

NEW SERIES.  
IMPROVEMENT AND ENLARGEMENT OF THE  
NEW YORK ALBION.

On the first publication in the ensuing year, we shall not only much improve the general contents of this paper, but enlarge it to the extent of *four additional pages or twelve entire columns*. This will at once afford us room to take a much wider range in the subjects on which we generally treat, and likewise enable to carry into effect certain improvements. We trust that this new effort to render the Albion worthy the support it receives so extensively, will be duly appreciated. The additional quantity of matter now proposed, together with the enlargements that have at various times taken place heretofore, will make the Albion nearly double the size of its earlier numbers. And this we do without augmenting the price of subscription.

We propose to augment the number of departments in the plan of this new series, as well as to increase the quantities in those which exist; thus whilst we enlarge the amount of elegant literature, extend our reports on English and Foreign news, increase the details of Parliamentary debates and selections of what is curious and interesting—we shall give regular place to reports of useful public lectures, criticisms on arts and sciences, and the productions of artists; considerations on Music, the Drama, &c., so as to make the paper, as far as may be, a mirror of the age, and to convey to our readers a kind of epitome of the time in which we live.

We shall commence the year also with a new and beautiful fount of type, and the work will be executed with its usual excellence in typography, &c.

This journal has now been established nearly *twenty years*—the first number having been issued on the 22d of June 1822, during which period it has been, with the exception of the first year, exclusively under the management and control of its present proprietor. It was founded by him in conjunction with Dr. Fisher, now Queen's Printer at Quebec, whose classical attainments, general acquaintance with English literature, and fine taste, at once gave it the stamp of superiority. Its steady and continued success since that period is some evidence that subsequent exertions have not been without their effects.

About half of our subscription list consists of American citizens, although we have never swerved from our principles. This will evince, perhaps, that we have conducted the journal with some moderation and discretion. It certainly is a proof of the liberality of the American public.

The Albion, with its peculiar characteristics, is an anomaly—but it is an anomaly highly honorable to this country; and to this effect foreigners of distinction have often expressed themselves.

We have expanded our sheet on two or three occasions already; we have moreover introduced the additional attraction of splendid engravings—engravings indeed admitted by competent judges to be equal in value to the whole price of subscription. But this is scarcely sufficient to answer the demand of the public appetite, for newspapers and periodicals have of late years so increased in number, size and general contents, as to usurp, in a great degree, the place of books. We have therefore during the last two years found ourselves—ample as our pages are—limited in space, and unable to

do justice to the more numerous subjects that now so generally occupy the columns of a public journal. With these considerations then, and with a resolute determination to maintain our position in the foremost rank of the newspapers of the globe, we have resolved to carry into immediate effect, the extensive and expensive augmentation announced above.

The contemplated enlargement will not be a mere expansion of pages; but an addition, as we have stated, of an entire half sheet. The arrangement of the matter too, will be different, and upon a plan *entirely new*. The novelty will consist in separating the literary and scientific departments from the politics and general news—each grand division occupying two different and distinct portions of the journal. The advantages of this plan will be, to enable the reader to select his subjects for perusal, instantaneously; while the two portions of the sheet can be so readily divided that two persons can avail themselves of it at the same time—the political portion falling to the share of those whose predilections so lead them, while others occupy themselves with the more tranquil and graceful study of the literary part of the banquet. We have devised this plan with reference to, and for the special accommodation of families, by whom our paper is so generally taken, and who we are sure will duly appreciate our motives, for it, in fact, constitutes *two papers*, and secures economy and convenience at the same time.

We have been urged to alter the form and size of the Albion; to this we have special objections. This size has stood the test of twenty years criticism, and a long established and favourite journal should be cautious how it changes its features; few like the change after it is made—no one wishes to see a long valued acquaintance in a state of disguise, or to meet an old friend with a new face. The size we have always thought sufficiently convenient, and, when spread out on the table of the drawing room, is both beautiful and imposing. If it were folded to the octavo size it would be less expensive to us, but the reader would lose all the matter occupied by the additional *margins*; the external aspect of the paper too, would be mean and stunted, and at first sight would convey an idea that we had reduced its dimensions, rather than enlarged them. We feel sure such a change would disappoint our readers, and we cannot adopt it unless a more general desire be manifested for the alteration.

In conclusion—while we thank a kind and generous public for its favors, and cordially offer the compliments for the season—we devoutly pray for the prosperity of this happy country, invoke for it the protection of that beneficent Providence which guides us all, earnestly supplicate the ruler of events to preserve it in paths of peace with all nations, and avert from it now and for ever that great and terrible calamity, WAR.

We shall continue the Plates, and no addition will be made to the price of subscription, which will be as usual Six dollars per annum, payable in advance. A remittance of *Five Dollars* will ensure the Plates and a receipt for ten months for the paper.

TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE  
NEW YORK ALBION.

We feel gratified in being able to announce to our readers, that the following Plates will be presented to them with all the dispatch that can be used with due regard to the execution:—

PORTRAIT OF WASHINGTON,  
VIEW OF WESTMINSTER ABBEY,  
PORTRAIT OF SIR WALTER SCOTT,  
VIEW OF THE CAPITOL AT WASHINGTON.

Of these, the Portrait of Washington is now in very forward preparation; it will be produced from the burin of the very excellent artist who engraved the Portrait of the Duke of Wellington, already given, and the subject is taken from one of the most admired and approved likenesses of the illustrious original. We confidently expect to have it ready for publication by the latter part of January next, and it will be followed by the other subjects with all possible celerity.

The Plates heretofore issued, and which have continually exhibited progressive improvement in delicacy of execution, will be sufficient warrant for all that shall succeed, and we need scarcely add that we are as desirous to produce excellence in the graphic as in the literary portion of the journal.

It is, and has been always a matter of great solicitude with us, not only to select subjects of great and general interest, but also to have them executed in a manner worthy the attention of connoisseurs in art, and we think it is not arrogating too much to say that the Plates of the Albion are in themselves well worth the subscription price of the journal.

The Hartford Fire Insurance  
Company,

OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

OFFERS to insure every description of Property against Fire upon reasonable terms. This Company has been doing business for upwards of 29 years, and during that period have settled all their Losses without compelling the insured in any one instance to resort to a Court of Justice.

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ELIPHABET TERRY, PRESIDENT.  
JAMES G. BOLLIS, Secretary.

The Subscriber continues to issue Policies of Insurance against Loss or damage by Fire in this Town and its vicinity, on reasonable terms. The prompt and liberal manner in which this Company met the numerous heavy claims upon it, caused by the Fires of 1837-39, in the City of Saint John, insures to the Public confidence in its dealing.

Conditions made known on application to  
ASA COY, AGENT.  
Fredericton, 15th Dec. 1841.

Satin Ground Paper Hangings.

ON CONSIGNMENT,

**2000** PIECES Paper HANGINGS of the most elegant patterns, with Bordering to match, for sale at Saint John prices.

JOHN S. COY.

November 20, 1841.

Working Oxen for Sale.

WORKING OXEN can be obtained on application to the subscribers.

J. & A. SMITH.  
Fredericton, Dec. 21, 1841.

NOTICE.

THE adjourned Meeting of the Creditors of JAMES BALLOCH, an absconding debtor, will be held at the Office of J. W. GRAY, Esq., in Prince William Street, on Thursday the 27th inst., for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of debts due to Creditors yet remaining unproved.

ADAM JACK,  
R. D. WILMOT,  
J. W. GRAY.

St. John, Jan. 8, 1842.

Notice to Out-Pensioners of  
CHELSEA HOSPITAL.

THE Lords and others Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital having required that all OUT-PENSIONERS resident in the Colonies should be examined by means of interrogatories, to which they should reply before the issue of any further Pension; Notice is hereby given to those PENSIONERS resident in the County of Charlotte, that they are to appear before the Commanding Officer at Salut Andrews, and those Pensioners resident in and about Woodstock before the Commanding Officer at that station, for the purpose aforesaid: and Notice is hereby also given to all other Pensioners, resident in New Brunswick, who have not yet replied to the questions as above directed, that unless they present themselves at the Commissariat Offices in Saint John or Fredericton, no issue of Pension will be made to them from and after the 1st April next.

Commissariat, New Brunswick, 2  
St. John, 1st January, 1842. S

MR. J. JACKSON,

OF JACKSON'S Hotel, Fredericton, wishing to prevent any false reports which might be made, respecting his establishment, in consequence of the late fire on the premises, (20th December,) begs to acquaint his friends, in and about Miramichi, St. Andrews, and round that neighbourhood, as well as his friends in and about Saint John, that his establishment is ready for their reception, and that arrangements have been made at his own expense to make the house warmer than heretofore, and has excellent Stabling for Horses and Harness, and a good Shed for Sleighs. Proper Groom and other Servants, to make every thing go a-head.

Jackson's Hotel, Dec. 27, 1841.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons who have any demands against the Estate of CATHERINE KNAFF late of this place, deceased, Widow and Sole Executrix of the late TITUS KNAFF, Esquire, will present their Accounts, duly attested, within eighteen Calendar Months from this date, to the Subscribers; and all Persons who are indebted to the said Estate will please make immediate payment to

JOHN GEO. ALLAN,  
JAMES DICKSON,  
Executors of the said Catherine Knapp.  
Westmorland Point, Westmorland County,  
June 8, 1841.

Sperm, Mould & Dipt Candles,  
Low for Cash.

J. & A. SMITH offer for sale, Sperm Candles, London Mould Candles, Wax Wicks, by retail.

Also—Dipt Candles, by the box, or any smaller quantity, a considerable reduction from the usual prices will be made to retailers or others, purchasing a quantity.

Queen Street, Fredericton, Jan. 14, 1842.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber has just received and for sale, low for Cash, the following articles of Clothing, suitable for the season:—Pilot and Beaver CLOTH, Coats, Trowsers, Vests, Dress Coats, Youths and Mens Woollen Gloves, &c. &c.

THOMAS STEWART.  
Fredericton, January 12, 1842.