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wads the body of the old dame, when, to their utter horror, they beheld her started from the recumbent posture of death, into her usual position, and exercising herself in rocking or see-sawing as if nothing extraordinary had happened. This sight was beyond the endurance of any female fortitude, and the whole party rushed out of the room without politeness enough to wish the old body joy on returning to its customary occupation. On the circumstance being bruited abroad, the undertaker a man of considerable resolution, ventured into the haunted apartment, and there found the fact as stated by the terrific females. But he presently solved the mystery by observing, that the large weights which he had placed on the corpse to strengthen it for burial, had rolled off and fallen on the floor, which was the cause of the noise, and the body being released from its unwelcome confinement, had relapsed into the contracted state to which it had so long been habituated. Some oscillations naturally followed the unexpected recovery of liberty, which made the attendants imagine that they beheld the workings of supernatural powers.—Edinburgh Obs.

A COMIC DUEL.

A short time ago "a meeting" took place at an early hour, on the Mearns Muir, betwixt two heroes of an adjoining county, who had come to the laudable resolution of fighting themselves into the good graces of a certain "ladie fayre," for whom they both entertained a vehement affection.—Whatever might be the opinion of our modern lovers as to a piquancy of varieties at the altar of religion, it seems they discovered that the steps on the altar of love were too contracted to admit of more than the first person singular. It was therefore determined that "richt" should be "put down by night," and that the affair should be amicably settled by an application of powder and lead;—the palm of victory, of course, being "the conquering hero's passport to the undivided affections of the loved and lovely one." At five o'clock in the morning, upon a solitary spot of the muir aforesaid, our combatants (having first "screed" their courage to the sticking place," by uncocking a bottle at separate inns on the road) appeared, with their respective seconds, accoutred and marshalled in battle array. Whether the seconds, being of course, "bottle holders," at the inns, had, like the principals, recruited their spirits, and drank deep of that courage which Burns says enables us to "face the devil," we have not been informed; but, true it is, that one of them so heartily espoused the cause of his principal, that he handsomely volunteered his services to measure distances with Mr. S. the other second, provided the first shots of the principals did not take effect. Mr. S. who proved the most prudent person present, could not in gallantry decline so condescending an offer, and in consequence it was agreed that the seconds should have the honour of the second shot. All attempts at reconciliation proving fruitless, and the souls of both combatants being "in arms, and eager for the fray," the seconds, duly supplied with a brace of large pistols, plenty of powder, and a small bag of bullets, retired to perform the evolutions of "prime and load." During the operation, Mr. S. who had proceeded thus far in the business, solely to prevent disagreeable consequences, found ways and means to dissuade his coadjutor from allowing anything more deadly than a little "treble seal canister" to enter the muzzle of his pistol, and a pair of balls were then thrown from the bag for the purpose of preventing any suspicion. Every thing being thus arranged, the stung weapons were placed in the hands of the combatants; the distance, 12 paces, was marked off—the signal was given—both fired, and, as was to be expected, the reverberating report did not prove to either "the knell" doomed to "summon them to heaven or to hell!" In terms of arrangement, it now became the province of the seconds to change situations with the principals, a circumstance neither of them seemed over fond of, more especially as it devolved upon the lovers to prepare the weapons of warfare. And as they had little reason to anticipate being so mercifully dealt with, either in the quantity or quality of ammunition, they began to think with Byron, that  
"It has a strange quick jar upon the ear  
The cocking of a pistol, when you know  
A moment more will bring the sight to bear  
Upon your person twelve yards off or so."  
However, after a mutual and solemn pledge of assurance that each should take the aim *oblique*, they measured their ground, and manfully discharged their weapons, to the imminent danger, not of themselves, but the two "seconds. It might naturally have been supposed, that the courage of either of the doughty disciples of Mars and Venus would by this time have begun to "ooze out at their finger ends;" but this was "by no means the case, and as both seemed resolved either to have or give a belligerent of fighting, it was next agreed that like the schoolboy proving his account in addition, they should "beat the operation," beginning at the top." The former ceremonies of loading and firing being again gone through, Mr. S. was rather surprised, after the discharge, to observe his friend's face assume the hue of Miss Bailie's ghost—that is according to "Captain Smith's" account, to look rather "white and mealy;" and he was still more surprised, when he took him aside, and exclaimed with a countenance expressive of the greatest alarm that he was a wounded man—that he was shot through the arm. Mr. S. judging the wound to be neither "so deep as a well, nor so wide as a church door," proceeded to examine it, when he actually found that he had received "a hit—a palpable hit"—from nothing more deadly however, than his opponent's wadding, which had left a mark behind it upon his dexter paw. Here the seconds again interferred—rallied the warring lovers on the folly of their exploit, and so far turned the affair into jest, that the whole party beat a quick retreat from the field of honour, and bent their steps towards the village of Mearns, where, seated round the table of a snug Inn, they soon began to "forget their loves and debts, and drowned all their griefs and cares in a flowing hawl of "guid Scotch drink."—*Ayr Courier*.

Among our industrious and frugal forefathers, it was a maxim a young woman should never be mar-

ried until she had spun herself a set of body, bed, and table linen. From this custom all unmarried women were termed Spinsters, an appellation they still retain in all law proceedings.

Mr. Cook of Birmingham has lately obtained a patent for rendering wood and linen incombustible or only capable of being charred without burning with flames. This is done by impregnating them with a solution of alkali and Mr. C. mentions, that when applied to wood, it also prevents, the dry rot. The alkalies used are ammonia, Borax and Lime in compounds. Mr. C. has established a manufactory for the liquid which he proposes to sell for the use of bed-curtains and female dresses, &c.

Among the wonderful things which this terrible age has brought forth we must number the existence of secret democratic associations in the Ruffian army. Alexander, it seems, has encouraged establishments of schools among his troops. His soldiers were apt scholars, and no sooner roused to distinguish good and evil than they began to think that men were not made to be beasts burdened and that a better system of government than the Russian despotism might be contrived. Whole regiments and divisions, it is said, when interviewed with these dangerous heresies, were disband. If the fact be correctly stated, we have met with anything more cheering and encouraging. It shows that the foundations of arbitrary power are mouldering away, even in the least enlightened countries of Europe, and that the very agencies employed to rivet the fetters of mankind may be the instruments of their deliverance. Abolition brings out more strongly the salutary truth that knowledge and despotism are natural enemies, that the progress of the human mind must either arrest, or the pillars of arbitrary power must be shaken.

The persecution and prosecution of booksellers and printers still continue, and are not confined to France. At Leipsic M. Brockhouse; at the *Mirior*, Delanney, &c. The extraordinary punishment of Coreard (by withdrawing licence and closing his shop by force) continues to excite much attention, particularly as a girl remains stationary at the shop of Coreard, a Palais Royal, to prevent its being re-opened. There is something ludicrous in the appearance of a fully accoutred soldier remaining constant the door of a petty booksellers shop—which the size of little Waddington's *ca-durant* and St. Clement's Church yard—and for such a pose! It proves however, two things—the press is feared, and that force will be employed to keep it down.—The rigour with the sentinels enforce their orders too, is a proof that a certain degree of alarm and oppression is felt by government.

THE STAR.

Saint John, Tuesday, January 21st.

MAILS.  
ENGLISH for November & December.  
HALIFAX, by the land route.  
DITTO via Digby.

Bank of New Brunswick  
DIRECTOR for the Week, J. E. Barré.  
DISCOUNT DAY, THURSDAY.  
BILLS, intended for DISCOUNT, should be with the Cashier before the Discount Day.  
Usual Hours of Business, from 10 to 3.  
On the Discount Day, from 11 to 3.  
By order of the President and Directors,  
H. H. CARROLL.

The Halifax Mails by both routes have, but they have not brought us the expected from England. Through another channel received some items of European intelligence dates later, by several days, than can be furnished by the November Mail even when it makes appearance. It is, however, much to be regretted that the winter arrangements are such that remain so long without any direct communication with the mother country through the regular accredited vehicles of intelligence.

This morning a snow storm set in, which rendered travelling slow and heavy for several days to come.

SHIPWRECK.—We are sorry to have to announce the loss of the new hermaphrodite *JANE*, Joseph Smith, master, bound from Prince of Wales, on the morning of the 16th December last. She sailed from the 16th December last, in the course of the day, previous; in the course of the afternoon the weather became extremely foggy, and the cold intense—during the night, increased, and the vessel became nearly unable, from the quantities of ice which formed rigging and in the rudder case.

About six o'clock, A. M. the next morning vessel struck on the north side of Port Harbour, Cape Becton—she almost immediately on her beam ends, when the crew took to the sea, and in this dreadful situation, the sea being constantly over her, they remained till about six o'clock P. M. when the quarter deck part of the hull, and by leaping on it, and clinging to it in various places, they were able to keep their heads above water, but in the most distressing situation unable to walk: they were carried by a few inhabitants to their houses, and treated with kindness.

One Seaman, a Frenchman, died on the 11th of the greatest agony, from the severity of the cold; about half an hour before the vessel broke up, he was in an attempt to swim on shore, when he was broken in pieces. A few barrels of powder some of the brig's materials, were the only saved. Melancholy as this disaster is, it is well if it ended here; but candour compels us to state, that there are wretches, inhabiting the Port Hood Harbour, who in the hour

of adversity, such as is here described, were wicked enough, not only to plunder and conceal in the woods part of the wreck, but even threatened to take the lives of the Crew, and of a few honest and active individuals, who assisted them in saving and securing the property.  
No language is strong enough to reprobate such conduct. Much credit is due to W. Waits, Esq., Giles, Esq., S. Fraser, Esq., Captain Thomas Penny, and Mr. Dennis Murphy, for their activity in saving and securing as much of the property as possible, and for their kindness to the surviving sufferers. *Halifax Journal*.

OPMENCEL.  
In Trinity Church, on Wednesday last, between the hours of eleven and twelve, by the Rev. R. WILLIS, ALEXANDER WEBSTER, Esq. to JANE, daughter of THOMAS HEAVISIDE, Esq.

MARINE LIST.  
CLEARED, JANUARY 14—21.  
Ships MICERNA, Franklin, London, timber, Elizabeth, Weight, Cork, do. do.  
Bris Courier, Hardy, Cork, do.  
AMERICANS CLEARED.  
Schr. Nancy, Crowell, New York, grindstones.

MEMORANDA.  
Returned on Sunday brig Swift, Stewart, having met with heavy weather in the Bay and 3 of the Crew badly frost bitten.

CUSTOM HOUSE SALE.  
To-morrow, Wednesday, will be sold in front of the Custom House, the following  
VESSELS AND GOODS, viz:  
THE Sloop "Ploughboy," (burthen 40 tons.) together with her Boat and Appurtenances.  
The American Boat "Rob Roy," (about 12 tons) with her Appurtenances.  
One Barrel BEEF.  
Boxes Spanish SEGARS.  
Papers SNUFF,  
American Magazines and Almanacks,  
American Homespun,  
A quantity of Phials and Medicines,  
Combs; Half a Chest of Tea,  
Wool and Cotton Cards,  
Boots and Shoes,  
Kegs and half kegs Tobacco,  
A keg of Gin,  
A number of Axe Helves,  
One Barrel of Fish,  
Two Barrels of Flour,  
Marble Slabs and Tomb Stones,  
One Musquet and Powder Horn.  
The same having been Condemned in the Court of Vice Admiralty of this Province for a breach of the Revenue Laws.  
Custom House, St. John, Jan. 21. 1823.

NOTICE.  
The Subscriber hereby notifies the Public, that he has withdrawn from the concern of Messrs. REED, & Co. as a Branch Pilot for this Port.  
SMITH THOMAS.

SHAYED, to Major DRURY's about a Month back, a BLACK COW, four years old White Face, Back, and Tail, with a mark on the Horn.—The owner can have her on application to Major DRURY's Servant, by paying all expenses. January 21, 1823.

MERCHANTABLE LUMBER.  
10,000 MERCHANTABLE Lumber, on sale by HANFORD & RAYMOND. January 21st, 1823.

TO LET.  
THE Brick Stores fronting the Market Square, belonging to DAVID HATHFIELD, & SONS. If the above Property is not Let by the 1st of February, it will then be Let at Public Auction.  
January 21.

To Lot or Lease.  
And Possession given the 1st of May next. THE Premises at present occupied by Mr. PRINCE, fronting the Market Square. For other particulars apply at this Office.  
January 21.

TO LET.  
And possession given the first of May, or sooner if required. PART of the DWELLING HOUSE and Premises, lately belonging to the Estate of Job S. Mott, adjoining Mr. Merrill's Brick House, in Prince William Street. For further particulars inquire at the Office of the Subscriber.  
18. 1823. R. PARKER, JUN.

TO LET.  
From first of May next— THE HOUSE, in Saint John Street, at present occupied by Messrs. WILLIAM HARRIS, & Also, the HOUSE in the rear of the same, situate on Prince William Street, last occupied by Mr. J. MURPHY.— Likewise, the HOUSE in King Street, recently occupied by Mr. CHARLES FARRELL.— For terms apply to GEORGE MATTHEW. January 18, 1823.

NOTICE.  
THE Co-Partnership existing between the Subscribers, is hereby declared to be dissolved until consent from this date.  
JOHN KIRK,  
JOHN PHILLIPS, } Traders.

NOTICE.  
The Subscriber requests those Persons who have been in the habit of borrowing TOOLS in his Shop, for these two years past, to return them within one month from this date, otherwise measures will be made use of for obtaining them.  
11. JOHN BAIRD.

TO BUILDERS.  
THE Committee of the Vestry of Trinity Church, appointed to superintend the building of a New CHURCH, upon the east side of King's Square, will receive Proposals for the Foundation and Outer Walls of the same, and for the Roof and Frame of the lower Floor. The Roof to be Slatod, and Framed so as not to require the support of Pillars.—Those who wish to Contract for the above object will be expected to state their Proposals to carry up the Walls either with Brick or Stone, as the Vestry may eventually prefer.—All Materials to be found by the Parties proposing, which must be of the most sufficient quality, and for Dimensions and all further particulars they are referred to the Plans and Specifications which lie at the Store of Messrs. E. BARLOW, & Sons, for inspection.

The Site for the Building is a part rock and a part earth, which should be examined by Contractors, as they will be required to establish the Foundation Walls in a perfect manner.—The Committee expect all Tenders to be given in by the 10th of February, at Messrs. BARLOW's.

WILLIAM SCOVIL,  
Z. WHEELER,  
STEPHEN WIGGINS,  
THOMAS BARLOW.  
St. John, January 18, 1823.

THE SUBSCRIBER.  
OFFERS for Sale the following articles, viz. A large assortment of Household Furniture consisting of Mahogany Bedsteads, Ditto, Tea, Card, and Dining Tables, Sofa and Sofa Table, Mahogany Chairs, Bureau, Chests of Drawers, Mirrors, Carved Curtains with Pole &c. complete, Chintz Curtains, Gilt Mirrors, Brussels Carpets, with Rugs to match, a Dinner Set of Cambrian China, Tea do. a good London-made Harpsichord.  
Also.—A general assortment of Woollens and other Dry Goods, among which are; Narrow Cloths from 3s. to 6s. 6d. per yard. Broad do. from 4s. 6d. to 2s. 7-1/2-4-4. 10-4, 11-4, Rose Blankets, Fishing and Cloth Trowsers, Jackets, and Great Coats, Hosiery, Plated and Stuff Hats, Flag Handkerchiefs, Madeira and Port Wine, Brandy, Gin, Jamaica Rum, London Porter, &c. the whole of which will be sold at reduced prices for Cash or approved Notes.

SAMUEL STEPHEN,  
Pazans' Wharf.  
Jan. 21.

NOTICE.  
THE Unsettled Notes and Accounts belonging to the Estate of the late CALEB MERRITT, having been left with the Subscriber for Collection, all persons interested will please take Notice that unless they be paid by the 19th of February, next, they will be put in suit without further notice.  
Jan. 21, 1823. W. B. KINNEAR.

NOTICE.  
THE PROPRIETORS and OCCUPIERS of PEWS in TRINITY CHURCH, who have omitted to pay the Rents falling due on the first instant, are notified that their Pews will be sold according to an existing Regulation of the Vestry, unless their arrears be made good previously to the first of February.  
January 18, 1823.

Bills of Exchange.  
NOTICE is hereby given, that Tenders will be received at this Office until 12 o'clock on Saturday the 25th inst. for Bills of Exchange on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, at 30 days sight.  
Assistant Commissary General's Office,  
St. John, N. B. 21st Jan. 1823.

LAND SURVEYING.  
R. FOULIS, having been appointed a Deputy Surveyor for the county of St. John by the Surveyor General, begs leave to inform his friends, that he has entered into the duties of the Surveying Department, and trusts, that diligence and perseverance for the interests of his employers will gain him public patronage.  
Petitions for Land or other Communications for the head of the Department, intrusted to his care, will be speedily transmitted.  
Apply at his Lodgings at J. C. McPherson's, Duke street.  
St. John, Dec. 31st, 1822.

The Subscriber,  
Has just received via Halifax,  
CANADIAN Prime Mess PORK, PEAS, and fresh superline FLOUR, of excellent quality, brandod last month, and a few half butts of Old Sherry Wine, which with Port and West India Madeira Wines on hand, he offers for Sale, on reasonable terms for cash or approved credit.  
THOMAS HEAVISIDE,  
December 17.

Post Office, St. John, 13th Jan. 1823.  
A GREEABLE to a new arrangement, the Mails outwards from this Office, will in future be made up as follows:—  
For Halifax, &c. (Land) Tuesday at 4, P. M.  
Fredericton & Canada, Thursday, at 4, P. M.  
St. Andrews & United States, Friday, at Noon.  
Digby, Halifax, &c. (Packet) Saturday, at Noon.  
DAYS OF ARRIVAL.  
From Halifax, &c. (Land) Saturday evening.  
Fredericton and Canada, Thursday evening.  
St. Andrews & United States, Thursday Noon.  
Digby, Halifax, &c. (Packet) Friday.

THOMAS SANCTON,  
Acting Post Master.

NOTICE.  
ALL Persons indebted to the late Firm of SAMUEL MILES, & SON, or to SAMUEL MILES, are requested to call and settle their respective accounts with the Subscriber without delay, as all debts which are not paid by the first day of March next will be sued for without discrimination.  
JAS. PETERS, Jun.  
January 14. Atty.

For Sale by the Subscriber,  
40 BARRELS GASPHEREAU,  
A few Barrels PORK,  
10 Tons assorted IRON,  
30 Casks assorted GLASS WARE,  
40 Pieces CLOTH,  
And a general assortment of Dry Goods.  
Jan. 14. I. PRAUL.