

## Poetry.

### THE BORDER LAND.

(From Ignatia, and other Poems, by Miss M. A. Browne.)

"The shadowy land—the spirit's shore."  
CHARLES SWAIN.

"Fair greeting to thee, gentle friend!  
"Fair greeting and good cheer;  
"And tell me where thy steps did bend,  
"Through the last part of year?  
"I have been wandering all the while  
"In many a foreign clime!  
"I have gladly passed from isle to isle,  
"And swiftly flew the time.  
"I have brought back plenteous store of wealth.  
"Bright gems, and the rich red gold;  
"And my cheek is ruddy brown with his health,  
"So my story soon is told.  
"But thou hast a pallid brow—thy cheek  
"Is white as the marble stone;  
"Thy hand is thin, thy voice is weak,  
"Thy merry smile is gone!  
"We parted just a year ago;  
"In different paths to tread,  
"Then had the cheek a healthful glow,  
"And thy lip was full and red;  
"We parted just a year ago;  
"Thou didst not letter send,  
"And I would I had thy journeyings know—  
"Where hast thou been, dear friend?  
"I have been near a land, where I did not think,  
"When the year came in, to be;  
"From thoughts of which the soul would shrink  
"In its hours of careless glee:  
"It was not of mine own free choice  
"I trod that dreary way;  
"There was a call from a still small voice  
"That I must needs obey.

"Nay, tell me all the solemn tale  
"Of that land of fear and shade!"  
—It was a dark and gloomy vale,  
"Where many months I stayed;  
"I lingered on a Border Land,  
"Between two rival thrones;  
"The herbless ground, on either hand,  
"Was strewn with mouldering bones;  
"I lingered 'twixt two countries wide,  
"A prisoner sad and loath,  
"Yet could I look on either side,  
"And weigh the worth of both.  
"I looked behind, and I saw a land  
"Filled with a multitude;  
"They were coming on, a fearless band,  
"By the path I had pursued;  
"They were coming on, and some went past  
"The border where I stood,  
"And forward pressed the column vast,  
"Like the waves of the headlong flood.  
"Some had their heads with roses bound,  
"Some, wildly floating hair;  
"Some had their brows with laurel crowned,  
"That a victor king might wear;  
"Some had pale cheeks, and feverish eyes  
"Whence flashed the spirit's fire;  
"Some came with beauty's witcheries,  
"And some with poet's lyre;  
"But one and all, and great and small,  
"To the border land they came;  
"The beauty from her midnight ball,  
"The poet in his fame,  
"The aged man, the little child,  
"The matron meekly grave,  
"The idiot as he idly smiled,  
"The noble and the brave;  
"All came to a stand on the Border Land;  
"Some passed and never came back,  
"And some few stragglers of the band  
"Retraced their homeward track;  
"But as they went, this sentence sent  
"Its echo on the wind—  
"Oh, it was strong and eloquent,  
"To thrill the loftiest mind—  
"It said, 'Although ye have not passed  
"This time the fearful strand,  
"Remember, ye must cross at last  
"This shadowy Border Land!"

Ah, could I tell thee all the sights  
"Of terror and despair,  
"I saw in the long days and nights  
"Wherein I tarried there!  
"Some who had come with dance and song—  
"I may not, cannot speak  
"Of how from that mad, merry throng  
"Came back the fearful shriek!  
"The heavy wail, it told a tale  
"Of bitter fear and pain;  
"But they had passed the border vale,  
"And might not come again!  
"Then there were shadowy, dreadful forms  
"Round the departing crowds,  
"Such as in midnight's gusty storms  
"Oft take the drifting clouds.  
"I dare not tell thee all I saw,  
"Yet now and then a sight  
"Mingled with grave and solemn awe,  
"Triumphant, pure delight.  
"A pilgrim, clad in sombre gear,  
"Came to the Border Land;  
"But his brow was bright with gladness cheer,  
"And a staff was in his hand;  
"He stood by the seething line awhile,  
"With hopeful joy elate,  
"Then with a shout, and a happy smile,  
"He passed the border gate.  
"Oh for the song that floats along  
"His pathway far and dim!  
"Oh for the bright and joyous throng  
"That gladly welcome him!  
"Gone are the pilgrim weeds, that screened  
"His robe of spotless white;  
"The pilgrim staff, whereon he leaned,  
"Is a cross supremely bright!  
"Friend! canst thou guess the country's name  
"Where I have passed my time,  
"Whist thou, in search of gold and fame,  
"Hast roamed from clime to clime?  
"Friend! it behoveth thee to know,  
"For 'tis thy certain doom,  
"One day, for either weaver woe,  
"To the Border Land to come;  
"And I must tread its paths once more—  
"Oh, fearless may I go,  
"For I have brought back blessed store  
"Of knowledge meet to know;  
"And I have a chastened mind and heart,  
"A cleared and rooted faith,  
"I shall not tremble to depart;  
"When I hear the call of death;  
"For the pilgrim's staff is in my hand,  
"With its mighty power to save.  
"Now dost thou know that Border Land?  
"The Border of the Grave!"

## Miscellaneous.

### INSTANCES OF REASONING IN THE LOWER ANIMALS.

[Lord Brougham's Dissertation on Subjects connected with Natural Theology.]

When two goats meet on a ledge bordering upon a precipice, and find there is no room either to pass each other or to return, after a pause, as if for reflection, one crouches down and the other walks gently over his back, when each continues his perilous journey along the narrow path. In Ree's Cyclopædia a story is given as well vouched, of a cat that had been brought up in an amity with a bird, and being one day observed to seize suddenly hold of the latter, on examining, it was found that a stray cat had got into the room, and that this alarming step was a manoeuvre to save the bird till the intruder should depart. In the forests of Tartary and of South America, where the wild

horse is gregarious, there are herds of 500 or 600, which, being ill-prepared for fighting, or indeed for any resistance, and knowing that their safety is in flight, when they sleep, appoint one in rotation, who acts as sentinel, while the rest are asleep. If a man approaches, the sentinel walks towards him as if to reconnoitre, or see whether he may be deterred from coming near—if the man continues, he neighs aloud and in a peculiar tone, which rouses the herd, and all gallop away, the sentinel bringing up the rear. Nothing can be more judicious or rational than this arrangement, simple as it is. So a horse, belonging to a smuggler at Dover, used to be laden with run spirits, and sent on the road unattended, to reach the rendezvous. When he descried a soldier he would jump off the highway and hide himself in a ditch, and when discovered would fight for his load. The cunning of foxes is proverbial; but I know not if it was ever more remarkably displayed than in the Duke of Beaufort's country; where Reynard, being hard pressed, disappeared suddenly, and was, after strict search, found immersed in a water pool to the very snout, by which he held a willow bough hanging over the pond. The cunning of a dog, which Sergeant Wilde tells me of, as known to him, is at least equal. He used to be tied up as a precaution against hunting sheep. At night he slipped his head out of the collar, and returning before dawn put on the collar again, in order to conceal his nocturnal excursion. Nobody has more familiarity with various animals, (besides his great knowledge of his own species,) than my excellent, learned, and ingenious friend, the Sergeant; and he possesses many curious ones himself. His anecdote of a drover's dog is striking, as he gave it me, when we happened, near this place, to meet a drove. The man had brought 17 out of 20 oxen from a field, leaving the remaining three there mixed with another herd. He then said to the dog, "Go, fetch them;" and he went and singled out those very three. The Sergeant's brother, however, a highly respectable man, lately Sheriff of London, has a dog that distinguishes Saturday night, from the practice of tying him up for the Sunday, which he dislikes. He will escape on Saturday night, and return on Monday morning. The Sergeant himself had a gander, which was at a distance from the goose, and hearing her make an extraordinary noise, ran back and put his head into the cage—then brought back all the goslings one by one, and put them into it with the mother, whose separation from her brood had occasioned her clamour. He then returned to the place whence her cries had called him. Sergeant Wilde took pigeons of the rock kind to Hounslow, and they flew back to Guildford in an hour. They were taken in a bag, and could see or smell nothing by the way. On being let loose, they made two or three wide circles, and then flew straight to their dove-cot. The Sergeant also knew of a cat which a shopkeeper's apprentice in Fore Street had been desired to hang, and found he could not. He then took it in a bag to Blackfriars' bridge and threw it into the river—the cat was at home in Fore Street as soon as the apprentice. He might have made a circuit, but certainly the cat returned in an hour or two. The grocer's name was Gardner—the distance is certainly about a mile, and through the most crowded part of London.

DELUGES.—When geology was most cultivated, it was a general belief that those marine shells and other fossils found in the bowels of the earth were the effects and proof of the general deluge in the time of Noah. But all who have carefully investigated the phenomena philosophically have rejected this doctrine. A transient flood might be supposed to leave behind it, here and there upon the surface, scattered heaps of mud, sand, and shingle, with shells confusedly intermixed; but the strata containing fossils frequently discovered are not superficial deposits, and do not cover the surface of the earth, but, in some instances, constitute the entire mass of mountains. It has been also the favourite notion of some of the modern writers, who are aware that fossil bodies cannot all be referred to the deluge, that they and the strata in which the fossils are entombed may have been deposited in the bed of the ocean during a period of several thousand years which intervened between the creation of man and the deluge. They imagined that the antediluvian bed of the ocean, after having been the receptacle of many stratified deposits, became converted, at the time of the flood, into lands which we inhabit; and that the ancient continents were at the same time submerged, and became the bed of the present sea. This hypothesis, however preferable to the diluvial theory, as admitting that all fossiliferous strata were slowly and successively thrown down from water, is yet wholly inadequate to explain the repeated revolutions which the earth has undergone, and the signs which the existing continents exhibit, in most regions of the known world, of having emerged from the ocean at an era far more remote than four thousand years of the present time. It will also be seen in the sequel, that many distinct sets of sedimentary strata, each several hundreds or thousands of feet thick, are piled one upon another in the earth's crust, each containing the peculiar fossil animals and plants, which are distinguishable, with few exceptions, from species now living. The mass of some of these strata consist almost entirely of corals, others are made up of shells, others of plants turned into coal, while some are without fossils. In one set of strata the species of fossils are marine; in another, placed immediately above or below, they are clearly prove that the deposit was formed in an estuary or lake. When the student has more fully examined into these appearances philosophically, he will become convinced that the time required for the origin of the actual continents of the earth must have been far greater than that which is conceded by the theory of the deluge above alluded to, and that no one universal and sudden conversion of sea into land will account for geological appearances. This philosophical theory of the strata and fossils of the earth may be considered the first epoch in the history of geology.—*Lyell's Introduction to Geology*, 1838.

INDENTURES for Sale at this Office. Feb. 1.

## ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

FREDERICTON, 26th March, 1839.

ALL Persons indebted to the Crown on account of purchases of Land or on leases to cut Timber and Logs on Crown Lands within the Province, are hereby notified, that I have received instructions to take immediate measures to enforce payment.

CHARLES I. PETERS,  
Attorney General.

N. B. The Editors of the several Papers throughout the Province are requested to insert the above.

## VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.

ALL the well known four lots or tracts of Land, to wit, Lots Nos. 72, 73, 74 and 75, adjoining, situated on the south side of the River Restigouche, in the Parish of Addington, County of Restigouche, being the Estate of the late James McKinnon, deceased, will be sold by Public Auction to the highest bidder, at the Court House, in Dalhousie, on Wednesday the 10th day of July next, between the hours of 12 and 3, P. M. The above property is well situated, being within two miles of Dalhousie, and fourteen miles of Campbelltown, and fronting on the said River. For terms of sale and all other particulars enquire of the subscriber.

ROBT. FERGUSON,  
Administrator of the Estate of the late James McKinnon.

## NOTICE.

THE Subscribers having entered into Partnership beg to inform the Public that they have commenced business under the style of **GEORGE & JOHN MUNRO**, in the Store in Queen Street, heretofore occupied by Messrs. R. RANKIN & Co., where they will keep constantly for sale a general assortment of Dry Goods, HARDWARE, PROVISIONS, GROCERIES, WINES, &c.

TERMS.—Cash or approved three months credit.

GEORGE A. MUNRO.  
JOHN J. MUNRO.

Fredericton, 1st May, 1839.—9w.

## NOTICE.

ALL persons having any legal demands against the Estate of JOHN GARDEN late of the Parish of Sheffield, County of Sunbury, deceased, are requested to present their accounts, duly attested, within three Calendar Months from this date to the undersigned, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to

JOANNA T. GARDEN,  
Administratrix.

Parish of Sheffield, County of Sunbury,  
March 9, 1839.

## VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.

SITUATE on the great meadows of the Maguadavie, in the County of York, and adjoining the farm of Mr. RHEUBEN BRACKWAY; it contains upwards of 300 acres, and cuts at present about 20 tons of HAY, and is capable of cutting more than 100 with a trifling expense, as it is about one third MEADOW GROUND, that is covered by the water every spring; the great road leading from Fredericton to St. Andrews and St. Stephens, crosses the river on said Lot, which is about midway between said places, and must be a valuable stand for a House of Entertainment; the Mr. BRACKWAY near the premises can show the boundaries and situation. For further particulars enquire of T. R. ESTEV Fredericton, or Mr. PHILIP SEELYE St. George.

22nd February, 1839.

## FOR SALE.

LOTS Numbers Thirty Seven, Thirty Eight and Thirty Nine, containing three hundred acres, in a front of thirty six rods, on the Nashwalk River, Parish of St. Mary's adjoining land in possession of William Munroe. Terms made known on application to William J. Bedell, Esq. Fredericton, or to the Subscriber.

ARTHUR RITCHIE & Co.  
Restigouche, April 1, 1839.

## New Brunswick and Nova Scotia LAND COMPANY.

PARCELS or pieces of GOOD LAND on the Royal Road, partly cleared and now in a fit state for burning off, to be Sold or Let on reasonable and advantageous terms.

Also,—To be Sold, 30 LOTS of LAND, (average quality) containing 100 Acres each, about five of which are cleared, and on which there is a Log House.

These Lots are situated on the Fredericton and Stanley Road, and are from 12 to 20 miles from the former place, and will be offered at from three to seven shillings per acre, inclusive of the Log House thereon.

With a view to the encouragement of agricultural pursuits amongst the settlers on the Company's Lands, SIX PRIZES will be given annually for the best Crops, Stock, Farm, Management, &c. &c.; the awards, which will be made by competent judges, and disinterested parties, to consist of Farm Implements, Imported Seed or Cash Prizes, from Ten to Thirty Dollars.

The Company have on hand imported Seed. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office, Saint Mary's, or at Fredericton or Stanley.

R. HAYNE, Commissioner.  
N. B. & N. S. Land Company's Office, Saint Mary's, May 10, 1839.

## NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any just demands against the Estate of the late William Kavanah, deceased, are required to tender the same duly attested to, within three months from this date, and all persons indebted to said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to

CATHARINE KAVANAH,  
Administratrix.  
Fredericton, 1st March, 1839.

## NOTICE.

AT an adjourned Special Session of the Peace for the County of York, holden at the County Court House in Fredericton, on Saturday, the 12th instant, pursuant to notice in the Royal Gazette, it was ordered, that the Site, Plans, and Estimates for the contemplated New Gaol in the said County, be referred to the consideration of the General Sessions in June next.

G. J. DIBBLEE.  
May 14, 1839.

## NEW GOODS.

Just received per Ship WARD from Liverpool.

## CLOTHS.

SUPERFINE Black, Blue, Brown, Olive, and Invisible Greens,  
Do. Black, Blue, and fancy Cassimeres,  
Do. Grey, &c. &c. (Cheap.)

Bronzed & Lacquered Ware,  
Lustres, Glass Drops, one, two and three Lights; Candlesticks, Candle Lamps, Table do., Card Racks, Tapers, Bells and Inkstands.

German Silver and Plated Ware,

Table, dessert, tea, mustard, salt, and caddy Spoons; table and dessert Forks; silver mounted Candlesticks, Snuffers and Trays, ivory handle Butter Knives, Fish do., plated Castors, Liquor Frames, &c.

## Japanese Ware.

Cash, tinder and spice Boxes; Tea Trays in variety; Knife do.; Bread Baskets, Inkstands, Slop Buckets, Tea Cannisters, Nursery Lamps, &c.

## Britannia Ware.

Tea and Table Spoons, tea and coffee Pots, toddy and soup Ladles, Water Plates, Bed Pans, Inkstands, &c.

## Brass Ware.

Toddy Kettles, Candlesticks, wire Seives, Racking Cocks, Butt Hinges, Door Buttons, Curtain Bands, do. pins, knobs; cabin Hooks, Escutcheons, Fire Irons, Till Locks, Cupboard do., Pad do., Stair Rods and Eyes, Weights, Window Pullies, &c.

## Hardware.

Large and small Sad Irons, C. S. Hand Saws, trying, smoothing and jack Planes; iron paste Jiggers, plastering Trowels; rim, pad, cupboard, chest, till, mortice and drawer Locks; Norfolk Latches, 11L Hinges, square Bolts, wood Screws, iron and tin'd Kettle Ears, Hat Hooks, Fire Irons, counter Weighing Machines, Tea Kettles, Sauce Pans, Italian Irons, French Coffee Mills, Box do., iron Squares, iron Weights, Dish Covers, Block Tin and Wire, iron Butts, Carpenter's Brads, iron Candlesticks, Cork Screws, Mill Saw, taper and pit saw Files, flat bastard do., Shoe Raps, Carlet Tacks, French Latches, Carpenter's Rules and pointed Compasses, Nails from 28d to 4d y; shoe Nails and Tacks, iron Shovels and Spades.

Ladies' Rose Wood Work Boxes,  
Do. do. do. Dressing Cases,  
Gentlemen's do. do. do.  
Writing Desks, Tea Caddies.

## Cutlery.

Setts ivory handle Knives and Forks, black do., ivory Table Knives, do. Carvers, do. Steels, setts buck and stag handle Knives and Forks; Dessert do., do. back handle Carvers, pocket Jack Knives, Putty do., Shoe and Butcher's do., cards fancy Scissors, Razors, in cases; Pickle Knives, &c.

Combs.—Side, back, ivory and dressing Combs.  
Brushes.—Hair, hat, nail, tooth, comb, room, carpet, hearth, paint, scrubbing, stove, counter and bottle Brushes; fancy Telescope ditto.

Baskets.—Setts Ladies fine Work Baskets, fancy French Reticules, Scotch Hands, fancy black and white willow pocket, setts China pattern, Knitting do., Toy Reticules, paper do., Clothes, Bottle Baskets, and other Baskets.

Butter Pats in cases, boxes Soap, mould and dipt Candles, Hair Seives, &c. and a great variety of other articles, which will be sold low for Prompt Payment at the Store of the Subscriber, Prince William Street.

E. C. WADDINGTON.  
St. John, N. B. May 7, 1839.

## Port, Madeira, Sherry, Brandy, Geneva, &c.

Landing ex "Sophia" from London.

PIPES, Hhds. and Quarter Casks choice

old PORT;

Butts, Hhds. and Quarter Casks Brown,

Pale and dark golden Old Sherry; Pipes

E. I. Madeira;

Pipes, Hhds. Quarter Casks MADEIRA—

(Blackburn's brand.)

Pipes and Hogsheads, Madeira, (Houghton's

Brand.)

Hhds, Calcevelhos, Lisbon, Sauterne,

Pipes and Hhds, dark and pale BRANDY—

(approved brands.)

Hhds, best Scheideid GIN;

Punchons very old Jamaica RUM;

Hhds, London B. S. PORTER;

Hhds, London PALE ALE; Claret, LaRose,

Latour, Chateau Margaux, Haut Brion,

and for sale by

W. P. RANNEY.

In addition to the above the Subscriber offers for sale at his Establishment in Prince William Street an extensive and well selected Stock of—

PORT, SHERRY, MADEIRA, BRANDY,

Geneva, Whiskey, &c. and a large Variety of

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Champagne, Burgundy, Stock, Hermitage,

CLARET, Barsac, Sauterne, Bucellas, Marsala,

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London Bottled Porter;

90 Packages—Congo, Souchong, Gunpowder,

Hyson, Twankay TEAS; of the Clifton's

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Refined SUGAR, in Casks and Tierces.

20 Barrels Roman CEMENT.

Also, expected by the "HEBE," from London,

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Continental WINES, in Bottles.

Agency and Commission Business transacted

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W. P. RANNEY.

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TWO GIGS for Sale by the subscriber low for Cash or approved credit.

F. W. HATHEWAY.

Fredericton, May 15, 1838.

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Fredericton, 19th March, 1839.

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ONE HOUSE, situated in Carleton Street, consisting of a large Shop, Back Room, Kitchen, a large Room on the first floor and attic, Outbuildings, &c., Possession of which will be given immediately; and one HOUSE on the corner of King and Carleton streets, consisting of a Shop, Two Parlours, Six Bed Rooms, Kitchen, Frost Proof Cellar, Outbuildings, &c. of which possession will be given on the 15th instant.

The above Houses are in the first condition, and suitable either for a place of business or a Boarding House. For further particulars, apply to the owner.

N. B. None need apply but persons of good standing.

May 7, 1839.

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11th April, 1839.

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R. CHESTNUT.

May 3, 1839.

P. S. Persons having any Ale Casks belonging to Messrs. Keltie & Younger of St. John, would confer a great favour on those Gentlemen by leaving them at my Store, from whence they shall be promptly forwarded to the rightful owners.

R. C.

## NAILS, NAILS,

Wholesale and Retail, Manufactured and sold by

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North Market Wharf, St. John, N. B.

## CUT NAILS

OF all descriptions, of a superior quality to those usually imported into this market, and at a less rate. The Cut Finishing Nail will be found far preferable to the wrought Nail.

Carpenters and Builders are requested to call and inspect for their own satisfaction.

A Discount of about 25 per cent, will be made to Retailers.

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A VALUABLE Building Lot and Wharf Lots, in front of the Honorable J. S. SAUNDERS, lying between the Market House square and Jackson's Hotel.

Two Town Lots near the Catholic Chapel fronting on Brunswick and George Streets. A Lot of about sixty acres near Blake's Mills on the Nashwaak.

A Lot on the Nashwaak near the Ferry, formerly owned by Donald McLeod, deceased.

A Lot in the Parish of Woodstock, near Eel River, containing two hundred acres.

A wilderness Lot in the Parish of Woodstock, in rear of Land owned by JOHN DIBBLEE, Esquire, containing two hundred acres.

A Lot of one hundred acres in the Parish of Brighton, granted to — Gray.

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WILLIAM J. BEDELL,  
April 16, 1838. Fredericton

## CONSIGNMENT.

THE Subscriber has just received by the latest Steamers, a large quantity of TEAS; consisting of Gunpowder, Hyson, Twankay Young Hyson, Souchong, Congo of different kinds, and Bohea, part of the Clifton's and part of the Hon. East India Company's Teas, comprising an excellent assortment for family, use or Retailers.