

wives; his clothes are washed, smoothed and mended for him, without one thought or anxiety on his part; he has every comfort in sickness—medical advice, and all incidental expenses provided and if required a sick nurse in attendance. Should he have a family, no child he has is any burden to him; or else if his wife belongs to the same master, his children increase his comforts; their allowances commence from the day of their birth, and it is some years before they can consume all he receives from them. No accident, disabling him from work, deprives him of a home, food, clothing, or any necessary comfort; and he looks forward to old age without anxiety, or the chilling dread of poverty, for himself or his family."

In other places Mrs. C. gives an account of her endeavours to instruct the slaves, and turn that instruction to moral and practical utility, in which she utterly failed.

"I believe (she remarks) novelty at first made them willing to attend; but when this charm was gone, they preferred sleeping away the evening. I thought had I instructed them without referring to practical duties, as incumbent upon those who meant to lead a new life and become really Christians, they would not have left off attending; so soon as I knew they were sufficiently instructed to be able to follow the only valuable use of religious knowledge, viz. the personal application of it, I used to insist upon this, and they uniformly manifested a great aversion to such doctrine. When I found them stealing, lying, or acting cruelly to each other, I took them aside, and endeavoured kindly to point to them their sin, as hateful in the sight of God—that they knew this, and that God would judge them by the knowledge they now possessed; it is hardly to be expressed how they dislike such a mode of correction, and indeed they told me that they 'would rather be flogged as to be teased so.' But I had a great aversion to corporal punishment, and was most desirous that an appeal to the feelings, aided by moral and religious instruction, should enable us to banish all such debasing methods. On these principles I proceeded, and followed them up practically—but I failed completely in success, until our servants were justly considered the pest of the neighbourhood; for they became so bold (knowing that they would be exempt from corporal punishment,) that their conduct became insupportable, and, beyond all comparison, mere practically wicked than when I began to instruct them. B., and one or two more, were for a time, the most finished hypocrites I ever beheld; they had learnt at chapel to groan, turn up their eyes, and, indeed, as well as all St. Vincent negroes, to say 'please God' at every sentence. Tell a child to bring a tea-cup from the pantry, and the answer is sure to be 'Yes, missus, please God, I'll do so directly.' I did all I could to break them of such expressions, as originating in hypocrisy, and as utterly disgusting in common conversation. I have met with some in Britain who were of opinion that 'if the Lord will' ought to be used upon all occasions, for every thing, say they is uncertain in this world—but to use this, or any other similar expression, upon all occasions, degenerates into the ludicrous, and, indeed, becomes irreverence towards the Deity. Suppose, when a mistress of a family orders dinner, that her servants answer, 'Yea ma'am, if the Lord will,' is not such an answer more calculated to excite the risible faculties, than to raise in the mind any recollection not of the uncertainty of earthly affairs? It is a thousand pities that the negroes have acquired those hypocritical forms, which consider them as they are by the negroes as the sign of Christianity, stand in the way of their advancement in true religion. Judging by the conduct of those negroes who were the most regular attendants at the methodist chapel, I am unwillingly driven to the belief that that the methodist missions have done little for the cause of true religion, and have rather helped to foster dangerous delusions. The methodists, I fear, have done harm; for they have diffused a general feeling among the negro population, that abstaining from dancing, from drinking (a vice by the way, which negroes are rarely prone to,) and a certain phraseology, which is mere form on their part, is Christianity. Now it would be much better if the negroes were taught that lying, stealing, cruelty to each other, or the brute creation, slander, and disobedience, were sins in the sight of God, rather than level their anathemas against dancing the favourite, and let me say, the innocent, recreation of the negroes; unless when in trenches, as it sometimes does, upon the sacredness of the Sabbath. Religion of this kind is the thing to take with the negro; it invokes no self-denial excepting dancing; and the renunciation of gay cloths and jewellery; fond as the negroes are of dancing and fine clothes, they are more willing to yield upon these points than they are to abstain from lying, theft, fighting, cruelty, or slandering their neighbours. It is not my intention to represent the methodists as approving or disregarding of the sins of lying, theft, &c.; I only mean to say, that they insist very much more upon the sin of what they term 'vain amusements and dress,' (and here I use the very words of a negro upon this subject), than upon lying, theft, fighting, cruelty, and slander. Now the fact is, that the methodists are not in a condition to know much of the every day action of the negroes who are slaves; but the noise of dancing is constantly obtruded upon them. The one they see; the other they do not see; and associating very little with those who alone could give them a true picture of the manners and habits of slaves, they are necessarily, to a great extent, ignorant of the true charge

ter, or the necessary management of the slave population.

Our Parliamentary discussions are affirmed to have produced the worst consequences.

"The negroes from this moment believed that Massa King George had said they were all to be free—a term very differently understood by the negroes and by their advocates on this side of the water. By free Briton means that the negro is no longer the property of his master, but situated as labourers in England; that is, he is to work for his own and his family's support, or starve. But the word free means quite another thing in the negro sense; for they tell me that it means there is to be no master at all and Massa King George is to buy all the estate, and give them to live upon; for as they have often added to me—'Messes, what signify free, if we have to work; if we be to work, we just as soon and sooner work for white master than any one; white master deal better than black master; and as for slave that signify nothing at all; for if we be to work, we're better slave than free misses.' This is the genuine sentiment of not one, but almost all negroes; and freedom to them without a total exemption from regular work, would not by the majority be considered a boon, but the very reverse.

## COLONIAL.

**GROWTH AND TRADE OF THE TOWN OF YORK.**—We should very much doubt whether there is any other town on the whole American Continent which, within the last two years, has improved both in size and commercial importance in so great a ratio as the town of York. Last year, near three hundred buildings of different descriptions were erected; and this year upwards of four hundred have been built, or are building or contracted for within the Town and Suburbs; and a good proportion of them, particularly on King street, are substantial and commodious brick buildings. The stack of lofty brick houses erected by Mr. James G. Chewett, on King and York streets, comprising 8 or 10 spacious tenements for merchants stores and dwelling houses, with an extensive and commodious hotel at the corner, may readily be called a splendid block of buildings.—*York Courier.*

Among the items of expenditure granted for the Colonies by the House of Commons on the 10th August, we perceive £40,000 for the *Rideau Canal*. It affords us great pleasure to record this fact, which shows that all the exertions which have been made to injure the Canal have had no influence on the British Government, and will not prevent the application of the expenditure necessary for its completion. We hope the sum voted will be applied with judgment and economy: if it be, there can remain but little doubt that a most important line of communication will be rendered available for every commercial or military purpose.

There were also voted: for the Indian Department, £20,000; for the Clergy in Canada, £18,700.—*Chronicle and Gazette.*

**MONTREAL, Oct. 5.**  
**Snow Storm.**—The first snow this season fell here on Sunday Morning. A cold north east storm began about ten o'clock and continued up to Tuesday noon, with little intermission, when our paper went to press. On the hills west of us, we are told, it was winter on a small scale, the snow falling and the cold winds blowing quite drearily. Another freshet must follow this storm, the small streams having risen again and the Connecticut not having recovered from its recent enlargement; the prospect now is, our meadows will be flooded deeper than ever.—*Northampton Courier.*

## ROYAL GAZETTE.

FREDERICTON, NOVEMBER, 6th 1833.

**ALMS HOUSE AND WORK HOUSE.**  
Commissioner for **Henry Smith, Esq.** next week;

**SAVING'S BANK.**  
Trustees for **Henry G. Clopper, Esq.** **JAMES TAYLOR, Esq.** **HENRY SMITH, Esq.**

## Civil Appointments.

Mr. Henry E. Dibble, to be collector at Woodstock in the County of Carleton, under the Principal Officers of the Customs at Saint John.

**HEAD QUARTERS,** **Fredericton, 5th Nov. 1833.**

**MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.**

The Commander in Chief has been pleased to make the following promotions &c.

**2d. Batt. St. John City Militia.**

Charles Ward, Esquire, late Major of the 2d. Saint John City Militia, to be Lieutenant-Colonel of the same.—Commission dated 1st January, 1833, and to take rank in the Militia next in Seniority to Lieutenant-Colonel Minchin.

**TO BE CAPTAINS.**

Lt. Wm. Mullin, vice De Blis, suspended, having been absent without leave for two years.

Do. Nicholas B. Brown, vice Smith removed, dated 6th Nov.

Do. C. W. Tisdale, " Minette resigned, 7th do.

Do. John Wishart, " Clarke 8th do.

**TO BE LIEUTENANTS.**

Ens. Wm. Hugson, vice Mallin dated 5th Nov.

Do. E. W. Greenwood, " Brown 6th do.

Do. Justus Wetmore, " Tisdale 7th do.

Robt. Summers, Gent. " Wishart 8th do.

Chas. Johnston, do. " Ketchum 9th do.

Barton P. Wallop, do. " Sides superces- 10th do.

Geo. Merritt, do. " T. B. Millidge re- 10th do.

John L. Wilmet, do. " C. J. Peters 12th do.

John C. Ward, do. " H. Smith, super- 13th do.

**TO BE ENSIGNS.**

Chas. Gallagher, do. " Verner removed, 5th do.

Thos. Wallace, do. " Hugson, 6th do.

T. B. Wilson, do. " Greenwood, 7th do.

D. McMillan, do. " Wetmore, 8th do.

James Nethery, do. " J. Taylor, 9th do.

James Ott, do. " Ketchum 10th do.

Thos. A. Sancton, do. " Sides superces- 11th do.

Stephen F. Foster, do. " Sides superces- 12th do.

**1st Batt. Kings.**

Lieut. John Wright, to be Capt. vice Prince.

Ens. Nathaniel Warren, to be Lieut. vice

Wright.

James Kiester, Gent. to be Ensign, vice

Warren.

Ens. Wm. Green, to be Lieut. dated 2d June 1833, to take precedence of Lieut. James Bulyea, James Pine, late of the 1st Batt. Kent Militia, to be Lieut. and to retire from the service with the rank.

By Command: **GEO. SHORE, Adj't Gen. M.**

—**1833.**

The following CIRCULAR LETTER, has been issued from the Attorney General's Office, to the different High Sheriff's of Counties in the Province, for the purpose of obtaining information to enable him to prepare the draft of a Bill to be laid before the General Assembly, relating to lands bounded on the Banks of Rivers, and other Waters in the Province, pursuant to instructions from the Colonial Office, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor on that subject.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Fredericton, 2d Nov. 1833.

Sir,

HAVING received the command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, pursuant to Instructions from His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, to prepare the draft of a Bill to be laid before the General Assembly, to quiet the apprehensions of Proprietors of land on the banks of Rivers or other Waters in this Province; I have to request, you will make Public to the owners of Lands so situated within your County, that I shall be ready to receive any communications from them, as to the relative situations of their respective Water fronts, and the extent and nature of the desired accommodation.

Such communications will be expected by private conveyance or post paid.

I have the honor to be

Your most obt. Servant,

CHARLES J. PETERS,  
Attorney General.

To the Sheriff of the County of —

—**1833.**

DEPARTMENT FOR CROWN LANDS & FORESTS.

Fredericton, 31st Oct. 1833.

PERSONS having business to transact with this Department are informed, that receipts for Office Fees, Tonnage, or Purchase money will not be valid unless signed by the Cashier, Mr. W. N. ACKERLY.

JOHN A. BECKWITH,  
Acting Commissioner and Surveyor General of Crown Lands and Forests.

—**1833.**

The weather for some days past has been exceedingly cold for the season. Yesterday morning our River was covered from shore to shore with ice varying from a quarter of an inch to an inch in thickness, which was borne slowly down the stream by the current.

The Steamer Woodstock arrived here about four o'clock in the morning (yesterday) with some passengers and considerable freight on board. From the manner in which we saw the ice grazing and crushing past her sides when, on board about nine o'clock, we imagine she must have suffered considerable injury in her bows, as they seemed to be in no way protected from the action of the ice. She started for the City about eleven o'clock, and we hope that before this time she has safely arrived at her place of destination.

The news from Europe is of an interesting and exciting character. We have therefore made copious extracts:

**FIRE.**—About 4 o'clock this morning we were aroused by the startling sounds of the bugle and the fire-bell. The flames were bursting through the roof of Mr. Stoot's large building, but, by prompt and well directed exertions, they were subdued before much damage was done. This was the third time fire had been discovered and put out last night in the same house, viz. first in a bed, then in a chest of drawers and lastly in the roof. We have seen the premises, and the whole is evidently the work of an incendiary. A mulatto woman is now in Gaol on suspicion of the crime.

—**1833.**

(From the Nova Scotian.)

LATE AND IMPORTANT NEWS.

New York and Boston papers, received here on Monday, have put us in possession of dates from Liverpool to the 16th, Paris and Bordeaux to the 17th and 18th, and Berlin and Madrid to the 8th September. There is more of spirit and character in the intelligence furnished than in any which has been received from the continent for some months past; and although no official document appears upon which the conclusion that a general war is inevitable can be founded, the complexion of all the accounts is certainly exceedingly warlike.

Our readers are aware that the three great Northern Potentates were expected to meet in Bohemia, for the avowed purpose of arranging the affairs of Poland, but evidently to discuss the whole range of European politics, and to decide upon the measures necessary to the defence of despotic rule from the contagion of the democratic or liberal opinion of the continent. Neptune, it appears, not liking the design of the Congress, raised such a storm in the Gulf of Finland, that the Emperor of Russia, after being tossed about by the waves, for three days, was obliged to return to St. Petersburg, and make the journey by land. The Congress, however, assembled at Schwedt, a small town about 50 miles from Berlin, and the papers furnish us with the following account of their doings.

The latest advice from the Belgic Capital, of the 17th September, gives the following important intelligence, which gives stronger indication of approaching war than we have hitherto seen.

This afternoon we received some important news from the congress of Bohemia, which although it cannot be considered official, may yet (with great certainty) be relied on. The Belgic question is settled, and the labours of the Conference are brought to a close: so commenced a letter from a well informed person attached to the King of Prussia, and addressed to a leading member of the Orange Party.—The writer then goes on to explain in which way this long agitated and badly conducted business has at length terminated. He states that a long and circumstantial note was addressed by the King of Holland to the Monarchs, detailing the origin and progress of the Belgian rebellion, lays great stress on the reliance which he placed on the treaties of Vienna, which, independent of guaranteeing to him the kingdom of Belgium, were, in fact, treaties of offensive and defensive, and as such he had a just right to expect assistance and protection from all the interested parties. He then states that the majority of the Belgians took no part

in the revolution, and that he possesses the most formal assurance that the greater portion of the wealth and respectability of the nation would gladly see a return of the Nassau family. The exclusion of the National Congress is also touched on, and his Dutch Majesty asserts that he is possessed of authentic documents proving that the Deputies were intimidated by the violence of a small party of Republicans, and gave their votes against their consciences.

His Dutch Majesty, after protesting against the determination of a portion of the conference assembled in London, to act as arbitrators instead of mediators, demands that the treaties of Vienna be put in force, and that he be assisted in recovering his lost kingdom. Previous to the forwarding of this note to the Congress, a copy was submitted to the Courts of Austria and Prussia; and it is positively asserted that these Powers promised to support the pretensions of the writer. The King of Prussia, who either from fear of embroiling himself in war, or the influence of M. Anillion, of Doctrine principles, has hitherto acted a double part, is now convinced that he must make a decided choice in his future politics, and either link himself with the liberal party, or support the Emperors of Austria and Russia in their political crusade.

The Dutch note having been taken into consideration it was resolved to support the King of Holland, and, in the event of an intervention by any Power, to consider such an act a declaration of war against all the parties whose signatures were attached to a treaty offensive and defensive, to be formed on this basis.

This question having been well considered previous to the meeting of the Monarchs, and all the preliminary articles having been agreed to,

the Emperor of Russia sent from St. Petersburg despatches to Prince Lieven, with instructions in conformity with the intended arrangement.

And I know for certain that the Belgic Government received this day at noon despatches from London of so unpleasant a nature, that a Minister of the Crown declared "a general war was inevitable." Our accounts from Holland fully corroborate, all that I have stated. 'Never,' says a Correspondent from the Hague, 'were we so certain of the powerful assistance of the Cabinets of St. Petersburg and Vienna as at this moment, and his Dutch Majesty is at length about to reap the advantage of his manly and consistent conduct.'

This certainly looks warlike; and if, it can be relied on, we shall, before long, have the strength of the English and French alliance tested.

We have no desire to see a general war, but we can scarce see how it is to be avoided—the spirits of despotism and liberty cannot consent to divide Europe between them—one must encroach upon and finally overturn the other, and if the government of England and France can bring the great questions in dispute to such a point, that they will be obvious and intelligible to the people—if they so manage their diplomacy as to convince the world that a war of principle is necessary, the sooner it is commenced the better.

The New York Journal of Commerce says:—"By far the most important contents of the papers before us are those which relate to the marshalling of the Northern despotic Powers against the Liberal Powers of the West, and vice versa.

We do not pretend to say that the feelings of bitter irritation which prevail on both sides, and which are very freely expressed, will at once ripen into a war; but there is manifestly an increasing tendency to such a result.

In proportion as the alliance between Russia,