

satisfactory communication, either in this, or the next Session of the Legislature.

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NEW-BRUNSWICK. Message to the House of Assembly, 9th February, 1827.

HOWARD DOUGLAS.

The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the House of Assembly, that he did not fail to recommend to His Majesty's Government, the cancelling of the Bonds which had been taken for licences to cut Timber on the Crown Reserves, as stated in the Address of the House in the last Session; and has the satisfaction to acquaint the House that he has been duly authorized to comply with the Address of the House of Assembly, by cancelling the Bonds in question, and assures the House that this shall be done forthwith.

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SERMON.—On Sunday next, the 18th inst., a Sermon will be preached, at the request of the Fredericton District Committee of the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge, by the Rev. SKEFFINGTON THOMSON, L. L. D., Rector of St. Stephens in this Province; when a collection will be made in aid of the Funds of the Society.

Fredericton, 13th Feb. 1827.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A Friend to the Public is received; but we must request the favor of a more explicit communication before we can give publicity to the assertions which his letter contains: and we should also like to be favored with his proper signature, as well as with the names of those persons, who have, in so wicked a manner, abused a public trust.

In requesting names we beg our correspondent to understand, that it is only meant for our own private satisfaction.

The Account of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge is too lengthy for our present number.

HALIFAX, Feb. 5.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

On Thursday, at 3 o'clock, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor came down in State to the Council Chamber, and having taking his seat at the head of that Board, commanded the attendance of the House of Assembly. The Members accordingly came in, preceded by their Clerk, and headed by S. S. Poole, Esq. the Father of the House. The Chief Justice, by desire of His Excellency, then commanded them to go back to their own Chamber and make choice of a Speaker. The members thereupon retired, and shortly after returned, when Mr. Poole presented S. G. W. Archibald, Esq., as the Speaker whom they had elected. His Excellency having signified his approval of their choice, the Speaker demanded the usual privileges of speech, freedom from arrest, &c.; which His Excellency having granted, delivered the following

SPEECH:—

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council;

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;

It affords me sincere pleasure to have it in my power, at the opening of this Session of a new Assembly, to use the same language of congratulation, as respects the Peace and Prosperity of the Province, in which I addressed the Legislature at its last meeting.

Although the last harvest has been less productive than usual, and the season proved rather unfavourable to our Fisheries; yet I have reason to believe, that a steady and

progressive improvement has taken place in almost every branch of our domestic Industry.

Several circumstances have, I think, contributed to effect a prosperous change in the General State of the Province within the last two years.

The People, I am led to believe, have become more provident & diligent in the management of their own affairs. They seldom engage in speculations beyond their means, and they already feel, in a sensible degree, the good effects of the liberal policy of the Mother Country in extending to her Colonies the blessings of Commercial Freedom, and affording new facilities to their Trade and Navigation.

I expressed a confident expectation, at the opening of the last Session of the Legislature, that these enlightened measures of His Majesty's Government would be productive of many advantages to this province; and I have great satisfaction in being able to inform you, that the hope I then entertained, has not been disappointed.

The Revenue is already considerably increased—Commerce has assumed more Activity and Enterprise—The coasting trade is in a thriving state, and the condition of almost all Classes of People has materially improved.

Our Prospects, probably, were never more encouraging than at the present time; and, under the blessing of Divine Providence, N. Scotia cannot fail to attain an high state of Commercial and Agricultural Prosperity, if due advantage is taken of her local situation and her manifold Resources.

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;

I shall direct the Public accounts for the last year to be laid before you, for your Inspection; and I trust you will find that the supplies granted to His Majesty in the last Session, have been faithfully applied.

The Revenue has been collected with great regularity; and it is highly creditable to the Mercantile community, and gratifying to me, to state, that it has not been found necessary to put a single Bond for Duties in Suit, during the Year.

I shall also direct the usual Estimates to be submitted to you, and I confidently rely on your making the necessary provision for the Services of the Current Year.

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council;

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;

As every important Political Event, which affects the Parent State, must be deeply interesting to her Colonies, I think it proper to inform you, that His Majesty has found it necessary to send a British Force to Portugal, (in conformity to the Terms of a Solemn Treaty,) to aid His Majesty's ancient Ally, the Sovereign of that Country, against an hostile aggression.

The prompt and vigorous measures, which His Majesty's Government have taken on this occasion, to uphold the National Faith, and in support of Constitutional Liberty, have been most cordially approved of by Parliament, and by all classes of His Majesty's Subjects in Great Britain, and sanguine hopes are entertained that Peace may be still preserved.

But, far removed from the Scenes that are now passing in Europe—living under the paternal Protection of a powerful Empire, and in a Country where party or faction of any kind is happily unknown; our own Domestic Concerns, the various Interests of the Province upon which its Prosperity depends; and the measures most conducive to the general welfare and happiness of its inhabitants, are the objects which call for your deliberations; and to them I feel persuaded that you will give all the consi-

deration which their importance requires.

It will be my Duty to make an early communication to you by Message, of some matters of Public interest, which have occurred since the last Meeting of the Legislature; and to lay before you a detailed Report of the Proceedings which have taken place, under the law passed in the last Session, for establishing Schools in the different Districts of the Province, in order that you may see how far it has been carried into operation, and be enabled to form a judgment of such further facilities as may be requisite, to render the very important objects of that Act more generally beneficial.

Other subjects may present themselves in the course of the Session, which I may feel it my duty to submit to your consideration; and I confidently rely on a continuance of that harmony between the different branches of the Legislature, which has so long distinguished the Legislative Proceedings of this Province.

My ardent desire to promote the Public good is unabated, and you will ever find me disposed to concur with you in every Measure tending to that end.

NEW YORK, JAN. 27.

Postscript.—The Edward Bonaffe arrived last night from Havre, bringing Paris papers to the 15th Dec.

There is nothing later from England. The news of sending of troops to Portugal, with Mr. Canning's speech, &c. had just reached Paris, and the public were waiting with great solicitude, to see what course the French Government would adopt.

There is a party in France considered as going hand in hand with the ultra party in Spain, being inclined to a war with England, and having hopes of exciting a diversion in Ireland.

The Chamber of Deputies was to be opened on the 14th December; but after several calls, the requisite number for a session not being present, it did not take place.

Nothing has transpired to doubt the sincerity of the French Government.

Spain.—Madrid dates to Dec. 4th; on which His Majesty rode into the town smoking a cigar with quite an air; a certain sign of his being in good health.

Portugal.—Report says that Lord Beresford is to take command of the Portuguese troops. He had had several conferences with the Minister at war, and it was determined that the army should be put on the same footing as it was twelve years ago.

CONTRACT.

PROPOSALS for completing the Joiner work of Government House, by Contract, will be received at the Office of J. E. WOOLFORD, Esq. Barrack Master, at Fredericton, until the 15th day of March next, when the lowest proposal will be accepted, if approved. At the same place, a Plan and Specifications may be viewed, and other necessary information be obtained. Undoubted security will be required.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.

Fredericton, Feb. 13, 1827.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

To be sold at Public Auction on Thursday the first day of March next, between the hours of 12 and 5 o'clock, in the afternoon, at Miller's Hotel,

THE Lands of Nathaniel Rideout situated on the Nashwalk, in the parish of St. Marys and County of York, heretofore advertised: The same having been taken by execution issued out of the Supreme Court.

E. W. MILLER, Sheriff.
Fredericton, 9th Feb. 1827.

GAOL LIMITS.

In the York General Sessions,
January Term. 7th Geo. 4.

ORDERED, that the LIMITS FOR THE GAOL OF THE COUNTY OF YORK, heretofore established, be altered and amended, and that in future, the following be the Limits for the said Gaol, that is to say:

COMMENCING at the Water's edge of the River St. John, where a continuation of the Southerly line of St. John-street would intersect the same, thence along the said line to Province Row, thence along the side of Province Row to the side walk on the North side of Church-street, thence along the said side walk to Brunswick-street, thence along the Westerly side of Brunswick-street to St. John-street aforesaid, thence along the Southerly side of St. John-street to George-street, thence along the Westerly side of George-street to Regent-street, thence along the Northerly side of Regent-street to Brunswick-street aforesaid, thence along the Westerly side of Brunswick-street to Carleton-street, thence along the Northerly side of Carleton-street and a continuation thereof to the Water's edge, and thence following the course of the River at the Water's edge to the place of beginning.

Extract from the Minutes.

H. G. CLOPPER,

Clerk of Sessions.

ASSIZE OF BREAD.

At a Special Session of the Peace, of our Lord the King, holden at the County Court House in Fredericton, in and for the County of York, on the 6th day of February, 1827.

IT IS ORDERED, that from and after the 7th instant, the ASSIZE OF BREAD in the Town of Fredericton, be as follows:—

The Sixpenny Wheaten Loaf to weigh 2lb. 3oz.

And other Loaves in proportion.

AND further Ordered, that each Baker do plainly mark the Initials of his Name on every Loaf of Bread, to be baked by him, together with the figures 3, 6, or 12, (as the case may be,) to denote the price in pence, under a penalty of Ten Shillings for each and every offence.

H. G. CLOPPER,

Clerk of the Peace.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the Subscriber, previous to the first day of July last, are hereby notified, that unless their accounts are immediately paid, they will indiscriminately be put in the hands of an Attorney to collect.

WILLIAM ROBERTS.

Fredericton, 16th Jan. 1827.

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John R. McPherson.

Fredericton, 16th Jan. 1827.

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing a Note of hand for £40 drawn by the subscriber in favor of Joseph Davenport due the 25th July next, the same having been paid by

JOHN DOYLE.

Northampton, 1st Nov. 1826.