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Assize of Bread,

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 8, 1800.
The Sixpenny Wheat Loaf } lbs. oz.
to weigh Rye - - - 2 7
Ditto
And other Loaves in proportion.
WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Mayor.

LUDLOW, FRASER and ROBINSON,

HAVE RECEIVED,
By the *Britannia* from Glasgow, the
Hawke from London, and the *Liberty*
from Liverpool, and are now
opening for Sale at their Store
in Saint John-street,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF MERCHANDISE;

Consisting, among others, of the
following Articles, viz:

SUPERFINE,
Second & coarse
Broad Cloths,
Elastic Cloths,
Yorkshire plains,
Cassimeres,
German ferges,
Duffels,
Fearnought,
Red, white & yel-
low flannels,
Green and red bai-
zes,
7-4, 8-4, 9-4 and
10-4 blankets,
Point blanketing,
Coverlids and car-
peting,
Calamancos,
Durants,
Moreens,
Shalloons,
Plain and striped
wildbores,
Camblets,
Bombazeens,
Bombazets,
4-4, & 7 8 Irish li-
nens,
Irish dowlas,
Do. sheeting,
Ruffia sheeting,
Lancashire ditto,
Scotch ditto,
Irish diaper of all
kinds,
6-4, 8-4 and 10-4
table cloths,
Ruffia towelling,
Flax and tow oz-
naburghs,
Checked and spot-
ted handkerchs,
Fancy do.
Blue pullicats,
Long lawns,
Cambrics,
Book and jaconet
mullins,
Mullin handker-
chiefs,
9-8 and 7-8 print-
ed calicos,
Printed mullins,
Cotton shawls,
Mullin do.
Cotton counter-
panes,
Men's cotton stoc-
kings,
Women's do. do.
Linen and cotton
checks,
Striped cottons,
Fine striped bed-
ticks,
Fustians,
Corduroys,
Thickets,
Striped nankeens,

Dimities,
China, fatten and
love ribbons,
Black galloon,
Barcelona hand-
kerchiefs,
White and black
fatten,
Black mode,
Sewing silks and
twist,
Men's & women's
gloves,
Colored and white
threads,
Pound and paper
pins,
Ladies' fashionable
bonnets,
Do. Morocco slip-
pers,
Stationary of all
kinds,
Umbrellas,
Hyfon, fouchong,
and bohea teas,
Loaf Sugar,
Raisins & currants,
Pepper and pimen-
to,
Mustard,
Powder and poma-
tum,
Starch and fig blue,
Black lead,
Porter in bottles &
casks,
Brown Stout in do.
and do.
Ale in do. and do.
Port, Sherry and
Lisbon wine,
An assortment of
buttons,
Cutlery of all kinds
4d. 6d. 8d. 10d.
12d. & 20d. nails,
Screws and brads,
Spades & shovels,
Frying pans,
Andirons,
Shovels and tongs,
Patent shot,
Bar and sheet iron,
Cast iron stoves,
7 by 9 and 8 by 10
crown glass,
Glass ware assorted,
Earthen ware do.
Brown and white
soap,
Mould and dipt
candles,
White rope,
Salmon twine,
Wool cards,
Pewter & hard me-
tal spoons, with a
variety of other
articles.

They have also on hand,
Turk's Island SALT, a few Barrels
of excellent Muscovado SUGAR, and
a few Tierces of PORK.
St. John, July 18, 1800.

LANG & TURNER, RESPECTFULLY

INFORM the Inhabitants of this Ci-
ty and Province, that they have just
imported in the Ship *LIBERTY*, from
GLASGOW, and are now opening at
their STORE in Prince William-street,
(lately occupied by Mr. Samuel Willard,)
A large Assortment of Elegant and

Fashionable Goods,
Consisting of the following Articles,
which are for Sale by the Piece or Pack-
age only, for CASH or Good BILLS, on
the most Reasonable Terms.

PRINTED Cottons and Mullins,
Do. Bed Furnitures,
Purple and Chintz Shawls,
Ginghams,
Mullins, plain and fancy of all kinds,
Black and colored Mullins,
Cambric Mullin, Cotton Shirting,
Pullicat Handkerchiefs of all kinds,
Cotton stripes and Check,
Linen do. do.
Ladies' Cambric flowered Plaids and
Shawls,
Cotton and Worsted Stockings,
Worsted and Linen Tapes,
Leather Gloves and Children's Caps,
White and colored Thread,
Silk and Cotton Umbrellas & Parasoles,
Corduroys, Calamancos,
Swansdowns,
Slops of all kinds,
Boots and Shoes, superior quality,
Books and Stationary,
Glass and Crystal Ware, &c. &c.

N. B.—The above Goods being very
lately purchased from the Manufacturers
on the best Terms, will merit the at-
tention of Storekeepers both in City and
Country.

St. John, July 18, 1800.

LANG AND TURNER,

HAVING taken into consideration
and to accommodate the Inhabi-
tants of this City have resolved to Retail
their neat and fashionable assortment of
MULLINS, &c.—which will be wor-
thy the attention of families, &c. &c.
Large Allowances made to Store-
keepers.

29th July, 1800.

Stephen Humbert, HAS RECEIVED, Per ship *Liberty*, from Liver- pool and Greenock,

A LARGE Assortment of fashiona-
ble CHINA in complete sets, Ja-
panned and Tin Ware, Glass do. Green
and Blue edged, and Cream colored
Queen's Ware, comprising a large vari-
ety of articles in common and fashiona-
ble use, among which are large deep
Cream colored Dishes and Bowls for
setting Milk, elegant Fruit-Baskets and
Stands, Custard Cups, Fancy Pitchers,
of all sizes, &c. &c. &c.—Which, with
his usual assortment of Dry Goods and
Groceries will be sold low for Cash or
Country Produce.

St. John, July 14, 1800.

NOW LANDING,

From on board the Ship *HAWKE*, Capt.
Thomas Sparke, from LONDON,

An extensive and valuable
Assortment of

BRITISH GOODS,

Suited for this Market—They are now
opening and will be offered for Sale on
the most reasonable terms by

Wm. & Thos. Pagan, & Co.

WHO HAVE ALSO,

Teas, Wines, Brandy, Tobacco,
Iron, Nails, Spikes, Cordage of all sizes,
Sail Duck of a superior quality, and ma-
terials complete for a Brig of one hun-
dred and sixty or seventy tons burthen.

July 1st, 1800.

LONDON, JUNE 7.

INTERESTING PARTICULARS

Relative to the dreadful engagement be-
tween the *Trincomale* and *La Iphigie* French privateer.

THE Public were some time ago in-
formed that the *Trincomale*, armed ship,
was blown up during an engagement in
the Arabian gulph with a French pri-
vateer, but the particulars were not
known; the following letter from Mr.
John Cromlington, the first officer of
the ship *Pearl*, in the country trade of
the Hon. East-India Company, who was
a prisoner on board the privateer at the
time of the engagement, to his brother
in Newcastle; gives a full detail of this
melancholy event:

Muskhirk, 29th Octo. 1799.

"Shortly after my last, Capt. Spence,
of the *Pearl*, proceeded to India to pur-
chase a vessel or two more for the gulph
trade, Mr. Joseph Cambridge Fowler,
the Chief Officer, was appointed to the
command of the *Pearl*, and I to succeed
him in his former station. On the 1st
of October we got clear of Buffora river,
bound for Bombay, and were proceed-
ing very pleasantly on our voyage until
the 7th, when having got about two-
thirds down the gulph, at nine o'clock
at night, we were suddenly surprised by
the appearance of a ship close to us, she
had been lying under an island called
the Great Tomb, and had seen us before
sun-set though we had not perceived
her. We hailed each other, and to our
sorrow, we found her to be French—an
action commenced; but her fire was so
much superior to ours, that she soon
drove the *Lascars* from their quarters,
and the whole of them ran below. The
privateer was at this time about pistol-
shot from us and preparing to board, and
not an armed soul to receive them ex-
cept myself and five or six Arabs, who
had never flinched.

"Under such circumstances I was un-
der the disagreeable necessity of striking
to her, after throwing three packets of
Government dispatches overboard. We
had previously endeavoured to run, but
unluckily our main-top-sail tye was shot
away. Captain Fowler was shot through
the body with an eight pound shot the
second broadside; we had likewise three
Lascars wounded, one of whom died
shortly after. I had a grape through my
trowsers, which grazed the back part of
my thigh, and a slight wound on my
left, by a splinter from the same shot
which killed the Captain. We did not
engage above a quarter of an hour. I
was taken on board the privateer; she
had nobody killed on board, and only
some shot through her sails. She was
named *La Iphigie*, Captain Marloix,
from the Isle of France, mounting eigh-
teen guns, two of them forty-eight
pound carronades, six long French eight
pounders, ten ditto six pounders, and
170 or 180 men. We had only ten
guns, and all of them small and of dif-
ferent sizes, none of them good except
two nine pounders, and fifty men, all
natives but the Captain and myself.
They got in us a very valuable prize, as
we had on board 110 packages of trea-
sure, value upwards of three lacks of
rupees, 40 horses, 5000 slabs of copper,
besides several bales, chests, &c.

"The treasure was shifted on board
the privateer the next day, and they
were so elated with their success that
they determined to return from their
cruise immediately; but on the 10th at
night, we fell in with his Majesty's
ship *Trincomale*, Capt. Rowe, mount-
ing eighteen twenty-four pound car-
ronades, but badly manned: she had been
fitted out at Bombay, and had been cru-
ising in the gulph nine or ten months;
her crew very sickly, had lost a number
of them by death, and had had no fresh
supply; I have been told that she had
only seventy active men on board. A par-

tial action took place the next day as
they passed each other, and on the 12th
P. M. they came within gun-shot again,
and kept firing at each other till after sun-
set, but at too great distance for much
damage to be done; owing to the calms
and light airs they could not get near
each other. A schooner named the *Co-
met*, was in company with the *Trinco-
male*, mounting eight small guns. The
Captain of the privateer wanted very
much to cut her off, but through the
bravery and good conduct of her Cap-
tain all his schemes failed, and she ser-
ved to engage the *Pearl*, for whom she
was more than a match.

"At half past 6 o'clock the same e-
vening, a fine breeze springing up, the
privateer bore down towards her prize;
the *Trincomale* followed, and at 10 P.
M. (being moonlight) brought her to
action, which continued with great fu-
ry for two hours within musket-shot,
when one ship hissing up, and the other
edging down, they fell along side each
other, and grappled muzzle and muz-
zle. In this situation they remained a-
bout half an hour, the slaughter very
great on both sides. The French be-
ing more numerous, were preparing to
board, when by some fatal accident the
Trincomale blew up, and every soul on
board perished, except one English sea-
man named Thomas Dawson, and a *Las-
car*. The explosion was so great and
the ships so close, that the privateer's
broadside was stove in.

"I leave you to judge the dreadful si-
tuation I was in at this crisis, being below
two decks, in the square of the main
hatchway, in the place appropriated for
the wounded, which was full of poor
souls of that description, in circumstan-
ces too shocking to be described. All
at once the hatchway was filled up with
wood, the lights were driven out, the
water rushing in, and no visible passage
to the deck. The ship appeared to be
shaken all to pieces, as the hold-beams
had shrunk so considerably, that where
there was room before to stand nearly
upright, you could now only crawl on
both hands and knees, which I did to-
wards the hole in the side where the wa-
ter was coming in. Close to this, by the
light of the moon, I found a hole through
both decks, which had newly been
made I suppose, by the fall of some of
the *Trincomale*'s guns, or other wreck.
Through this I got with difficulty upon
deck, when I found the ship just disap-
pearing forward, and hastened aft as fast
as I could over the bodies of the killed,
with which the deck was covered, to
the taffrel, and jumped overboard.

I swam a little way from her, dread-
ing the suction, and looked round for
her, but she had totally disappeared. I
afterwards caught hold of a piece of
wood, to which I clung for about an
hour and a half, at which time the boats
of the *Pearl* came to pick us up, there
being nearly thirty Frenchmen in the
same predicament. They, however,
were all taken up first; and when I so-
licited to be taken in, I had a blow made
at my head with an oar, which luckily
missed me. This treatment I met with
from two different boats, and I began to
think that they were going to leave me
to my fate; but the French officer in
command of the *Pearl*, hearing there
were some Englishmen upon the wreck,
ordered the boats immediately to return,
and take us up, viz. myself and Thomas
Dawson, then the only survivor of the
Trincomale.

"There were killed and drowned on
board *La Iphigie* 115 or 120 men;
among whom were the Captain, seven
officers, Surgeon, two young men vo-
lunteers from the Isle of France, the
first Boatswain, Gunner and Carpenter.
All the treasure went down in the pri-
vateer. Capt. Rowe of the *Trinco-
male* was killed before the ship blew up,
as was the first Lieutenant, whose name
was Williams. The *Comet* immediatel-
y made sail from the *Pearl*. I suppose