

DEBATES.

...the House so bound to go on? He would say not. They had been told it was a permanent law, and that they could not lay their hands on the grant, but that they could not give it without information. He (Mr. H.) would say not. This was a permanent law, with a condition. The money cannot be given without the consent of the legislature. Who were the legislature? The three branches of the Provincial government. One branch could not do it. It must be done by consent of the whole. If that House stopped the proceedings, they could not go on. He (Mr. H.) for one, would say no. If, so be it, the Council give the money if they thought proper, let that case, the House would consent to it.

Mr. Conrad briefly replied.—The resolution was adopted, an address to His Honor the President resolved on, and a Committee appointed to wait on His Honor with the Address.

Wednesday, March 23. MILITIA. The Bill for suspending the operation of certain parts of the existing Militia law, was committed. (Mr. B. in the Chair) and agreed to, with amendments, after some discussion, the majority of which were similar to the observations made on the Militia Bill on a former day, as not to need repetition. Messrs. Simonds, Gilbert, Taylor, Brown, S. Hammet, Dow, and J. Hammet, advanced the principles of the Bill. Mr. W. W. W. in reply, said, that the Bill was not intended to create any new militia, but to refer to that of the Inspector General of Militia Returns, contemplated by the Bill, conceiving that the present Adjutant General might perform the duties of a militia officer, they did not otherwise oppose the Bill. Messrs. W. W. W. and E. W. W. supported the Bill together; the latter gentleman called for the amendments to the present Militia law, and would refer the system effectually useful, and answer every purpose.

Having leisure to-day, we read the Mr. Conrad's honorable Speech on Agricultural Societies, delivered yesterday. The Hon. Member observed, that although he considered the law in relation to the Agricultural Society, yet it had not been his intention to attack upon it, but to provide its friends with some assistance, and to refrain from making a public speech. Feeling, however, that what had fallen from some hon. members, that there was an intention of moving for a grant of money, and judging from appearances that the House must sooner or later come to the point, he (Mr. C.) thought it as well to commence them. He thought it highly probable, that to call in question the utility of a Society of such long standing, and sanctioned by such high authorities, would be considered presumptuous in himself, and indeed, to have done so a year or two ago would have been thought something like political heresy. However, as an Hon. Member for Westmorland (Mr. Scott) had just observed, that was an enlightened age. Children were growing wiser than their fathers; and the progress we should claim would be that of examining and judging for ourselves. With this view, he (Mr. C.) had spent some time in looking into the Reports of the Agricultural Society, in order to form an opinion as to the benefits the country had derived from it, and he would now state the matter as clearly and as fully as he could. In the first place, it appeared that the Society had received from the Province at different times, grants of money to the amount of about £2500. So much to their debit. This was a large sum, and which, if expended on the roads and bridges, would have done much good; and he believed the Committee would agree with him, that so much money should not have been abstracted from the Province Treasury, unless some adequate good was expected to result from it. Now for the credit side of the account. The first thing that struck him was, a yearly sum paid to a Secretary. This was a matter of doubt, as a benefit to the public, but that office, he, as for any analogy which bore to the public service, he (Mr. C.) could not help thinking it rather remote. It seemed to him to savour too much of that Place and Pension system which was beginning to establish itself in the Province, and which was a most objectionable system, and which he would not wish to see introduced into the Province.

The Province was already provided with an excellent breed of horses, for the ordinary purposes of the country. He had heard that the Society had a superior breed, but that, which he introduced, was more with a view of getting up some of those splendid equipages which adorned the mansions of the Metropolis, than to promote the Agriculture of the Province. In the first place, the Society had also paid much money for prizes, but it was worthy to remark, that the objects proposed, he considered far more generally of such a nature, that no need of necessity fall to such rich men, who stand in no need of the money; thereby, (in use a loudly) vulgar, but perhaps might be considered rather too vulgar for that house, "grasping the fat hog," his own falling to the lot of any poor cultivator of the soil, who might derive a real benefit from it. It seemed to him, that besides the ordinary purposes of the country, there had been large imports of Stock and Farming Implements, and what seemed very strange, a loss of about £1000 on the whole. The Society had also paid much money for prizes, but it was worthy to remark, that the objects proposed, he considered far more generally of such a nature, that no need of necessity fall to such rich men, who stand in no need of the money; thereby, (in use a loudly) vulgar, but perhaps might be considered rather too vulgar for that house, "grasping the fat hog," his own falling to the lot of any poor cultivator of the soil, who might derive a real benefit from it. It seemed to him, that besides the ordinary purposes of the country, there had been large imports of Stock and Farming Implements, and what seemed very strange, a loss of about £1000 on the whole.

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would have found that the farms commenced on the road to St. Andrews, under the auspices of the Society, were all abandoned, and the Land growing up in bushes.—While on this subject, he (Mr. C.) would only further remark, that the Aldermen and Commonalty of St. John, as consumers of country produce, that it is to say, in their existing capacity, he would effectually patronised the farmers. He hoped they would long continue to do so, and that the country would always be able to supply them with good cheer. It might be expected that he (Mr. C.) would give some account of a society nearer home; but he confessed himself not very favourable in that Society. It had commenced its career with what he, as well as many others, thought an act of justice, in obtaining from the Government a lease of certain wild meadows, which the lumbering people had cleared and given to grass for their own use, and of which they were in possible possession. He had heard, indeed, that in their great zeal for the good of the country, they had monopolized the land for one year, and had rendered them oppressively dear; and that, on another occasion, they had undertaken to supply the public with Clover Seed, which, in the course of vegetation turned out to be the worst. An hon. colleague of his (Mr. C.) was intimately acquainted with their proceedings.—Associated with the subject of emigration, on which so much had been insisted, he (Mr. C.) did not think the Society had done any thing to the advantage of the Province, but he would not unjustly applied, that in most cases, it would have been better to have left them to themselves. The idea of forcing emigrants, at their first arrival, on to new land, was most erroneous; it was only putting them in a situation to starve. If he (Mr. C.) were asked seriously, what encouragement should be given to emigrants on their first arrival, the answer would be, none. He would suggest itself, that for the want of which they were compelled to leave their own shores, in one word, "Employment," is what they want. Let them first find employment, or labour on the roads. This latter suit them particularly, from the nature of the work, which confines the handling of the spade and shovel to a moderate use of the axe, by which means they in fact improve the art of Chopping, without which it is fully to attempt working on new land. Those emigrants who are in general very stout and hardy, and they have once obtained a tolerable footing, they afterwards get on as well as those brought up in the country.—Much merit had been claimed on the part of the Secretary of the central society, for facilities afforded to emigrants in obtaining grants of land. Giving that gentleman, as well as the society, every credit for good intention in that respect, it ought to be remembered, that a robbery had been committed in the object by which the sum of £300 had been lost, of money belonging to different emigrants, placed there for the purpose of paying for grants. The Province had of course remunerated them; but God alone knew how the Province was to be remunerated for all the robberies committed on it. But he (Mr. C.) could not but consider that circumstance as a strong proof, why it would be better to forego the management of their business in their own way. If that had been the case, such a robbery would not have occurred. Upon the whole, he (Mr. C.) could not but be of opinion, and he hoped the Committee would also, that the agricultural interests of the Province could be managed as well without the Society as with it, and that, every credit would be best to save the public money by withholding any further grant.

(The delivery of the above speech caused frequent exhibitions of risibility, both in the House and in the gallery.)—The result of the discussion we have already recorded.

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SALE CONTINUED.

THE Sale, by Auction, of the extensive and well assorted Stock of GOODS, belonging to the Subscribers, will be continued To-morrow, (Wednesday), at 11 o'clock. March 29. LOWE & GROCOCK.

On SATURDAY Next, the 2d April. The Subscriber will Sell at Public Auction: 20 CASKS GLASS WARE, assorted; 10 CASKS NAILS & SPIKES; 10 BOXES CANDLES; 5 PUNT. RUM; 100 DREMS FIGS, &c. &c.

On SATURDAY Next, the 2d April. The Subscriber will Sell at Public Auction: 20 Barrels Round PEASE; 20 Bags BARLEY; 20 do. Hard Bread; 12 Cumberland CIGARETTES; 2 bags COFFEE; 30 Boxes Muscatel and Bloom Raisins; 5 Barrels Lard; 1 Ton 7, 8 and 9 inch Spike and Deck NAILS; 1 Do. Ribbon Spikes—assorted sizes; 2 Cwt. 10 inch Copper Spikes; 4 Do. SHEATHING PAPER; 1 Do. THURMUS; A box WOOL HATS; A large Iron SAFE; A Double Writing Desk, and Stools. JOHN ROBERTSON.

At PRIVATE SALE.—100 Bushels very Superior POTATOE OATS, to be delivered about the 9th April.—Apply as above. 29th March, 1831.

Assistant Commissary General's Office, St. John, N. B. 22d March, 1831. SEALED Tenders will be received at this Office until Tuesday the 26th of April next, at noon, from such persons as may be disposed to enter into Contract to supply His Majesty's Troops in this Province, with

1100 Barrels of FLOUR, To be delivered into the King's Magazines, at this place, at the following prices, viz:— 500 Bbls. on or before the 22d June, 1831, 300 do. do. 22d Sept. 1831, 300 do. do. 24th Oct. 1831.

The whole to be of the quality termed "Scratched Superfine", free from grit or any bad taste whatever, fresh and sweet, and warranted to keep good for one year from the day of delivery. The Tenders must specify the price (per Barrel of 196 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 £100 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 persons on their behalf, are requested to attend at this Office on the 26th of April next, at 12 o'clock, to receive their answers. (See) Forms of Contract and Bonds of Warranty may be seen, and any further information obtained, on application at this Office.

OFFICE OF ORDNANCE, St. John, N. B. 12th March, 1831. TENDERS will be received by the respective Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance, on or before Thursday the 31st instant, from Persons disposed to repair Wood, Iron, and Tin Ware, Copperage, Articles of Leather, &c. The price to be expressed in sterling.—Any information required may be obtained on application to the Barrack Master.—Viz:— WOOD WARE. Tables, Chairs, Forms, Cook Boxes, Wood Horaces, Wheel Barrows, &c. &c. IRON WORK. Bed Wrenches, Fire Irons, Fenders, Padlocks, Flesh Forks, Prising Pans, Shovels, Pick Axes, Felling Bits, Cuscut Saw, Snares, Creepers (iron only), Coal Scuttles, Tea Kettles, COOPERAGE. Well Buckets, Urine Tubs, Salting Tubs, Water Pails. TIN WARE. Blupper Cans, Sauce Pans, Meat Dishes, Ladles, Sliper Baths, Lanthorns, Glass Lamps (in). LEATHER. Belloves, Creepers (straps only), Fire Buckets, Engine Hose (feet).

FOR SALE OR TO LET. And possession given the 1st day of May next: THE House in Queen-street, now occupied by Dr. Boyle, is to be let or sold. Half the Lower Flat and the Upper Flat of the STORE, the next to the last on the South Market Wharf.—A fine Pasture Lot, of about eight acres, at Little River, at the junction of the Loch Leonard and Red Head Roads.—And,

FOR SALE, Two Lots of LAND at the head of the third Loch Leonard; 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 Bank House, situated in Prince William-street, the third from the corner of that and Queen-street. W. & F. KINFAR, March 22. Attorneys for the Owners.

NOTICE. 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:— Brick and Stone Laying, Plastering, Stucco Work, and Stenciling, all of which will be done with neatness and dispatch. WILLIAM CROSS. N. B. Whitening and Colouring will be done in the shortest notice and most reasonable terms. St. John, March 15.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

ARRIVED. This Day, Brig George, Thomas, Barbadoes, 10—N. Merritt, sugar. Brig Thomas, M. Cready, Kingston, Jam. fish & hatter. Ship George Canning, Crook, cleared at N. York on the 17th instant for Jamaica.

NOTICE. THE Semi-Annual Examination of the Public Grammar School, will take place on Monday next. March 29.

LOST. ON Sunday morning last, supposed near to the Scotch Kirk, a VELVET BRACELET with a Camlet Clasp, set round with Amethyst Stones.—Any person having found the same, will please to leave it at Mr. HURCHINSON'S Shop, corner of the Market-square, and receive a suitable reward. March 29.

PLASTER. BEST PORTLAND PLASTER, of excellent quality, for sale by D. HATFIELD & SON. March 29.

FOR SALE. ALL Persons having Demands against the County of St. John, or any of its Parishes, for Services or Supplies of any description whatsoever since the period of the March Sessions in 1830, are requested to deliver them to the Subscriber without any delay;—and all Collectors and other persons who may have received Monies on Account of the said County or Parishes, are expected immediately to render an Account of the same. A prompt attention to this Notice is relied upon, that Obedience may be given to an Order of the last Sessions that all Accounts shall be audited and their arrangement laid before a Special Session appointed to receive them in April. Z. WHEELER, St. John, March 26, 1831. Auditor.

FOR SALE. An immediate possession given.—THOSE commodious Premises in St. James's street, belonging to the Estate of the late John Thomsen, Esq. deceased, consisting of an excellent Dwelling HOUSE, &c. and LOT extending south to Britain-street nearly 200 feet.—As the property must be immediately sold for the benefit of the Heirs of the deceased, applications must be made to either of the Subscribers, on or before the 1st of April ensuing. The property can be viewed at any time. NEVILLE PARKER, Attorneys for GEORGE BURNS, & the Heirs. St. John, March 29.

NEW-BRUNSWICK MONTHLY MAGAZINE. THE BRITISH NORTH AMERICAN MAGAZINE, edited by Mr. WARD of Halifax, being discontinued the Editor of the New-Brunswick Magazine begs particularly to attract the attention of the literary and religious public to the prospectus of the latter publication, which has been for some time submitted to their notice. It has been designed to design or wish of the Editor of the New-Brunswick Monthly Magazine to place his publication in competition with that of Mr. Ward. The prospectus was not issued with that view, the work having been projected long before Mr. W. issued his prospectus. But, unfortunately for the New-Brunswick Monthly Magazine, its prospectus was preceded by that of Mr. W. and the Editor in many instances met with parties who would willingly have subscribed to his work, had they not previously been engaged to support the British North American Magazine. But, notwithstanding this, the Editor trusts, that the prospectus of the New-Brunswick Monthly Magazine, being accordingly emanated from their engagement, the Editor of the New-Brunswick Monthly Magazine humbly trusts he may use some success, and what the patronage of such parties, without incurring the imputation of unfair competition. In doing this, he would remark, that the prospectus of the New-Brunswick Monthly Magazine is only one half that of the British North American Magazine; and that the former is to be a New-Brunswick publication, while the latter is a production of the sister colony. It has perhaps been local prejudices, that the Editor would perhaps pretend to offer, a superior claim on the attention of the inhabitants of this Province.

The Editor of the New-Brunswick Monthly Magazine, would also observe, that although the Publisher could not promise prospectus to issue with the announcement, under the patronage of the Episcopal Clergy of the Province; at its head, get the Editor understood that phrase to be prospective and rogatory; nor declarative and assertive. He would also as the expression of the publisher's wish that it should issue under such patronage; not as an independent, but as a matter of actual possession. In such a case, he believes, his own party will be very ready to the prospectus prior to publication. For himself, the Editor counts no particular patronage. He proposes the work as a literary and useful publication, and as a vehicle for Episcopal communication, and as a medium for the dissemination of a spirit of Christian charity towards those denominations of Christians who differ from him in ecclesiastical government and other points. This expectation may, perhaps, remove any unfavorable impression which may have been caused by a misinterpretation of that prospective notice. It is so usual, not produce the desired and intended result.

The Editor would now remark, that the Magazine will be commenced, immediately that subscribers are obtained; and he trusts that when once in actual operation, the liberality and good taste of the subscribers of this Province will not allow of its falling into disrepute for any other condition.

The Editor returns his most sincere thanks to those Clergymen and Gentlemen who have already favored him with their names as subscribers; and trusts that it will not be long before he will be enabled to publish a list of subscribers that he publishes.

At St. Andrews, on the 15th inst. by the Rev. Dr. THOMSON, Mr. J. W. STREET, Merchant, to Miss GARDNER, eldest daughter of Dr. COUGHLIN, all of that place.

DIED. On Tuesday morning at the advanced age of 92 years, Mr. ELIZABETH GRAY, one of the earliest settlers in this Province. On Tuesday, Mr. PATRICK McDERMOTT, in the 28th year of his age. This is the person who a few days since fell from the roof of a four story house in Prince William-street. He was a native of Ireland. On Wednesday, Mr. ANDREW McLEOD, in the 55th year of his age, a native of Manchester, Ayrshire, North Britain. On the 19th inst. THOMAS, son of Thomas Plummer, aged 13 months. At Golden Grove, on Sunday, Mr. LERSON GARDNER, in the 53rd year of her age, after a lingering illness which she bore with much patience.—Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday) at 9 o'clock, from the residence of William GARDNER.—Friends and acquaintance of the family are requested to attend, without further invitation.

MARRIED. On Monday evening, 14th inst. by the Rev. B. G. GRAY, Mr. THOMAS HARRISON, of Carleton, to Miss MARY LEADERSHIP, of this City. At St. Andrews, on the 15th inst. by the Rev. Dr. THOMSON, Mr. J. W. STREET, Merchant, to Miss GARDNER, eldest daughter of Dr. COUGHLIN, all of that place.