

POETRY.

THE FROST.

BY H. F. GOULD.

THE Frost looked forth one still, clear night,
And whispered, "Now I shall be out of sight;
So through the valley and over the height,
In silence I'll take my way.
I will not go on like that blustering train,—
The wind and the snow, the hail and the rain,
Who makes so much bustle and noise in vain,
But I'll be as busy they!"

Then he flew to the mountain, and powdered its
crest;
He lit on the trees, and their boughs he drest
In diamond beads; and over the breast
Of the quivering lake, he spread
A coat of mail, that it need not fear
The downward point of many a spear,
That he hung on his margin, far and near,
Where a rock could rear its head.

He went to the windows of those, who slept,
And over each pane, like a fairy, crept;
Where he breathed, wherever he stepped,
By the light of the morn, were seen
Most beautiful things; there were flowers and
trees;
There were bevy of birds and swarms of bees;
There were cities with temples and towers: and
these
All pictured in silver sheen!

But he did one thing that was hardly fair—
He peeped in the cupboard, and finding there,
That all had forgotten him to prepare,
"Now, just to set them a-thinking,
I'll bite this basket of fruit," said he,
"This costly pitcher, I'll burst in three;
And the glass of water they've left for me
Shall 'tchick!' to tell them I'm drinking!"

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

John Hazen, Esquire, to be Sheriff of the County of Sunbury.

Henry Jones, to be a Coroner in the County of York.

Samuel Fry, and David W. Jack, Esquires, to be Members of the Board of Education in Charlotte County.

James H. Street and William Babcock, Esquires, to be Members of the Board of Health at Saint Andrews.

The undermentioned tracts of vacant Crown Land will be offered at Public Auction at this Office, on Monday the 4th day of May next.—Sale to commence at 12 o'clock, noon.

TERMS.—Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale and the remainder within 14 days after.

120 acres, Northumberland, east side of the Road from Newcastle to Chaplain's Island, as surveyed for John Wright, Jun. Upset price, 3s. per acre.

240 acres, Northumberland, lot No. 1, south side Bartholomew's River, adjoining the grant to William Thomson. Upset price, 3s. per acre.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS,

Surveyor General.

Crown Land Office, March 7, 1840.

HEAD QUARTERS, FREDERICTON, } 11th March, 1840.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief, has been pleased to make the following promotions, &c.

New Brunswick Regiment of Artillery.

2d Lieutenant John C. Allan, to be Adjutant, with the rank of Lieutenant, vice E. Pick, deceased.

The christian name of the Gentleman appointed to the Artillery Company, stationed at Woodstock, in the Gazette of the 9th December last, is *Walter D.* and not *Walter J. Bedell*.

1st Battalion Carleton Militia.

Ensign William Shaw, to be Lieutenant, vice Dickinson, deceased.

TO BE ENSIGNED.

Elisha Shaw, Gent. vice William Shaw promoted, dated 17th March.

Allen Estabrooks, Gent. 18th March.

James Lockwood, Gent. 19th do.

John S. Macbeth, Gent. to be Quartermaster of the Troop of Cavalry, attached to 1st Battalion Carleton.

1st Battalion Charlotte.

Captain James Boyd, to be second Major.

James Rait, Gent. to be Quartermaster, with the rank of Lieutenant, vice Jack, resigned.

The resignation of the following Officers have been accepted, and who are permitted to retire with their respective Ranks in the Militia.

Captain Ralph Carter, } 2d Battalion

Joseph Bowser, and } Westmorland.

Lieut. William Carter, }

Also, Ensign Morris Wooten, St. John County Militia.

By Command,

GEO. SHORE, A. G. M.

From the Montreal Gazette.

It is with the sincerest regret that we have perused in the Scotch papers a notice of the demise of the Honorable and Right Reverend Alexander Macdonell, Roman Catholic Bishop of Regiopolis and Kingston in Upper Canada. This melancholy event took place at Dumfries, on the 14th January. His remains were buried in St. Mary's chapel, in the capital of his native country, on the 25th of January, with all the honours due to his rank and virtues as a Prelate of that church to which he belonged, and of which he was so long, so faithful, and so watchful a pastor and ornament. High Mass was celebrated on the same occasion in St. Mary's Chapel, Broughton street; at which Bishops Caruthers, and Gillis, of Edinburgh; Murdoch of Glasgow, and Scott, of Greenock, assisted; Bishop Murdoch preaching an appropriate sermon.

Bishop Macdonell left this country in the course of last summer, for Great Britain, in excellent health and spirits, notwithstanding his advanced years, with the view of promoting the interests of his flock, as well as the general welfare of these Provinces, of which he was always an ardent friend and benefactor. Indeed, next to his pious duties as a Bishop and Clergyman, nothing seemed to engross his mind so much as the benevolent wish to promote the happiness of his countrymen at home and abroad, without any jealous or prejudiced predilection as to their creed. He arrived in Upper Canada early in the present century—in 1803, we think—with a large body of Highlanders, who were settled in Glenagarry, in the Eastern District of that Province; and, from that period, to the day of his death, he never ceased to take the deepest interest in the welfare of his countrymen. He not only acted as their pastor, but as their friend, companion, and adviser, in every circumstance of life; exciting respect and veneration wherever he went, and the deepest sense of gratitude among the numerous objects of his benevolent views

and wishes. A more loyal and devoted British subject never existed. He was present in many a hard-fought battle; not, indeed, with offensive arms in his hands—though, perhaps, he would have been amongst the first, if not the first, to embrace them, in a case of real danger and necessity—but with that advice and consolation, which is so well calculated to inspire courage and confidence in the hour of national conflict.

In short, Bishop Macdonnell was no ordinary man. He was honoured by his sovereigns, and he saw no less than four of them; he was revered by his flock, as a pastor; he was respected by all who knew him; and was beloved by his friends and acquaintances—of whom no man had more—and admired by all parties and sects, for the liberality of his sentiments, and generosity of his feelings, and the unextinguishable Christian benevolence of his heart. His memory will be long and deeply cherished in the Canadas.

The Court of King's Bench at Three Rivers, did not proceed yesterday to the trial of criminal cases, in consequence of an opinion as to its incompetency having been pronounced by the Chief Justice.

QUEBEC, March 17.

Colonial Land Board.—Copies of Commissioners appointing T. F. Elliot, and Robert Torrens, Esqs. and the Hon. Edward E. Villiers, Land and Emigration Commissioners, have been printed by order of the House of Commons; with instructions addressed by Lord John Russell, to the Land and Emigration Commissioners.—We have not at present space to copy the instructions, at length and shall confine ourselves to a short paragraph which relates to the British North American colonies. It is as follows:

"With regard to British North America, the case stands as follows:—In Upper Canada and in New Brunswick, the sale and management of Waste Lands is invested by local enactments in certain local authorities, with whom the Crown has no right of interference. In Nova Scotia and New Foundland, there is every reason to anticipate that similar laws will be shortly passed, in pursuance of offers made by the Crown to assent to them. In the present state of affairs in Lower Canada, this, in common with many other questions, must be regarded as in abeyance. In general therefore it may be stated that you will have no power to contract for the sale of lands situate in British North America or any of the adjacent Islands."

"With respect to these Colonies, therefore your duties will be limited. Still the information you will possess and the agency you will direct, will make it the interest both of those interested with the sale of Land, in British North America, and of Emigrants about to proceed there, to resort to you for co-operation, assistance and advice. On this topic however I will not now enlarge."

Indian Anecdote.—The following specimen of Indian wit related to me a few evenings since is too good to be lost.

One of the Indians who formerly inhabited the shores of Robbins' pond in this County, being out upon a hunting excursion, chanced to pass the house of Mr. W.—, who was engaged in feeding a large flock of turkeys near the house. Sam, the Indian, feeling very thirsty, went up to Mr. W. and asked for some cider, who told him to go into the house and his wife would draw him a mug full. Sam, in going to the house, muttered to himself but loud enough for Mr. W. to hear, "how I would like to have one shot at them." Mr. W. who was fond of a joke, took the gun which Sam had left at the door and drew the shot from it. "Well Sam," said Mr. W. "you said you should like to have a shot at my turkeys, what will you give me for a shot." "Sam after some hesitation agreed to give a dollar. Every thing being ready Sam levelled his gun and fired; and as might be expected, the turkeys were more frightened than hurt. Sam stood mute with astonishment, and flinging his gun across his shoulder, said "Sam never made such a shot as that before," and walked off.

It was about two weeks from the time Sam made this unlucky shot that he again called on Mr. W. for more cider; who thinking to put another joke upon him, sent him into the house for his cider and again drew his shot from his gun which was left beside the door. On Sam's return he was asked by Mr. W. what he would give him for another shot at his turkeys. A bargain was made and Sam was to give another dollar for a shot provided Mr. W. would call them together. Sam fired and killed six besides wounding eight or ten more. If Sam's astonishment was great at his first unfortunate shot, Mr. W.'s was not less now when he beheld the havoc made, as he supposed, with nothing but powder. It seems that Sam had mistrusted the reason of the first bad shot, although he had betrayed no signs of suspicion at the time, and had loaded his gun with two charges of shot, knowing that one would be drawn out.

Spider Case, or Case of Spiders. The Charleston Patriot of March 11, tells a story of a most extraordinary physical phenomenon, which, it said, keeps the population of that city in a state of great excitement,—as it well may. It has puzzled the learned and the unlearned—the medical and the non-medical—the sceptical and the credulous. The following are the prominent historical points of the case drawn from authentic sources: The patient, while on a visit to a friend in the country, felt, while in bed, an object of some kind fall on the upper part of the cheek bone, just below the left eye. She brushed it away, and, after a restless night, awoke in the morning suffering its consequences in the form of acute pain, during which time she removed from the eye several fragments of the legs of a spider.

Returning to the city a few days afterwards, upon complaining to her mother of a similar sensation, an examination was made, when a perfectly formed dead spider of small size was removed. A physician being called, all proper investigation was made, in order if possible to discover the seat or nidus of the animals, but this proved fruitless. No inquiry has yet been able to detect their seat of empire, and yet they have continued to be removed from each eye alternately, sometimes from one alone, sometimes from both, for a space of six weeks, to an amount on an average of from two to three every other day. Portions of what is supposed to be the ovum have been also discharged. Each exit of either animal or web is preceded by acute pain in some portion of the organ, and attention being thus called, the object is easily removed by the attendant. The eyes assume at times much inflammatory irritation and

swelling of the lids, with an infected condition of the ball, and copious effusion of tears.—*Boston Courier.*

Resurrectionists.—A disgusting and rather novel scene took place at Aveton Gifford on Tuesday last. It appears that, about 2 years ago, a poor man named Wilkie, was buried at Aveton Gifford. Not many days afterwards some relative of the old man observed a very considerable shrinking of the grave, which was pointed out to others; and a story becoming very prevalent in the village, that poor old John Wilkie's body had been snatched, the friends insisted upon having the grave opened. The sexton attended accordingly; and when they got down as far as the lid of the coffin, the old man's friends had no wish to have the coffin opened, as they were satisfied all was right; and nothing more was said about poor old John Wilkie until Wednesday, the 18th of December. On the evening of that day, eighteen jolly fellows met at the Royal Victoria Inn, in the village, to give the little landlord the benefit of an opening supper. After supper, when the grog was flowing freely round, the party amused themselves by passing their jokes very freely on a young man named Macey (a mason by trade, and who worships at the shrine of Bacchus seven days out of the week). Macey threatened some of them with a split if they did not desist. He was told by the party to say his worst, if he knew any thing. Consequently he charged three men of the party with being body-snatchers, whose names are Saunders, Frost and Ruth, also that Jorden the celebrated wrestler came from Plymouth after the body, and that he Macey, held the horse, and he had one shilling for his trouble, while the others procured the body; and he believed it to be the body of Poor John Wilkie.

This was too good a story to let drop by the village gossippers; and in a day or two the story began to be generally believed, and to wear a serious aspect. A respectable party waited on the Rev. Mr. Vaughan, the vicar, who gave orders that the grave should be opened, to see if poor old John was there or not. In the meantime, the reverend gentleman's domestics had orders to hold no communication with Frost, who is the Rev. gentleman's gardener; another gentleman had written to Saunders (who is a carpenter), requesting he would clear up his character before he came to his house to work again. Ruth, who is the Sexton, was threatened with excommunication if the story proved to be true. Tuesday week was the day appointed for opening the grave. The vicar appointed four respectable farmers to attend, on whose veracity he could depend; and at twelve o'clock, the time appointed, all the tag-rag and bob-tail of the village had assembled in the yard to await the result.—Such was the crowding round the grave, that the men had great difficulty in throwing out the earth. The lid of the coffin was at length opened, and there lay poor old John Wilkie as straight as they had put him in. The abuse that ensued—the circumstance was recrimination of the accused and the accusers—baffles all description. The sequel of the story turns out to be, that the men are smugglers—that on the night in question Jorden came to Aveton Gifford after a couple of tubs. Macey was very inquisitive, and wanted to know what was in the sack—and, merely to put him on a wrong scent, they told him it was a dead body. Macey believed it, and kept it a secret until Wednesday week, when he split as stated.—*Liverpool paper.*

An exchange paper says a pedler sold to a pious old lady, for four round silver dollars, a large quarto labelled "Scott's Family Bible, ornamented, with cuts, or no sale." The next morning the good old soul carefully rubbed her spectacles, and opened a backgammon board. If this wasn't gammon we know not what is.

Buck, the player at York, was asked how he came to turn his coat twice? he replied, smartly "that one good turn deserves another."

How many young ladies are there who would be mortified to the last degree, if a frill or collar or other parts of their dress were displaced, but who, on being detected in ignorance, even in the history of her own country, would own it without a blush.

Wild Flowers of Nova Scotia.

BY MARIA MORRIS.

TO be published in numbers, each number containing Three Plates, coloured. The Drawings will be accurately executed from nature, of the full size of the flower, accompanied by information on the History, Properties &c. of the subjects.

Five Shillings each number. Under the Patronage of His Excellency Lieut. General Sir COLIN CAMPBELL, K. C. B.

The Walsal Steam Flour Mills.

THE Subscribers beg leave to inform their friends and the public of their having after much unexpected delay and disappointment, brought their "WALSAL STEAM FLOUR MILLS," at Reed's Point, into a complete and successful operation; and now offer at said Mills, and at the store of J. & H. KINNEAR, FLOUR of the following description and quality, equal if not superior to any imported from the United States.

Superfine Flour, per Barrel, . . . 40s.
Fine, 37s. 6d.
Middlings, 20s.
and in bags at proportional prices—the bags to be 1s. 6d. each or returned.
Horse feed, 2s. 6d. per bushel.
Bran, 1s. 3d. ditto
CORN MEAL of very fine quality, being unkiln dried, and more suitable for family use than the imported, at 13s. 3d. per Bag, or in quantities of 5 Bbls, or upwards, 25s. per Barrel.

C. H. JOUETT & CO.
St. John, Feb. 1, 1840.—6i.

FOR SALE,

Or to Lease on shares or otherwise, for a term of years.
SEVERAL Lots of LAND advantageously situated at the Restook Falls and adjoining the Disputed Territory,

—ALSO—
A valuable and extensive MILL SEAT at the same place. For further particulars enquire of R. ENGLISH, Esq. Woodstock.

N. B. Abundance of Limestone may be found at these Falls. Any person desirous of establishing Lime Kilns on any part of the above places, will be charged only a nominal rent for the first five years, with other privileges.

FOURTH EDITION OF THE UNION HARMONY for sale by

HENRY FISHER, Jun.

JUST RECEIVED AT THE VICTORIA HOUSE. A NEW AND FASHIONABLE ASSORTMENT OF WINTER DRY GOODS.

Now is the time to buy Goods cheap.

THE Subscriber in returning his sincere thanks to the Ladies and Gentlemen of Fredericton and the surrounding country for the very liberal patronage he has received since he commenced business, and wishes most respectfully to call their attention to one of the largest and most fashionable Stocks of WINTER DRY GOODS, ever before offered for sale in Fredericton.

Among which are the following:—

60 pieces Blue, Black, Brown, Olive, Adelaide and Invisible Green Broad CLOTHS,
40 do. Buckskins, Doeskins, Pickwick and Cussimeres.
25 do. Beaver and Pilot CLOTHS.
30 do. Mouselle, Valentin and Rich embroidered SATIN VESTINGS.
120 pairs superior Rose and Whitney BLANKETS.
100 pieces Red, White, Green and Yellow FLANNELS.
320 do. 6-4 MORINOES.
55 do. Saxony, Indiana and Orleans CLOTH.
260 Challi, Mousline de Laine, Mantua Cambric and Rosslyn Plaid DRESSES.
30 pieces fine Worsted and Woolen Plaid for CLOAKING.
9 do. Plain and Figured and Habit Cloth.
Plain and Figured GRO DE NAPS and DUCAPE.
Black and coloured Silk VELVETS, Figured Poplins.
Rob Roy SHAWLS and HANDKERCHIEFS in great varieties.
Rich filled Centre Lama and Crape SHAWLS.
Plain and rich embroidered Genoa Velvet SHAWLS and CAPES in great variety.
Indiana, Chinese, Lama, Tibbit, Wool, Rockspan, Linen and Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.
Ladies Zephyr, Crape, Silk and Gauze HANDKERCHIEFS.
Gentlemen's Black and Coloured Silk HANDKERCHIEFS and Fancy STOCKS.
TABLE CLOTHS, Linen Diaper, Irish Linen and Linen LAWNS.
Jaconet, Checker, Book, Swiss and Mull MUSLIN and BOBBINETS.
350 pieces PRINTED CALICO.
100 do Grey and White COTTONS.
60 do Plain and Twilled REGATTAS.
A large assortment of HOSIERY and GLOVES, with a variety of other articles too numerous to mention.

As the above stock has been purchased by a person well experienced in the English and Scotch markets for Cash, will enable him to sell 10 per cent below his usual low prices.

JAMES DOHERTY.

Fredericton, January 17, 1840.

THOMAS HATHEWAY

HAVING obtained License to sell at Public Vendue, offers his services to the public as an Auctioneer and Commission Merchant; any Goods left with him for sale will receive prompt attention.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber wishing to close his present business and seeing no better method of converting his Stock into Cash to liquidate his debts, will offer the whole at public sale in lots to suit purchasers during the present season.—He therefore will commence a series of sales for Cash, to be held on the Saturday of each week, when he will offer Goods fitting the season, and those all ways required for family use. Persons who may wish to purchase cannot go astray in buying such articles as are continually wanted in their families and especially as they will be set up in such lots as they may require, or such articles as they may at the present time wish. Any person wishing to purchase at private sale, the Subscriber will sell any goods that he may have on hand at Cost rather than risk their sacrifice at Public Auction.

The attention of the public is respectfully invited to his Stock which can be examined at any time.

THOMAS HATHEWAY.

N. B. The first Sale will be held at his Store, in Queen Street, on Saturday the 25th instant, at 11 o'clock, and be continued on the Saturday of each week until the whole is sold.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any Legal Demands against the Estate of HANNAH CRUMWELL, late of Burton, deceased, are required to hand in their claims forthwith for adjustment, and all Persons indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

J. B. SMITH.

Administrator.

Burton, March 12, 1840.

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS having demands against the late Firm of Messrs. BERTON & DIBBLEE, Attorneys and Barristers at Law, will please present the same for adjustment; and all those indebted to the said Firm, either for Professional Services or otherwise, are requested to make immediate payment to

GEO. J. DIBBLEE,

Surviving Partner.

March 8, 1840, 4w.

CHAIRS! CHAIRS!!

THE Subscriber has on hand a quantity of good CHAIRS, which he will dispose of cheap for ready money

W. R. WITHAM.

March 9 1840.

FOR SALE OR LEASE,

For One or a Term of Years.

The whole or a part of the following Property. THE Valuable SAW and GRIST MILL at Lake George, with a DWELLING HOUSE BARN, &c. together with the LAND formerly owned by J. MORRIS, containing 550 acres, of which about 25 acres are under mowing ground, well fenced, and the residue well covered with TIMBER and LOGS. Also, The Irvine and Donnelly lot, so called, of which 40 acres are cleared, and can readily be made a Good FARM, the residue of these lots containing 400 acres are plentifully covered with TIMBER and LOGS—there is a lease also of 8000 acres of LAND on the borders of Lake George, all of which afford ample supply of Logs for this Mill.

Also for Sale or Lease, the new SAW MILL at McGandy Stream, with

300 acres LAND called the West Lot.
400 do do Gertly Lot.
100 do purchased of Government adjoining the West Lot, which are all well covered with Logs and Timber, yielding a plentiful supply for said Mill, there is on the Gertly Lot about 40 acres under Grass, well fenced, with a good DWELLING HOUSE and BARN, in which a family could be immediately accommodated with a comfortable residence—the whole or any part of the above property will be Sold or Leased in small parts, or the whole, on the most liberal terms and payments made easy.

Apply to MARK NEEDHAM.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

THAT any person removing any Logs or Timber from the above premises until the Stumpage is paid, will be prosecuted as trespassers, and any persons cutting Timber or Logs on said LANDS will also be prosecuted as the Law directs.

MARK NEEDHAM

ALSO ON SALE.

THE MARSH FARM, about 9 miles from Fredericton on the post road to Woodstock, containing 540 acres, about 90 of which are under Grass cultivation, with a good Two Story Dwelling HOUSE, BARN and several Out Houses.—The property is valuable and so well known, it needs not a particular description, the price and terms liberal, and as the owner intends to sell it a good bargain may be expected.

Apply to MARK NEEDHAM

Fredericton, Dec. 26, 1839.

GREAT BARGAINS!

WILL BE SOLD by Public Auction on Wednesday the 25th March, at the Store of the Subscriber, the whole of his present STOCK, consisting of

Dry Goods,

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, SADDLERY & HARDWARE: and as it is his intention to bring his present business to a close, the whole will be Sold off without Reserve.

J. WILLOX.

Fredericton, March 14, 1840.

BAPTIST SEMINARY.

THE second Term for 1840, at the Baptist Seminary, will commence on Monday the 23rd inst.

JOHN T. SMITH.

Secretary of Committee.

Fredericton, March 17, 1840.

STEAM SHIP

NORTH AMERICA.

THIS new and beautiful STEAMER will commence operations early in April next between SAINT JOHN, EASTPORT, and BOSTON, and also between SAINT JOHN and WINDSOR, more particular notice of which will be given in a few days.

This vessel is fitted up in fine style with every comfort for Passengers, and will be provided with every facility for the prevention and extinguishing of fires, with Force Pumps, Leather Hose, fire Buckets, and Life preservers, with extra Boats, &c. and with a most admirable construction of Boiler, calculated to be perfectly safe from fire. This Boat is built expressly for a Sea boat, and will (the proprietors have no doubt) give perfect satisfaction.

JAMES WHITNEY & Co.

St. John, 29th Feby. 1840.

Bank of British North America.

THE Court of Directors hereby give Notice that the half-yearly Dividend of fifteen shillings sterling per share, will become payable on the shares registered in the Colonies, on or after the 14th day of April, during the usual hours of business, at the several Branch Banks, as announced by Circular to the respective parties.

The Dividend is declared in Sterling Money, and will be paid at the rate of Exchange current, on the 14th day of April, to be then fixed by the Local Boards.

The Books will close preparatory to the Dividend on the 30th day of March, between which time and the 14th day of April, no transfers of shares can take place.

London, December 7, 1839.

By order of the Court,

G. De B. ATTWOOD,

Secretary.

Fredericton, March 20, 1840.

TAKE NOTICE.

THOSE Persons indebted to the Subscriber by Note, Book Account, or otherwise, whose Demands have been due three months and upwards, are requested to make payment on or before the first day of May next, or they will be sued indiscriminately.

J. E. PERLEY.

Fredericton, March 20, 1840.

FOR SALE.

A FARM containing about 520 Acres and situated in that delightful part of the country, Majorville, 6 miles below Fredericton, fronting on the River St. John, by which the Steamers pass daily to and from St. John. It cuts 20 tons of Hay, and can easily be made to cut 30. About 30 acres are cleared, in a high state of cultivation. This Farm is well worthy the attention of any person wishing to reside near the Capital. For particulars apply to Mr. H. Jackson, Jackson's Hotel, Fredericton, or on the premises to SAMUEL WALKER.

Fredericton, March 18, 1840. 6w