

The very brief notice we have had of your Excellency's advent, has not permitted us to receive your Excellency in that distinguished manner we should have desired, and we beg that any apparent deficiency in this respect, will be kindly ascribed by your Excellency to the proper cause.

We cannot claim for this county a rank in importance with those older and more forward counties, whose trade and manufactures have rendered wealthy and populous. At the same time, we rest assured that our fertile soil, our salubrious climate, and our facilities for prosecuting exhaustless fisheries, will always preserve Gloucester from becoming the least valuable portion of this colony.

We beg leave to express our perfect confidence in your Excellency's ability and disposition to maintain in honor the trust which our Gracious Sovereign has committed to your charge, and to promote the happiness and prosperity of this Province.

With the most sincere wishes for the unimpeded health and welfare of your Excellency, your Lady and Family, we have the honour to remain, your Excellency's faithful Servants.

REPLY.

GENTLEMEN.—I thank you sincerely for the congratulations, and for the welcome with which you have received me on this my first visit to the County of Gloucester.

The inhabitants of this County, in common with those of every other parts of the Province, have given repeated and very recent proof, of their warm sympathy with their fellow subjects in England.

As Her Majesty's Representative, I accept with pleasure, and I thank you for the renewed assurance of your loyalty to our gracious Queen, and of your attachment to the mother country.

Gentlemen, I join heartily in the wish which you express, for the continued and increasing prosperity of this county. You will, I am confident, turn them to the best account the great natural advantages which surround you by sea and land; and I trust that, by the blessings of Providence, your industry, enterprise, and skill, will meet with an abundant return.

You may be well assured that no effort will be wanting on my part, to promote your welfare and the general prosperity of the Province.

I was unable to give you more than a very short notice of my intended arrival here, but I would not on that account, forego the pleasure of a visit to Bathurst. I relied on a cordial welcome, and gentlemen I have not been disappointed.

I request you to accept on behalf of Mrs. Maura Sutton, as well as for myself, my very warmest thanks for the kindly feelings which you entertain toward us and our family.

THE SEASON, CROPS, &C.

OUR farmers are now busily occupied making and bringing in their hay, and they have had splendid weather for the work. The reports of the return, vary considerably. On some farms, and in some districts, the crop is light, in other places, extremely heavy. On the whole, we are inclined to think, that the yield will be an average one, and heavier than has been reaped for three years past.

In this immediate neighbourhood, we have had no rain for the last three weeks, and the weather has been intensely hot. The potatoes, oats, turnips, &c. have suffered in consequence. Heavy rains, however, have fallen during the week, up the river, on the Richibucto road, and in the lower parts of the county—they no doubt will prove of great service. The wheat in all directions looks well, and promises an abundant crop.

The Salmon fishers have had very variable luck—some have done well and others indifferently. According to all accounts we think there is not much cause to complain. The report of the Cod-Fishery on the coast, is very satisfactory.

INQUESTS.

AN Inquest was held by Allan A. Davidson, Esq., one of the Coroners of the County, on the 17th July, at Nelson, on the body of FELIX CONNELL, a carpenter on board of the ship "Ocean Bride," who was drowned on the night of the 11th, by the upsetting of a Canoe in which he attempted to go on board of the said vessel. Verdict—Accidental Death.

By the same Coroner, on the 29th July, on the body of a man supposed to be JAMES O'SHEA, who was drowned last fall by the sinking of a Boat while raising a kedge, just below the town of Newcastle, but from the great length of time the body had remained in the water, it was impossible to identify it. Verdict—Found drowned.

FIRES AT ST. JOHN

THE Observer gives us the particulars of three fires which occurred in that city during the week. We have not room for the whole details but give below a condensed report. The losses are heavy.

"Our city has been peculiarly unfortunate within the last few days, with regard to conflagrations. Shortly before 2 o'clock, A. M. on Sunday morning, a fire broke out in the rear of a house occupied by Dennis O'Connell, in Water Street, which spread with amazing rapidity over the whole ranges of buildings on Disbrow's and Merritt's wharves, and also the line of buildings fronting on Water Street, between the Fish Market and the Ferry Landing, excepting the corner building on the latter, owned by Messrs. S. Wiggins & Son, and occupied by Messrs. Stewart & McLean, which was saved only by the almost miraculous exertions of the firemen. Many of the buildings destroyed having been stored with vast quantities of tar, pitch, and other highly inflammable materials, and one of them being a candle and soap manufactory, the intensity and heat of the flames were amazing, and almost precluded the possibility of any approach to them.

"Between 2 and 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, another fire broke out, in the Marine Hospital, Lower Cove, by the spontaneous combustion of coals in the cellar; which, however, was soon extinguished without injury to the building.

On Monday night, between 11 and 12 o'clock the alarm of fire was given, which was soon found to proceed from the saw-mill, belonging to Messrs. Frost & Currie, at the Straight Shore, near the Suspension Bridge. Five engines immediately proceeded thither from the City, two were ferried over from Carleton, and the Portland Engine also joined them; and the whole eight kept up a vigorous and manful attack on the burning pile, till the conflagration was finally subdued; but unfortunately not till the Mill was very extensively destroyed; the distance having given great scope for the progress of the flames, before any succour could arrive."

NOVA SCOTIA.

The citizens of Halifax are now busily engaged making preparation for a Regatta, which is to come off this month. The committee of management are succeeding very well with their subscriptions, and the Admiral has very kindly allowed the inhabitants the use of the Dock Yard and the Receiving ship, under certain reasonable restrictions.

P. E. ISLAND.

The papers from the Island report very favourably of the growing crops. The Pictou paper reports that the Telegraph Cable has been re-laid between the Island and the main land, and is now in working order.

JUDGE STREET.

By the mail steamer at New York, intelligence of the decease of this gentleman was received. No particulars are given in the papers. He was residing in England.

COLONIAL NEWS.

OUR exchange papers furnish little that is new and interesting. All the Canadian papers agree in reporting that there is every prospect of a most abundant harvest and the prospect of a speedy decline in the price of flour, which the speculators still maintain at a high figure.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

THE mail steamer Asia arrived at Halifax on the morning of Wednesday, and we obtained by yesterday's mail our regular files of papers to the 22nd July. The intelligence they furnish from the seat of war, is not of a very exciting character. We have devoted some space to extracts, to which we refer our readers, as well as our telegraph despatch for particulars.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—WE cannot answer the enquiries of "An Inhabitant." We do not know the names of all the persons who have been "elevated to the Magisterial Bench," neither can we inform him "why they were not published, as is usually the case, in the Royal Gazette." We believe the Clerk of the Peace has a copy of the Commission, and to him we would refer our Correspondent for particulars.

If Mr Williston will furnish us with the information sought for by our correspondent, we will cheerfully publish it, and in so doing he would confer a favor on the Inhabitants of the County, many of whom have sought for the information in vain. The same complaint has reached us from Gloucester. There should be no mystery on mystification in such matters. The old Government indulged too freely in these things, which added very considerably to their unpopularity. The present one should eschew all secrecy, as it begets a feeling of distrust among their friends and supporters.

THE Revd. Dr. Conolly, Roman Catho-

lic Bishop of this Province, arrived here on Saturday last. He held a Confirmation in St. Patrick's Chapel, in Nelson, on Sunday, and another in St. Michael's Chapel, in Chatham, on Monday.

The Revd. Bishop of Fredericton arrived at the Parsonage last evening. He will hold a Confirmation on Sunday morning, in St. Mary's Chapel, after which there will be a collection for the clerical life association lately established in the Province. Service in St. Paul's Church at 3 1/2 o'clock afternoon.

INTELLIGENCE.—The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Fredericton, intends (D. V.) to give Confirmation in St. Mary's Chapel, at Chatham, at 11 o'clock, on Sunday morning next; and if practicable, his Lordship will preach in St. Andrew's Church, at Newcastle, at 6 1/2 o'clock, on the evening of the same day. After the sermon a collection will be made towards providing means for decently fencing this church.

MARRIAGES.

On the 17th July, by the Rev. William Stewart, Mr GEORGE MACFARLANE to Miss JANE COULSON.

At Nelson, on the 2nd August, by the same, Mr WILLIAM WILSON, to Miss JANE FLETT.

On Thursday, the 2nd inst., in St. Peter's Church, at Nelson, by the Rev. James Hudson, B. A. Rector, Mr JAMES W. UNDERHILL, to Miss CYNTHIA COLWELL, both of the Parish of Blackville.

At the same time and place, by the same Priest, Mr JOHN HENRY UNDERWOOD, to Miss GRACE CLYDE, of the above-named Parish.

On the 2nd instant, by the Reverend John McCurdy, Mr THOMAS MATHISON, of Newcastle, to Miss JANET COLTARD, of Napan.

BOWSER'S HOTEL.

ARRIVALS DURING THE PAST WEEK. July 30.—E. Bessel and wife, Bangor; John Anderson, St. John; John Wilson, New York; John Campbell, P. E. I.; Revd. Mr Law, Richibucto; Revd. Mr Ferry St John, Henry McNut P. E. I.; Aug. 3.—H. S. Thacher, Boston; W. M. Pride, Sackville; Miss Jane Pride do; John T. Carter, Bathurst; Mr Moffat, Campbelltown; Robert McIntosh, Dalhousie.

SHIP NEWS

PORT OF CHATHAM, MIRAMICHI.

ENTERED.—July 27, schr Elizabeth, Campbell P. E. I., coats, &c., master.

30.—schr Phantom, Palmer, P. E. I., W. J. Fraser & Co.; Lady Sale, Brow, Pictou, J. Cameron.

31.—ship Margaret, Meryman, New York, D. & J. Ritchie.

August 3.—schr Mary Martha, Morearthy, St. Pierre; Temperance, Sire, Quebec, flour, R. Johnson, senr.

CLEARED.—July 27, schr Mary, Fournier, Quebec.

28.—schr Sea Flower, Terrio, P. E. I., salt.

30.—schr Phantom Palmer, P. E. I.; ship Perekop, Graham, Liverpool, Wm. Muirhead; schr Liberator, Anderson, Boston, fish, R. Marshall.

August 1.—brig Ville de St. Servan, Bebour, St. Pierre, deals, W. J. Fraser, & Co.

PORT OF NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI.

ENTERED.—July 30, schr May, H. S. McNutt, P. E. I., produce, R. Crocker.

August 1.—brig Martha Sophia, Boudreaut, Montreal, flour and pork, Gilmour, Rankin & Co.; schr Dorothy, Chalmers, Pictou, coal, John Chalmers.

2.—brig John Hall, Grey, Newfoundland, Gilmour, Rankin & Co.

CLEARED.—July 27, bark Marquis of Bute, Hallet, Cardiff, deals, R. Crocker; schr Blossom, Mason, Halifax, lumber, Mason & Co.

August 1.—bark Sarah, Wilson, Belfast, deals, Gilmour, Rankin & Co.

PORT OF DALHOUSIE.

ENTERED.—July 29, schr Perseverance, Currie, Halifax, corn meal.

August 1.—brig Traveller, Newfoundland, Messrs. Ritchie & Co.

CLEARED.—July 31, bark Bessie, McMilligan, timber, Grenock, Wm. Hamilton.

August 2.—brig Sovereign, Nicholson, timber, Newcastle, Messrs. Ritchie & Co.

HALIFAX.—Cleared, July 26, Hubert, Shippegan, 27, Villager, Miramichi, 28, brig Seneca, Miramichi.

QUEBEC.—The papers report the arrivals from Europe up to 23rd July, 469 less than last year, tonnage 154,013. Loading—July 21.—Alexandria, Bathurst and Dalhousie.

WANTED.

A MASTER to conduct the MADRAS SCHOOL in Chatham, now vacant, occasioned by the resignation of Mr John Smith. For particulars apply to the Rector and Warden of St. Paul's Church, Chatham, who are (ex-officio) Trustees of the said school. Signed FANUEL BACON, Rector. JOHN WRIGHT, Church Warden. J. M. JOHNSON, Chatham, May 6, 1855.

New Advertisements.

UNDERWRITERS' SALE.

To be Sold at Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 9th day of August, instant, at 11 o'clock, forenoon, at Green Point, near Pokemouche, for the benefit of the Underwriters and all concerned.—A part of

THE CARGO,

of the Schooner Raven, Robisheau Master, there stranded, consisting of:— 12 000 lbs. Preserved SALMON, in 1 and 2 lb. cases 39 barrels and 5 boxes of 1 and 2 lb. Tin Cases for Preserved Salmon, 1 box Preserved SALMON, 69 boxes Smoked Herring, 1 barrels Pickled Salmon, 3 barrels PORK. 1 Iron Boiler. Terms Cash.

WILLIAM TAYLOR, Auctioneer. Pokemouche, 2nd August, 1855.

AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 13th August, instant, will be sold by Public Auction, at the STORE of CHARLES L. HAWBOLT, all the valuable and well selected

STOCK OF GOODS.

among which are, Punchons MOLASSES, Boxes LEMON SYRUP, Barrels Sugar, Hardware, do Oatmeal, Crockeryware, do Rice, Tinware, Boxes Tobacco No. 1, Stationery, do Souchong & Congo Tea, Confectionary, do Ground Coffee, Spice, do Ground Ginger, Sugar cured Hams, do Candles, Dried Codfish, do Soap, Coppers, Kegs Cut Nails, Epsom Salts, do Lard, Boiled Linseed Oil, do White Paint, Raw do do, do Green do, 1 doz. cane seated Chairs, Dried Apples, 3 doz. Pails, Crushed Sugar, 4 do Cern Brooms.

ALSO

A large assortment of

DRY GOODS, &c., &c., &c.

Terms of Sale—£5 and under, Cash; and for all above that sum, three months credit will be given on approved Joint Notes. The Sale will be continued from day till all is disposed of. Chatham, August 2, 1855.

AUCTION.

The Sale of the Extensive assortment of DRY GOODS, LIQUORS, GROCERIES, EARTHENWARE, HARDWARE, CORDAGE, IRON, SALT, &c., &c., belonging to the ESTATE of the late FIRM of DUNCAN & LOCH, will be continued on TUESDAY next, at 10 o'clock, from day to day, until the whole is disposed of. WILLIAM SALTER, Auctioneer. Newcastle, August 3, 1855.

South West Boom Company.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a MEETING of the DIRECTORS in the above Company, will take place on THURSDAY, the SIXTEENTH instant, at 3 o'clock, in the afternoon, at the CLERK'S OFFICE, Newcastle, for Transacting Important Business connected with the Company, when a full attendance is requested.

EDWARD WILLISTON, Secretary. Newcastle, August 3, 1855.

NOTICE.

The Co-Partnership between the Subscribers and the late JOHN ALEXANDER, under the Firm of PARK & ALEXANDER, being dissolved by the death of the said John Alexander. All persons having claims against the firm will please render them for adjustment without delay to WILLIAM PARK, at Newcastle, and all persons indebted to the said firm will please make immediate payment to him.

ALEX MCLAGGAN } Surviving Partners. WILLIAM PARK } Newcastle, 1st August, 1855. 4pw

NOTICE.

My Wife CARISTINA, having abandoned my house and forfeited all claims to my protection by her criminal conduct, I hereby warn all persons against trusting her on my account, as I am not liable for, and will not pay any debts she may contract. DAVID CASSADY. Chatham, 2nd August, 1855. 4pw

List of Letters for June.

Received at the Post Office Chatham and Newcastle &c. and remaining for delivery 15th July, 1855.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Address. Includes Bell J. Chatham, Burger Thomas, Borden Timothy care of, Burden Thos. Right, Burlington brig H Price, Cattier William, Conden Patrick at Craner, Boarding House, Currie Robert, H K S Schooner Capt W, Hogden David care of Mr, Lanagan Mrs Ann, Margaret brig Capt Ross, Mooney John, Murphy William, Marshall William, or F. Little, Murphy Michael, McFarlane Alexander, McLaughlan Munks, McMillan John, moulder, N H Wolfe bark C Smith, McKay David Joiner, O Donald John care of, Stewart Charles, Suthers William, Suthers Mary Miss, Shields Miss Jane, Tassar Basil Mrs, Thallee brig Rob Skarrow, Vinas Peter.

NEWCASTLE.

Calligan Frances, care of Mills John, Denis Evey, Newcastle, May Andrew, Murphy M., McLoeughin Martin or, Sect Alexander, N. Est, Michael, Bartho's, Tamlya Richard, Nelson, mews River.

P. S. Persons asking for any of the the above will please say "Advertised"

JAMES CAVE, P. M.

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS having Just Claims against the ESTATE of JOHN ALEXANDER Junr. late of Newcastle, Merchant, deceased, are requested to render the same, duly attested, within three months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to the said ESTATE are requested to make immediate payment, to ALEXANDER CORMACK, Administrator. Miramichi, August 3, 1855.