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That our hopes and wishes may by the Omnipotent Power that governs all things be permitted to be realized, and that the same Beneficent Power may grant your Excellency, Lady Head and your family health and happiness, is our humble and sincere prayer.

By order of the Common Council,
JAMES OLIVE, Mayor.

To which His Excellency replied as follows:—

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,—

It is now between five and six years since I first landed in this City. At that time all interests were depressed and your commercial prospects were clouded and gloomy.

On the present auspicious occasion, I see, by signs which admit of no mistake, that this state of things has passed away.

A gracious Providence has blessed your enterprise and industry, and has poured out its favours on all around us.

It is difficult for me to express the pleasure which this result inspires. I see around me the marks of comfort and prosperity, which have shed their influence on the home of the ship carpenter and the mechanic, as well as on the prouder mansion of the successful merchant.

It is my earnest prayer that this prosperity may continue and that the enterprise which we this day commence may, under Providence, be the means by which wealth and intelligence are diffused throughout your land.

I agree with you that it is impossible to overrate the importance of this undertaking and I do indeed congratulate myself that I have been permitted in the course of my administration to assist at the solemn observance of this day.

Most heartily do I thank you for your kind wishes towards myself and family, and for the desire which you express, that I may, as Lieutenant-Governor, witness the completion of this great work.

My stay in New Brunswick depends on the commands of our gracious Queen, but whenever I may leave you and wherever I may go I shall retain a lively recollection of the welcome which you have this day given me on the part of the City of St. John.

In the meantime, the Hon. Alexander Kieth laid the foundation stone with Masonic honours.

The Governor then retired and the assemblage dispersed, the several trades, &c., reforming and marching through Portland, Dock Street and King Street, to King Square, where they separated.

After the procession, a Lunch was provided in the South Wing of the Custom House, which was attended by about five hundred persons, and which did much credit to the parties who had charge of the affair.

After the usual loyal toasts, the President of the United States was given, and Commodore Shubrick; also, the European and North American Railway; and the Sister Colonies. The Hon. Mr. Johnston, of Nova Scotia, replied to the latter toast, in a speech of considerable length and ability. Commodore Shubrick also replied, in a very felicitous manner to the toast in favour of himself.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor gave the health of Messrs. Jackson, Peto, Betts, Brassey & Co., which was responded to by Mr. Jackson in a very able and elaborate speech. We had heard Mr. J. on many occasions, but never with more pleasure, and we regret we have not room for his speech. He said that he had seen and travelled through these Colonies, from Halifax to the extremity of Upper Canada, that he had made himself fully acquainted with the value and capabilities of these Provinces; that on behalf of distinguished capitalists, in connection with himself, who had constructed many of the Railways of Europe, and who had undertaken great Railway operations in the British North American Colonies, he felt fully satisfied that whatever he did in connection with this great measure would be fully appreciated by the whole people of New Brunswick. He trusted to their honour in carrying forward this great object, and he felt satisfied that it would advance the interests of the North American Colonies, and connect them closer in commercial relations with the United States.

Mr. Poor, of Portland, also gave an excellent speech, and referred to the unity which was to spring up between the Colonists and the United States. He was followed by a gentleman from the South, who spoke with much vigour.

Our account of this interesting ceremony is necessarily brief, but those who have witnessed it, and seen the energy and earnestness with which our citizens engaged in it, will not readily forget the importance of the occasion.

The whole affair, so far as the trades were concerned, came off in beautiful style, but time will not admit of a full detail of this im-

portant event. Suffice it to say that the appearance of our mechanics and their general display excited universal admiration among all present, and proved conclusively that New Brunswick is not behind the age in intelligence and general industry.

The splendid Regimental Band from Fredericton, added much to the interest of this great display. Several other Bands were also in the procession; one from Portland, which was in the service of the Masons, and another from Boston for the use of No. 5 Engine Company; besides the Amateur Bands, which were out on the occasion.

The important points of our city were decorated with flags and devices of various kinds, extending across the various streets, and in front of No. 5 Engine House, in Germain street, a magnificent arch was extended, trimmed with evergreens, and surmounted with flags, and bearing the motto, "Success to the Railway." The City is deeply indebted to this Fire Company for their exertions and taste. It is evident they did not spare time or money to add to the attractions of the day.

Throughout the day the greatest good feeling prevailed.

In the evening a splendid display of fireworks was exhibited, and our principal hotels were illuminated. The Ball at the Pavilion was most numerous and fashionably attended, but we are sorry to add was brought to an early and unexpected termination by the falling of the Orchestra, which wounded several persons more or less severely, including two or three ladies, and one of the Bandmen of H. M. 76th Regt. We are sorry to say that Mr. Rainsford, of Fredericton, was very severely injured.

General Intelligence.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—The Royal Mail steamship Asia, from Liverpool 27th ult. arrived at her wharf about ten o'clock P. M., bringing 150 passengers.

Nothing new is brought from the east. Political affairs are dull, and considered as arranged.

The eastern question is totally unchanged. Nothing having transpired, but everybody regards it as settled. It was reported that the Russians had commenced to recross the Pruth, but it was untrue.

It is believed that the Vienna Conference were occupied in smoothing points of mere punctilio.

The troubles in Serbia, before reported, did not attain the dignity of a revolution, but were mere party squabbles.

Mr. Ingersoll on the 24th announced his recall, and Mr. Buchanan was presented to the Queen.

Belgium's recent matrimonial alliance with Austria was not well received at Paris.

The Marquis Andrew Taglimacare has been appointed minister at Washington.

A grand ball was given recently on board the frigate Cumberland, at Spezzia, to the Queen of Sardinia.

There has been some fighting in Morocco. The Emperor was victorious.

The Tunis government warns foreign merchants not to negotiate Tunis Bank bills, or export permits for oil, until further orders, there having been frauds committed on the government.

M. Soule had arrived in Paris, where he would stay a few days previous to proceeding to his post.

The screw steamer Taurus sailed on Wednesday for New York via Boston.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Market active with an extensive business in coffee, sugar and rice. Corn trade very excited and the weather unsettled, but the harvest was progressing rapidly, and the crops were generally uninjured.

LIVERPOOL CORN MARKET, Aug. 27.—Market continues excited, with the weather again unsettled and prices undiminished. The advance on the week ranges from 2d to 6d per bush on wheat and 1s. 1s. 6d. or upwards to 2s. per bbl on flour. Indian Corn began to be enquired for at 6d. a 1s. advance; Am White Wheat 8s. 6d. a 8s. 8d. red and mixed 8s. a 8s. 6d. W. C. flour 28s. 6d. a 29s. 6d. Balt and Philad 30s. a 30s. 6d. Ohio 30s. 6d. Sour 26s 6d; Corn white and yellow 30s. a 32s 6c.

The first public meeting ever held in the Turkish Empire, in connection with the Bible Society, took place in Constantinople, on Monday, 13th of June last. It was presided over by the British Ambassador, Lord Stratford de Redcliffe. This is an epoch in the history of the Bible, and indicates that in the very Capital of the "Prophet" Islamite pride and intolerance are on the wane, and that the word of God is rising in influence and power.

DIAMONDS IN CANADA.—The Quebec Mercury says that diamonds, as well as gold, are found at the Chaudiere mines. M. de Rotterdam has one of them "of the size of a filbert" and valued at from £1200 to £1500.

A letter from Frankfort, Germany, states that Mrs. Stowe, and Mr. Van Buren and son, recently passed through that city.

The master of the ship *Samuel*, for this port, which vessel was overhauled in Hampton Roads, and taken to Portsmouth, for having runaway slaves on board, has been acquitted: and the ship has sailed for her destination. After her return, another slave was found secreted on board.—*NBr.*

New Vessel.—A very superior ship, called the *Magnet*, was launched a few days ago from the building yard of Messrs. J. J. & W. Olive, Carleton; she measures 1123 tons, N. M., and was built for Messrs. S. Wiggins & Son, of this city.—*Courier.*

Mr. McKay, the celebrated shipbuilder of East Boston, received a contract by the steamer *Euroopa*, to build a clipper ship of 2200 tons for an English house. He is also to build one of 2000 tons for Messrs. Baines & Co. of Liverpool.

VIRGINIA.—Of two hundred and sixty-four convicts in the Virginia State Penitentiary, not one is a woman. The Richmond Enquirer says that this fact "speaks volumes in favor of the Virginia women."

Death of a Veteran of the British Army.—COLONEL JOSEPH CREIGHTON, a native of Nova Scotia, in the 71st year of his age, departed this life on Friday last, the 2nd of September. Col. Creighton was retired on half pay, from the 59th Regiment, in which corps he bore a distinguished post at the taking of the Cape of Good Hope, at Java, and in the Mauritius. He served for a long period in the East Indies, during part of the time in command of his regiment.

The remains of Colonel Creighton were on Monday interred at Camp Hill Cemetery. Deceased was a native of Lunenburg, N. S., Col. C. went out to the East an Ensign, and returned to England a Field Officer of the 59th.—*Halifax Br. N. Am.*

Lady Sale, wife of the celebrated Sir Robert Sale, died at Cape-town on the 6th of July; she had only arrived a few days previously from India, in the ship *Kent* to recruit her health at the Cape.

THE STIRLING FISHERY CLAIM.—There is very little reason to apprehend that the *soi-disant* Earl of Stirling will ever present himself to a Washington government, armed with a decree of an American court of law in his favor. In the first place, he will find some difficulty in making good his claim to inherit any patrimony that may have belonged to the first Earl of Stirling. He is one of a few claimants of peerages, and many claimants of the minor honors of baronetage in Scotland, who are allowed, without any close inquiry, to assume titles because there are no estates claimed along with them, and because no one, having much interest in preventing a man from calling himself what he pleases, protests against the assumption.

Again, it would not be easy, even for an undoubted heir of Sir William Alexander, to make good a title to whole provinces of waste lands, seeing, in the first place, that that worthy never fulfilled the conditions of the grant; in the second place, that Canada was occupied by France before the grant was made to him by the English king; in the third place, that Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were in the unchallenged possession of France for more than a century after his claim had lapsed for non-performance; in the fourth place, that he contrived to exact compensation from the French Court for agreeing not to trouble them with his representations; and lastly, that unless the titles of every land-owner in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick who does not derive from Sir William Alexander or his heirs, are to be declared bad, the title of the whole public of these provinces to the exclusive right of fishing on the coasts as recognized by the law of nations, is unassailable.—[London Times.]

SARATOGA SPRINGS.—The whole number of arrivals at the nine principal hotels at Saratoga Springs during the season of 1853, which was sixty-eight days in length, was 19,609; the most being at the United States, where there were 5887, and at Union Hall, where there were 5008. Last year there were 17,570 arrivals at the same houses in sixty-four days. The whole number this year averages more than one arrival at each house during every hour, night and day, from the beginning to the end of the season.

LONGEVITY OF QUAKERS.—The late census returns in England reveal the singular fact, that the average attained by this peaceful sect is fifty-one years two months and twenty-one days, while half of the population of this country die before reaching the age of twenty-one, and the average duration of life the world over is but thirty-three years.

Later news from Mexico has been received. Great dissatisfaction exists against Santa Anna. Several of the States it is reported have pronounced against his exactions.

THE NEW YORK SUN.—The proprietors of this newspaper held a celebration last Saturday evening, in honor of the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of that paper. About three hundred persons, including the wives and children of the men employed in various capacities in the Sun office, were present. In commemoration of the event, the Sun has issued a fac simile of the first number of that paper, a little thing not much bigger than a man's two hands. It was the pioneer

of the penny press, and has since grown to be a great and profitable business.

The Baltimore Times says it is mentioned as a new and unusual feature in the flour trade, that a demand for it has come to us from the Mediterranean, a part of the world from whence we at one time received supplies.

A stallion, at Oberlin, Ohio, seized Mr. Boyington in his mouth, and threw him into the air; when he struck the ground the horse jumped upon him with his fore feet, seized him by the head, and broke his neck short off, severing the jugular vein with his teeth.

New-Orleans, Sept. 4.—The fever is beginning to attack the more wealthy portions of the community; several prominent citizens are now lying in a critical state.

Mobile, Sept. 3.—The number of deaths reported here to-day has been 27, including 22 from yellow fever.

Natchez, Sept. 1.—The deaths in this city from yellow fever daily average from 13 to 15, and the present population of the city is estimated at not over 400.

The Picayune notes the arrival of five vessels in the river within three days, from New York, with crews and passengers numbering two hundred and fifty, and says all are food for the fever. It urges the establishment of a quarantine.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 6.—The number of interments to-day were 95: fever 75.

At Mobile yesterday the deaths were 43; of fever 33.

Sept. 7.—The number of interments, including deaths by fever were only 53.

PRICES CURRENT.

Saint John Market—Sept. 16, 1853

BEEF, on foot,	42s. to 47s.
" Country Market,	3d. to 4d.
" Butcher's do.	4d. to 7d.
BUTTER, per lb., Roll,	1s. to 1s 2d.
" " Packed,	10d. to 11d.
CHEESE, per lb.,	6d.
COAL, per Chaldron,	27s. 6d. to 32s. 6d.
CORN, per Bushel,	5s.
CANDLES, per lb., Dipped,	8d.
" " Moulds,	9d.
EGGS, per Dozen,	7d. to 8d.
FLOUR, Mill, in Bags,	17s. 6d.
" " per Brl,	4 1/2s. 3d.
" Canada Sup' fine, per Brl,	38s. 3d.
" Middlings, in Bags,	17s. 9d.
" Rye, per Brl,	22s. 6d.
FISH, Cod, per Quintal,	15s. to 16s. 3d.
" Pollock,	12s. to 12s 6d.
" Alewives, per Brl,	16s. 3d. to 17s.
" Herrings, Spring,	17s. 6d. to 20s.
" " Labrador,	17s. 6d. to 20s.
HAY, per Ton,	90s. to 100s.
LAMB, per lb.,	3d. to 4d.
MEAL, Corn, per barrel,	23. 9d.
" " in Bags,	17s. 6d.
" Oat,	15s. to 17s 6d.
MOLASSES, per gallon,	1s 5d to 1s 8d.
MUTTON, per lb.,	3d. to 4d.
OATS, per bushel,	2s. 6d.
PORK, Salt, per barrel, Mess,	£4 0s. 0d.
POTATOES, per bushel,	2s. to 2s. 6d. new 6s. to 9s.

DISEASES OF THE LIVER.

[F] When the celebrated Dr. Rush declared that drunkenness was a disease, he enunciated a truth which the experience and observation of medical men is every day confirming. The many apparently insane excesses of those who indulge in the use of spirituous liquors may be thus accounted for. The true cause of conduct which is taken for insatiation, is very frequently a diseased state of the Liver. No organ in the human system, when deranged, produces a more frightful catalogue of diseases. And if, instead of applying remedies to the manifestations of disease, as is too often the case, physicians would prescribe with a view to the original cause, fewer deaths would result from diseases induced by deranged state of the Liver. Three-fourths of the diseases enumerated under the Head of Consumption, have their seat in a diseased Liver. (See Dr. Gunn's great works.)

[F] Purchasers will please be careful to ask for Dr. McLane's Celebrated Vermifuge, and take none else. All other Vermifuges, in comparison, are worthless. Dr. McLane's genuine Vermifuge, also his Celebrated Liver Pills, can now be had at all respectable Drug Stores in the United States and British Provinces.

[F] Sold in St. John by CHALONER & HUNT and T. WALKER & SON.

Married.

At St. John's Church, on Saturday, morning, 10th inst. by the Rev. George Armstrong, Rector of the Parish of St. Mark, Charles Palmer, Esquire, Barrister at Law, Charlotte Town, Prince Edward Island, to Caroline Amelia, only surviving daughter of the late Honorable Chief Justice Jarvis, of Prince Edward Island.

On the 6th inst., by the Rev. Wm. Donald, A. M., Mr. Gilbert McFadden, to Miss Jessy McFadden, both of the Parish of Hampton, King's County.

On Thursday evening, by the Rev. James G. Hennigar, Wesleyan Minister, Mr. George Neptune, to Miss D. Kennedy, of this City.

On Tuesday, 6th of Sept., by the Rev. E. Clay, Mr. Jas. Anderson, to Miss Elizabeth Fitzmonds, of Carleton.

On Saturday, 10th of Sept., Mr. John Beamer, to Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, both of Lancaster, County of St. John.—On the 14th, Mr. George Wilson, of Nova Scotia, to Miss Jane Giller, of St. John.

At Settlement Settlement, Parish of Upham, on the 1st Sept., by the Rev. George Burns, Mr. John Carson, of Upham Parish, to Miss Hannah Allaby, of the same place.

At St. Paul's Church, Chatham, Miramichi, on Wednesday, the 7th inst. by the Rev. James Hudson, Edward B. Peters, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to Elizabeth M. Wright, youngest daughter of John Wright, Esq., late Collector of Her Majesty's Customs at Miramichi.

At the Church of the Ascension, Norton, King's County, by the Rev. E. A. Wamsford, Rector, Mr. John F. Fairweather, to Miss Mary Jane, second daughter of the late James Ketchum, Esq.—Also, at the same time, by the same, Mr. James Ketchum, of Norton, to Miss Mary Wallace, of Pictou, N. S.

On the 3d inst., at St. John Church, Gagetown, by the Rev. the Rector, the Rev. David J. Wetmore, Missionary at Welford, County of Kent, to Harriet M., second daughter of T. R. Wetmore, Esq., Barrister at Law.