

pence, Currency: that the state of political affairs in British North America has very materially diminished the emigration of British Subjects to the Provinces, and thus deprived the Company of any returns arising from sales of their Lands; added to which there is a very heavy existing pressure in the Money Market.

We are particularly desired to take this occasion to apologize for an apparent want of attention on the part of the Directors, in not having duly acknowledged your Lordship's Communication, dated 17th June last. It was, however, deferred at the time, because it appeared from the tenor of that Communication, that a reference from the Colonial Department to the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, on the subject of the Survey, was awaiting a reply from thence; neither had the Directors received any conclusive information on the subject from the Company's Commissioner.

We have, &c.  
(Signed) J. BAINBRIDGE,  
W. AGGAS.

Downing Street, 31st August, 1839.

GENTLEMEN,

I am directed by the Marquis of Normanby to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, in which you propose to pay the remainder of the purchase money due on account of the Land bought by the New Brunswick Land Company of Her Majesty's Government.

In reply, I am to inform you that as the payments of the Company form a part of that Territorial Revenue which has been ceded to the local Legislature in return for a Civil List, Her Majesty's Government have no authority to relax the conditions of the original agreement in respect to the manner and rate of payment; but Lord Normanby will transmit a copy of your letter to Sir John Harvey, and will direct him to bring it under the consideration of the House of Assembly at their next meeting, in order that their opinion on the proposed arrangement may be ascertained.

I have, &c.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the House of Assembly, 5th February, 1840.

J. HARVEY, Lt. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor informs the House of Assembly, that frequent applications have been made to him for Licences to practice Physic and Surgery, for the granting of which a previous examination is by Law required; but there is no properly constituted Board of Examiners, and in some instances the Gentlemen applied to for the purpose have declined to serve: The Lieutenant Governor therefore invites the attention of the House to this subject, and recommends that provision be made for the appointment of a Medical Board, to whom applicants for Licences may present themselves for examination, and authorizing reasonable compensation to the Members of that Board for their services.

J. H.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, also by command of His Excellency, laid before the House, copies of Despatches from the Home Government, and various other documents, viz:—

1st. Copy of Despatch from Colonial Office, with its enclosures, relative to Steam Communication between Great Britain and British North America.

2d. Copy of Correspondence between Colonial and Treasury Offices, relative to remission of Duties on Military Equipments sent out for the Militia.

3d. Copies of Despatches from Colonial Office, relative to Canal between Bay of Fundy and Gulf of Saint Lawrence, with opinion of Mr. Charles Hare upon the subject.

4th. Copy of Despatch from Colonial Office, relative to Tenure of Offices in the gift of the Crown.

5th. Copy of Communication from Keith Stewart, Captain of Her Majesty's Schooner Ringdove, upon the subject of protection afforded to the Fisheries, and inspection made by him of Light Houses in the Bay of Fundy, &c.

6th. Copy of Communication from Moses H. Perley, Agent in New Brunswick, for the North American Colonial Association of Ireland, with various documents from that Association.

These documents being severally read at the Clerk's Table are as follow:—

STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN  
GREAT BRITAIN AND BRITISH  
NORTH AMERICA.

Downing Street, 4th May, 1839.

Sir,

With reference to my predecessor's Circular Despatch of 24th October last I have the honor to transmit herewith for your information, an Extract of a Letter from the Secretary of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, stating the arrangements which have been made by their Lordships for establishing Steam Communication between Great Britain and British North America.

I also enclose an Extract of a Report, addressed to the Post Master General by the Deputy Post Master General at Quebec, on the subject of the route by which the Mail may be most conveniently carried from Halifax to Quebec. On this point I do not feel competent to express any decided opinion, more especially, as I have not before me any late report on the state of the Metis Road, but I request you to take the subject into your early consideration, and to report to me your opinion as to the route which it would be most advisable to select for the conveyance of the Mail, not only with reference to rapidity of communication, but with reference to security in the event of collision between this country and the United States.

I have, &c.

(Signed) NORMANBY.  
Major General Sir JOHN HARVEY, &c. &c.

With reference to your Letter of the 3d instant, and its enclosure from Sir John Harvey, urging the importance of establishing a Steam Communication between the Country and British North America, at the earliest possible moment; and to the correspondence which has previously taken place on the subject of Steam Communication with Halifax, I have in command from the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to request you will

state to the Marquis of Normanby, that my Lords have not failed to use their earnest efforts to carry the views expressed in their former communications into effect.

In furtherance of this object, the Lords of the Admiralty, in communication with this Board, advertised for tenders, but no offer was made on conditions which answered the advertisement, or which my Lords considered it would be satisfactory to accept.

Subsequently, however, my Lords have been able to conclude an arrangement, by which a communication by Steam twice every month will be effected, and they have every reason to believe this arrangement will be carried into effect in June, 1840.

With reference to this point, my Lords herewith transmit a copy of a Letter, dated 12th instant, from the Board of Admiralty, which will furnish Lord Normanby with the detailed information.

Their Lordships would further add, that they have directed a considerable reduction to be made in the Packet rate of Postage on Letters from and to the British Colonies in North America, which has already come into operation.

These arrangements, my Lords trust, will carry into effect the expectations held out by them in their former communications. But much of the benefit to be derived therefrom will depend upon the efforts made in the Colonial possessions of Her Majesty in improving the Roads, and their Lordships cannot too earnestly press this subject upon Lord Normanby's attention.

Admiralty, 12th April, 1839.

Sir,

With reference to your Letter of the 27th February last, respecting the conveyance of the Mails in Steam Vessels, by Contract, between this country and the North American Colonies, I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, to acquaint you for the information of the Lord Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, that my Lords have concluded an agreement with Mr. Cunard for the conveyance of the Mails &c., twice in each Calendar month, between Liverpool and Halifax, (Nova Scotia,) and between the latter place and Boston, United States, and also, between Pictou, New Brunswick, and Quebec, as long as the Saint Lawrence is open, for the sum sanctioned by the Lords of the Treasury, viz. £55,000, in Vessels of not less than 300 Horses Power for the trans Atlantic passage, and not less than 150 Horses Power for the other passages. The service to commence 1st June, 1840, or sooner, if possible.

I am, &c.

(Signed) JOHN BARROW.  
To F. BARRING, Esq. &c. &c.

The route from Quebec to Halifax at present travelled, after leaving the River Saint Lawrence at Saint André, 108 miles below Quebec, passes for about 100 miles through the territory in dispute between our Government and that of the United States. The greater part of this route is undeserving the name of a Road. It comprises precipitous mountains, forests and swamps over and through which, at certain periods of the year, the unfortunate Couriers have to convey the Mail bags on their backs, no other mode of conveyance being practicable; and I will leave you Sir, to fancy the toil and misery which must attend the transport of fifteen or sixteen hundred pounds weight of Mails (for an English Mail now amounts to this enormous weight,) through such a wilderness. This line of communication, as already observed, passes through a portion of the territory in dispute between Great Britain and the United States, and on this account Her Majesty's Government may not deem it advisable to incur a heavy expense in improving it. It is, nevertheless, the natural channel to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, for it leads through the heart of the former Province, taking in Fredericton the seat of Government. Should it become absolutely necessary to adopt another route, there is only one choice, and that is the neglected road partially opened by His Excellency Sir James Kempt, which leaving the Saint Lawrence at Metis, 207 miles below Quebec, strikes the Restigouche River near the village of Campbelltown, New Brunswick, and bears the name of the Metis or Kempt Road. This road was completed, and is now almost filled up by a secondary growth of trees, and is, consequently, in such a state as to be barely practicable for a foot post, which I established some years ago, and which now travels weekly. The distance from the Saint Lawrence to the Settlements on the Restigouche, by this route, is about 95 miles. It will cost from £15,000 to £18,000, judiciously laid out, to make this a good carriage road. After reaching Dalhousie on the Restigouche, the roads become better and continue so along the shore of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence, and thence to Halifax. The journey from Quebec to Halifax, by this route, (after the Metis Road is improved) may be accomplished in from seven to eight days; but then it must be recollected that Fredericton is left out, and that that City can only be communicated with by lateral route from Miramichi, a distance of about 100 miles. As a preliminary step to a thorough amelioration of the Post to Halifax, it will be for the Government to decide which of the two roads, the Peninsular or the Metis is to be permanently improved. The advantage of the Metis Road is, that it runs through a territory not as yet disputed by the United States, and free from every risk of hostile interruption from the Americans, unless they can overrun the whole of New Brunswick. In a Military point of view this road is especially deserving the support of Government, (whether the Peninsula is abandoned or not,) because supplies of Troops and Arms may be brought up the Restigouche by water from Halifax to within 300 miles of Quebec, at periods when the River Saint Lawrence is not practicable. I beg leave here to refer to a Communication from me to you, dated 25th August last, conveying copy of a Memorial to the Governor General which details at some length my views on the Post Roads to Halifax.

Whichever of the two Roads Her Majesty's Government may permanently improve the Mails may be carried through in from 7 to 7½ days, probably 7. I would not undertake to pledge myself to a shorter course of Post than

seven days. A light express with a small Valise of Letters may, under very favourable circumstances, get through in six days, or six days and a half. It has already once been accomplished in six days on good winter roads, but it is a very different thing travelling light to conveying a Mail weighing a thousand or fifteen hundred pounds.

CANAL BETWEEN BAY OF FUNDY AND GULF OF SAINT LAWRENCE.

Downing Street, 31st October, 1839.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 62, of the 11th ultimo, transmitting a Petition to the Queen from the Chamber of Commerce at Saint John, in which they pray that Her Majesty would be pleased to direct a Survey to be made by some scientific person duly qualified for the purpose of ascertaining the most eligible line for a Canal to connect the waters of the Bay of Fundy with those of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence on the Eastern shore of New Brunswick.

In reply, I have to observe, that as I should not wish to recommend the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to defray the expense which would attend this Survey, from the Revenues of this Country, it is necessary in the first place that it should be ascertained that there is some local source from which it can be secured. If the House of Assembly of New Brunswick singly, or the Provinces which may be supposed to be mutually interested in such a work, jointly, will make or guarantee a provision for the remuneration of the person to whom the Survey would be entrusted, I shall be happy to do every thing in my power to secure the services of some one for the work, thoroughly conversant with the science of Civil Engineering. You will therefore take such measures as may appear to you most convenient, for ascertaining this point, by communicating in the first place with the Chamber of Commerce at Saint John, and if it should be necessary, with the House of Assembly of New Brunswick, and the authorities of the other Provinces.

I have the honor, &c.

(Signed) J. RUSSELL.

Downing Street, 14th September, 1839.

Sir,

I transmit herewith, for your information, a copy of a Letter from Mr. Charles Hare, containing his remarks on the subject of a Canal which it is proposed to cut between the Bay of Fundy and the River Saint Lawrence.

I have the honor, &c.

(Signed) J. RUSSELL.

Major General Sir J. HARVEY, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.  
36 Arundel Street, Strand, 11th Sept. 1839.

The Post of Shediac, on the east side of the Province of New Brunswick, possesses most favorable advantages and facilities for establishing a depot and communication from thence to the Bay of Fundy for Sailing Vessels and Steam Ditto, not exceeding 16 feet water, as 184 feet is to be obtained across the Bar and up to the Point of Le Chene, from which place a Wharf is to be built, the Province Government having already allotted money for that purpose.

A Canal is in contemplation to be cut, but from what part of the head of the Bay of Fundy is not yet determined. By the way of Dorchester Island at the entrance of Memramcook River, is decidedly the most eligible, as I am assured beyond doubts that 12 feet can be brought to the entrance to that River at low water, and consequently little or no delay created by waiting for tide. Moreover, that River can easily be dam'd a little way above its entrance at little expense, the soil being strong brown clay and quite level, with a rise of 50 feet of water. Another point of great importance is, that that River is not backed by any heavy River or rear water, it is consequently slow and easy in its rise and fall;—all the other approaches by the Petitcodiac or Cumberland Basin run at a furious rate and would be attended with great risk and danger and probably delay.

When this Canal is cut a distance not exceeding 16 or 18 miles, Steamboats will be enabled to effect a passage from the Wharfs in Saint John to Quebec in 56 or 60 hours, according to the weather and season.

The foregoing are the opinions of Lieut. C. Hare, who, in the summer of 1838, walked over all the ground and surveyed the Harbour of Shediac; in fact whatever private interest may induce the extensive Land Proprietors to use their influence with the Government (and no doubt cause delay) in its completion, he begs to say that he is totally unconnected and disinterested with Land and Party, that and that alone, is the only safe and proper route to proceed in.

(Signed) C. HARE.

The friends and supporters of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be gratified to learn that His Excellency Sir John Harvey has voluntarily requested his name to be placed on the list of subscribers to that Society, for Five Pounds annually.

Married.

At Douglas, on the 30th January, by the Rev. Dr. Jacob, Mr. G. L. Hatheway, to Mrs. M. Shison. At Northampton, on the 29th ult. by the Rev. S. D. Lee Street, Mr. James S. Seage, of the Parish of Woodstock, Merchant, to Elizabeth Ann, daughter of the late Mr. Charles Connell, of the former place. At Chatham, Miramichi, on the 22d ult. by the Rev. John M. Curdy, Mr. Owen M. Ewan, Merchant, to Miss Jane, youngest daughter of Matthew Blackstock, Esquire, of Bradford, England.

Died.

Suddenly, at Burton, (Sunbury) on Thursday morning last, with Christian fortitude and pious resignation, Mrs. Hannah Cromwell, in the 77th year of her age, having been a pious devoted Christian of the Baptist Church, for nearly 50 years. At Chatham, Miramichi, on the 29th ult. Mr. Matthew Blackstock, late of Bradford, England, in the 68th year of his age.—On the 30th, Mr. Samuel Goodhue, a native of Brookfield, New Hampshire, in the 35th year of his age.

FOR SALE.

THE Subscriber offers for Sale a Lot of LAND, situated a short distance below the Town Plat, near the residence of the Hon. George Shore, and bounded by lands owned by the Honorable W. F. Odell, and Mr. John Gregory. For particulars, apply to

CHRISTOPHER BROWN.

Fredericton, 12th February, 1840.

NOTICE.

ALL Warrants drawn on the Province Treasurer, are payable on demand at the Treasury.

B. ROBINSON, Province Treasurer.  
Saint John, 30th January, 1840.

By Robert F. Hazen, Esquire, Mayor of the City of Saint John, and one of the Justices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in and for the said City and County of Saint John.

To all whom it may concern, Greeting,—

NOTICE is hereby given, That upon the application of Mark Dole, of the said City, gentleman, to me duly made according to the form of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, I have directed all the Estate, as well real as personal, within this Province, of Cyrus Stockwell, late of the said City, Hotel Keeper, (which said Cyrus Stockwell is departed from and without the limits of this Province, with intent and design to defraud the said Mark Dole, and the other Creditors of the said Cyrus Stockwell, if any there be, of their just debts, or else to avoid being arrested by the ordinary process of the Law as it is alleged against him,) to be seized and attached, and that unless the said Cyrus Stockwell do return and discharge his said debt or debts, within three months from the publication hereof, all the Estate, as well real as personal, of the said Cyrus Stockwell within this Province, will be sold for the payment and satisfaction of the creditors of the said Cyrus Stockwell.—Dated at the City of Saint John, the fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty.

ROBERT F. HAZEN, Mayor, &c.  
M. H. PERLEY, Attorney for Petitioning Creditor.

Central Fire Insurance Company  
OF  
NEW BRUNSWICK.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of said Company, will be held at their Office in Fredericton, on Tuesday the 3d day of March next, at 12 o'clock, at noon, for the purpose of electing nine Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, pursuant to the Act of Incorporation, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought forward.

B. WOLHAUPT, President.  
Fredericton, 10th February, 1840.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing a Note drawn in favour of Robert Michael, Prince William, by Israel Atherton, for £30, with £10 indorsed thereon, dated on or about 6th June, 1839, and due on or about 20th of the same month, as the said Note has been paid, and I received said Note to deliver to Israel Atherton, but have either lost or mislaid the same.

THOMAS M. WRIGHT.

Fredericton, 11th February, 1840.

GEORGE A. GARRISON'S Table of *Adventum Duties*, on Foreign Articles, calculated at the several rates, as collected at Her Majesty's Customs in Saint John, shewing at one view, the amount of duty according to the cost; with a schedule of goods liable to duty, and the respective rates particularly useful to dealers in the importation of American produce, for sale at the Royal Gazette Office.

February 12, 1840.

FREDERICTON  
Steam Boat Company Stock  
FOR SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the under-mentioned Shares in the Fredericton Steam Boat Company being forfeited, agreeably to the deed of settlement for non-payment of assessment, will be sold at Public Auction to the highest bidder at the Market House in Fredericton, on Wednesday, 26th day of February instant, at 1 o'clock, p. m. The purchaser to pay all arrears.

George Hartt, 25 shares of £10 each, due on the whole £136 10s.  
WM. McBEATH,  
Treasurer & Secretary.

Fredericton, 4th February, 1840.

BRIDGE WORK  
By Auction.

THE Subscribers hereby give notice that they will attend at Kehoe's Tavern, Oromocto, on Saturday the 15th day of February, at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of Letting by Auction the Erection of a BRIDGE over the Oromocto River, (near its mouth.)

The whole to be completed before the first day of November next.

Plan and Specification can be seen, and other information obtained at the Store of Messrs. Scoullar and Partelow, Oromocto. Two good securities will be required for the faithful performance of the work within the time specified.

HARRY PETERS, Esq. Com.  
WM. SCULLAR, Esq. Commissioners.  
Oromocto, January 29, 1840.

NOTICE.

THE Copartnership heretofore existing between the Subscribers, under the Firm of JAMES PAUL & COMPANY, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons having demands against the said Firm are requested to present the same to H. & J. Montgomery, for adjustment, and those indebted to the said Firm are requested to make satisfactory arrangements with the said H. & J. Montgomery, who alone are authorized to settle and receive all debts due to the said Firm.

JAMES PAUL.  
HUGH MONTGOMERY.  
J. MONTGOMERY.  
Dalhousie, 20th Nov. 1839.

FOR SALE,

AND PAYMENTS MADE EASY.  
Possession given on the 1st of May.

THAT pleasantly situated two story House in Waterloo Row, occupied by Lt. Col. Robinson, having four good Rooms on the first flat, six Bed Rooms on the second flat, five good Rooms in the Garret, and four Rooms in the Cellar, lathed and plastered.

—ALSO—  
A good Kitchen and Wood House, a new Barn stalled for four Horses and two Cows, and abundance of room for Sleighs, Carriages, &c. &c. and will also contain a number of tons of Hay.

If the above property is not disposed of by the first of April, it will be leased for a term of years.

Fredericton, Feb. 1, 1840.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late EDWARD PICK, deceased, are hereby required to send in their accounts, duly attested, within three months from the date hereof, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to

DEBORAH PICK,

Sole Administratrix.

Fredericton, February 5, 1840.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber will sell by Public Auction on the premises on Monday the eleventh day of May next, the Dwelling House occupied by George White, and lot of Land, under lease from the College, on which the same is erected with the appurtenances, situated in King-street, in Fredericton. The above property is to be sold by the order of Zebedee G. Gabel and John T. Smith, the owners. Dated this third day of February 1840.

F. W. HATHEWAY.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

THE General Committee of this Society will meet on Wednesday, February 12, and the Anniversary meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13, in CHRIST CHURCH, Fredericton:—it having been ordered at the last General Meeting, that the anniversary meeting should in future take place on the second Thursday, instead of the second Friday of February, in each, and every year.

GEORGE COSTER,

Archdeacon, & V. P.  
Fredericton, January 28, 1840.

JACKSON'S HOTEL,

Fredericton, New Brunswick.

THE Subscriber respectfully informs his Friends and Patrons of Fredericton and its Vicinity, as well as the Inhabitants of the Province generally, that he has greatly enlarged his former Establishment by additional Buildings, has built a large and handsome Dining room, capable of accommodating any parties at public festivals, &c., with additional anti-rooms, bed rooms, &c. &c. He has always on hand a good supply of the choicest Wines and Liquors imported into the Province, a constant supply of good ice throughout the summer season, and can give good accommodation to any families wishing to visit Fredericton for the space of a few weeks or otherwise. To travellers from Nova Scotia or the United States, the Subscriber would feign recommend his Establishment to their particular notice as being inferior to none in the Province of New Brunswick. Horses, Carriages and other vehicles are furnished from the Hotel.

August 31. H. JACKSON.

TO RENT

And possession given immediately.  
A STORE and Counting Room in the new building adjoining the Store of the Subscribers in Queen Street.

These apartments will be found suitable for a Dry Good Store or offices.

J. & A. SMITH.

Fredericton, November 11, 1839.

STAGE BETWEEN

FREDERICTON & MIRAMICHI.

THE Subscriber having been appointed by the Commissioners, to drive a STAGE, wishes to inform the public that during the winter season, he will leave Mr. JOHN HEA'S Hotel, Chatham, every Monday, at 7 o'clock, A. M.; crossing RAIRNIE'S Ferry, and calling at Mr. CHAMBER'S, in Douglastown, at 8 A. M.; from that to Newcastle, and leave Mr. HAMILL'S Hotel, precisely at 9 A. M.; arrive in Fredericton on Tuesday, at 4 P. M.; and leave Fredericton every Thursday, at 7 o'clock, A. M., and arrive in Miramichi on Friday, at 4 P. M. Passengers and Baggage for Douglastown and Chatham, will be conveyed there immediately on the arrival of the Stage. Books will be kept at Mr. John Hea's Chatham, also at Mr. Hugh Hamill's, Newcastle, for booking Passengers, and at Mr. Irvine's, Fredericton.

By this arrangement, passengers travelling with the Stage to the Northern Counties, will be enabled to take passage in the Northern Stage on Saturday.

First-rate Teams, and experienced Drivers will be kept on this line at all times.

JAMES M. KELLY.

Miramichi, Sept. 17, 1839.—3m

NOTICE.

ROYAL MAIL STAGE,

BETWEEN  
Fredericton and Woodstock.

THE Subscriber intends running a daily STAGE between Fredericton and Woodstock, commencing on the 23d December, inst.; through which, persons arriving from Saint John, &c., can find an immediate conveyance to Woodstock, Canada, the United States, &c. Comfortable Stages and first rate Teams will be provided, and every attention given to passengers. The hours for leaving each of the above places will be as follow:—

From Fredericton, Monday, at 7 A. M.  
Tuesday, 3 P. M.  
Wednesday, 7 A. M.  
Thursday, 7 A. M.  
Friday, 7 A. M.  
Saturday, 3 P. M.

From Woodstock, Monday, at 7 A. M.  
Tuesday, 1 P. M.  
Wednesday, 7 A. M.  
Thursday, 7 A. M.  
Friday, 1 P. M.  
Saturday, 1 P. M.

The Stage Books will be kept at Jackson's Hotel, Fredericton, and Mrs. Grover's, Woodstock. Fare, Fifteen Shillings.

JOHN BROWN.

Fredericton, December 5, 1839.

NOTICE is hereby given, That GEORGE COOPER is appointed Deputy Sheriff in and for the County of Kent, in the place of JAMES MOONEY.

LEBARON DRURY,

High Sheriff, County Kent.  
Richibucto, 15th January, 1840.