

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Her Majesty the queen has just ordered three dresses, from the wool of the Alpaca, which, however, she will not wear at present, owing to the death of Prince Albert's father. The prince himself is a great admirer of these curious animals, and has introduced many of them into the royal parks.

Electric Sea Signals.—Another method of applying the waves of the sea has been contrived, to make the breakers on a dangerous coast serve as their own warning signals. The inventor proposes to have hollow buoys moored near the dangerous coast, to which buoy pipes somewhat like organ pipes are to be affixed. Metal tongues are to be fitted to the pipes, so that when the buoys are tossed up and down by the breakers, the air may be forced through, and cause them to utter warning sounds, which would become louder and louder as the sea raged more fiercely.

Drafts from the 33rd and 52nd Regiments are under orders to join the service companies at Nova Scotia.

Drafts from the 51st, 82nd, and 93rd Highlanders are under orders for Canada.

CHINA.—The intelligence from China comes down to the 1st of December, on which day her Majesty's steamer Spitfire started for Bombay, where she arrived on the 25th of that month. Little had occurred worthy of notice subsequently to the fires which consumed the factories on the 25th of October, by which the Danish, Spanish, and a part of the French factories were destroyed. The British Consulate was also consumed. The markets at Canton had become rather more favourable.

A proclamation had been issued by the Imperial Commissioner, declaring that the warehouses belonging to the new merchants (outside men) are to stand on an equal footing with the old (Hong) merchants, and that henceforth there shall be no difference between the two warehouses. The Supplementary Treaty, of which a copy had been sent to Peking, was forwarded also to Bombay, and was to come by the mail on to England.

The British Consuls had arrived at Amoy and Shanghai, where trade was dull, as the arrangements were not then completed.

New Brunswick Provincial Parliament.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

From the Journals.

Monday, 25th March.

Mr. J. A. Street moved for leave to present a Petition from Thomas Watt, of Saint Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, praying that his Property may be relieved from certain Extents issued against the property of the late James Watt, upon equitable grounds set forth in the Petition.

And upon the question, that the Order of the House, limiting the time for introducing Petitions, be dispensed with in this instance, and leave allowed to present the said Petition the House divided—

YEAS, 9. NEAS, 15.

Mr. Boyd, from the Committee appointed on the 1st day of February last, to report upon the several matters connected with the Fisheries, reported—

That the Committee having the subjects referred to them under their consideration they had prepared—A Bill to encourage the Fisheries of this Province; and a Bill to provide for the inspection of Fish and other articles; which Bill he was directed to submit to the House.—Ordered, That the Report be accepted.—The Bills, as reported by the Committee, being handed in, were severally read a first time.

Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

To the Rev. James Quinn, and the Managing Committee of the Catholic School in St. Andrews, the sum of £39 to enable them to keep up that Institution.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the House of Assembly,

26th March, 1844.

W. M. G. CLEGGROCK, Esq. Governor.

The Lieut. Governor, on reference to the correspondence communicated with His Majesty's Government, and 27th of February, lays before the House, copy of a Despatch he has recently received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and recommends that provision be made to enable Her Majesty's Government to constitute the Ports of Fredericton, Miramichi, and Dalhousie, Free Warehousing Ports.

"W. M. G. C."

On motion of Mr. Boyd, Resolved, That the petition from the justice of the Peace for the County of Charlotte praying for a grant to pass for the payment of expenses incurred in the prevention and spreading of infectious Diseases in the years 1842 and 1843, and which was presented to the House on the 10th of February last, and ordered to lie on the Table, be now referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Boyd, Resolved, That the Petition from James W. Chandler and others, Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of St. Andrews, praying for a Grant to reimburse expense incurred in the transportation of Lunatics to the Asylum at St. John, and which was presented to the House on the 24th of February last, and ordered to lie on the Table, be now referred to the Committee of Supply.

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Public Service.—To David W. Jack the sum of £4 2s. for Gauging and Weighing at St. Andrews for 1843.

To Thomas Moses the sum of £3 2 6 for Gauging and Weighing at West Isles for 1843.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration what sums it may be necessary to grant for repairing and improving the Roads throughout the Province, recommend that the sum of £25,212 10s. should be granted for the Great Roads, to be apportioned as follows:

From St. John to the N. Scot. Line £750 0 0

Ditto to St. Andrews 250 0 0

From St. John to Nerepis 250 0 0

Nerepis to Gasquetown 37 10 0

Dorchester to Sackville 37 10 0

Shediac to Petticoat, 25 0 0

Richibucto to Chatham, 125 0 0

Newcastle to Bathurst, 275 0 0

Bathurst to Campbellton, 500 0 0

Fredericton to Woodstock, 600 0 0

Woodstock to the Aroostook, 312 10 0

Aroostook to the Grand Falls, 322 10 0

Fred'n. to the Finger Board, 125 0 0

Bellefleur to the St. John, 62 10 0

Fredericton to Newcastle, 375 0 0

Ditto to St. Andrews, 250 0 0

Salisbury to Hopewell, 125 0 0

Shediac to Richibucto, 250 0 0

Waverley to Saint Stephen, 25 0 0

Oromocto to Gasquetown, 37 10 0

Ok Bay to Eel River, 150 5 0

Fred'n. to the B. of Petticoat, 150 5 0

G. Falls to the Canada Line, 250 0 0

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The Committee further recommend, that the sum of £1,200 should be appropriated to the several Counties in this Province to provide for sundry special objects required by the different Counties, and to meet the various objects brought under the notice of the Committee.

The Committee also further recommend that a humble Address should be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to issue the Warrants for the By Road Appropriations of 1842.

All which is respectfully submitted

CHARLES FISHER, Chairman.

COMMUNICATIONS.

For the Standard.

Mr. Editor, As long as the Rev. Mr. Douglas amused himself with ridiculous Apologetic Succession and challenging Church Ministers to disprove his assertions, I considered a serious reply unnecessary. He has now made an attempt to prove the invalidity of Episcopal authority; to this some attention may not be altogether useless. I anticipated however, that "Apostolic Succession" was the point to which public notice would be called; but I find that "High Church Episcopacy" has usurped its place. Perhaps the Rev. gentleman considers the appellations as synonymous.

The object of Mr. Douglas's last letter in the St. Stephen's Courier, is to prove the "identity of Presbyters and Bishops." This he endeavours to do by extracts from original documents as found in Burnett's History of the Reformation. The extracts are taken from a Declaration made by a convention of Bishops and others, with Vicar General, Cromwell at their head. After the extracts Mr. Douglas observes,—"Here we have the Church of England in convocation declaring the identity of Presbyters and Bishops." Now, Sir, it is questionable whether the Rev. gentleman has given the true meaning of the extracts, but admitting that he has, can it be possible that he was ignorant that the convocation to which he refers, was held twenty three years before the Church of England was now established, was in existence that it was held in the reign of Henry VIII, when there was no established religion in England at all, that Popery had the ascendancy again in the reign of Mary who succeeded Edward, and it was not until the reign of Elizabeth that the Church of England in its present state was established. Judging from the writings of the Rev. gentleman, which I have seen, I did not depend much on his accuracy; but really I was quite unprepared for such a ridiculous mistake as this! To make a Church answerable for a Declaration published many years before she was established! Is this what he understands by "proof positive?" I would advise him to consult Burnett's History of the Reformation again, and he will find proof positive enough to convince him, that he has made a very awkward blunder.

If however, Mr. Douglas's statements were correct, would the decision of a convocation of Bishops, alter the real nature of the case one jot? Is the opinion of a body of unimpaired men sufficient to determine the equality of Presbyters and Bishops? Surely the enemies of Episcopacy, have some better argument than this for their belief!

There is another thing to which I would now refer. "In like manner," observes Mr. Douglas, "I affirm that in the time of Paul the Presbyter and the Bishop were the names of the same office." (officer I suppose he means.) "This appears from the third chapter of the First Epistle to Timothy, and the first chapter of the Epistle to Titus." If necessary, it would be easy to show that the affirmation is not based upon "proof positive." But admitting for the present, that the assertion is correct, it does not prove that the Bishops of the present day, are not successors of the Apostles, and of higher authority than Presbyters. The dispute, Mr. Douglas will perceive, is not about the terms but the office.

The Rev. gentleman's whole letter, therefore, occupying nearly two columns in the Courier, has accomplished nothing. The numerous extracts are misapplicable; and if they really contained a Declaration of the

Church of England, this at most would prove that the Church at different periods of her history entertained different sentiments; but it would be no proof whatever of the rectitude of either sentiment. I hope the Rev. gentleman will succeed better in his next effort, and due attention shall be paid to it, by

Yours &c VERITAS.

St. Andrews March 29, 1844.

To the Editor of the Standard.

I notice in a late American paper, the following instance of a most meretricious and unscrupulous man, who has been for some time in the service of the Rev. Mr. Boyd's Communication, dated Fredericton, 26th March, and inserted in the Standard of the 13th inst:—

"Benet (of the New York Herald notoriety) in some gratuitous advice to Webb of the New York Courier and Enquirer," thus modestly speaks of himself,—"We established the Herald which is now more widely circulated than the Courier and Enquirer on something less than \$500, but we combine with that small capital energy, industry, economy, morals, honesty, integrity, temperance, early rising—all of which united in forming a compound of genius that never will be estimated until long after we are dead and gone!"

"Let him (your correspondent) point out the meeting of the first Legislature, that has done the same amount of substantial justice as I have done for St. Andrews!" (Extract from Mr. Boyd's letter.)

It may be as well to observe for the information of such of your readers as are unacquainted with the character of Benet—that he is the person, to whom O'Connell held the following language:—when it was attempted to introduce him at one of the Repeal Meetings in Dublin.

"I have heard of Benet—he publishes one of the vilest gazettes ever issued from any press—and is a man who assails female virtue." "I do not wish an introduction."

As respects the other individual the community have no need of information, and do not judge as to his comparative claims to Public estimation.

Yours, &c.

CHARLETTANER.

March 26, 1844.

NOVASCOTIA.—The Assembly on the 18th ult. agreed to the following scale of Salaries in committee of the whole on the Civil List Bill.

Present Lieutenant Governor, £3000 Sig.

Future do. 2500 "

Present Chief Justice, 800 "

Future do. 640 "

The Puisne Judges, 500 "

Future do. 500 "

Present Master of the Rolls, 500 "

Future do. 400 "

Present Attorney General, 400 "

Future do. 400 "

Present Solicitor General, 100 "

Future do. 100 "

On the following day the salary of the Provincial Secretary was fixed at £500, sig.

We wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by correspondents.

THE STANDARD.

ST. ANDREWS, WEDNESDAY, APR. 3, 1844.

Charlotte County Bank.

Hon. HARRIS HATCH, President.

T. B. WILSON, Esq., Solicitor.

Director next week—John Marks.

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.

SING AND BLOW HOUSE.

Commissioner next week—Peter Smith.

Saint Stephens Bank.

G. D. KING, Esq., President.

Director next week—John Marks.

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. 21

Liverpool, Mar. 5 Quebec, Mar. 21

Edinburgh, Mar. 1 Halifax, Mar. 21

Paris, Mar. 1 New York, Mar. 29

Toronto, Mar. 22 Boston, Mar. 30

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We have inserted the letter of "Veritas"—but decline publishing anything further on the subject—unless paid for at the same rate as Advertisements. The public take no interest whatever in these letters—and we can find matter which would be more interesting, and instructive, to fill the space occupied by them. The lines signed C. are received.

On Monday the 25th ult. His Excellency came to the Council Chamber and gave his assent to several Bills, among a number of which was an Act relating to the construction of a wharf on Timber and/or Lumber.

An Act imposing duties for raising a Revenue.

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, to make better provision for the payment of the Treasurer of that County.

An Act to authorize the Justices of the

Peace for the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay off the County Debt.

An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to regulate vessels arriving from the United Kingdom with Passengers and Emigrants."

An Act to continue and amend the Act incorporating the Charlotte County Bank.

An Act to give certain Acts relating to the prevention of the importation and spreading of infectious distempers within the Counties of Charlotte and Northumberland, and to extend the provisions of the same to the Counties of Gloucester and Restigouche.

An Act to enable the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being to Licence the Rev. Samuel D. Rice to Solemnize Marriage in this Province; and

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace of the City and County of Saint John to raise a sum of money for the payment of certain debts due by the County of Saint John.

His Excellency was pleased to reserve the same for the consideration of Her Majesty.

HALIFAX.—Several alarms of fire were made in Halifax during last week—One building only was destroyed—A Stable containing hay, grain, carriages, sleighs, and five horses all of which were consumed. There was insurance on the property, amounting to £600.

PACIFIC.—A Mrs. Cameron, wife of A. Cameron, P. E. Island, was delivered of a daughter on the 7th ult. and in five days afterwards of another daughter—Mother and children are doing well—making the third time Mrs. Cameron has had twins. The Island were aware was productive, but this beats every thing—6 children in 25 many years.

Smoking.—The Council General of Education in Switzerland has forbidden the whole of the students of the several faculties to smoke; upon the principle that the habit is not only useless and of bad taste, but extensive, injurious to the health, and at the same time dangerous to the public.

Domestic Manufacture.—It affords us much pleasure to notice the line of conduct adopted by our fellow citizen, S. K. Foster, Esq., who, since the establishment of the Provincial Association, has discontinued to import notions and shows, and has employed the workmen of the City; all his stock therefore will in future be made here, and of a quality and price which, he says, under the present protection, will defy American competition.—Chronicle.

There is a report current, that the present Mayor, Lauchlan Donaldson, Esq. being also Commissioner of Light Houses, &c., will be called on to relinquish either one or the other of these offices. Should he retain the former, we learn, that our friend, Isaac Woodward Esquire, will be appointed Commissioner of Lights—he having performed the principal duties of that office during the past year.—St. John Herald.

County Debt.—A report is current that the Lieutenant Governor refuses to sanction the Bill (passed in the House) for assessing up to the pretty little amount of £3,000, wherewith to liquidate the County Debt. Good—boid.

The Oregon Question.—The United States Senate, on Thursday, by the decisive vote of 25 to 18, rejected the proposition to give notice to Great Britain of the termination of the treaty agreement for the joint occupation of the Territory of Oregon.

A Singular Taste.—An English gentleman of education, and so far as we know, of irreproachable character, left England some eighteen months since, with the intention of spending some years in a solitary cell in one of our prisons. He applied at the Eastern Penitentiary, but was denied admission. He insisted upon a place in the cells, and while he asserted that he abhorred the idea of committing a crime, stated that he would do so to ensure the accomplishment of his wishes. He was, of course, arrested upon this threat, and required, by the Mayor, to give bail. In default of bail he was committed to the Moyamensing prison, where he has remained for thirteen months. The prison doors are, and have long been opened to him, but he refuses to leave his cell, and his daily labour supports him, he is permitted to remain. He is in the full possession of his faculties, is cheerful, and performs all the labour of an ordinary convict. But though engaged ten hours each day at the loom, he pursues his mathematical and other studies with great perseverance and energy. He converses with great intelligence, and is obviously, from education and association, a gentleman. This is a singular instance of voluntary and self-inflicted penance, if such it be, and the satisfaction which it seems to confer upon its subject, proves that the discipline of that excellent institution is far from cruel.—Philadelphia Forum.

An Elopement and a Marriage.—A gentleman of Terrytown N. F. died some five years since, leaving a large fortune to his four children. The youngest, a very beautiful daughter of eighteen, encouraged the correspondence of a very respectable but poor young lawyer, by the name of Merritt Van Wort. The brothers of the girl intercepting the letters of Van Wort to her, went to the lawyer's office and threatened him severely, assuring him he could not marry their sister, for he could not enter their house unless over their dead bodies. The lawyer

treated them pointedly, and removed to New York; and the sister was shut up and watched; but one day last week she found means to evade their pursuit, and fled in company with her lover.—The brothers followed in hot haste to New York, but a little too late, Van Wort met them, and with politeness informed them that he was very well, and so was Mrs. Van Wort, considering the length and haste of her journey.—The young lady above alluded to, holds in her own right the key to a treasure of some \$38,000 hard cash.—American Paper.

Military Road.—A party, consisting of an officer of the engineers, two officers of the 14th two civil assistants, and twelve men, will start in a few days to explore the ground between Quebec and Halifax, for the purpose of marking out a line for the formation of a grand military road of communication between these places. The Imperial Government has granted £1000, sterling, for the purpose of this survey. The work is intended to be carried into execution as soon as practicable. This measure will be highly beneficial in opening out that portion of the Provinces, and facilitating the carriage of the mails, and the transport of produce.—Montreal Times, March 22.

Markets at Demerara 21st Feb.—Lumber \$16, Dry Fish \$3—Pork \$12—Flour \$7.

MARRIED.

At Queensbury, York County, on the 13th ult. by the Rev. J. W. Dinslow, Mr. Samuel C. Ingraham, to Miss Olivia E. Moores.

DIED.

At St. John, on the 25th ult. at his late residence, Lower Cove, Mr. Robert Nethery, aged 76 years, formerly of Drunguin, County Tyrone, Ireland, who came to this Province in 1820.

SHIPPING JOURNAL.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

—ARRIVED—

March 25, schr. Lark, Amherman, Annapolis, Wood, to master.

30, " Mary Jane, McMaster, Eastport, Sandries.

30, brig Eight Sons, Preston, Saint Thomas, Ballast.

April 3, schr. Amethyst, Lafferty, Eastport, Ballast.

—CLEARED—

March 27, schr. Mary Jane, McMaster, Eastport, ballast.

29, schr. Amethyst, Lafferty, Eastport, ballast.

29, schr. Lark, Amherman, Annapolis, ballast.

30, schr. Wm Walker, Boston, Deals, H. Frye, & Co.

Charlotte County Bank.

A DIVIDEND OF THREE AND A HALF PER CENT, on the Capital Stock of the Charlotte County Bank, has been declared for the last half year, and will be payable on or after the 1st proximo.

J. RODGER, Cashier.

April 1, 1844.

Charlotte County Bank.

A MEETING of the Stockholders of the Charlotte County Bank, will be held at the Banking Office on Monday the 6th day of May next, at noon, to elect Directors for the ensuing year, receive Reports; and take into consideration sundry matters connected with the Institution.