

ing operation in all governments—is among the most delicate and important trusts in our hands; and it will, of course, demand no inconsiderable share of my official solicitude.

Under every aspect in which it can be considered, it would appear to be a measure that results from the observance of a strict and faithful economy. This I shall aim at the more anxiously, both because it will facilitate the extinguishment of the national debt; and because it is incompatible with the respectability of the Government, and because it will counteract that tendency to public and private profligacy, which a profuse expenditure of money by the Government, is but too apt to engender.

With regard to a proper selection of the subjects of impost, with a view to revenue, would seem to me to be the spirit of equity, candour, and compromise, in which the Constitution was formed, requires that the great interests of agriculture, commerce, and manufactures, should be equally favoured; and that perhaps, exceptions to this rule, should be confined to the peculiar exigencies of any particular branch of the revenue, which may be found essential to our national independence.

Internal improvement, and the diffusion of knowledge, so far as they can be promoted by the constitutional acts of the Federal Government, are of high importance. Considering standing armies as dangerous to free governments in time of peace, I shall not seek to enlarge our present establishment, nor disregard that salutary lesson of political economy, which teaches that the military should be held subordinate to the civil power.

The gradual increase of our Navy, whose flag has displayed in distant climes, our skill in navigation and our fame in arms; the preservation of our forts, arsenals, and dock yards; the introduction of progressive improvements in the discipline and science of both branches of our military service; are also plainly prescribed by prudence, that I should be excused for omitting their mention, sooner than for enlarging upon their importance. But the bulwark of our defence is the national militia, which, in the present state of our intelligence and population, must render us invincible.

As long as our Government is administered for the good of the people, and is regulated by their will, as long as it secures to us the rights of person and of property, liberty of conscience, and of the press, it will be detested, a patriotic militia will cover it with an impenetrableegis. Partial injuries and occasional mortifications we may be subjected to, but a million of armed freemen possessed of the means of war, can never be conquered by a foreigner. To any just system, therefore, calculated to strengthen this natural safeguard of the country, I shall cheerfully lend all the aid in my power.

It will be my sincere and constant desire to observe towards the Indian tribes within our limits, a just and liberal policy; and to give that humane and considerate attention to their rights and their wants which are consistent with the wants of our Government, and the feelings of our people.

The recent demonstration of public sentiment, inscribed on the list of executive duties, in character too legible to be overlooked, the task of reform; which will require, particularly, the correction of those abuses that have brought the patronage of the Federal Government into conflict with the freedom of elections, and the counteraction of those causes which have disturbed the rightful course of appointment, and have placed, or conferred power in, unfaithful or incompetent hands.

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A diffidence, perhaps too just, in my own qualifications, will teach me to look with reverence to the examples of public virtue left by my illustrious predecessors, and with veneration to the lights that flow from the mind that founded and the mind that reformed, our system. The same diffidence induces me to hope for instruction and aid from the co-ordinate branches of the Government, and for the indulgence and support of my fellow-citizens generally. And a firm reliance on the goodness of that Power whose Providence mercifully protected our national infancy, and has since upheld our liberties in various vicissitudes, encourages me to offer up my ardent supplications that He will continue to make our beloved country the object of His divine care and gracious benediction.

A letter from Washington, to the editor of the Charleston Patriot says—"It is not known to you, perhaps, that Don Miguel has sent a minister to this court. He has been here for some time, but has never been received or recognized by the President."

LIGHT HOUSE ON BLOCK ISLAND.—Mr. Pearce, our Representative from Newport, we are informed, has obtained a grant of 5000 dollars from Government for erecting a Light House on Block Island; also a grant of a sufficient sum to procure a Bell to be located at Point Judith, to alarm vessels of their danger when approaching the shore in a fog. This is an excellent arrangement particularly for steam boats.

Mr. Reedside, a mail contractor at New York, complains that the New York Christian Advocate burdens the mail weekly with three tons of newspapers. He wants them to dry their papers.

The debating society in Windsor, Vt. on the 28th inst. are to discuss the important question "Do women govern the world?" Their decision is looked for with some anxiety.

A young fellow was lately robbed in Philadelphia. The robber first knocked him down with his fist, then came near putting a + to his existence with a +. Several cases have happened in that CT lately, and it is proposed to add a \$ to the criminal code on their account.—Williamston Advocate.

destruction was inevitable, both its opposite corners being at once in flames. Several times the fire took hold of the house occupied by Mr. Paul, and as often as it extinguished, but the opposite side being now in flames, the heat became so intense, the materials so dry and predisposed to catch the least spark, and flames ascended in such immense volumes, that every effort proved unsuccessful—the devouring element obtained a complete mastery, which set every attempt to arrest its progress at defiance,—and it proceeded up America street on both sides, consuming house after house with awful and astonishing rapidity. The appearance was now fearful, and seemed to paralyse every effort. No language can describe—no force of poetic imagination can adequately picture to itself, the character of this truly terrific and lamentable scene; and were it possible to cherish any other feelings, at such a moment of devastation and ruin to many, than sorrow and alarm, those which relate to the sublime might be abundantly indulged—the very air parched and burning as if impregnated with the elements of destruction—both sides of the street, with all their premises, of the most combustible materials, in one sheet of living fire—the flames raging as if animated by the demon of destruction, sometimes pointing high to the heavens, and at other times forming a complete arch across the street—light unlike that of sun or moon rendering every object visible as at noon day, spreading a horrid glare upon thousands of countenances of all colours, and clothing the trees with a hue which seemed not of nature's work, and on which the eye looked not to dwell—formed a scene truly magnificent and appalling. In this way the fire continued till about six o'clock in the morning of Tuesday, and till, with the exception of three or four houses, it totally destroyed the whole of that district of the town bounded by the River on the west, High-street on the east, Youngs drainage trench on the north, and St. James Canal on the south. The scene is now most desolate; the very site of the different streets and houses can hardly be pointed out; and of what were two days ago populous streets, comfortable habitations, and extensive warehouses, nothing remains but smoking ruins, vitrified glass, and such materials as the fire could not entirely consume.—The most respectable and intelligent assert, that the loss cannot be less than £300,000 sterling.

From the St. Christopher's Advertiser, Jan. 27. Major-General Stuart, of Garth, arrived at Barbadoes in the Hope Packet, on his way to his Government of St. Lucia. The off-mentioned brig Carriacou, Capt. Cook, left this port, this morning, for St. Eustatius, to receive on board the part of her cargo detained there.

From the same, February 20. Lieut. General Sir James Lyon, K. C. B. & K. C. H. Governor of Barbadoes, arrived at that Island on the 6th inst. in U. M. ship Herald, and was sworn in to the administration of the Government on the 10th. The Earl of Belmore, Governor of Jamaica, also came out in the Herald. The Mail Boat from St. Thomas brought accounts of Reupure and three other men, who had taken the Carriacou to Saba, and who had been afterwards apprehended at St. Thomas, having been executed at that Island on Friday last; and that five others, for other piracies, were to suffer death in the course of this week.

The progress of the Mining Company appears to be daily becoming more important. The foundry is in successful operation, and rail ways are now casting, and will be ready for laying down in the spring, for the purpose of facilitating the conveyance to the river. A considerable addition to the number of lighters to be employed on the river will be made in the course of the winter; and a wharf or place of deposit at this town, which will contain several thousand chaldrons of coal for exportation is contracted for. It is also gratifying to learn, that orders have been received by the late packet, to build two steam boats (the machinery for which will arrive in the spring) one of thirty horse power for the purpose of coasting and carrying the coals to market.—Picture-Patriot.

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LATER NEWS STILL.—Since preparing the above, we have been politely favoured, through two different channels, with New-York papers to the 23d January. We supply London dates to the 12th inst. which we have had time to make but a few hurried extracts. The Duke of Northumberland is appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.—STREPHENSON, the absconding banker, and LLOYD, his clerk, notwithstanding all the English vigilance which was exerted to lay hold of them, have arrived at Savannah, in the Kingston from Milford.—the former assumed the name of SMITH, the latter that of LARKIN.—One of the papers reports an arrival off Boston, in 18 days from England, which may possibly furnish the KING'S Speech at the opening of Parliament on the 8th February.

The Western Mail has arrived, but furnishes nothing whatever in the way of news.

THE PRESIDENCY.—Government despatches having been forwarded to Fredericton on Friday afternoon, something will probably transpire in the course of to-day as to the Administration of our Provincial Government, during the absence of the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—We understand that a private letter has been received in town from England, which mentions that a Mandamus constituting the Hon. WILLIAM BLACK, Administrator for the time being, had been dispatched by the January Mail, agreeably to the intimation formerly given by the Colonial Secretary.—As to the statement that SIR JOHN KEANE is appointed our Lieutenant-Governor, it is evidently premature. Should Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS have another permanent destination assigned him, it would not surprise us to hear of the appointment of SIR JOHN to this Government, but in the present state of things we must consider any such nomination as quite out of the question.

THE MANDAMUS IN FAVOR OF MR. BLACK has been duly received. His EXCELLENCY leaves Fredericton to-morrow morning for this city. Orders have been given to have the Revenue Cutter Defiance in readiness by Sunday, to convey him across the Bay. He will be in time for the first Packet from Halifax for England.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—This being the Anniversary of the Tutelar Saint of Ireland, it was ushered in by a band of music parading our streets, and other festivities worthy of the occasion. A large company of his Sons, with their respectable Guests, are to honour the day by dining together at Masonic Hall, when we have no doubt much loyalty, patriotism, and conviviality will prevail.

RISE OF TIMBER.—A letter from a gentleman of this City, now in England, dated Liverpool, January 17th, to a respectable Mercantile House here, states that a cargo of Miramichi White Pine had been sold at 21d.—and that good St. John would command the same price.—This is encouraging.

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PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

ARRIVED. Wednesday, brig Thomas Hanford, Sawyer, Kingston, (Jam.) 23 days—Hanford & Raymond, rum, &c. Friday, brig Harriet, Mentor, (late Taylor,) Port Maria, (Jam.) 04—T. Millidge & Co. rum and sugar. Union V., Vaughan, Grenada, 23—Vaughan & Howard, ballast. Sunday, brig Cyrene, Barrett, St. Kitts, 23—Crockshank & Walker, rum, molasses, &c. Edwin, Crowell, New-York, 7—Smith & Irish, assorted cargo. Monday, brig Spray, Hume, Grenada, 19—J. Kirk, rum, molasses and cordage—Markets dull at Grenada.—Left schr Frances-Ann, Nixon, of this port, bound for Barbadoes.

CLEARED. Ship Waterloo, Chestnut, Liverpool—Islemer, oil and lard wax. Brig Volant, Masters, Kingston, (Jam.)—boards, staves and fish.

The Spray, Hume, at this port from Grenada, on the 10th inst. lat. 33, long. 57, at half past 3 p. m. saw a vessel to windward, with a flag flying, it then blowing a fresh gale from the N. E.; at 4 wore ship, and stood towards her. She proved to be the American Schooner Henry, of Gardner, (Maine) from New-York, bound to New Orleans, in great distress, having been dismantled on the 5th, and the mate and one man washed over-board.—Although there was a very heavy sea running at the time, the stern bow of the Spray was lowered down, and happily succeeded in rescuing from the wreck, the master and remainder of the crew, six in all, who have been brought to this port. The schooner was loaded with building stone and lime.

The Cyrene, also arrived at this port, from St. Kitts, on the 5th inst. lat. 33, 54, at 2 p. m. saw a wreck—wore ship to her assistance, which proved to be the Am. schr. King's Creek, of Cherystone, took from her Benjamin Williams, master, and two men, one of them almost frozen to death, and who died a few days subsequently.—The King's Creek was the regular Mail boat between Cherystone and Norfolk, (Vir.) and had been blown off from Cape Henry, 17 days previous to having been blown in with—the last 8 of which they were without provisions of any kind, except a little water.

Brig Thomas Hanford, from Kingston, reports the brig Susan Hutton, from St. Andrews, arrived on the 14th Feb. and brig Duke of Wellington, hence arrived on the 16th. Left brig Woodman, of and for this port, to sail in three days.

The Harriet spoke on the 9th inst. off Cape Sable, lat. 35, long. 57, at half past 3 p. m. saw a vessel to windward, which proved to be the Am. schr. Ship Pacific at New-York from Liverpool, spoke on the 15th February, long. 54, ship Wm. Pitt, hence, for Liverpool.

Brig Dove, at Halifax, from Demerara, left brig Elizabeth, M'Lea, hence—cargo sold and ship laid up, M'Lea, of this port, to sail in six days for London or Liverpool.

The brig Nancy, Strachan, returned here on Sunday last from Jamaica. On her outward passage, the day after the 1st of Feb. she was captured by a Barque under her main and fore-topails, standing N. N. W. and the wind was then blowing from the S. S. W. and it was with difficulty the Nancy weathered Sable Island. From the course the Barque was steering, Captain Strachan is of opinion she struck on that Island, and hopes are entertained that it may have been the Earl's Packet, which left Falmouth on the 11th November for this port, and that the Officers and Crew may have fortunately reached the shore in safety; several weeks, however, will probably elapse, before it is ascertained if such is the case.—Halifax Royal Gazette.

THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE RECEIVED PER LATE ARRIVALS: 400 BARRELS CORN MEAL, 20 Puns. DEMERARA RUM, 20 Hds. SUGAR, 50 DITTO MOLASSES, Which will be sold very low. CROOKSHANK & WALKER. March 17th.

RYE FLOUR. For Sale, at the lowest prices in the Market, for Cash or approved Credit:— 200 BLS. best RYE FLOUR, landing, ex EDWIN, from New-York. D. HATFIELD & SON. 17th March, 1829.

RED OAK STAVES. A SMALL Lot New-York inspection RED OAK STAVES, (in Bond,) for Sale by March 17. KERR & RATCHFORD.

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FOR NEW-YORK. THE REGULAR PACKET BRIG EDWIN, R. CROWELL, Master; WILL sail for the above Port on SUNDAY the 22d instant. For Freight or Passage, having elegant furnished accommodations, apply to the Master on board, or at the Store of SMITH & IRISH, 17th March. South Market Wharf.

NOTICE. THE Co-Partnership heretofore existing under the Firm of ROBERT CHESTNUT & CO. expires this day, by mutual consent.—All persons having demands against said Firm, are requested to present them for adjustment, and those indebted, are desired to make immediate payment to Thomas Sandall.

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TO LET. And possession given 1st May next, THAT eligible STORE in Water-street, lately occupied by Mr. JOHN WISHART; with a convenient Out Store in rear of the same, if required.—Apply to March 17. JAMES HENDRICKS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a General Meeting of the Creditors of THOMAS BATES, will be held at STRICKLAND'S Coffee-House, on TUESDAY the twenty-fourth day of March instant, at 12 o'clock, noon, to examine and ascertain the Debts due to each person.—The Creditors are expected to be prepared at the time above mentioned to substantiate their claims by proof, attestation or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the Trustee. H. N. H. LUGRIN, 3d March, 1829. Attorney for the Trustee.

BAKERY, &c. &c.

THE Subscriber informs his Friends and the Public, that he still continues to carry on the above Business, in all its various branches, at his BAKERY in Princess-street; and where Gentlemen can be accommodated as usual, with PUNISHMENTS, SOLID ARGUMENTS, &c. &c. Also, first quality SWISS CIGARS, constantly on hand, and for sale by the box or smaller quantity. CHARLES DAVIES. St. John, N. B. March 17, 1829.

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HANFAX PACKET. THE Subscriber has commenced running a PACKET between this Port and Halifax—Will take Freight and Passengers at a very moderate rate. Apply to J. WORSTER, St. John, March 10. South Market Wharf.

NOTICE. THE Subscriber hereby Cautions all persons against buying or accepting any Notes of Hand, drawn in favour of WILLIAM CRAIG—as such have been duly executed. SAMUEL CRAIG. St. John, 10th March, 1829.

NOTICE. THE Co-partnership of the Subscribers, will terminate on the 30th day of April next, of which, all persons interested are desired to take notice. Those whose Accounts up to the end of the last year, remain unsettled, will oblige by calling to adjust them; and those who may have claims of any description on the concern, or either of the undersigned individually, are requested to present them for payment. JOHN KERR, ELISHA D. W. RATCHFORD. St. John, N. B. 10th March, 1829.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT. Assistant Commissary General's Office, St. John, N. B. 2d March, 1829.

SEALED Tenders will be received at this Office until THURSDAY the 23d day of APRIL next, at noon, from such Persons as may be disposed to enter into a Contract to supply His MAJESTY'S Troops in this Province, with 100 BARRELS OF FLOUR, to be delivered into the KING'S Magazines at this place, at the following periods—viz. 200 Barrels on or before the 24th of May, 1829, 200 Ditto Ditto 24th of June, " 200 Ditto Ditto 24th of August, " 200 Ditto Ditto 24th of September, " 200 Ditto Ditto 24th of October, "

The whole to be of the quality termed Scratched Superfine, free from grit or any bad taste whatever, and to be warranted to keep good and sweet for One Year from the day of delivery. The Tenders must specify the price (per Barrel of 100 Pounds) in British Sterling, in words at length; and payment will be made at the respective periods of delivery, in British Silver Money, with a reservation on the part of the Commissary, to pay in Bills, at the rate of a Bill for £100 for every £101: 10s. due upon the Contract.

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 on the back, "Tenders for Flour;" and persons tendering, or some person on their behalf, are requested to attend at this Office on the 23d day of April, at twelve o'clock, to receive their answers.

Forms of the Contract and Bond of Warranty may be seen, and any further information obtained on application at this Office.

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TO BE LET. THE second flat of the Subscriber's House, situated on the corner of Main and Cermarthen-streets, Lower Cove, consisting of two Rooms with fire places, two Bed Rooms, Pantries, &c.—Also, a Bed Room in the garret, at the use of Kitchen and Cellar, if required. Possession given the first of May next. 24th Feb. EWEN CAMERON.

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BLANK'S Of various kinds for sale at this office.