

## COLONIAL.

(Condensed from our Files.)

## New Brunswick.

The *Fredericton Reporter* of the 18th instant, gives the following items:—The new City Council is proceeding with the City business with vigour and harmony.—Mr. Allen of Fredericton is manufacturing Hay-Forks every way equal to any imported. Success, say we, to Domestic manufactures.—Five deserters from the garrison in that City were captured by Mr. S. Vail on the St. Andrew's road; but, having turned upon their captor and tied him on the road, they took his horse and wagon and effected their escape to Calais, on the American side of the borders.

We see by the *Miramichi Gleaner* of the 15th, that the Supervisors and Road Commissioners in that locality have adopted the following wise and just regulations: That no orders for goods in store or shop are to be given in payment for work or materials of any kind for roads and bridges, but that all payments are to be made in cash or in cheque bona fide payable at sight, and that no Superior or Commissioner shall be permitted to set off any claims or debts of his own against work done, or be allowed per centage for the public service on any pretence whatever. This is a move in the right direction. In connection with this subject, the Editor of the *Gleaner* says,—"We sincerely hope the time is not far distant when the poor Parish schoolmasters will receive their pittance in money."—A correspondent of the same Paper, in speaking of the celebration of the third Anniversary of the establishment of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Miramichi, says, "every impartial observer must admit that the Sons have accomplished a great amount of good in Miramichi, and the Divisions have reason to be proud of the success which has so far attended their efforts."

The St. John, N. B. *Observer* states, that a party of Orangemen of that City had been out of Town celebrating the 12th, and, on their return, were fired upon by some base person concealed among the bushes, by which a young man named Torry was dangerously wounded; hopes, however, are entertained of his recovery.

The *Church Witness* states, that two houses at Indian Town, belonging to Mr. Tapley, were partially consumed by fire on the night of the 15th—supposed to be the work of an incendiary. Loss estimated about £1,200.

The St. John, N. B. *Temperance Telegraph* contains a communication from a correspondent, by which it appears that a new organization has been introduced into New Brunswick, called "The Brotherhood of Temperance Watchmen in North America—instituted at Durham, Maine, U. S., April 1849—principles, Temperance, Humanity and Progress."—"There are no initiation fees, or monthly dues, or indeed any dues except in certain special cases, neither are there any stated benefits to sick or disabled members, but they are bound to succour the distressed."

At a meeting of subscribers to the European and North American Railway, held at St. John, N. B., on the 14th inst., it was resolved, that the Subscription Books for stock should not be opened until the 20th day of August next—being the day on which the Stock Books in Maine are to be opened for subscriptions.

Mr. John Turnbull, says the *New Brunswick*, has fitted up, in Harding street, at his Sash and Door Factory, an excellent steam-engine of six horse-power, (manufactured by a young man of the City of St. John) which is connected with machinery for cutting, planing and grooving wood for doors and sashes, in the most approved manner.

The St. John, N. B. *Courier* contains a notice of the intended opening of the "Industrial Exhibition" at that City on the 9th of September next. A building is to be erected expressly for the Exhibition. The design of the Exhibition is to comprehend a full and complete display of all the domestic manufactures of the Province, in order to prove what the New Brunswickers are capable of producing, the cost at which an article can be delivered, and the encouragement which each branch of industry should expect or require from the Legislature. The Water Company intend to celebrate, at the same time, by a Grand Demonstration, the first introduction of the water into the City from their new works. The Agricultural Society of the County are making preparations to assist in increasing the display, which, it is believed, will be unequalled in the history of St. John.—The same paper says

there is much complaint this season of the failure of the Salmon Fishery in the St. John harbour.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor of New Brunswick has recommended the establishment of "Fishery Societies" within that Province, upon a system similar to that on which the Agricultural Societies are formed. A "Circular" in accordance with that recommendation, has been forwarded to Fishermen and others, by the "Clerk of the Peace" at St. John, in which we find the following paragraph:—"Any such Society, upon subscription and payment by its members, of not less than Twenty Pounds, will be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasury, a sum equal to three times the amount so raised, to be applied to the distribution of Prizes, or in any other way which, in the judgment of the Society, may best tend to promote the designed objects."

The *Courier* announces it "as a most important discovery, of real practical and enduring value to the community," that "saw-dust can be consumed as fuel, and it is now actually so used in the milling establishment of J. L. Marsh, Esq., Fredericton, in preference to any other material, and because it is economical to do so."

A beautifully-modelled Ship of 638 tons, called the *Alciopé*, has been lately launched from the building yard of Wm. Olive, Esq., in Carleton.—Also a superior Ship, called the *Allison*, 697 tons, (N. M.) built at the Orinoco, by T. S. Hicks, Esq.—Also a fine Barque, called the *Florida*, 396 tons, (N. M.) built at Salisbury, by A. Wright, Esq., for Edward Allison, Esq., of the City of St. John.

The *Morning News* contains a caution to Apothecaries, founded on the following circumstance:—Mrs. Bailey, residing in Portland, N. B., sent a little girl to an Apothecary's store for some paregoric for a child three months old. Laudanum was given instead, which was given to the child, and in less than twelve hours, the little thing was a corpse!

The *Fredericton Head Quarters* states the affairs of the Fredericton Electric Telegraph Company are in a prosperous condition.

The St. John, N. B. *Freeman* states that Mr. John Murray, Branch Pilot, has latterly been engaged in marking the Headlands from Musquash to Nigger Head with large white marks for the convenience of vessels approaching or leaving the coast.

## Canada.

A horrible murder has been lately committed in London, C. W.

The Examination of the Adelaide Female Academy, on the 27th June, was highly interesting and satisfactory. The Academy has been better supported during the last year than at any previous time.

The ceremony of laying the chief corner stone of the Normal and Model Schools for Upper Canada, took place July 2nd. His Excellency the Governor General, the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, the members of the Executive Council, the Speakers of both Houses of Parliament, and the Hon. Chief Justice Robinson, among others, were present.—Prayer was offered by the Rev. H. J. Grasset, after which, the Chief Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Ryerson, read the Address to His Excellency, to which His Excellency made a suitable reply. The ceremony was peculiarly interesting.

Of Col. Gagy's Bill, now before the Canadian House of Assembly—entitled "An Act for preventing mischiefs arising from the printing and publishing of newspapers, pamphlets, and papers of like nature, by persons not known in Upper Canada"—the *Toronto Christian Guardian* says,—"We regard the provisions of the Bill as calculated to be vexatious in the extreme, without conferring any advantage whatever, either upon the conductors of the press, or the public generally;" nor does he believe, that the House "will seriously entertain a Bill so unnecessary and absurd in its provisions as the one proposed by Col. Gagy."

Two out of five persons were drowned at St. Anne's on June 30th, by the capsizing of a punt, just as it reached the Steamer Lady Simpson. One of them was Dr. McNaughten of St. Anne's.

A violent thunder storm, in the latter part of June, broke upon the south part of the Township of Durham, in Missisquoi. Two barns and a shed were struck with lightning and were burnt, with the hay, grain, &c., inside.

The three-masted Schooner Briton lately performed a trip from Montreal to Halifax and back, in 29 days, including the time of unloading and loading!

The erection of the wing of the Parliament Buildings in Quebec is making rapid progress, and presents a fine appearance.

Vegetables and Potatoes were getting plentiful in Hamilton, C. W., 1st July.

Canada continues to interest the world, at the Crystal Palace, London, and, as showing the industrial resources of a country, it is said to be one of the best things in the Exhibition.

Canadian Parliament was expected to be prorogued about the 22nd instant.

A lad about 8 years of age, son of Wm. Darlton, of New Edinburgh, was lately carried over the Rideau Falls, and perished.—Three men were carried over the Chaudiere Falls and were lost. Another, by the name of Vandal, was miraculously saved, being the first who has ever passed with life through the fierce waters of the Chaudiere.

Sir Allan McNab has announced that his future politics shall be "Railroad."

The newspapers of Montreal—the *Pilot* and the *Witness* not excepted—says the Quebec *Morning Chronicle*, are strongly opposed to the Halifax and Quebec Railway; nevertheless, the prospect of its being speedily undertaken is rather brightening than otherwise.

## Prince Edward Island.

The Sons of Temperance of P. E. I. have recently held a "Festival" near Charlottetown; among the Resolutions passed, we notice the following:—"That the existing state of Society—here and elsewhere—with respect to alcoholic beverages, is such as to demand the immediate and hearty co-operation of all, for their immediate disuse and suppression; and this meeting pledges itself to aid, both by precept and example, every legitimate effort having the accomplishment of this truly benevolent and patriotic object in view." A note from Lady Bannerman was read by the Attorney General, in which she says,—"As a decided well wisher to the cause of Temperance in general, and to this Society in particular, I have to request you to present to them in my name, Five Pounds, as a small mark of my approbation, with my most earnest hopes, that their number may daily increase, bringing joy and peace to many a home, where now sorrow and strife reign. I have been much interested of late in this fraternity by the pleasing accounts I have learned of its success."

The Returns at the late Elections show for Hon. Mr. Warburton, 1st District, a majority of votes of 225 over Mr. Gall—for Hon. J. Pope, 3rd District, of 101 over Dr. Conroy—Mr. Frazer, 2nd District, was elected without opposition.

His Excellency Sir Alexander and Lady Bannerman, and suite, says the *Islander* of the 18th inst., left town last week on a tour to the western end of Prince County, and returned to town by way of Bedouque and Tryon, on the 14th instant. Every mark of respect was shown him by the inhabitants of the different Districts through which he passed. Several complimentary Addresses were presented to His Excellency. His Excellency returned much pleased with his excursion.

Newfoundland has declined to reciprocate with Prince Edward Island in the same way as other colonies have done.

## West Indies.

The Bermuda House of Assembly have agreed by a vote of 16 to 10, that the amount of stipend to be granted to Presbyterian Ministers out of the Public Treasury shall be £50 a year.

The spirit of enterprise and improvement is abroad at Turks Islands more than at any former period—building is going on rapidly—new salt ponds are being cultivated—and emigration is about to set in largely from Bermuda and other places.

The ship *Zenobia* arrived in May at Demerara in 92 days from Calcutta, with 278 Coolies, 19 of whom are females.

## We give the DEMERARA TARIFF:—

The following scale of duties took effect on and after the 1st July, 1851:—

Beef, per barrel 200 lbs.	\$1 50
Bread, Crackers, &c., per 100 lbs.	0 50
Butter, per 100 lbs.	0 01½
Candles, tallow, per lb.	0 01½
Cheese, per lb.	0 01½
Corn, grain of every description, p. bush.	0 15
Cornmeal, and Oatmeal, per 100 lbs.	0 25
Fish, dried, per 112 lbs.	0 25
Salmon, per barrel of 200 lbs.	2 00
Mackerel, do.	1 00
And all other kinds of pickled Fish,	0 75
Fish, smoked, per lb.	0 02

Flour, wheat, per bbl. of 195 lbs.	1 00
Flour, rye, do.	0 50
Onions, per 160 lbs.	0 10
Pork, per barrel 200 lbs.	1 50
Potatoes, per bushel.	0 09
The export duty on Rum per puncheon 30 cents.	
Do. do. on Molasses 10 cents.	
On hoghead of Sugar from 26 to 50 cents according to size.	
On a barrel do. 10 cents.	

Thomas Arnies, Esq., of the Inter-Colonial Steamer Eagle, was unfortunately drowned, by falling overboard from that vessel when off the Island of Grenada a short time since.

Lt. Col. Brown, commanding R. E. at Barbadoes, succeeds pro tem Lord Harris, as Governor of Trinidad.

Accounts from Jamaica convey the distressing information that the Cholera is again spreading on the Island.

## UNITED STATES.

Accounts of the crops in Florida are unfavourable, owing to excessive drought. Reports of the coming crops in Michigan, and Ohio, on the other hand, are gratifying.

A new variety of sheep, unknown to naturalists, has been recently imported from Africa into Providence. Wool coarse—distinguished by the enormous fatness of the tail, and a singular dewlap, resembling that of cattle, and the absence of horns in the ram. The mutton is said to be unrivalled in flavour and tenderness.

139,974 emigrants had arrived at New York during the first six months of this year; being an increase of 45,810 on the number of the corresponding months of 1850.

The first application for a patent from California, will soon be made to the Patent Office—the model of which, a double-acting force pump, is all of pure, solid gold, being the only one, out of more than 15,000, in the Patent Office, of this material.

At St. Louis, during the week ending June 23rd, 149 persons died of cholera.

400 tons of zinc ore, of pure quality, were thrown down at one time, on the bank, by a sand blast, at the mines at Sterling Hill, of the New Jersey Mining Company!

150 Hungarian refugees arrived at New York on the 4th July, from Havre.

The assessed value of Wm. B. Astor's property is \$2,600,300, and last year he paid into the New York City Treasurer only the small sum of \$23,891 for taxes!

An industrious German mechanic of Cincinnati is building a locomotive engine to be propelled by some new kind of gas, which he claims has forty per cent. the advantage of steam, in cheapness and power.

AN INTERESTING DISCOVERY IN EGYPT.—A very interesting discovery has been made in Egypt by the agent of an English mining company.

It is known that there exists in Mount Zeharah, situated in an island in the Red Sea, a mine of emeralds, which was formerly worked by the Pachas of Egypt, but abandoned in the last year of the reign of Mehemet Ali. An English company has solicited and recently obtained authority to resume the workings of this mine, which is believed to be still rich with precious stones. Mr. Allan, the engineer of the company, while directing some important excavations in this place, has discovered at a great depth traces of an ancient gallery, which must evidently be referred to the most remote antiquity. Upon removing the rubbish, they found tools and ancient utensils, and a stone upon which is engraved a hieroglyphic inscription, now partially defaced. This circumstance proves the truth of the opinion expressed by Belzoni, on the truth of other indications, that this mine was worked in ancient times.

The nature and form of the implements discovered, and the configuration of the gallery, the plan of which has been regularly traced, prove most conclusively that the ancient Egyptians were skilful engineers. It seems from the examination of the stone which has been discovered, that the first labours in the mines of Zeharah were commenced in the reign of Sesostris the Great, or Ramees Sesostris, who according to the most generally received opinion, lived about the year 1650 before Christ, and who is celebrated by his immense conquests, as well as by the innumerable monuments with which he covered Egypt.