SUMMARY OF NEWS.

MONTEVIDEO AND BUENOS AYRES.—We have letters from these places to the 28th of January. At that time Montevideo was still blockaded by land and sea by the Argentines. How long that city could hold out, no one ventured. We expect to hear of such an event by the next arrival. In that case the "bloody" Rosas will enter the city, and ornament it with the heads and limbs of his principal prisoners. That is his taste and character.

PERU.—We have published accounts from Peru to the 18th of November. It was then reported that Santa Cruz had been taken prisoner.

TAHITI.—This island remained quiet and comfortable to the last accounts. Those opposed to the new order of things—the free labor of the blacks, and under just the plantations are going to ruin. That is likely to be the case. They have already suffered much. On the 13th ult. business was very dull.

Very late from Mexico.—By an arrival at New Orleans on the 22th ult., we have advices from Vera Cruz to the 19th. There was not much news of importance. Mr. Bankhead, the new British minister, had just arrived at Vera Cruz. The U. S. brig of war Bainbridge, (which arrived on the 13th) the British frigate Rose, and the French frigate Brilliant, lay at Sacrificios when the Pilot left. The difficulties with the French minister assume a more threatening aspect, and the commander of the French squadron has received orders to delay his departure. The two points of controversy between Mexico and France, are the claim of the latter for $3,000,000 war expenses in 1838, and the law of the former prohibiting the retail trade to foreigners.

Extravagance.—Mrs. Barger of Petersburg, aged about 10 months ago was safely delivered of 3 fine children, and the lady last month presented her husband with 4 healthy children at a birth. Seven children in 18 months!! Middleton valley must have a soil so fertile that married folks will be afraid to reside there in these hard times.

Arrived at last.—The Hon. Mr. Henderson, associate Minister from the Republic of Texas, arrived in Washington on Thursday evening.

Fire at Pittsburg.—On the 25th ult., a fire broke out at Pittsburg, Pa., which destroyed property to the value of $25,000.

A New Idea.—A lecturer lately observed, in the course of his remarks upon some kindred subject, "Only think of it, ladies and gentlemen;—an old bachelor! why he's a living libel upon his mother and father!"

WASHINGTON, March 19, 1844.

I have learned from an unquestionable source that Mr. Buchanan, soon after he was accredited here, passed to the Secretary of State a disavowal on the part of the British Government of any view whatever of acquiring Texas or interfering in any manner with her entire independence. Thus the vile forgery, which has passed so current, is nailed to the counter. You are aware that upon it our Government has relied mainly to base the present above notice, and the Treaty about to be submitted, for the Annexation of Texas, and they will still permit the delusion to continue.—N. Y. Tribune.

Probable Repudiation in Pennsylvania.—According to the best accounts, the Legislature of Pennsylvania, like that of Maryland and other States, will establish practical repudiation, and then adjourn. When they so close the doors of the Legislature at Harrisburg, they should also open the doors of the Penitentiary at Philadelphia—both communities will be on an equal footing. Great state that—with all its coal, iron, and yet won't pay its debts.

Montreal, March 12.

Wesleyan Methodists.—This respectable and influential class of Christians has, for a considerable period, been greatly straightened for Church accommodation. To obviate this inconvenience, and to provide suitable places of worship for their increasing members and hearers, they were convened together in St James Street Chapel, on Thursday evening last, the 7th instant. At this meeting, John Torrance, Esq., presided.

Mr. T. set before the congregation the object for which they were assembled, in a very lucid and business like manner. Addresses of a very fervid and eloquent description, and well calculated to awaken Christian zeal and munificence, were delivered by the Rev. Messrs Harvard, Richey, Squire, Lang, Brownell, and Cooney. The sum obtained on this occasion amounted to £2575 19s 2½d.

On Saturday night, another meeting for the same purpose, was held in the Wesleyan Chapel, Wellington Street, at which James Ferrier, Esq., occupied the Chair. This gentleman having explained the object of the meeting, and urged upon all present the necessity of doing their utmost to promote its accomplishment. Very appropriate and effectual appeals were made by several of the above mentioned Clergymen. At the close of the services, £527 12s 0½d. were provided, making the total amount received £3,103 2s 3½.

This large sum, so worthy of the proverbial liberality of the Methodists, is to be expended in the erection of a new and commodious chapel in St. James Street—in the completion of another, now in progress in the Quebec Suburbs, and in enlarging the Wellington Street Chapel, in Griffintown.—*Montreal Herald.*

Melancholy Casualties attended with Loss of Life, at Wallace.—On the evening of the 21st inst., James, second son of Patrick McKay, of the North Shore of Wallace, a promising youth, 19 years of age, left his fathers on skates, on an errand to a neighbours, a few miles distant, fell in the ice near Horton's Point, at the entrance of the harbour, and notwithstanding the strenuous efforts of Mr Solomon Horton, who with several others, hurried to the spot and used every exertion to save him, at the imminent danger of his own life, was unfortunately drowned.—The body was found the following day near the spot where he sank, and conveyed to his sorrow-stricken relatives. While the community around deeply sympathised with the sufferers for the untimely death of this young man, cut off in the bud of manhood, scarcely had four days elapsed ere an accident of (if possible), a still more melancholy nature took place.—Capt. John O'Brien, formerly of Halifax, left his family on the morning of the 25th inst., on a shooting excursion a few miles distant, and was killed by his gun accidentally going off—the gun was heavily loaded for geese. It is supposed he must have fallen on the ice, the force of the fall ignited the percussion cap, discharging the whole load into his left thigh, causing a ghastly wound, shattered the leg in a fearful manner and the unfortunate man in a few minutes bled to death. On the arrival of his son who hastened to the spot, he found his parent lying weltering in blood with life really extinct.—The shattered remains of the poor fellow covered with blood, were carried to his home, presenting to his disconsolate widow a truly melancholy and awful contrast to the loved partner who left her, in buoyant spirits but a few hours previous, to enjoy the sport of goose hunting, of which he was a keen and successful follower. These unfortunate accidents have thrown quite a gloom over the community, and as they prove the "uncertainty of life" will, it is to be hoped, cause people to be more cautious in future.—*Halifax Times.*

New-Brunswick,
Provincial Parliament.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Monday, March 25.

The house went into Committee of the whole in consideration of a Bill to repeal all laws relating to old Soldiers engaged in the Revolutionary War, and their widows—Hon Col Shore in the Chair.

Hon. Col. Wyze asked if the Bill went to prevent all old soldiers from getting the £10 pension, that came into the Province since the year 1830, if that was the case he was directly opposed to it, for there were many persons who had come into the Province since that time, who deserved the pension as well as any others, and to prevent those poor old soldiers from receiving the paltry sum of ten pounds as a pension, when they had been so loyal as to fight for their Country during the Revolutionary struggle and had left their comfortable homes on account of their loyalty, and come and settle in this country when it was a mere wilderness—it would be a most shameful thing. He thought the old law answered a very good purpose, and if there had been any imposition practised, it was the fault of the magistrates, who granted them the certificates. He was for rewarding all those who served their country during the war, particularly those who sacrificed their best and dearest interest for their Country's welfare. As to the widows of old soldiers, he thought they also should receive the pension; there were a number of them in Charlotte County (here the hon. gentleman referred to an act in the Statute Book, and it appeared that their ages averaged about ninety years) and some of them depended on the pension for support. He hoped no law would pass to deprive them of it; he would much rather increase the sum than diminish it, and not let the poor old soldiers go down with sorrow to the grave. They should not be put on the same level with paupers, but should be respected, and not only be respected but protected also; and he felt proud, and had reason to be thankful, that he belonged to a County that provided for the faithful services of old soldiers.

Hon. Mr Botsford thought there should be some alteration in the old act, as many persons had received the pension in the Province that had no right to it. When the old Law passed, it was not the intention that any person should receive the pension unless they were in indigent circumstances.

Hon. Capt Owen would object to pass a Bill to render the situation of those old soldiers worse than what they were before; they should not only give them the £10 but give it in the most cheerful manner. He was very sorry to hear that there had been any abuses and thought it was in a great measure the fault of the Magistrates.

Hon Mr. Saunders most fully concurred with what had fallen from the hon. and gallant Captain, that if there were a class of men in the Province that claimed their attention it was those who were engaged in the Revolutionary War.

Hon Mr Hatch would oppose any Bill that went to take a penny from those brave and meritorious old soldiers, who had fought their countrys battles, and on account of their loyalty had left their homes and come to dwell in a wilderness. He felt proud that he lived in a Country that provided for such deserving men, and considered it would be the height of cruelty to repeal the old law, and hoped such would not be the case.

Hon. Col. Shore thought the old law provided fully against abuses, and considered whatever the circumstances of those men that were engaged in the war might be, they were justly entitled to the small pittance of ten pounds, and thought it would be a most disgraceful thing to deprive them of it after having spent the best of their Country, he would therefore move that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for 3 months.

The hon. Col. Shore's motion for the motion for the postponement of the Bill for 3 months was then put and carried, and the house adjourned.

The Hon. Mr. Wilmot laid the following Despatch, before the House of Assembly relating to the making of Fredericton and other places, free Warehousing Ports:

[No. 223]

Downing Street 22d Feb.

SIR,—With reference to your Despatches, in which you have urged upon Her Majesty's Government the expediency of extending the number of Free Ports in New Brunswick, I have the honour to acquaint you that the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury will cause the proper steps to be taken for making Fredericton a Free Port and Warehousing Port, for the limited purpose of importing goods in British ships, and of warehousing such goods in approved Warehouses; and also for constituting the Ports of Miramichi and Dalhousie Free Warehousing Ports, provided adequate provision be made for the expense in the Customs Establishment, which this augmentation in the number of Free Warehousing Ports would necessarily entail. The additional Customs Establishment, and the expence thereof for which it is necessary to provide, is mentioned in the letter from the Treasury, of which I enclose you a copy, and it will only remain that you should take the proper steps for obtaining authority from the House of Assembly to meet the expenditure required under this arrangement.

You will observe from the enclosure, that the Lords of the Treasury have not seen reason to change their opinion as to constituting St Stephen a Free Port, or for altering the existing arrangement at the Ports of Bathurst and Dalhousie.

I have, &c.

(Signed) STANLEY.

Lt. Gov. Sir Wm. Colebrooke.

The Legislative bodies are at length getting along rapidly with their business, and during the ensuing week it is probable they will bring their labours to a close. On Wednesday last the House took up Mr. Fisher's Resolutions on the late changes in the Legislative Council, and the adjourned debate was resumed on Friday, when the first Resolution was sustained and the other two rejected by large majorities. These two resolutions had they been carried, would have amounted to no more or less than a vote of censure on the Executive Government; and, according to the principle of "responsible government," upon which we are told his Excellency acted last year, and upon which, we are informed, he is still prepared to act, had these resolutions been sustained by the House, the Executive Council must have been remodelled.—*Fredericton Loyalist, April 4.*

We notice in the St Andrews Standard, that a meeting has been called in that place, to take into consideration the propriety of erecting a monument at the public expense to the memory of the late Hon. James Allanshaw. We are also informed by a private letter from that quarter, that is in contemplation to erect a similar memorial of regard for the memory of the late Rev. Samuel Andrews, who was for many years Rector of the same place. It is to us a matter of astonishment and regret; that the latter duty has so long been neglected. The Reverend gentleman was the first Rector of the parish in which he lived and died. "Storied urn or animated bust," will inform the *stranger* that this holy man honestly and faithfully performed the duties of every calling allotted to him by his divine master, whilst his many virtues are enshrined in the hearts of those of his cravering parishioners who lived under his godly ministration, and were influenced by his precepts and pious example.—*Tem. Telegraph.*

We are informed that the re-appointment of L. Donaldson, Esq., as Mayor of this City, J. White, Esq., as Sheriff of the City and County of St. John, and Dr. William Bayard as Coroner, took place in Council on Tuesday last.—*Ibid.*

THE STANDARD.

ST. ANDREWS, WEDNESDAY, APR. 10, 1844.

Charlotte County Bank.
Hon. HARRIS HATCH, President.
T. B. WILSON, Esq., Solicitor
Director next week—*Hon T Wyer.*
Discount Day—TUESDAY.
Hours of Business, from 10 to 2.
☞ BILLS and NOTES for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before MONDAY, otherwise, they must lie over until next week.

Alms and Work House.
Commissioner next week—*Thomas Berry.*

Saint Stephens Bank.
G. D. KING Esq., *President.*
Director next week—*Geo. M. Porterr.*
Discount Day—SATURDAY.
Hours of business, from 10 to 1.
☞ Bills and Notes for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before FRIDAY, otherwise they must remain in his hands until the following discount day.

LATEST DATES.

London,——Mar.	4	*Montreal,*—Mar.	28
Liverpool,—Mar.	5	*Quebec,*— Mar.	28
Edinburgh,—Mar.	1	*Halifax,*— Mar.	28
Paris,——Mar.	1	*New York,*—April	5
Toronto,—Mar.	29	*Boston,*— April	6

Removal of the Seat of Government.—A petition has been got up in St. John, numerously signed, praying the removal of the Seat of Government in this Province from Fredericton and St. John. The *Courier* which strongly advocates the change says, that the new Custom House St John, possesses accomodations for the Halls of Legislation and public officers and that the property of the late Collector Wright, would be an eligible situation for Government House the building requiring but little alteration to make it suitable. But tell it not in Gath! the same paper says, a Provincial Asylum is much wanted—and suggests that the present *Government House* with its grounds would be well adapted for the purpose. Query, how would the members from the new County of Victoria Carleton, Fredericton, Miramichi, Restigouche and Charlotte like the change. It would be an additional expense, which the Province at present could not very well bear—retrenchment should be the order of the day.

COMMON PLEAS.—The April Term of the Court of Common Pleas, was commenced on Tuesday with a prospect of a short Session. His Honor Mr. Justice Wyer, Presiding.

The following gentlemen compose the Grand Jury:—

THOMAS TURNER, *Foreman.*

G. P. McMaster,	Philo Seelye,
J. P. Coldwell,	Wm. Craig,
Hugh Morrison,	John McDonall,
Thomas Watt,	J. H. McAllister,
Jas. Stinson,	J. M'Glinchey,
Thomas Berry,	D. McCallum,
Robert Ross,	Martin Hopper,
J. Treadwell,	Michael Young,
H. P. Hill,	O. Delman,
Wm. Maxwell,	B. Bradford,

His Honour's Charge to the Grand Jury was brief—the bill relating to Retailers of Liquor he gave them particularly in charge—the County Accounts were also alluded to—the bill for assessing the County £1,000 to pay off the debt—the Export duty bill taxing lumber, passed during last winter, by the Legislature, he observed would be ruinous to the interests of this County.—His Honour with much feeling also alluded to the loss the Bench had met with in the death of the late Hon. James Allanshaw—a gentleman who had for many years been a judge of the Common Pleas, and concluded by paying a handsome tribute to his memory.

We congratulate the Inhabitants on the great falling off in litigation in this County—there being only 6 causes entered for trial.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Gannison and Capt. Mitchener, for late Boston papers.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Philoverita's letter will be inserted when paid for.

The weather for the last week has been fine, the snow has disappeared from our streets, and they are drying very fast. The ice in the River at St. Stephen took its departure on Friday night last, and vessels can now proceed up to the wharves.—There is yet in the woods upwards of three feet of snow.

Exclusion of Officers.—A Bill has been introduced into the Legislature of Nova Scotia, and read a first time, to prevent certain persons being elected to, or sitting in the House of Assembly.—This bill refers to officers connected with the Customs and Excise departments.

The Hon. H. Hatch, and the Hon. Thomas Wyer returned from their Legislative duties on Saturday evening last. The House of Assembly it is said would rise on Friday next.

The customs receipts at New York between 1st and 19th ult., were $1,128,000. These added to the amount of the two previous months, make the total of $5,178,726 received in New York alone from the 1st January up to the 19th ult.

THE Civic Elections took place in Saint John for Charter Officers, only one new Member was elected.

Disease at Tracadie and Neguac.—The Miramichi Gleaner of the 3d inst., says:—In compliance with instructions from the Lieutenant Governor, a Commission, consisting of Drs. Key, Skene, Toldarvy and Gordon, and the Rev. Mr. LaFrance, left Chatham on the morning of Thursday last, for the purpose of investigating the nature, origin, and extent of the frightful and loathsome disease, now existing in Neguac, Tracadie and Tabusintac. They returned on Sunday evening, and from them we gather the following information.

The disease is the Greek Elephanteasis,—the Leprosy; not the Elephanteasis of the Arabians, but the Leprosy of the Middle Ages; the Lepre Tuberculeuse of the French, or Tubucular Leprosy, which raged over nearly every district of Europe, from the tenth to the sixteenth century. It is the decided opinion of the gentlemen composing the commission, that the disease is contageous, and so far as they could ascertain, no person in the above districts, who contracted it, were ever cured. They discovered upwards of twenty cases, all of which can be traced to one source.

The disease is rapidly approaching our more densely populated districts—and is now only twenty four miles from Chatham.

The New York Express of the 28th ult., says,—six hundred and twenty dollars was the amount received at the collection of the O Connell rent, last night, in Washington Hall. It was principally in small sums, gathered from the very poorest and hardest labouring portion of the community.

A late New York paper says:

Steam vessels, with submerged screws, are very rapidly taking the place of both "canvas back" vessels, and the big wheel-house steamers. There are at this moment, between 50 and 100 steamers, ranging from 200 to 800 tons each, in service in this country, propelled by the Ericsson screw. They have spread from Maine to Louisiana, and over all the Northern Lakes.

In less than five years we shall see steamers, driven on the submerged principle, entirely monopolizing our coasting trade.

The Royal Mail Steamer *North America* is advertised to leave Halifax for Newfoundland immediately after the arrival of the first April Mail from England, which will be about the 16th inst. and to continue running between the above places leaving Halifax immediately after the arrival of each English Mail.

The North America is owned by our enterprising townsman, Mr. James Whitney.—*Courier.*

Ship Launch.—On Thursday last, a finely modelled and superior built ship, of about 600 tons, called the "*Royalist*," was launched from the building yard of her owner, Mr Jas. Briggs, in Portland.—*Ib.*

MARRIED.

At St Mary's Church, Richibucto, on the 26th ult by the Rev. T. N. DeWolfe, John G. G. Layton, Esq. to Miss Ann Maria Pine, Niece of Mr Wm. Bowser, all of Richibucto.

At Carleton, on the 31 inst. by Rev. F. Coster, Mr. Henry Card, of Salisbury, England to Sarah, daughter of Walter Drake, Esq. of Carleton.

DIED.

At St John, on the 31st ult aged 76 years, Isabella, relict of the late Mr. Saml. Wallace.

At Sussex Vale on the 4th inst. after a short illness, Samuel Freeze, Esquire, in the 66th year of his age.—one of the Representatives in General Assembly from King's County—much and deservedly regretted by his family and friends.

AUCTION!

ON FRIDAY next, 12th inst. at 10 o'clock at the Store occupied by Mrs. FLAHERTY; the undersigned will sell by Auction;

A VARIETY OF GOODS.

being the remainder of her Stock in Trade,
JAS. W. STREET, *Auctr.*

April 9, 1844.

NEW STORE,
AT ROBBINSTON ME.

THE Subscriber begs respectfully to announce to the Inhabitance of St. Andrews, and vicinity that he has opened a General Provision Store, at Robbinston Me. where he will keep for Sale,

Flour, Corn Meal, Pork
Groceries, West India, and Dry Goods

and numerous other articles, Cheap for prompt payment.

Persons requiring any of the above mentioned articles will do well to call and examine for themselves.

Store on Briggs & Brewer's Wharf.
S. WHEELER & HAW.

Robbinston, April 10, 1844—tf.

PROVISIONS, &C.

The Subscriber offers for Sale.

BBLS and half Bbls. SUPERFINE FLOUR fancy and common brands.
RYE Flour, DYSPEPSIA Flour in half Barrels,
Bbls. kiln dried Corn Meal, Rye do.,
Oatmeal,
Clear Mess and Prime PORK,
Navy and Pilot Bread,
Water Crackers, &c.,
ALSO a few Hhds. and Tierces prime retailing Molasses.

R. WALTON.

April 9, 1844.

GARDEN & FIELD SEEDS.

Samuel Getty,

RESPECTFULLY informs his Friends and numerous Customers that he has just received a large supply of

GARDEN and FIELD SEEDS,

of last years growth, from that old established House, the New England Seed Store, Boston, which he can warrant to be of the best quality.

Among the Garden Seeds are BEANS, PEAS, RADISHES, TURNIPS, Cabbage, Cucumbers, Lettuce, Squash, Carrots, Parsnips, Celery and Beet of every description.

The Field Seeds consist of HERDS GRASS, CLOVER, and HEMP.

Persons desirous of purchasing will find it to their advantage to call at S. G.'s Store, where they will find a choice selection of the above Seeds.

St. Andrews, April 10, 1744.

SALE AT AUCTION.

On Wednesday, the 24th inst at 11 o'clock A. M., in front of the Market House.

TWO TOWN LOTS, Numbered 5, and 6, in Block letter I, Morrison's Division, together with the Buildings thereon, being a part of the Estate of the late John Dunn Esquire, under lease to the late William O'Brian, and at present occupied by his Widdow.—TERMS, made known at the time of Sale.

WM. WHITLOCK.
St. Andrews, April 3, 1844. *Auctioneer.*

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