

BANKRUPT ACT.

On motion of Mr. BRECK, of Penn. the Committee on the Judiciary was instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law a uniform system of Bankruptcy throughout the United States.

Nova Scotia Potatoes.—On motion of Mr. KIDDER, of Maine, the Committee on Commerce was instructed to inquire into the expediency of imposing a specific duty on Potatoes imported from Nova Scotia, Ireland, and all other foreign countries.

Frontier Fortification.—On motion of Mr. RICHARDS, of N. Y. the Military Committee was instructed to report on the expediency of constructing some works, of defence, near the line dividing the U. States from Canada, on the margin of Lake Champlain.

Light Houses.—On motion of Mr. GARISON, the Committee on Commerce was instructed to report on the expediency of erecting a Beacon Light near the extremity of Cape Henlopen, and a permanent Light house on the lower end of the Brandywine Shoal, in the bay of Delaware.

Chaplains.—By a vote of the two Houses, the Chaplains to be chosen were to be of different denominations.—The Rev. Dr. STAUGHTON, chosen by the Senate, is of the Baptist church, and the Rev. Mr. BASCOM, chosen by the House, of the Methodist Episcopal church.—Adjourned.

J. MANSFIELD & SON,

HAVE received from LONDON, LIVERPOOL, and GREENOCK, their usual supply of FALL GOODS; consisting of superfine, second and common Cloths; Flannels; swansdown Vestings; rose and point blankets; Flannels; Bombazets; Cambiel for gentlemen's Cloaks; printed Cottons; Homespuns; Checks, Irish linens; Cambric, book and jacket Muslins; Imitation Cambric; Cotton and Linen Bedtick; Candlewick; Duck, Osnaburgh, Brown Hollands; a variety of Shawls and Hdkts, good East India INDIGO, &c.

They have also on hand, Boxes Tin, Sheet Iron, Iron and brass Wire a variety of SLOP CLOTHING; with many other articles—which they offer for sale at a small advance.

Oct. 3.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the Business carried on at Miramichie by James Fraser, John Fraser, and Alexander Fraser, under the firm of JAMES FRASER & Co. was dissolved by mutual consent, on the 31st day of August last; And Whereas, the Business carried on at Halifax, by the same persons, under the same firm, was dissolved on the 14th October last, by the death of JAMES FRASER.—All persons having any Demands against either of the said Firms, are requested to render their accounts; and all persons indebted are desired to make immediate payment, at Miramichie to John & Alexander Fraser; and at Halifax to either of them, or to James D. Fraser, or Alexander G. Fraser.

JOHN FRASER, by his Atty's.
ALEXANDER FRASER &
J. D. FRASER;
ALEXANDER FRASER, Sen.
Halifax, Nov 15, 1822.

For Sale,

A THREE Story BRICK HOUSE, in a Central and pleasant situation in Barrington street, now in the occupation of Dr. HUME:—Application to be made to Mr. CLEWORTHY M'KEIG, Beacon street, Boston; or at Halifax, to

JOHN CLARK.
Oct. 7, 1823.

Stationery, Paper Hangings, Playing Cards, &c.

Just imported in the brig Industry, from London, by W. MINNS, viz— PAPER of various descriptions, from finest hot press Drawing paper, to com. Pot. Very good Foolscap at twenty four shillings per Ream. Orderly Books, with or without clasps; Account, Receipt, and Copy do. Best and com. Quills, Pens, Pencils, Wax, Wafers, Ink Powder and Japan Ink. Fashionable and com. Paper HANGINGS, with without Borders. Very best Mogul, Henry VIII and Highlande PLAYING CARDS.

BOOKS.

Every Man his Own FARRIER—or, the causes, symptoms, and most approved method of cure for every disease to which the Horse is liable; with a Practical Treatise on the most prevalent diseases of Dogs—by Francis Clater, 24th edition. *Every Man his Own CATTLE DOCTOR*—or, A Practical Treatise on the diseases incident to Oxen, Cows and Sheep, with the most simple and effectual method of curing each disorder in its various stages—by F. Clater. *A Practical Treatise on the Breeding, rearing and fattening all kinds of Domestic Poultry, &c.*—by B. Mowbray, Esq. *Every Man his Own GARDENER*; or the whole Art brought down to the present state of Horticultural Knowledge—by Thomas Mawe, 22d edition, 1822. *Park on Marine Insurances*—2 vols. 7th edition. *Forms of Practical Proceedings*; by W. Tidd, Esq. 5th edition. *Blackstone's Commentaries on the Laws of England*, 4 vols. *Burn's Justice*—5 vols. *Hutchinson's Xenophon*; *Simpson's Enclid*; *Francis' Horace*; *Ferguson's Astronomy*; *Davy's Chemistry*; *Norris's Navigator*; *Morrison's Book Keeping*; *Bonycastle's Arithmetic*; *Key to ditto Buchanan's Medicine*—Low priced Chap books *Dream books, Song books, &c. &c.* Oct. 10.

SOUCHONG TEA.
A few chests may be had for cash—Apply at this Office.
Dec. 29.

HALIFAX,
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1823.

CUSTOM-HOUSE.—Entered, brigs George, Dougherty, Rio Janeiro; Armeida, M'Kenna, Demerara; Matilda, Dillon, Trinidad; schrs. Countess Dalhousie, Cunningham, Gibraltar; Phoenix, Skinner, Grenada; Maria, Richardson, N. York; Billow, Barker, Boston. Cleared—Schr. Newfid. Packet, Allan, St. John's Newfld.

Our files of American papers brought by the Billow, are to the 17th inst. and contain accounts from London to the 6th, and from Liverpool to the 8th ult.

Several of the late London papers assert, that a Congress, to consist of Ministers from the Courts of Spain, France, Russia, Austria and Prussia, is to be held at an early date—for the purpose of determining on the measures requisite to be pursued in the present state of affairs in South America:—The Congress will, it is supposed, be unanimously desirous of bringing back the Spanish Colonies to a state of dependence on the Old Country; and the question, (says the *Globe* of Nov. 3.) will then be forced on us—“Will England interfere, to prevent any Enterprise against South America, should such an Enterprise be attempted?”—The question is most important; as the decision may involve us again in a war, with almost every Power in Europe against us!

GUERNSEY, Nov. 2. The Francis Freeling packet was driven on shore in the late gale; but fortunately got off again.

Accounts from Gibraltar to October 30, say that upwards of 340 unfortunate Spaniards, amongst whom were 60 of the late Cortes, had flown to the Rock as an asylum; and were to proceed from thence to England—the favorite resort of the oppressed, from almost every country.

Riego's wife and family reside in England—'tis said in a state of indigence.—The Morning Chronicle asserts that the General is not one of those who have profited by the recent convulsions in Spain.

Whites in Barbadoes—Blacks in Philadelphia.

Thirty three Blacks, or people of color, were lately brought to trial in Philadelphia, and fully convicted of riotous and violent conduct, in taking possession of the Wesleyan Meeting House, in Lombard street, Philadelphia.

Orders were received at the Havana Nov. 22, for the complete restoration of the Old Government, &c.

A Pirate, called The Butcher, was waiting his trial at the Havana, who boasts having put to death no less than forty two individuals of different countries.

The Ann, Thompson, from Jamaica for Picton, went on shore Nov. 5, in the Bahama channel; and was seen next day with signals of distress flying.

The Lady Louise, packet sailed from New York for Falmouth on the 6th inst.

The Gallego brig, 31 days from Pernambuco, arrived at Boston, Dec. 15.—Passenger Capt. Tidmarsh, of this town.

Highly Pleading.—Messrs. Black and Hosterman have established a valuable Grist Mill, at the head of the N. W. Arm; and another Grist Mill has also been established on the Southern side of that sheet of water, by Mr. Dingle, on the site of that lately destroyed by fire.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. A respectable American paper (the *Richmond Enquirer*.) having undertaken to analyze this interesting Document, has divided it into fifteen parts, viz. 1st, Relations with Great Britain; 2d with France; 3d Russia; and 4th, S. America; 5th Slave Trade; 6th Abolition of Privateering; 7th Financials, &c. 8th Army, Military Academy and Fortifications; 9th Expedition against the Ricaree Indians; 10th *Militia*; 11th Navy, &c. 12th Post Office concerns; 13th Tariff; 14th Internal Improvements; 15th Struggle of Spain—of the Greeks; *Ma. chinations against South America*; and Internal prospects. The hints given, relating to *Privateering, the struggles of Spain, and of South America*, are highly and deservedly popular; and the latter have been strengthened, by the report of a Congress to be held by the Members of the Holy Alliance, for the purpose, as is said, of forming plans for the subjugation of the Spanish States (late Colonies,) in South America.—An Alliance is even spoken of, as having been proposed, between Great Britain and the U. States—which would be highly honorable to both parties—though the weight and expense of such a plan, would lay heavy, we suppose, as is generally the case, on the British Treasury.

The same paper, *Richmond Enquirer*, whilst it expresses high approbation of the general tenor of the message, declares, that it does not “approve of ALL the suggestions in it;” one of which is, probably, that relating to the *Slave Trade*; for, we can hardly do honor to the idea of suppressing that “infamous traffic,” as it is properly denominated; whilst thousands, and tens of thousands, and hundreds of thousands, of unfortunate Blacks, are still held in absolute slavery by Virginia Planters.—The principles of *Right and Wrong* are immutable, in every time and place, and under every circumstance:—Not is there the same pretext in the U. States against a general emancipation as in the W. India Islands—the overwhelming and terrific population of the Blacks!

QUEBEC, Nov. 27. It is rumoured, and

we believe correctly, that the Hon. John Hale is to succeed the Hon. Mr. Caldwell, as Receiver General; and Thomas Ainsley Young, Esq; to be Inspector Gen. of Accounts, vice Hale. The Hon. Justice Kerr has been called to the Legislative Council.

Three Messages from the Governor in Chief have been presented to the House of Assembly.—That relating to the deficiency in the Receiver General's chest, states the amount to be £96,000; the 2d states the award to Upper Canada, under the Trade Act, at £12,000; and requires provision for the same. Under the Embarrassment of the Civil Government, in the first instance, his Excellency the Governor in Chief took upon himself the responsibility of granting Loans upon the Military Chest.

Dec. 4—Last evening the House was engaged in renewing its testimonial in favor of the Administration of the late Sir George Prevost, Governor in Chief, which was agreed to unanimously.

The brig Elizabeth, Philip Jones, master, from hence on Thursday last, was swept on shore at St. Roche by the ice, and completely lost on Sunday—Crew saved.

Weather.—Nov. 15 the thermometer was below zero.

LLOYD'S LIST.—Nov. 4. The Gen. Halset from Munnichie, was towed into Whistaple Nov. 2, with loss of cables, anchors, &c. in the late gale. Arrived at Holyhead Oct. 31. Intrinsic from Miramichie; off Aberdeen 26th. Sir W. Wallace; off Cork 27th Charles from Halifax; at Deal 26th, William, Harris; at Limerick, Prince of Wales, or Miramichie.

Two pages in the above List are filled with accounts of the various and dreadful disasters occasioned by the violent gale of Oct. 31.

Sir James Carmichael Smith, Bart. has gone out on a Special Mission to the W. Indies.

The Lively frigate, Cape Hope, goes to South America; and the Maidstone, Lord James Townsend for the W. Indies.

Extract of a letter from Boston, December 17.

“You will find the highly interesting and important Message from the President in several of the papers now sent. A vessel has just arrived from Gibraltar, Nov. 3.—Sir R. Wilson, Gen. Lallemand, &c. had sailed from thence for England.”

At the celebration of the Festival of St. Andrew, Dec. 1, by the N. B. Society at Baltimore, the 4th Toast was—“The President of the United States, Scotch descent—*Nothing the uaur o' that.*”

POT ASH. The St. Andrews Herald of Dec. 16, contains an advertisement offering a high price per bushel for any quantity of *Hard Wood Ashes*, preparatory to the establishment of a Pot Ash Manufactory. It would be well, in every point of view, had we such an Establishment in this place. The quantity of Pot and Pearl Ash shipped last year at Quebec, produced upwards of £300,000 at the Liverpool markets.

SHIPWRECKS. Capt. Carregill, late of the brig *Neerina*, arrived here yesterday, with melancholy accounts of several shipwrecks, in the heavy gales which occurred between the 21st and 25th ult. principally between Chetecou and Cape North, viz. *Neerina* of North Shields; *Whiting of Hull*; Assistance of Liverpool, and Commerce, of Bristol.—Most of the crews were happily saved.

The schr. Chatham from Quebec for Newfld. in which were passengers Lieuts Harvey and Chichester, 60th Regt. was also wrecked about the same time. These gentlemen arrived in town yesterday.

☞ The FIRE WARDENS are requested to visit their respective Wards, previous to the 1st of January next.

MARRIED] On Saturday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Black, Mr. FREDERICK GEORGE HARRISON, of this town, to Miss SUSANAH WILLIAMS, of Annapolis.

DIED] Lately in Eastport, Capt. ELIAS BATES, aged 52. Remarkable for the eccentricities of his life and the peculiarities of his opinions, especially with regard to religion and a future state. By his will he directed that his body should be enclosed in lead, bound with hoops of the same, and instead of being committed to the earth, to be taken to sea, three-miles S. W. from Sail Rock, (West Quoddy Head) and there at sunrise, committed to the deep, with his face towards the Sun, “in reverence to that second God of Nature whom he worshipped.” And to ensure the compliance with those directions, gave very considerable legacies to two persons, on condition that they carried them into full effect; and this morning, 13th Dec. they were complied with. He also directed that the mourning dress should be dove silk, with the sun painted on the left arm, and the plate on his coffin to bear also the emblem of the Sun, which directions have been followed. He had for about three years been unable to walk owing to a paralytic affection, but retained his senses fully till within a few hours of his death, when he became both speechless and senseless.

Fall Goods per the Industry from London.

THE Subscriber, in addition to the goods per the *Minerva* from Greenock, has received by the INDUSTRY from London:—

TEAS: Salempores; yellow and blue ground Bandannoes; plain and twilled black Silk; fashionable beaver Bonnets, with plumes and trimmings to match; Gloves, and black silk Stocks, &c. &c.

Also, 2 pieces superfine Saxony Black and Blue, West of England CLOTH—100 Doz. Hunt & Son's PLAYING CARDS.

Pelisse and Habit Cloths, Flannels, Baizes, &c. are hourly expected by the *Adelphi* from Liverpool ANDREW D. RUSSELL.

Oct. 10. tf.

Christmas Gifts.

Boys Christmas Pieces, or blanks, for specimen of writing; colored and plain, and a few doz. Children's Picture Books, at little more than sterling cost per doz. may be had at the Chronicle Printing Office.

AUCTIONS.
BY DEBLOIS & MITCHELL.

On MONDAY next at 12 o'clock at their Room:—

A VARIETY of Household Furniture, & a number of Musical Instruments, belonging to a Band.

Immediately after Cloths, Cassimeres, Pelisse Cloths, which will positively be sold without reserve. Also on Hand at Private Sale, Rum, Sugar, Coffee, 10 puns. RUM, will be sold on Monday; Prevto us to the above in front of their Room. Dec. 26.

BY B. HACKETT, At his Room To-Morrow (SATURDAY) at 12 o'clock,

2 ships Cambousis, 1 Cabin Stove and pipe, 12 boxes London moulds, 10 do. Soap,

—ALSO— A variety of DRY GOODS, consisting of a few pieces blue and black supe fine and second CLOTHS; blue drab and olive Flushings, Fanne's, Bed Ticks, Dowlas, Prints and Furnitures, Waist coatings, Flushing Jackets and Trowsers, black lead and slate pencils; cotton, cambric and book Muslins, and a variety of other Goods, being to close sundry consignments, will be sold without reserve. Dec. 26.

Henry Lockyer

BEING about to proceed to England to select his SPRING SUPPLY of FASHIONABLE GOODS, requests all persons whom he may be indebted to will render in their accounts for IMMEDIATE PAYMENT; and all persons who may be indebted to him will most particularly oblige him by an EARLY DISCHARGE of the same. Halifax, Dec. 26, 1823. tf.

Beef in barrels & fresh Hops.

THE Subscribers offer for sale, twenty five barrels well cured BEEF; and thirteen bag fresh HOPS—the produce of the Province.

—ALSO— Prime Cumberland Butter. SCAIFE & BAIN.

Dec. 12.

Cheap Groceries, &c.

HIGGINS & BROWN,

HAVE received the following articles; which, in addition to their former Stock of Groceries, they will sell at the most reduced prices:—

200 Bbls. Fall Mackerel, No. 1 and 2, which they can warrant of the very first quality, 75 Bbls. Herrings, Large Codfish, Alspice, Pepper and Ginger, Superior moist Sugar, by the Bbl. or smaller quantity, Fine green Coffee, 1.4 and 1s. 6d. lb. Ground Coffee 1.3 and 2s. lb. A few Bbls. & Half Bbls. Superfine Flour fit for family use, 40 bbls. country Flour, Beef & Pork in bbls. & half bbls. of their own Curing, which they will warrant on a West India Voyage. Dec. 19. tf.

A CARD.

MISS Matilda respectfully informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of Halifax, that her Benefit Concert which was postponed on account of the weather, will take place at Mason Hall on Monday evening Dec. 29.—For particulars see Bills. Dec. 26.

FALL GOODS.

The Subscriber has received by the brig *Adelphi*, from Liverpool:—

120 Ps. Flannels, Baizes, Serges, &c. 19 hamper's Cheese.

Also, in store, from former consignments, by the late arrivals:— Fine and common printed Cottons and Chintz; Brittanias, shawls and handkerchiefs; Cambric, lino, and other Muslins; White Shirting and Sheetings cottons; Homespuns, checks, &c. Camblers, fustians and bedticks; Irish Linens, harns and dowlas; Coarse blue cloths, blankets and flushings; Carpetings and hearth rugs; Yellow and blue India bandannoes; Pott and foolscap PAPER; Cordovan leather and roan skins; TEAS, loaf sugar and assorted SLOPS; Indigo; mould candles 6s 8s 10s; GIN and BRANDY in pipes and quarter casks Brown and bleached canvas and raves duck; Cordage; window glass and paint oil; Bundles sheet Iron, and casks Nails; Small casks asstd. HARDWARE (low priced) Coarse, fine and canister Gunpowder; Liverpool and Newcastle CROCKERY and GLASSWARE; Small dinner sets: coal tar, &c. &c. If which will be sold wholesale, at a very low rate in advance for CASH, or approved Credit.

Alex. Murison. Water street, Oct. 31, 1823. Sm.

Notice.

THE Partners of the late Firms of THOM, SALTER, & Co. JAMES THOM & Co. and SMITH & THOM, having appointed ROBERT NOBLE, under the direction of JOHN BLACK and JAMES FRASER, Esquires, to wind up, and settle, all the Outstanding Debts and Accounts of the above Firms or either of them; this is to Notify and Require all Persons having any demands against the said Firms, to present the same for settlement; and all those indebted, to make immediate payment to ROBERT NOBLE as above.

ALEXANDER SMITH, JAMES THOM, By their Attornies, jointly and severally. JOHN BLACK, JAMES FRASER, JOHN F. SALTER May 22, 1822.

BLANK BILLS OF EXCHANGE, For Sale at this Office.