

Poetry.

STANZAS. (From the Monthly Magazine.)

Sounds are on the tempest winging. What has spoken then? Womb and blame. Memories start like serpents, stinging;

VARIETIES.

The Stocking Machinery.—Before the invention of the first stocking machine, in the year 1589, by William Lea, a clergyman, none but the very rich wore stockings, and many of the most wealthy went without stockings at all, their hose being sewn together by the tailor, or their legs being covered with bandages of cloth.

NEWSPAPERS.—At first newspapers were extremely small and limited in their extent, not exceeding the bounds of an ordinary letter; but after 1713, in which year the newspapers were first stamped, it became necessary, as much from this circumstance as from any other, to enlarge the size, as well as to raise the price.

TACT AND TALENT.—Talent is something, but tact is every thing. Talent is serious, sober, grave and respectable; tact is all that, and more too. It is not a seventh sense, but it is the life of all the five.

Release of Mr. Alexander, of the Morning Journal, from Prison.—On Thursday the term of imprisonment to which Mr. Alexander was sentenced by the English Court of King's Bench, for "three political libels on the members of the late Administration," expired, and he was liberated from Newgate prison where he had been confined.

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Extraordinary Performance of Mr. Stephenson's Engine Sampson.—We have frequently had to detail particular notices on the Liverpool and Manchester Railway, which have excited feelings of astonishment, and some of them, perhaps, a little incredulity, in the minds of our readers.—We have now, however, to record a feat which far out-does all former out-doings, and proves that the full powers of locomotive engines on railways have been, as yet, very little understood.

Table with 3 columns: Description, Tons, Cwt. 23 wagon loads of oats, 82 10; 7 wagon loads of merchandize, 22 15; Total net weight, 107 5; Tares of the 30 wagons, 42 15; Fifteen persons (chiefly directors and their friends), 1 0.

Making a gross weight of one hundred and fifty-one tons, besides the weight of the tender, with its coke, water, &c. With this enormous load the Sampson moved off, as we have already stated, at ten minutes past eight, and proceeded to the foot of the Hutton inclined plane, at the rate of about twenty miles an hour.

A case arising out of the transactions of the British Iron Company, came before the Court of Exchequer last week, the briefs to counsel in which consisted of about seventeen reams of paper; the statement of the bill, the answers, and pleadings, occupied about 13,000 folios; and 88 large skins of parchment were filled with the plaintiff's interrogatories. The examination of witnesses cost £1,500 a-side, and £2,000 was expended in procuring office copies of the evidence.

Extent of the United States.—The area of the Mississippi territory, if correctly estimated by Bradbury at 1,334,770 miles, or 860,638,563 acres, is eleven times as extensive as Great Britain and Ireland put together.

EDUCATION.—Lancaster, the great promoter of education, has established himself at Montreal, in Canada, where he has just commenced a periodical work, called The Gazette of Education.

PRINCE LEOPOLD'S PENSION.—It is stated that Prince Coburg has been pressed to resign £20,000 per annum, but that he has declined to do so, with a promise that he would give that sum annually to different charities and hospitals.

The Editor of a paper published in Shawneetown, Illinois, says, that he will receive bacon, tallow, bees wax, and leathers, in payment of subscriptions and advertisements, and requests his printers to pay the postage on all letters enclosing remittances.

NIGHT WATCHES.—It has been my habit—I know not why, except, perhaps, that the muse is more propitious after dinner—to write chiefly late at night; and, when I have grown heated with my subject, it has so chilled my limbs, that I have gone to bed as if I had been sitting up to my knees in ice.

Sir Humphry Davy.—The greatest of all his wants was time, and the expedients by which he economized often placed him in very ridiculous positions, and gave rise to habits of the most eccentric description. Driven to extremity, he would, in his haste, put on fresh linen without removing that which was underneath; and, singular as the fact may appear, he has been known, after the fashion of the grave-digger in Hamlet, to wear no less than five shirts, and as many pair of stockings at the same time.

DESTINY.—When Major-General Sir John Malcolm returned the first time from Persia, at a fashionable and crowded ball 'at home,' he met Madame de Stael. After being introduced to Madame, she informed of his late arrival from the Persian Court; 'Sara John,' said she, 'you must inform me all about Persia! and to begin at the top of all, what is the King of Persia like? what does he look like?'

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LIGHT HOUSE CONTRACT.

THE Subscribers will receive sealed Tenders until Monday the 9th May next, from persons desirous of contracting to erect a LIGHT HOUSE of Wood, and a BUILDING for a Keeper's residence, on Point L'Anse-au-Loup, the same to be completed on or before the 1st day of September next.

Plans and Specifications of the whole may be seen after the 15th inst. upon application to JOHN WARD, Junior, or THOMAS BARLOW, who will furnish such information to the persons tendering as may be required.

The Tenders will be opened on Tuesday, the 10th day of May, at noon; and none will be attended to unless accompanied with the signatures of two responsible persons willing to become bound for the due performance of the contract.

Payments will be made in Cash at such periods as may be agreed upon, reserving one third until the contract is completed. CHARLES SIMONDS, ROBT. W. CROOKSHANK, ALLEN OTTY, JOHN WARD, JUNIOR, THOMAS BARLOW. 12th April, 1831.

FRUIT, BRANDY, &c.

Received per ship Frederick, from Liverpool: 100 SMALL Bales SLOPS, assorted; 100 Half Drums FIGS, 30 Boxes Lemons; 10 Kegs Raisins, 1 Pipe BRANDY. And per Ann from Liverpool: 100 Tons ORREL COALS—warranted.—For sale by April 26. CROOKSHANK & WALKER.

FRESH RAISINS, &c. 100 B OXES & 1000 Best Muscat Half-Boxes; 2 Tons CORDAGE—assorted; 2 Tons of NAILS & SPIKES; 100 Kegs WHITE LEAD. JOHN ROBERTSON. April 19.

LANDING.

Ex Brig Elizabeth, from St. Kitts:—8 HOGSHEADS } SUGAR; 7 Tierces } 140 Barrels } 102 Hog-heads of MOLASSES; 13 Puncheons extra-proof RUM. Ex Brig Ann, from Liverpool:—200 Half-boxes fresh Muscat RAISINS; 30 Packages best Double Refined Leaf SUGAR—about 1 Cwt. each;—for sale by April 19. CROOKSHANK & WALKER.

FLOUR.

Just received per Brig Eliza, Thos. Nixon, Master, from Baltimore:—300 B BARRELS Superior FLOUR, of excellent quality; 100 Barrels best Hoar-street ditto; 300 Ditto Middlings; 20 Ditto NAVY BREAD. Part of which is entered Duty free, for the use of the Fisheries.—For sale by April 12. E. DAW, RATCHFORD.

JAMAICA SPIRITS.

20 P PUNCHONS high proof and fine flavoured Jamaica SPIRITS, just received and for sale low.

100 Bbls. RYE FLOUR, (Philadelphia), 200 Kegs best LONDON LEAD, 200 Kegs GREEN, 100 cans OIL, 2 Casks Baled OIL, 4 bbls. Seal Oil, 30 Barrels COAL TAR, 100 Pieces and half pieces Onsborgs, 60 Pieces Dicks, 50 pieces CANNAS, 30 Dozen COULDRS. JOHN ROBERTSON. April 12.

INDIGO, TEA, &c.

Just received per schr. Luwina, from Halifax:—CHESTS Congo TEA; Hds. PORTER; Chests best bottled ALE and Brown Stout. A few Chests superior E. I. INDIGO.—For sale very low by April 12. E. DAW, RATCHFORD.

SHANNADOAH FLOUR.

Just received from Alexandria, 50 B BARRELS Superior Shannadoah Mountain FLOUR, of superior quality.—For sale by the subscriber, at his store in St. John's-street. H. P. WHITNEY.

SPRUCE LOGS.

PERSONS wishing to Contract for supplying SPRUCE LOGS, to be delivered the ensuing Spring, will please apply to Jan. 4. GEORGE THOMSON.

WILLIAM ROBERTSON, TAILOR.

RESPECTFULLY returns thanks for the very liberal encouragement he has received since his commencement of business in this City, and begs to intimate to his Customers and the Public generally, that he will continue the above Business, in its several branches, at his shop, North West corner of the Market-square, adjoining the Drug and Medicine Store of Mr. W. O. SMITH, and hopes, by strict attention and a disposition to please, to merit a continuation of their patronage.—All favours will be gratefully received and executed in the best and most fashionable manner, on moderate terms. St. John, August 10.

Wanted, as Steward or Waiter.

AN active Young Man, who has been accustomed to the business—of good address, and can produce satisfactory testimonials of character. As the situation is in an establishment of the first respectability, liberal encouragement will be given for a suitable person.—None need apply except those fully qualified for such a situation.—Apply at the Observer or Courier Office, St. John, and Royal Gazette Office, Fredericton. April 5.

RECEIVED.

Per Brig DUNCAN, from Liverpool:—FEW Casks CURRANTS, RAISINS, and FIGS—in fine order; 2 Pipes of RED WINE; 1 Hogshead of MADEIRA WINE; 2 Bales of Italian WRITING PAPER; 1 Box LEAD PENCILS. March 8. CROOKSHANK & WALKER.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT.

Assistant Commissary General's Office, St. John, N. B. 11th April, 1831.

SEALED Tenders will be received at this Office, until Tuesday the 10th of May next, at noon, from persons disposed to enter into Contract to Supply for the Use of His Majesty's Troops in this Province, the following Articles, viz:—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Quantity. Port Cumberland, 20; Salt Andrews, 12; Fredericton, 500; St. John, 500.

WOOD, Coals, 40 500; COAL, Chaldrons, 250 12. For such quantities of best Porpoise Oil and Cotton Wick, as may be required for One Year from the 1st July next, at St. John and Fredericton, to be issued to the Troops in detail by the Contractors.

For such quantities of FRESH BEEF, as may be required for One Year from the 1st July next, for the Troops and Departments in the Garrisons of St. John, Fredericton, and St. Andrews. For supplying into the Commissariat Stores at St. John, on or before the 30th day of June next, Ten Barrels of Prime Mess Irish Pork, warranted to keep good and sweet until the 30th day of June, 1832.

For the baking of BREAD for One Year from the 1st of July next, for the Garrison of St. John, from Flour to be furnished from the King's Stores; the Bread must be raised with Brewer's Yeast, and the Contractor's Bake House to be at all hours liable to be inspected by a Commissariat Officer.

The rate of Fresh Beef, Salt Pork, Wood, Coal, Oil and Cotton Wick, to be expressed in the Tenders in British Sterling in words at length; and payment will be made in British Silver Money, or if the amount due upon any of these Supplies exceeds One Hundred Pounds Sterling, it will be at the option of the Commissariat to pay in Bills of Exchange at the rate of One Hundred Pounds for every One Hundred and One Pounds Ten Shillings due upon the Contract.

It is distinctly to be understood that the Beef to be supplied is of the best marketable quality of Ox or Heifer Beef. That no crooked or rotten Wood, or any other than the best quality that is brought to Market, will be received, the Cord to be English measure, viz. four feet high, four feet in width, and eight feet long. The Coal to be of the best quality of Liverpool, Newcastle, or Cape Breton, and none other will be received.

No Tender will be noticed, unless accompanied by a letter addressed to the Senior Commissariat Officer at St. John, signed by two respectable persons, offering to become bound with the party tendering, for the faithful performance of the Contract. The Tenders to be written upon the back "Tenders for Wood, Coal, &c." as the case may be. Persons tendering, or Agents for them, are particularly requested to attend at this Office on the 10th of May next, at 12 o'clock.

Terms of the Contract may be seen and every information obtained, on application at the respective Commissariat Offices in the Province. HOUSES and LANDS.

FOR SALE.

A VALUABLE Lot of LAND, in the Parish of Springfield, and County of Kings, six miles from the Bellisle Bay, and forty-two from St. John. There is a good Log House, and twenty-five acres cleared. It may be divided into two Lots of 200 acres each, if more convenient for purchasers. Inquire of JAMES HOLMES, St. John.

N. B. BLACKSMITH Work and House SHOEING, executed with despatch at his Shop, Brittain-street, Lower Cove. Feb. 8.

TO LET.

WHAT WHARF in the Lower Cove, formerly occupied by Mr. BARR, as a Coal and Lumber Yard.—Also, the Small House, opposite the same, either together or separate.—If not let before the 2d April, they will on that day be let by Auction. JOHN ROBERTSON. March 22.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.

And possession given the 1st day of May next: THE HOUSE in Queen-street, now occupied by Dr. BOYLE, and the Upper Flat of the STORE, the next to the East end of the South Market Wharf.—A fine Pasture Lot, of about eight acres, at Little River, at the junction of the Loch Loumond and Red Head Roads.—And, FOR SALE, Two Lots of LAND at the head of the third Loch Loumond; one of which has from thirty to forty acres cleared on it, and also a good Dwelling House; each Lot contains three hundred acres, with the usual allowance for Roads and Waste.—The two Lower STORES at the end of the South Market Wharf—and the Brick House, situated in Prince William-street, the third from the corner of that and Queen-street. W. & F. KINNEAR, March 22. Attorneys for the Owners.

TOBACCO, &c.

Just Received, and for Sale: 35 K EGs best quality TOBACCO; 20 Dozen CORN BROOMS; 2 Dozen WATER BUCKETS; 3 Nests of TUBS; 6 FEATHER BEDS. 5th April. J. & H. KINNEAR.

TEAS.

44 CHESTS and Half Chests of Congo, Souchong, and Bhea TEAS, just received and for sale low. April 12. JOHN ROBERTSON.

NOTICES.

THE Term of Co-Partnership existing between the Subscribers (in the town of Grandville, Annapolis County, N. S.) will terminate on the 1st day of June next. JOHN WADE, Junr. W. P. SCOTT. St. John, 19th April, 1831.

THE Co-Partnership of DAVID HATFIELD & SON, will be dissolved, by mutual consent, on the first day of May next. All Persons having demands or unsettled Accounts, are requested to present the same for adjustment; and all Persons indebted, will make immediate payment. DAVID HATFIELD, PETER HATFIELD.

The Business will on the 1st of May, be assumed by P. HATFIELD, who also proposes transacting the Business of an AUCTOR, and COMMISSION MERCHANT, and solicits the patronage of his Friends and the Public. St. John, November 30, 1830.

THE Subscriber takes this method of informing his former Customers, and the Public in general, that he intends carrying on his Business in the MASON LINE, in this City, in all its various branches, viz.—Book and Stone Laying, Plastering, Stucco Work, and Stairing, all of which will be done with neatness and dispatch. WILLIAM CROSS.

N. B. Whitening and Colouring will be done on the shortest notice and most reasonable terms. St. John, March 15.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of WILLIAM WATERS, late of this City, deceased, are requested to render the same, duly attested, to the Subscriber, within Twelve Months from the date hereof: And all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to SARAH WATERS, Sole Administratrix. St. John, November 23, 1830.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of the late HENRY JOHNSTON, Esquire, deceased, will render the same for settlement, within twelve months from the date hereof: And all Persons indebted to the said Estate are hereby required to make immediate payment to J. JOHNSTON, Executor. St. John, 30th March, 1830.

THE Subscriber respectfully informs the Public in general, that he has purchased the improvements belonging to the BREWERY in Caranarthen-street, Lower Cove, formerly belonging to Mr. JOHN MONAHAN, where he offers for sale the following BEERS—viz: BURTON ALE, MILD Do. PORTER and TABLE BEER. YEAST, GRAINS, and VINEGAR.

Having employed an experienced Brewer, he offers himself, that he will be able to give satisfaction to Customers, and respectfully solicits a share of public patronage. N. B.—Persons having Barley for sale, will please apply to Mr. JOHN MONAHAN, North Market Wharf, or to the Subscriber, Lower Cove. EWEN CAMERON. St. John, N. B. 26th January, 1830.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

SAINT JOHN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Election of DIRECTORS of the MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, for the present year, having taken place at the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders, on the 5th instant, agreeably to the Act of Incorporation;—Notice is hereby given, that the Business of the Company is continued, and Risks taken upon the most eligible terms. By order of the President and Directors, THOMAS HEAVISIDE, St. John, 19th July, 1830.

WEST OF SCOTLAND INSURANCE OFFICE.

THE Subscriber begs leave to inform the Public, that he has lately received instructions to take Risks at lower rates than heretofore; and also, to issue New Policies at the reduced rates for all Insurances now effected, at the termination of the present Policies, instead of Renewal Receipts. JOHN ROBERTSON, Agent and Attorney.

INSURANCE AGAINST FIRE.

THE ETNA INSURANCE COMPANY of Hartford, Connecticut, continue to Insure HOUSES & BUILDINGS of all descriptions, GOODS, FURNITURE, &c. within the Province of New-Brunswick, on the usual terms, for which, with any other particulars, please apply to the Subscriber, who is duly authorised to issue Policies, Renewal Receipts, &c. ELISHA DE W. RATCHFORD, St. John, February 17, 1830. Agent.

WEEKLY ALMANACH.

Table with 4 columns: Day, Sun, Moon, Full. MAY—1831. Sun, Sets, Rises, Sea. 4 WEDNESDAY - 4 53 7 7 0 48 4 1; 5 THURSDAY - 4 52 7 8 1 27 5 3; 6 FRIDAY - 4 51 7 9 2 2 6 4; 7 SATURDAY - 4 49 7 11 2 35 7 30; 8 SUNDAY - 4 48 7 12 3 7 8 10; 9 MONDAY - 4 47 7 13 3 35 9 50; 10 TUESDAY - 4 46 7 11 4 21 10 27.

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