of the ensuing Summer, for the purpose of liquidating the Debt on the Wesleyan Chapel in that place.

Contributions are respectfully solicited in favour of the object, and the smallest donations will be gratefully received by the following Ladies.—Miss Sargeant, Miss Witherall, Miss Fish, and Mrs. Vanstone, at Newcastle, and Mrs. Snowball, in Chatham.

Chatham, March 18, 1854.

**LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES.**

**FOR SALE.**

To be sold at Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 9th May next, at 11 o'clock on the Premises, if not previously sold at Private Sale,

**The Blacksmith Shop**

at present occupied by Mr Rae, and adjoining the residence of Mr Swanson, in Chatham. The Lease has 21 years to run from 30th August next, and pays a Ground Rent of £2 10 per Annum.

ALSO

The one and a half story DWELLING HOUSE and LOT, owned by Mr William Hay, and opposite the above named Premises. Lease 21 years, to run from 30th August next, and pays a Ground Rent equal to £1 18 per Annum

Terms—One Third down, One Third in one year, and balance in two years.

For further particulars apply to WM. J. FRASER, Auctioneer. Chatham, March 16, 1854.

**NOTICE.**

A Meeting of the Committee of the HIGHLAND SOCIETY, of New Brunswick at Miramichi, will be held at Witherall's Hotel, Newcastle, on TUESDAY, 28th instant, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

ALEX. MORRISON, Secretary. Douglstown, March 14, 1854.

**TO LET.**

On TUESDAY, the 28th current, at 2 o'clock P. M., at Moorfield's School House, No. 8.

**THE FARM,**

commonly called the "Kirkpatrick Place," adjoining the Lot owned and occupied by John Travis, for a period of one or more Years, as may be agreed on, at the time, and immediate possession given.

DUDLEY PERLEY, } Trustees.  
R. HUTCHISON, }  
FRANCIS ELLIOT, }

Newcastle, March 16, 1854.

**Direct from Boston.**

Thirty-Six Splendid ACCORDEONS at the following prices. 11s. 12s. 6d. 39s. 40s. and 55s. each, all tried articles and good.

With the assistance of the 'Accordeon without a Master' a person may learn to play in three hours!

D. P. HOWE.

**Notice of Copartnership.**

The Business heretofore done by John H. Harding, at Miramichi, will in future be carried on by J. H. & J. Harding.

JOHN H. HARDING.

JESSE G. HARDING.

Miramichi, March 3, 1854.

**NEW BOOKS.**

Tennyson's Poems, McKenzies 5000 Receipts, Baptist Hymn Book, Gift Books in great variety, &c., &c. 12- Twelve Box WOOD FLUTES, for sale likewise.

D. P. HOWE.

**NOTICE.**

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Book Store of the Subscriber, in Chatham, and a Specification may be examined until Saturday, the 1st day of April next, at noon, for furnishing School Room No. 4 with

16 Small Desks, Four Feet long, 16 Small Benches, same length, 2 Side Desks full length of the Room, And altering Two of the Windows, so that the upper sashes may be lowered or raised by pulleys, to ventilate the building.

Cash will be paid on the completion of the work, by the 1st day of May to the satisfaction of Messrs James Cane, Richard Carman, Caleb McCully, } Committee.

Who have kindly consented to see the improvements made.

DAVIS P. HOWE.

P. S. The old desks of the School may be obtained as part of the material for the new ones.

**EDWARD CASTELL,**

WHOLESALE

**CONFECTIONER,**

NO. 264 HANOVER STREET, BOSTON.

Directly Opposite Richmond Street.

Keeps constantly on hand a large assortment of French and American Confectionary. Having large facilities for the manufacture of the same, he is enabled to sell his steam refined Candy as low as can be bought at any Store in the City. Besides Confectionary of his own manufacture, he keeps constantly on hand a large supply of New York and Philadelphia Fancy Goods, such as Gum Drops, Cordial Drops, Brandy Drops, French Toys, Chocolate Drops and Sticks, &c., &c.

Superior LOZENGES. Orders from the Provinces respectfully solicited, and all goods carefully packed for transportation without extra charge.

Persons may remit by Masters of Vessels, Express or Mail, and be assured that all orders will be promptly executed according to instructions.

264—HANOVER STREET—264.

No connection with any other Establishment in the City.

Boston, Mass., 11th February, 1854.