

Editor's Department.

MIRAMICHI:

CHATHAM, SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1856.

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PUBLIC MEETING.

A numerous and very interesting meeting was held in the Hall of the Sons of Temperance, on the evening of Tuesday last, to take into consideration the propriety of forming an Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society in this County.

The Chair was taken by GEORGE KERR, Esq. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Revd. Mr Stewart; after which the Chairman addressed the meeting, pointing out the objects the Society had in view, and the great and important benefits it was conferring on the world. He then introduced Mr Smith, the travelling Agent of the Society, who spoke at considerable length, and gave an interesting history of the rise and progress of the Society, as well as a highly gratifying account of its success and labours.

It was moved by the Revd. Mr Stewart and Seconded by Mr James Miller:

"Resolved, That this meeting cordially approve of the object and constitution of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and rejoice in the success which, by Divine Providence, has been vouchsafed to its operations, and the operations of kindred Institutions."

It was moved by Revd. Mr Henderson, and Seconded by Mr James Caie:

"Resolved, That, as an Evangelical knowledge of the Word of God is essential to the true prosperity and highest welfare of mankind, it is the duty of all Christians to unite in promoting, as best they can, the increased circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment, both at home and abroad."

The Chairman having invited any person present favourable to the cause to speak, Mr Joseph Spratt gave a very animated, instructive, and interesting address.

The Chairman then spoke and suggested that the meeting take into consideration the propriety of organising an Auxiliary Bible Society in this place, and in doing so, took an opportunity of conferring some just and praiseworthy observations on the long established Ladies' Bible Society which now exists in the County.

The Revd. Mr Henderson moved the following Resolution, which was seconded by Mr John Hea:

"Resolved, That a committee of twelve be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of establishing an Auxiliary Bible Society in Miramichi, or of reviving the former auxiliary, and to report thereon at a meeting to be hereafter called.

"The following gentlemen were named and unanimously chosen to constitute the said committee:—

George Kerr, Esq., Rev. John McCurdy, Rev. Mr. Stewart, Rev. Mr. Henderson, Rev. Mr. Snowball or his successor, Rev. Mr. Scott, Messrs. James Miller, W. J. Fraser, Caleb McCully, Dr Thomson, Messrs. Joseph Spratt, George Johnston."

The Doxology was sung, and the meeting closed with the benediction pronounced by the Revd. Mr Henderson.

CANADA.

It appears to be quite fashionable just now for Colonial Cabinets to resign. Last week we announced that the Ministry of this Province had tendered their resignation to the Lieutenant Governor. To-day we have to state that a disruption has taken place in the Canadian Cabinet, by the resignation of the Postmaster General, Attorney General, and the two Solicitors General. A telegraph despatch to the St. John News Room, states that a new Administration has been formed composed of the following persons:

Premier and Speaker of the Legislative Council, Hon. Mr Tache—Hon. J. A. McDon-

ald—Attorney General (Canada West)—Hon. Mr Casley, Inspector General—Hon. Mr Spence, Postmaster General—Hon. Joseph Conchon, Commissioner of Crown Lands—Hon. Mr Lemieux, Chief Commissioner of Public Works—Hon. E. G. Curteis, Attorney General (Canada East)—Hon. Joseph Morrison, Receiver General—Hon. T. L. Serrill, Provincial Secretary—Hon. Philip Vancoughnel, President of Executive. The Solicitors General are not yet named.

MR MUNRO'S NEW WORK.

ALEXANDER MUNRO, Esq., of Bay de Vert, some time ago, published a very interesting and instructive work on the rise and progress of this Province, its geography, resources, mines, minerals, &c., &c. This work is on sale at our Stationery Store. We have much satisfaction in transferring to our paper the following complimentary notice of the production from Bell's London Weekly Messenger.

"New Brunswick; with a Brief Outline of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward's Island.—By Alexander Munro.—In this goodly volume, extending to nearly 400 pages, and which we have received from Halifax, (N. S.) the reader is presented with a copious account of the history, civil divisions, geography, and productions of the above-named portions of British North America. The work is evidently the production of one who has had a passion for his object, and who by an almost incredible amount of industry, has collected together, and arranged in a most lucid manner, a large mass of facts on every subject calculated to throw light upon the past history, the present condition, and the future prospects of one of the most important and valuable portions of our immense colonial empire. The space at our command will not allow us to enter into a detailed account of the contents of this volume; but we can honestly assure those of our readers who wish to become acquainted with the resources of the Provinces above named, and which, though, comparatively speaking, close to our very doors, are a terra incognita to Englishmen generally, that they cannot consult any book, so full of information, and thoroughly trust-worthy, as the one now before us.—Had the nature of the climate of these Provinces, their agricultural capabilities, their inexhaustible forests, their mineral wealth, and their unparalleled coast and river fisheries, been better known we should not, year after year, have seen the tide of emigration flowing almost exclusively towards Australia, or even the Far West; but multitudes of our countrymen, who have either perished at the gold diggings, or are wending their way home from the so-called land of freedom, shattered in health, and ruined in pocket, would have been living in comfort and comparative wealth, in our North American Colonies, helping to lay deep, under the *Aegis* of their father-land, the foundations of an empire that promises to perpetuate to the remotest ages the greatness and glory of England, without its faults and weaknesses."

THE CABINET DIFFICULTY.

In our last issue we briefly gave our opinion respecting the differences that existed between the Lieutenant Governor and his late Advisers, and the motives which induced the former to pursue the course he has adopted. Nothing has since transpired to lead us to change those views, but on the contrary, to strengthen them.

We should like the Freeholders of this County to pursue a somewhat more consistent course than they have hitherto done in the choice of their Representatives, and this we feel persuaded will never be the case, until they erect a Political Platform, around which parties may rally. To accomplish this, it would be necessary to call a public meeting at the Shire town, or what would be more easily accomplished, let meetings be held in the different towns and parishes of the County, and four Candidates selected by each party. Those who approve of the conduct of the late Government, and think they should be sustained, ought to select such Candidates as will carry out their views; and on the other hand, those who think differently, and are opposed to them, should select their Candidates, and let us have a fair contest. If this course were pursued there would be some meaning in the struggle—party politics would be distinctly marked, and the majority govern.

If, however, the present contest, (and many contend it should and will be) is to be narrowed down to the bare circumstance that the Lt. Governor dissatisfied with the present Prohibitory Liquor Law, adopted the course he has, solely with the view of ascertaining the opinion of the Constituency on this injudicious and arbitrary Law, then there is no necessity for a contest in the County, as all our Representatives were opposed to passing it, and ranged themselves on the side of those who made an effort last Session to have it repealed.

There has been a good deal of talk about the matter during the week; and many persons are preparing to sustain their favourite Candidates, but we have not learned that any action has yet been taken to organize a party opposition.

Rumour has been busily occupied setting up various Candidates, but we do not know from any reliable source, who intend to offer. We repeat our caution to the Freeholders, to be chary how they promise their votes, until they ascertain the names of all the persons who

will be in the field. It is an important privilege, and they should not slightly part with it, or allow others to persuade them to relinquish it without mature reflection.

We have devoted considerable space to the opinions of the Press on the subject, and we intend to give the views of all the Provincial Journals, so that our readers may have before them both sides of the question, and be prepared to form a correct opinion. To enable us so to do, we shall furnish an extra on Saturday, or perhaps earlier in the week.

THE NEW CABINET.—Last evening we obtained a telegraph despatch stating that the Governor had formed a new Administration, composed as follows:—Hon. Messrs. Chandler and Hazen, without office. Mr Gray, Attorney General; Mr Wilmot, Provincial Secretary; Mr M'Phelim, Postmaster General; Mr Allan, Solicitor General.

The Surveyor General, and Commissioner of Board of Work, not yet selected.

The above appointments, we feel satisfied, will convince all thinking men of the political predilections of the Governor.

COUNTY KENT.—We learn that the following gentlemen are in the field as Candidates for this County:—Messrs. J. W. Weldon, F. McPhelim, L. P. W. Desbrisay, and W. Caie.—We have not heard if Mr Cutler intends offering.

COUNTIES GLOUCESTER AND RESTIGOUCHE.—We have heard the names of a good number of persons as being up as Candidates, but do not feel justified in naming them. Our Correspondents no doubt will inform us when matters are decided on.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.—John Little to be Deputy for the Survey and Sale of Crown Lands in the Northern District of the County of Kent, in the room of Peter Muzerall.

William McLeod, Esquire, to be Commissioner of Buoys and Beacons for the Port of Richibucto, Kent.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—In compliance with the wishes of a correspondent, we publish below the Division in the Assembly on the Railway question, from the Journals of the House. Fredericton March 27.

The House then again went into Committee of the whole, and resumed the further consideration of—The Bill relating to the European and North American Railway Company.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee having the Bill again before them, and proceeding in the Debate from time to time, the following was moved:—Resolved, That, the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months. Upon the question, the Committee divided as follows:—Yeas—Mr. Wilmot, Hayward, M'Phelim, Stevens, Purdy, Armstrong, Gray, Botsford, Gilbert, Lunt, End, Kerr, Street, Montgomery, Godard, M'Naughton.—Nays—Hon. Mr Speaker, Hon. Mr Fisher, Hon. Mr Tilley, Hon. Mr Brown, Hon. Mr Smith, Hon. Mr Johnson, Hon. Mr Watters, Mr J. A. Harding, M'Clellan, Landry, Sutton, Allen, Macpherson, Steadman, M'Adam, Cutler, Connell, Ryan, Tibbits, Hatheway, L. R. Harding, M'Leod, Gillmor, Ferris. Whereupon it was decided in the negative.

The question was then taken upon the first Section of the Bill, when the Committee again divided as follows:—Yeas—Hon. Mr Speaker, Hon. Mr Fisher, Hon. Mr Tilley, Hon. Mr Brown, Hon. Mr Smith, Hon. Mr Johnson, Hon. Mr Watters, Mr J. A. Harding, M'Clellan, Landry, Sutton, Allen, Macpherson, Steadman, M'Adam, Cutler, Connell, Ryan, Tibbits, Hatheway, L. R. Harding, M'Leod, Gillmor, Ferris. Nays—Mr Wilmot, Hayward, M'Phelim, Stevens, Purdy, Armstrong, Gray, Botsford, Gilbert, Lunt, End, Kerr, Street, Montgomery, Godard. And it was thereupon carried in the affirmative; and the Section agreed to.

March 27. The Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee having the Bill again under their consideration, proceeded therein to the second Section, and which is as follows:—2. The lines to be constructed shall be a line from Saint John to the State of Maine with extensions to Woodstock, via Fredericton, and from some point on the Bend and Shediac line to Miramichi. To which it was moved as an amendment—To expunge the same, and substitute as follows:—The lines to be constructed shall be a line from Shediac to the Bend and from the City of Saint John to the Bend, which lines shall be commenced and completed with all reasonable expedition; and when these lines shall be completed and in operation, then such further lines shall be commenced and carried on as the public interests shall require. And upon the question for the said proposed amendment, the committee divided as follows:—Yeas—Messrs Gray, M'Phelim, Hayward, Wilmot, M'Clellan, Purdy, Stevens, Montgomery, Armstrong, Gilbert, Godard, End. Nays—Honourables Mr Speaker, Mr Fisher, Mr Brown, Mr Smith, Mr Johnson, Mr Watters, Mr Tilley, Messrs J. A. Harding, Kerr, Botsford, Landry, Allen, McPherson, Street, Steadman, M'Adam, Ferris, Lunt, M'Leod, Gillmor, Boyd, Tibbits, Ryan, Connell, L. R. Harding, Cutler, Hatheway. Whereupon it was decided in the negative. The following amendment was then moved to be sub-

stituted as the second Section:—The lines to be constructed shall be a line from St John to Shediac, and also from St John to the State of Maine, with an extension from some point on the Bend and Shediac line to Miramichi, and a line from Fredericton to Woodstock.

And the question being put on this amendment, it was decided in the negative. The question was then taken on the original Section, and it was carried in the affirmative.

We understand that there have been sieged this week from on board the Brig. Eagle, by the Preventive Officers, six barrels of Alcohol—value about £60.

The schooner Sago, which vessel left Quebec last fall for this port with a valuable cargo, arrived on Sunday morning last. There is a "strange, eventful" history connected with this vessel, which we shall endeavour to furnish next week.

Bark Acteon, arrived on Thursday morning from Liverpool with a general cargo.

POSTSCRIPT.

Just as we were going to press, we obtained the following important Telegraph Despatch from St. John:

Timothy O'Neil was tried and convicted yesterday for the murder of Patrick Cotter, and sentenced to be hung on the 16th July.

Mr Crampton was dismissed on the 28th, likewise the Consuls at New York, Philadelphia and Cincinnati.

Writs for new Election returnable 10th July.

MARRIAGES.

On the 29th May, by the Revd. William Stewart, Mr. JAMES McRAE, to Miss ISABELLA McMAHAN.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

We received the following telegraph despatches during the week.

New York, May 27.

Baltic with London and Liverpool dates to the 14th, arrived to-day.

Breadstuffs rather dull. Wheat and Flour a trifle lower. White Corn is scarce and firm at 1d. advance. Yellow and mixed are freely offered at 6d. to 1s. decline. Western Canal Flour 32s. to 34s. 6d. for Philadelphia, Baltimore and Ohio 35s. to 37s.

Consols 93½ to 93¾.

General news unimportant.

9,000 English troops had embarked from Balaklava.

New York, May 29.

Africa arrived last night.

The news is unimportant.

The Whitson holidays have interfered with business, and Parliament was not in Session.

The London Money Market is unchanged.

Consols closed at 93½ to 93¾ for money.

The weather was more genial in England.

Central American question causes no excitement.

Hostilities have re-commenced between Russians and Circassians.

Latest Quotations.—Breadstuffs.—White Corn 30s; yellow and mixed 28s. to 29s. Red Wheat 9s. 2s. to 10s. 2d. White 9s. 9d. to 11s. Western Canal Flour 32s. to 34s; Philadelphia, Baltimore and Ohio, 35s. to 37s. Other markets generally unchanged.

New Advertisements.

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The Subscriber will Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 7th JUNE next, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M., the REMAINDER OF HIS

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JOHN MAIN.

Kingston, Kent, 27th May, 1856.

GARDEN SEEDS.

Just Received by the "Eagle," from Boston, and for Sale at the Stationery Store adjoining the Gleaner Office, a great variety of FRESH GARDEN SEEDS. Chatham, May 30, 1856.

REMOVAL.

The Subscriber begs leave to intimate to his Friends and the Public, that he has REMOVED his place of Business to the

SHOP formerly occupied by DAVIS P. HOWE, where he solicits a continuance of the Patronage heretofore extended to him.

JAMES WHITE, JR.

Chatham, 1st May, 1856.

BLANKS.

For SALE at the STATIONARY STORE, adjoining the Gleaner Office, Chatham, 24th April, 1856.