A fire broke out in Portland, Monday morning, the 14th inst., in the grocery store and candle factory of H. H. Dow, which communicated with the Rope-walk and twine factory adjoining, both of which were destroyed. Loss $2000. Insured $1200 at the Enta office.

THE STANDARD.

St. Andrews, Wednesday, Octr. 30, 1844.

Charlotte County Bank.
Hon. Harris Hatch, President.
T. B. Wilson, Esq., Solicitor
Director next week—*George D. Street.*
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, otherwisethey must lie over until next week.

Alms and Work House.
Commissioners—R. M. Andrews, R. Walton, C. A. Babcock, Thos. Turner, John Bailey.

Saint Stephens Bank.
G. D. King Esq., *President*
Director next week—*Abner Hill.*
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 discountday.

LATEST DATES

Liverpool, —Oct.	4	*Montreal*, —Oct.	29
London, —— Oct.	3	*Quebec* —— Oct.	29
Edinburgh—Oct.	2	*Halifax*, —Oct.	25
Paris, —— Oct	1	*New York*,—Oct.	26
Toronto,—Octr.	11	*Boston*,——Oct.	27

The Charlotte County Agricultural Society held their Cattle Show and Fair, at the Farm of Mr. John McDowall, on Thursday the 24th instant, according to previous Notice.

The day proved auspicious; the number of competitors was larger than on any former occasion, and it was most gratifying to observe, the interest manifested by a numerous and highly respectable class of spectators, from Town and Country, in every thing that contributed to the complete success of the undertaking. As soon as the necessary arrangements were made, the different Committees appointed at the last quarterly Meeting of the Board, to award the Premiums, commenced their labours, without any previous knowledge of the owners of Stock, or articles of domestic manufacture. The following is the result of their deliberations.

Hon. H. Hatch, D. Mowatt Esq. Mr. L. L. Copeland, } *Committee on Horses.*			
To Saml. Catheart, of St. Patrick, for the best Entire Horse,	£2	s. 0	d. 0
" Saml. Curry 2nd do. do.	1	0	0
To Wm. Simpson, for the best Brood Mare,	1	10	0
" James Stephenson, of St. David, 2nd do do,	1	0	0
" David Craig, 3rd do do,	0	15	0
Thos. Turner, Edwd. Pheasant, James Healey, } *Committee on Stock.*			
To M. Andrews, for the best Bull,	2	0	0
" Saml. Donley, 2nd do do.	1	10	0
" James Stephenson, 3rd do do.	1	0	0
To D. Mowatt Esq., for the best Milch Cow,	1	0	0
" Jos. Walton, 2nd do do	0	15	0
" M. Andrews, 3rd do do	0	10	0
To Joseph Walton, for the best Heifer	1	0	0
" Wm. Heatherington, 2nd do do.	0	15	0
" M. Andrews, 3rd do do	0	10	0
To Jas. Stephenson, for the best pair of Steers,	1	0	0
" John McCurdy, 2nd do do	0	15	0
" Saml. McFarlane, of Saint Patrick, 3rd do do	0	10	0
To Joseph Walton, for the best Ram,	1	0	0
" Wm. Simpson, 2nd do do	0	15	0
" D. Mowatt, 3rd do do	0	10	0
To Joseph Walton, for the best Ewe,	0	15	0
" D. Mowatt, 2nd do do	0	10	0
" M. Andrews, 3rd do do	0	7	6
To John Wheaton, for the best Boar,	1	0	0
" Henry O'Niel, 2nd do do	0	15	0
" D. Mowatt, 3rd do do	0	10	0
To John Wheaton, for the best Sow,	0	15	0
" Henry O'Niel, 2nd do do	0	10	0
" D. Mowatt, 3rd do do	0	7	6
J. Walton, Hugh Caven, Thos Sime, } *Committee on Grain.*			
To John McDonall, for the best sample of Wheat,	0	15	0
" Samuel Getty, 2nd do do	0	12	6
" Matthew Stephenson, of St. Patrick, 3rd do do	0	10	0
To Jeffrey Trenholm, for the best sample of Barley	0	12	6
" Saml. Donley, 2nd do do	0	10	0
" John McCurdy, 3rd do do	0	7	6
To John McCurdy, for the best sample of Oats,	0	10	0
" Henry O'Niel, 2nd do do	0	7	6
Hon. Thos Wyer, Hon. H. Hatch, C. R. Hathaway Esq, } *Committee on Butter and Cheese.*			
To Jeffrey Trenholm, for the best sample of Butter,	0	15	0
" Jos. Walton, 2nd do do	0	10	0
To D. Mowatt, for the best sample of Cheese,	0	15	0
" John McDonall 2nd do do	0	10	0

Committee—Hon. Thos. Wyer, John Lochary and M. S. Hannah.

To David Mowatt, for the best sample of Woolen Cloth,	0	15	0
" Samuel McFarlane, 2nd do do.	0	10	0
" Henry O'Niel, 3rd do do	0	7	6
To John McDonall, for the best sample of Cotton and Wool Cloth,	0	15	0
" David Mowatt, 2nd do do	0	10	0
" Thos. Sime, 3rd do do	0	7	6
To John McDonall, for the best sample of Woolen Flannel,	0	15	0
" James Stephenson, 2nd do do.	0	10	0

As soon as the several Committees had reported, the President, Dr. Frye, addressed those who remained to hear the result, and congratulated the successful competitors, and country generally, upon the marked improvement which had taken place, and expressed his grateful acknowledgements, for the numerous attendance, and the satisfactory manner in which every thing connected with the Fair had been conducted; at the same time urging one and all to persevere in emulating each other, in every branch of Agricultural improvement, satisfied as they must be, that the soil and climate of the country, was capable of affording the comforts of life in abundance. The Secretary then declared the successful competitors—and the Premiums were paid on the ground. The show of young Cattle exhibited was numerous and very satisfactory; but the most marked improvement was to be observed in sheep, and swine, among the large number entered of the former, not one inferior animal was to be seen, the whole wool have been deemed "fine" in any country, and prove beyond a doubt, the capabilities of this Province, for the production of this most invaluable description of Stock. Although the judges very properly gave the preference to the most "pure," Berkshires offered for competition, as being the most important for the improvement of the Breed of Swine, yet there were other animals in the yard, (a cross of the Berkshire) much superior in weight and appearance to those who obtained the first Premium. The samples of Wheat exhibited were most gratifying—being both numerous, and of superior quality; the best weighing 64 lbs. and the highest 61 1 2 lbs. per Bushel. It is worthy of remark; that the whole of these samples have been raised from seed, the produce of a small sample of "Black sea Wheat," imported in 1841, by the Society, and shews most clearly the superiority of this description of Wheat, over every other that we have in the Country, as being less liable to rust, or mildew, and therefore most suitable to our climate. The Barley and Oats, was very fair, but from some cause or other, the quantity of Oats, was much less than was to be expected, and inferior in quality, to any previous exhibition. The samples of Butter were numerous and the quality such, as to require the nicest discrimination in deciding which ought to have the preference. The samples of Cheese were but few, but those who obtained the Premiums were pronounced excellent, particularly that from the farm of D. Mowatt Esq., which would do credit to any dairy, and was much praised by all who had an opportunity of giving an opinion as to its quality. Some of the samples of Homespun Cloth exhibited was much admired, and well deserved all the reward, that the Society had to bestow.

Finally, the friends of Agriculture, in this part of the County, must feel a laudable pride in witnessing the progressive improvements, which are daily taking place; and it is to be hoped, that the spirit of enterprise, which has distinguished some of our farmers, will not slumber or be allowed to rest, until the County shall become independent of any foreign Country, for even a partial supply of the necessaries of life. "Speed the Plough."

The Fall Term of the Court of Oyer and Terminer commenced here on Tuesday, His Honor Mr Justice Botshord presiding.—There are 19 cases entered for trial, and there is every prospect of the court continuing for a fortnight at least.

St. Andrews Rope Walk.—*Encourage Domestic Manufacture*—We visited this establishment, which is in full operation, last week and were much gratified to observe so many hands at work. The Messrs. Jarvis have made a number of improvements and added to their Machinery, some of which is of domestic manufacture and shows the skill and ingenuity of Mr Watson. The hawsers, rigging, cords, lines, &c. manufactured at this establishment are fully equal to any imported.—We would earnestly call upon our ship builders and owners to encourage the enterprising and spirited owners of this manufactory, by doing so they will ultimately reap the benefit—for the ready money would then be kept in the country which is now sent away for this article—and it would be some encouragement to extend the usefulness of the concern, which has already cost a large sum, besides giving employment to additional hands—We would again say Encourage domestic manufacture.

Launched from the Ship yard at Indian Point on Monday last, a well built Schooner which on entering her future element received the name of the "*Operator.*" This vessel was built by Mr. George Gelly for Capt. P. Smith, of this Town, and is intended for a packet. We wish her owner success.

Launched at the Ship-yard, Chamcook, on Tuesday, a substantial built ship called the "*Wm Bisard,*" registering 800 tons. She was built by Mr R. Townsend for John Wilson Esq.

War Office Sept. 27.—33d Foot Lt. E. Millwan, to be Captain by purchase vice Todd who retires, Ens. R. Lacey to be Lieut. by purchase vice Milliman. A. Kempt gent. to Ensign vice Lacey.

His Excellency the Governor of the Bermudas, lately presented a donation of a £5 to the Total Abstinence Society.

The Captain of a Portland brig says, that on the night of the 26th August, at 10 o'clock, he saw Bassaterra in Guadaloupe still standing. That was the day on which that town was reported to have been destroyed by a fearful conflagration.

Letters were received by the Steamer Britannia, from the Rev Dr. Burns of Paisley, announcing the final determination of the Doctor, to accept of the call from the Free Church Congregation of Toronto, and to come out in the month of June, to enter upon his duties. In the meantime, it is understood that one of the Ministers who came out in the Britannia, will be stationed in Toronto.

Owner and Contractor.—The Judge of the Common Pleas, in a decision, on Saturday, held that an owner has a right to prevent a contractor from proceeding in the erection of a building, where any substantial variation, either as to materials workmanship or design is apparent; the owner doing so at his own risk, so far as to show proof that such variations was actually taking place.—[N. Y. Express.

"*The American Woman,*" is the title of a new paper just commenced in Philadelphia. It is devoted to the American Republican cause, and is edited, printed and published exclusively by women.

The Woonsocket, (R. I.) Patriot says that measures are to be taken by the Legislature of that State, to compel Thomas W. Dorr from prison at its October session.

A writer in the Harrison Star calculates that the debt of Texas amounts to $1 00 per head for every man, woman and child, in the republic.

The Tabernacle in Boston is crowded night and day with Millerites, who have expressed a perfect confidence that the judgment day is to be next on the 22d inst.—Handbills from the neighbouring towns sleep in the Tabernacle every night.

The Advent Herald of this week says, "We shall make no provision for the issuing a paper next week, [illegible]." In an address to the readers of this paper, they say, "We feel lest we are addressing you through these columns for the last time." [Bost. pap. of last week.

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Passamaquoddy Lodge, No. 19, of this order, was instituted yesterday in this place with the usual ceremonies, by officiating brethren from the Kenduskeag and Penobscot Lodges, Bangor.

From the honorable principles professed by the Order, its rapid progress other parts of the State, and from the character of the gentlemen who have it in hand, we predict for it abundant usefulness and success in this region. A list of officers will be given hereafter.—*Eastport Sentinel.*

Canada Election.—The first member returned was George Sherwood, Esq. for the Borough of Brockville. He is favorable to the policy of Sir Charles Metcalf. The Hon John Neilson, one of the oldest legislators in Canada, has again come forward as a candidate for the County of Quebec.

Quebec.—The return of arrivals up to the 11th inst shows an increase of 29 vessels, and 35,943 tons over those of last year—the numbers being in 1843, 1153 vessels, 413,566 tons, and 20,684 passengers; and in 1844, 1183 vessels, 448,909 tons, and 19,470 passengers.

St Thomas.—By the brig Grecian, Capt Benedict, we have our correspondent's letter to the 4th inst. He states "that the prospect for the coming crop, both here and in the neighbouring island, bids fair for a much larger crop than it has been for some time past. The weather for the season has been very fine.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

A New Guano Island.—The ship Leo has arrived at the port of Berwick with a cargo of Guano from Chincha, or the Bug Islands. The captain states that he loaded his vessel (about 426 tons) in 48 hours, the guano lying as thick as 300 feet; and that, had it not been for the trouble of stowing, it might have been done in four or five hours. The guano was conveyed to the hold of the vessel by means of a canvas hose. The Bug Islands are three in number, about 15 miles off Pisseo, in lat 14 deg. 13 min. There is a rock, half a mile in diameter, in the centre of the middle Island, which appeared to be a kind of whitened boulter. The captain visited only two of the islands, and states that the air was strongly impregnated with ammonia. The coast of Peru abounds with guano. He describes labour in general to be plentiful, and to be had at about three shillings per day English money; but he had to wait a month for his "turn," as there were thirty vessels there. The population is principally a mixed race of Spaniards and Peruvians, speaking Spanish.—*London paper.*

The New Comet.—By observations at the Cambridge Observatory, on the night of September 15, the place of the comet was discovered at Hamburg on September 6 was as follows:—At September 15, 13 h. 26,6 min., Greenwich mean solar time; right ascension, 0 h. 44 min. 20 9 sec.; declination south, 12 deg. 53 min. 32 sec.

New Law affecting Merchant Seamen and the Owners of Vessels.

The Act 7 and 8 Vic c. 112, places the whole Merchant Service on an *entirely new footing.* After the 1st January next it supersedes what is commonly called Sir James Graham's Act, 5 and 6 W. 4, c. 19, which at present regulates agreements betwixt Master and Seamen. Besides embodying, apparently, all the provisions of the expiring Act, it superadds enactments which all concerned ought at once to con over; as they are enforced on pain of multiplied penalties. The following are the chief of its new passages:—

1.—The 17th section provides that, "in all cases of Wreck or Loss of the ship every surviving seaman shall be entitled to his wages up to the wreck or loss, whether such ship shall or shall not have previously earned freight; provided the Seaman shall produce a certificate from the master or chief surviving officer of the ship, that he exerted to the utmost to save the Ship, Cargo, and the Stores."

2.—It requires a statement in the Articles of Agreement of the quality of provisions each seaman is to receive.

3.—Provides that "if the Allowance of provisions which a Seaman agreed to receive shall be reduced to one-third the quantity or less he shall receive four pence per day, and if the reduction be more than one-third he shall receive eighteen pence per day during the period such respective deductions may be made; and such pecuniary Allowances shall be paid to him in addition to and be recoverable as wages."

4.—Besides re-enacting the general rule that hurt or wounded sailors shall receive Medicines, and (where practicable) Advice, at ship's expense, it renders it compulsory to carry a Surgeon on board in certain cases, viz:—"Every Ship having 100 persons (passengers or crew) or upwards on board—also every Ship whose voyage comes under the late passenger Act, and is deemed to exceed twelve weeks, having 50 persons or upwards on board—shall have some person duly authorized by law to practice in this kingdom as a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary; and in every default the Owner shall incur a penalty not exceeding £100.

5.—By section 57, if any Three or more of a more of a Crew lodge a complaint, with Consuls abroad or Collector or Controller at home or in a British possession, that the Provisions, Water or Medicines on board are bad, insufficient, or inappropriate, and if so found by the proper officer and if the Master refuse to remedy the same, he is indictable for a Misdemeanor, (punishable at the discretion of the justice.)

6.—In general it extends protection to seamen, by additional precautions that no shipmaster shall take advantage of their ignorance—without being amenable to severe and summary penalties.

7.—No sailor, no apprentice whatever, none but the Master and Doctor can sail in British or Colonial ship, until every man of them has personally presented himself at the Custom House—answered fifteen interrogatories, and obtained a Register Ticket.

8.—Whenever the Ticket is lost every Seaman must present himself at some Custom-house, to observe a new one, but unless he gives a satisfactory account of the same, he must pay a fine of not more than 10s. nor less than 2s.; besides being indictable for a Misdemeanor subjecting to fine or imprisonment for false answers to any "reasonable question" of the interrogating official.

9.—Cancellations of Register Tickets of dead or retired sailors are to be conspicuously posted in all Custom-houses, and copies furnished on demand; if the ship-owners or ship masters engage any sailor presenting a Ticket not genuine, they incur a penalty of £5 in every instance; whilst the personating sailor forfeits to the owner all wages in that agreement.

10.—Besides depositing a copy of Agreement, as now, with Collector or Controller those officers are to hold it, until all wages are settled; no ship is to be juraged or cleared inwards till those officers certify the Tide surveyor that the wages are settled, and till these things be done, the boarded Tide waiter to remain at ship's expense.

The practical working of this act, we fancy, will be somewhat difficult.

A letter from Elsineur states that, previously to the sailing of the Russian fleet from that place, the Admiral received for the Emperor of Russia a present from the Queen of England, consisting of the perfect model of a ship in metal, contained in a case.

It is reported that the King and Queen of Naples will visit Paris towards the close of October or beginning of Novr.

In consequence of the failure of the harvest in Poland, from the inundations of the Vistula, the Emperor Nicholas has interdicted the exportation of corn from that country.

Royal Proclamation.—Whereas, on each and every of our Royal movements, it has been, and is the custom of sundry weekly-disposed persons, known as "Our own Correspondents," "Our Private Correspondents," and others, to write, and cause to be printed, absurd and foolish language, touching ourself, our Royal consort, and beloved babies—it is our will and pleasure that such foolish practices (tending as they really do to bring Royalty into contempt) shall be discontinued, and that from henceforth, all vain silly, and sycophantic verbage shall cease, and good straightforward, simple English be used in all descriptions of all progresses made by ourself, our Royal Consort, and our dearly beloved children. And furthermore, it shall be permitted to our Royal Self to wear a white shawl, or a black shawl, without any idle talk being passed upon the same. And further, our beloved Corsort shall whenever, it shall so please him, "change his round hat for a naval cap with a gold band," without calling for the special notice of the newspapers, and further, that our beloved child, the Princess Royal, shall be permitted to walk "hand in hand" with her Royal Father without exciting such marked demonstrations of wonderment at the familiarity, as have been made known to me by the public press. Be it known that Queen of England is not the Grand Lama, and further be it remembered, that Englishmen should not emulate the vain idolatry of speech familiar to the mouths of Eastern boodmen. Victoria Regina. Given at Blair Atholl, Sept. 1844.—*Punch.*

MARRIED.

At Pendletons's Island, on the 23d inst. by the Rev. Saml. Thomson A. M. Rector of the Parish of Saint George, Mr. James Stewart, of St. George to Miss Susan Pendleton, of West Isles.

At St. John, on the 22d ult by the Revr. Mr. Halkett, Mr James McFarlane, Merchant, to Mary Anne, eldest daughter of Mr. Ewen Cameron, all of that city.

At Londonderry, 27th Sept. Bronswick, Morrison, St. Andrews.

TOTAL ABSTINENCE SOCIETY.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Total Abstinence Society, will be held in the TOWN HALL, on Monday evening next at seven o'clock.

Several addresses will be delivered by the friends of Temperance. The public are invited to attend.

Oct 30, 1844.

TO SHOE-MAKERS.

ONE or two Journeymen SHOE-MAKERS, will meet with steady employment by applying to
JOHN McFARLANE.
Oct. 30, 1844.

Fine Congou Tea.

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10 CHESTS just received and for Sale very low.

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J. W. STREET
Oct. 30, 1844.

CONTRACT.

TENDERS

WILL be received by the Subscribers at the Office of Thos. Wyer Esq. until Saturday the 9th November next, at noon:

For Building a BLOCK on the Western Bar, leading to St. Andrews Island, on the Side where the former one stood; to be 30 feet square at the bottom, and not less than 10 feet at the top, and to be at least four feet above the highest tide. The Legs to be of good sound pine or hemlock, not less than 14 inches square, securely dove tailed, and bolted together with inch Iron, the bolts to be long enough to go through three tiers; to have cross pieces, corner posts, and tenders, to be placed and fastened in the same manner as the Block on the Eastern bar of Saint Andrews Island; to have three strong and substantial floors, the logs to be not less than 12 inches at the top end.

The Block to be completed on or before the first day of June next, and warranted to stand five years, for which security will be required from the builder.

THOS. WYER, } *Commissioners of*
JOHN WILSON, } *Buoys & Beacons*
St. Andrews, October 16, 1844.

ENCOURAGE DOMESTIC MANUFACTURE!

TALLOW CHANDLERY.

The Subscriber grateful for past favours would again announce to the public generally that he has commenced the above business on the premises adjoining Mrs. Parkinson's Bakery and trusts by attention and assiduity, to merit the patronage of the Public.

WM. POMEROY.
Oct 20, 1844

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FROM ST. ANDREWS ISLAND,
ON Monday night last, a BLACK HORSE, of a small size, any person giving intelligence of said Horse, will be liberally rewarded.
Apply to—
MICHAEL HEALY.
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