

UNITED STATES.
THE FIRST STEP FOR SOUTHERN COMMISSIONERS.—The three Commissioners who have gone abroad to endeavor to obtain the recognition of Jeff Davis' Government, got a pretty essential snub at Havana, where they had gone to take ship for Europe. As the story has never appeared in print, we will give preference to it with the remark that we obtain it through a perfectly reliable source. It seems that a day was fixed when Messrs. Commissioners should be presented to General Serrano, the Captain-General. The ceremony of presentation was performed by Mr. Helm, the American Consul at Havana, who introduced the trio as "Commissioners from the Confederate States of America." The reply of the Captain-General was in substance as follows:—
"Gentlemen, I receive you as citizens of the United States; but I do not acknowledge any such Power as the Confederate States of America." (Philadelphia Bulletin April 26.)

OUTRAGE BY VOLUNTEERS.—Harrisburg, Pa., April 30.—Five soldiers of a Delaware county company, being sent to-day to arrest deserters, abused several citizens, and subsequently entered a public house, where they got frenzied with liquor. They charged bayonets in a crowded room, and wounded a citizen severely but not dangerously. One of the soldiers was severely cut by a citizen during the riot. The soldiers were arrested and put in jail.

Washington, April 30.—The President has called for 80,000 more troops, making 150,000 in all, which he has called out.

Five Government employees in the Navy Yard, were discovered, yesterday, in filling shells with saw-dust, instead of gunpowder, and were arrested. They will be tried by Court Martial.

There is considerable excitement in the Diplomatic circle on account of the President's proclamation with reference to the blockade of Southern ports. The Foreign Ministers insist that sufficient notice has not been given, and the representatives of South American Governments remonstrate particularly.

The Government here, has been informed of a contemplated attack on Washington.

Boston, May 2nd.—Chief news from Washington relates to movements of the Northern troops.

Norfolk Navy Yard is to be taken from the Rebels, and a strong force will be concentrated on the lines of Virginia.

Federal Government has purchased 25 additional vessels for war purposes, and every Southern port will be blockaded within 20 days.

Policy of the Government is unmistakably to suppress the rebellion.

The rights of secession will never be conceded.

Government securities are firm and high.

Exchange on London 104 & 104 1/2.

Breadstuffs active.

Superfine State 15 10 5 15.

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Washington, May 2.—The diplomatic corps have been furnished with two proclamations of the blockade, against which they make no unfriendly manifestations, but show every disposition to respect the blockade force of Com. Stringham, which will consist of at least 50 war vessels, accompanied by a sufficient number of steam transports for the accommodation of land force of 20,000.

Thus it will prove sufficient to make an efficient blockade of every inlet on the Southern Coast into which a vessel drawing six feet of water might otherwise enter.

Boston, May 3, 8 P.M.—New York, May 3.—Steamer Northern Light, from Aspinwall, with near one million in gold, has arrived.

Mendoza, near Valparaiso, destroyed by an earthquake: 8,000 lives lost.

Steamer United States from Glasgow, for Montreal is ashore on Bird Island mouth of the St. Lawrence and going in pieces. Nobody discovered on board.

Despatches from the South show great military activity among the Rebels. Troops are concentrating on various points in Virginia.

Twenty thousand Federal troops are in Washington.

The schr. Frank Lucas, Capt. Taylor, of Philadelphia arrived at fall River on Monday. The capt. reports that off the eastern shore of Virginia he was chased by three sailing vessels. Muskets loaded with balls and buck shot were fired at him. Forty buck shot passed through his mainmast and twenty through his jib, and a musket ball struck the binnacle, near which the captain was standing.

A CATHOLIC CLERGYMAN ENLISTS.—The Rev. Mr. Quinn, a Catholic Priest of Providence, formerly of Connecticut, has enlisted in the army, as chaplain of the Rhode Island (Governor Sprague's) Regiment. [Mr. Quinn is a native of St. Andrews.]—Ed. STANDARD.

TORONTO, C.W.—As many applications have been, and are being made by citizens of the Northern States to Canadians, for Enfield rifles, etc., it may be proper to state that there are none in Canada, but those belonging to the Government, for the use of the Canadian Militia, and they cannot be ob-

tained. Our Mercantile Agency reports enquiries from the United States for the best investments, here, by parties about removing their families and means to Canada during the war.

NEW POTATOES.—Mr. Milford Sims, of Plymouth, has presented us with a sample of new potatoes grown by him the present season. The tubers are about the size of an English walnut, and quite sound and firm. (Yarmouth Tribune.)

A Man burnt to death.—We learn from the North British Mail that an accident of a shocking character, and by which a man named John Regs met a dreadful death, occurred at Mountain Ash, Glamorganshire. In the neighborhood are some kilns for the manufacture of lime, at one of which the deceased, who was a steady, well-conducted man, of between 30 and 40 years of age, was engaged when he accidentally slipped through the crust into the burning kiln. His cries brought help, and strenuous efforts were in the hope of extricating him from the appalling situation which he was in, but unhappily they proved unavailing, and the poor fellow was slowly burnt to death in the kiln. (Nubk.)

Communication.
For the Standard.
MR. EDITOR.—Permit me through the medium of your paper to call the attention of the inhabitants of the Province generally, in all professions and departments of business, to the forthcoming Provincial Exhibition, to be held at Sussex Vale on the 1st day of October next, and the three succeeding days.

The Provincial Board of Agriculture have been entrusted with the getting up of the same, and they earnestly desire that the Show in all departments, Agricultural, Horticultural, Floral, Mechanical, Fine Arts, Manufactures, &c., &c., should be such as represent truly what our Province is capable of doing. A fine opportunity will be given by means of such a show, of testing the comparative advantages and capabilities of our Province; and if our Mechanics and Manufacturers will exert themselves in the way they best can, we fear not the result as to any competition from abroad.

It is to be hoped that each County will consider itself called upon to have a fair representation. That no County will be inclined to say or to feel, that it is useless for it to compete, on account of the trouble that necessarily may have to be taken in the transit of stock, articles, &c., be deterred from sharing in the general rivalry.

We call upon every inhabitant of the Province, who is a well wisher to same, to help on the undertaking. We look to those persons in influential positions to lead their countenance and aid in placing our Province in its rightful position before itself, and those from other countries who may be spectators or exhibitors.

To accomplish this, individual and collective exertion is needed.

The Committees appointed for each County are looked to, that they may perform well their responsible duty in the matter. Upon them much of the success of the undertaking will depend.

The Premium Lists and Regulations will be immediately circulated over the country. JAS. G. STEVENS, Secy. Pro Board of Agriculture. St. Stephen, May 3, 1861.

To the Editor of the Standard.
SIR.—As the Election will shortly take place, please publish the following declaration, (copied from the Revised Statutes), which any Elector, sheriff or officer holding the Election, may require of the Candidates. Yours, May 6.

ELECTOR.
"I, A. B. do declare and testify that I am duly seized as of freehold for my own use and benefit, of lands and tenements in the Province of New Brunswick; and that such lands are known, distinguished, and situated in the (here particularly describe the Parish and County, or different Parishes and Counties where the lands comprising the Candidate's qualification are situate with the number or other specific description, by boundaries of the lot or lots) of the value or three hundred pounds currency, over and above all rents, mortgages, judgments, executions, and extents charged upon due and payable out of or affecting the same, and that I have been seized of such lands or tenements for the period of six months, previous to the Teste of the Writ for this Election."

FIRE.—On Thursday afternoon, about 2 o'clock, the roof of a house on St. James' street, near Reed's Point, owned by Mr. R. Cline, was discovered to be on fire. The flames were subdued without much difficulty.

On Friday morning about 1 o'clock, a fire occurred in the Biscuit Bakery and Confectionary Establishment of Mr. J. C. McIntosh, Dock street. The fire is said to have originated in the lower part of the building about the steam apparatus; and so rapidly did the flames spread, that it was with difficulty that the inmates escaped with their lives. Mr. M. was compelled to lower his wife out of one of the front windows on the third flat by means of a sheet round her body, and then had to jump himself. A servant girl in the employ of Mr. McIntosh, by a most extraordinary exhibition of coolness and presence of mind, escaped by lowering herself from the back part of the building, which is five stories high, by means of a clothes line; her hands were severely cut by the rope. The building which is of brick and fronts

four stories on Dock street, is owned Messrs. J. & G. Lawrence. It is completely gutted, the brick walls only remaining. The front wall appears to be in a somewhat shaky and dangerous condition, and should receive attention at the hands of the proper authorities.

The firemen were again called out at 11 o'clock, on Friday morning. This time the fire was of a trifling nature, and was subdued with little exertion. It occurred in a house on Gormain street, opposite Trinity Church. (Courier.)

A tragical affair occurred in Milltown on Tuesday evening. It occurred between John Murphy and a man named Kilday. The former lives on the American side. It seems that some difficulty arising from jealousy existed between them, and by previous arrangement they armed themselves and met in the streets about 8 o'clock. Shots with pistols were exchanged neither of which took effect. Kilday had only a pistol. Murphy had in addition to this a knife 9 inches long and a fearful looking iron instrument with a leaden ball at the end. With this latter he rushed on Kilday, and struck him to the ground. The noise attracted attention. John McAdam Esq., who happened to be near by was the first man to rush in and separate the combatants. Kilday had his temple bone fractured and lies in a precarious condition. Murphy underwent examination before Justice Grimmer, Muriel, Curran, Hiltz, and Allward, and was fully committed to make his trial at the next term of the Court in St. Andrews. (Herald.)

OBITUARY.—The Head Quarters records the death of Samuel Ludlow Robinson Esq., Barrister-at-Law, who died on the morning of Tuesday last. He was the fourth son of the late Hon. John Robinson formerly Treasurer of the Province, and Mayor of the City of St. John; and grandson, by the mother's side, of the late Chief Justice, Ludlow. The deceased had been a resident in Fredericton for a period of thirty years, having commenced his professional career in 1821, in this City, and remained in it ever since. He held the office of Register of the Court of Chancery (now termed Clerk in Equity), and was constantly referred to by his brethren of the legal profession, on account of his knowledge and experience of the practice of that Court.

It is rumored that seven of the most desperate characters in the Penitentiary made a partially successful attempt to escape on Saturday. Among the recaptured are Munford and Johnson, Bean, whose recent sentences of death were commuted to imprisonment for life; McCarron the villain who attempted to kill and rob Mr. Welch at the Suspension Bridge a few years ago; Boyer and another, whose name has not transpired.

Young Slavin and McLaughlin, the latter sentenced for robbery, effected their escape. (Empire.)

THE STANDARD.
ST. ANDREWS, MAY 8, 1861.

THE ELECTION for Representatives for the next four years, will take place during the month of June or July. It is now known that one of the "old tour" Mr. McAdam will not be a candidate, and that Mr. T. R. Abbot whose card appeared some weeks ago has retired from the field. It is currently reported that Messrs. Gilmore, Brown, and Chender will again come forward, in addition to these gentlemen, four or five others it is said will offer; Mr. Fitzgerald is already "out," as may be seen by his card, Col. Boyd, Dr. Thomson, Mr. Hibbard, Mr. C. Messenett, Mr. J. Donald, it is also asserted will be candidates—so that the Constituency will not be at a loss for men to select from.

We have heard it very generally admitted, that a change will be made in the Representation, but that two of the old members will be returned. The contest will be a sharp one—and what the result will be time alone can determine. Vote by ballot, is now the law of the land, and the Electors can exercise their franchise without the fear arising from power to coercion. It is high time then, that the people were up and doing—organize and select four able and discreet men,—men of intellect, intelligence, and progressing ideas,—men who possess a knowledge of the requirements of the Province—men of influence and who can command and retain the confidence of the Constituency—above all, honest men who will legislate for the benefit of the Country—and not for their self aggrandisement. There can be no difficulty in finding such men; and it rests with the people to elect them.

St. Stephen and the upper Parishes will require a man of ability, integrity of purpose and influence, one possessing the confidence of the people,—need we point to Geo. S. Grimmer Esq., as the man; as a freeholder we can do so, and believe that Mr. Grimmer would not only prove himself a good legislator, but also a morally and politically honest public man. It is possible that some other person may be selected by the people at St. Stephen.

It is now apparent that the trouble between the Northern and Southern States, will very soon be settled. The North has arisen as one man, to defend their Country and Constitution. Large numbers of troops are daily pouring into Washington—the Southern ports are blockaded—and there is a little fear of much fighting. Money is pouring into the Federal treasury. The policy of the Federal Administration was promulgated on the 1st inst, it is for War. The English, Irish and Scotch, residents of the Northern States are enrolling themselves in Regiments, "the blessings they enjoy to guard." Boston papers state that "several spies have been arrested, and some Rebels shot."

A letter from a member of the 7th N. Y. Regiment says six Secessionists were caught on the 27th two of whom were shot on the morning of the 28th, and another was to be shot next morning. Several rebels have been arrested for tearing up the railroad track.

A private letter from Annapolis says the brig Caledonia has two men hanging from the yard arm, one for smuggling powder and provisions to Charleston, and the other for piloting the 7th N. Y. Regiment on to the Chesapeake Bay with the intention that the Baltimore rebels should capture Annapolis before the regiment could reach there.

RAPID PASSAGE.—The Schr. Jane Nelson Clark, master, left this Port on Thursday afternoon 25th ult., stopped at Head Harbor until Friday morning and proceeded on her voyage, arrived at Boston, discharged a full cargo, took in a small load, and arrived in this harbor on Friday last, making the voyage in one week, the quickest on record between this Port and Boston. Such despatch speaks well for Capt. Clark and his vessel.

CRICKET CLUB.—We understand that some of our townsmen are forming a Cricket Club, for the purpose of enjoying the many past time and healthy sport of Cricket. We trust that the praiseworthy efforts of the promoters of this noble game, will meet with the success which they merit, and that the Club will soon commence to play.

"A Volunteer" is received. In reply to his query, we would suggest that a list be opened for signatures of those desirous of joining a "Volunteer Rifle Company." We notice that the young men of St. Stephen are enrolling themselves in a company now forming in that locality.

THE "COLONIAL EMPIRE" says:—at late hour on Saturday evening, a telegraph was received from Fredericton, stating that Dr. Hen had resigned his situation as President of the University. It was also stated, that the vacancy will not be filled until the end of the term.

THE WESTMINSTER REVIEW for April, has been received from Messrs. L. Scott & Co. New York. Contents:—
Mr. Copley on the Study of History.
The Sicilian Revolution.
Voltaire's Romances and their Moral.
The Universities and Scientific Education.
Early Intercourse of England and Germany.
The Cotton Manufacture.
Maine on Ancient Law.
Eton.
Austria and her Reformers.
Contemporary Literature.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.—We learn from the Fredericton Head Quarters that the Supreme Court on Saturday last, after a long and elaborate statement of the case, decided, that it did not consider itself to possess jurisdiction in the case of the Rev. Dr. Jacob against the Senate of the University; and consequently referred it to the Lieutenant Governor, as Visitor; who at the same time declared bound in that capacity to act and judge in absolute independence of the Executive Council. The appeal has therefore been presented to his Excellency.

On Monday morning last, at the advanced age of 95 years Mr. William Harvey, master shipbuilder, Mr. Harvey was a native of Poole, England, and emigrated with his parents to Halifax, when a youth. In 1782 he was apprentice to the late Mr. Neil McCurdy shipbuilder, and came to Campo Bello the same year, where he assisted in building the first vessel launched in New Brunswick. He was the oldest inhabitant in St. Andrews, leaving behind him but one old gentleman of the first settlers of this Town. Mr. Harvey was an industrious and honest man but for several years has been unable to work.

CAUTION.
FOREIGN any person or persons from purchasing a Note of Hand drawn by me in favor of James Duffin on January last payable on the 1st May, for one hundred dollars, as I have not received notice for the same. Wm. WESTCOTE. St. David, April 30, 1861.

St. Andrews "Water Company."
At a meeting of the Company on Tuesday the 7th inst, the following persons were elected Directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. John Aymar, James Stevenson, G. F. Stickney, B. R. Stevenson and John Bradford. At a meeting of the Directors B. R. Stevenson was elected Secretary & Treasurer. St. Andrews, May 8, 1860.

A SPECIAL SESSIONS
Of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, will be held at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace, on Thursday the 9th day of May, instant, for the purpose of taking into consideration the Leasing of the Market Wharf. The Justices are requested to attend. Dated at St. Andrews, May 1, 1861.

By order of the Justices,
W. HATCH, Clerk.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE.
GENTLEMEN:—I am requested by many respectable and influential persons in the several Parishes of the County, to offer myself as a Candidate at the approaching election. Encouraged and influenced by these requests, I now offer myself for your suffrage, and in doing so, I owe it to you Gentlemen, and to myself, to state the principles by which I shall be governed, in the event of your selecting me as one of your Representatives.

I shall endeavor to bring the management of the Crown Land Department under such control, as will in future prevent reckless speculation in the public domain. Our present School Law imperatively requires reformation; I shall therefore consider it my duty to have it so reformed that the amount now contributed by the inhabitants for the support of schools, together with the Provincial grants, shall be most beneficially appropriated.

To the Great and Bye Roads, the Agricultural, Lumbering, and Fishing interests of our Province, I shall pay the strictest attention.

If then, Gentlemen, you select me as one of your Representatives, I can assure you that every exertion in my power shall be used for the furtherance of the prosperity of the Province in general and of this County in particular.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
R. R. FITZGERALD.
St. Andrews, May 1, 1861.

Sheriff's Sales.
To be sold at Public Auction, on Saturday the 24th day of November next, at 12 o'clock at the Court House, in St. Andrews, All the right title, interest, and claim, of James McDole to all and singular the following premises situate in the Parish of St. Andrews:—

All that certain lot numbered Three containing about eighty acres a joining lands formerly owned by John MacGraw and Dr. Samuel Pyle, and conveyed by the late John Wilson Esq. to the said James McDole.

And also, the Northern half of lot numbered five, situate in the Chacoquo Lake township, so called, containing a very nice acre or less.

The same having been seized and taken by virtue of an execution issued out of the Supreme Court, at the suit of George G. Graham, and read to levy £14.16.2 bidders S. R. F. Fees, &c.

THOS. JONES, Sheriff's office, St. Andrews, Sheriff of Charlotte. April 26th, 1861.

Rates of Wharfrage
For the MARKET WHARF, St. Andrews.
Posted April Sessions, 1861.

FOR every Decked Vessel or Wood-boat of the burthen of 40 tons and under

40 tons and under 50 1s 9d per ton

50 tons and under 60 2s "

60 tons and under 70 2s 6d "

70 tons and under 80 2s 6d "

80 tons and under 90 2s 9d "

90 tons and under 100 3s "

100 tons and under 120 3s 6d "

120 tons and under 150 4s "

150 tons and under 180 4s 6d "

180 tons and under 200 5s "

200 tons and under 220 5s 6d "

220 tons and under 240 6s "

240 tons and under 260 6s 6d "

260 tons and under 280 7s "

280 tons and under 300 7s 6d "

300 tons and under 320 8s "

320 tons and under 340 8s 6d "

340 tons and under 360 9s "

360 tons and under 380 9s 6d "

380 tons and under 400 10s "

400 tons and under 450 11s 3d "

450 tons and under 500 12s 6d "

and the sum of 1s 3d for every additional 50 tons.

Rates of Wharfrage
that shall be charged on the following goods landed on the Market Wharf, or Market Square, for the first twelve hours:—
For every cord of wood or bark 4d.
Thousand superficial feet of boards, deal, plank, scantling, or ranging timber, 6d.
Ton of square or sided Timber 6d.
Thousand shingles, or laths, 2d.
Cord of Wood not otherwise described, 4d.
Thousand of Bricks, 9d.
and for every succeeding 24 hours, three-fourths of the above Rates.

The part of the Square allowed to be occupied for Wharfrage, to be thirty feet broad from the iron-rail, (less 8 feet to be kept clear from the track), and a penalty of five shillings for each and every offence.

By order of the Sessions,
W. HATCH, Clerk of the Peace,

Packet to St.
THE Schr. RACHEL, Capt. regularly between St. Andrews during the season. Freight on terms. Agent at St. Andrews, J. R. I. April 24, 1861.

Wanted
A WOMAN as good Plain Cook Apply to
St. Andrews, April 30, 1861.

Assessors
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Assessors of Rates and Taxes for the County of Charlotte, will be held at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace, on Thursday the 9th day of May, instant, for the purpose of taking into consideration the Leasing of the Market Wharf. The Justices are requested to attend. Dated at St. Andrews, May 1, 1861.

Notice
HENRY HITCHING
A. T. PAUL
B. H. STEVENSON
Dated St. Andrews, April 26, 1861.

New Paper
Ex Steamer New Brunswick
800 PAGES Handsome Paper
To Arrive—50 Bags Real
20 Bushels Herds Grass
1 Bbl. Northern Hops
A good assortment Gard
April 16.

Tea, Sugar, Mol
Just Received
22 Puns, Bright Mascov
3 Hides, Do. "Do."
6 Bbls. Do. Crushed
5 Chests "Do. Crushed
20 Half "Extra fine Sou
29 Boxes 12lb each Eng
7 Bbls extra Clearand
5 Kegs S. C. Soda, &c.
April 16.

Flour
Just received from New
150 BARRELS FLOUR
60 Bags
April 17.

REMAINING in the
A. A. deans, April
Dunham Laura S. M.
Freeman John 3. P.
Galsinger John 2. P.
Gault Mrs. R. C.
Hilly Timothy S.
Johnston Mrs. Ann S.
Loring Edward P. S.
McDonald William S.
McFarlan Catherine V.
For Rail
Loudsters William C.
Edwin George C.
O'Connor B. F. J. G.
Pearce Edward 2. R.
Sweeney J. C. C.
Wills George C. S.
Fargher Patrick C.
Sullivan John G.

Persons calling for
will please apply to
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For Sale
That desirable stand for
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If not sold by 1st May
Apply to
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