

## European Intelligence.

Mr. Wise, M. P., is to be leader of the Whig section of the Irish Members in the present session.

Mr. Pakenham, the newly appointed British Envoy to the United States, sailed in the Vestal, Captain Talbot, from Portsmouth, on the 19th ult.

Mr. Everett is now in correspondence with Lord Stanley, the Colonial Secretary, upon the Oregon treaty question. The American Minister has had several interviews with his Lordship at the Colonial Office.

Mr. Everett, the American minister, had a long interview with Lord Stanley, at the Colonial Office, on the 22d ult.—Mr. Macleod, from New Brunswick, also visited his Lordship the same day.

Colonel Sir Augustus D'Este will be allowed to assume the title of his deceased father, the Duke of Sussex; the Queen having expressed a wish to that effect.

Vice Admiral Sir John Chambers White has been appointed Commander-in-Chief at the North; Captain William F. Martin son of Admiral Sir Bayam Martin, being the flag Captain.

The appointment of Mr. Montgomery Martin to the post of Treasurer of Hongkong, was officially gazetted on Tuesday night. The appointment has given much satisfaction to the mercantile interest.

Mr. Davis, who formerly acted as successor for a short time to the late Lord Napier to China, has been appointed by the Government to relieve Sir Henry Pottinger as the Queen's representative and Governor of Hong Kong.

The latest accounts from Howick convey the gratifying intelligence that the venerable Earl Gray is going on as favourably as can be expected at his advanced period of life, and daily recovering from the effects of his recent severe illness.

The bullion now in the Bank of England is returned at the large sum of £14,639,000. This amount of gold appears large when contrasted with that which appears in the returns four years ago. It then fell much below three millions. The three per cent, too, were then quoted at 80. They are not.

In proof of the decline of the whale fishery, it is mentioned that the whole number of vessels that sailed in 1843, was eleven, whereas there used to be about thirty per annum.

**Accusation of Mrs. Gilman.**—The trial of Mrs. Christina Cochran or Gilman, for the murder of her husband—a case which has excited great interest, both from its circumstances, and the novel's apprehension in New York, under the Ashburton Treaty, occupied the High Court of Justice on Friday and Saturday week. Evidence was laid on Friday for the prosecution, at great length, and on Saturday the Jury were addressed by the Lord Justice Clerk, the Jury retired to consider their verdict, and in about an hour afterwards they returned into the Court, and by their chancellor returned the following verdict:—"The jury, after careful and mature deliberation of the evidence before them in this case, are unanimously of opinion that John Gilman died from the effects of arsenic; but they find that the charge is not proven against the panel at the bar as libelled."

**Dr. Wolf's Mission to Bokhara.**—Letters have been received from Dr. Wolf by the committee of the Stoddart and Connolly fund, dated Erzeroum, in Armenia, Dec. 19 and 19. The Pasha of Erzeroum gives him letters, provides guards, and pays his expenses to the frontier. Intelligence has also been received from Constantinople, dated the 21st ult., which states that some people had arrived who left Bokhara within three months: Stoddart was alive, in high favour, and no public execution had been heard of.

The medical men have declared the fever of Hong Kong to be the jungle fever of India and the yellow fever of the West Indies combined. Chusan is considered much more healthy than Hong Kong for a settlement. The men of the 55th were dying off with fever, and the regiment is now reduced from 1000 strong to 150.

The Bengal Government has reported to the Indian Government at home, in answer to their long-pending inquiry, that no pledge whatever was originally given for the annual payment of £6000 to the Temple of Jugger-nath, and consequently that there is no precedence for its continuance. Its own landed revenue will of course continue, but its own votaries and patrons must henceforth supply the needful, and not the British nation.

The cultivation of the tea plant has been attempted, with success, in the Mauritius.

The Greeks have passed a law expelling from the limits of the nation all white men who play at cards, whether they have Indian wives or not.

The extraordinary and astonishing feat of walking 1000 miles in 1000 hours, has been completed by a Mrs. Harrison, 40 years of age, upon the Leeds and Whitehall Road.

A terrible coal-pit accident, accompanied by a fearful loss of life, occurred in the vicinity of Whitehaven on the 19th ult.—A colliery, called the Duke's Pit, exploded in the lowermost gallery, where no fewer than sixteen miners were at work, all of whom were killed.

**Incendiary Fires.**—England continues to be infested by villians who destroy by burning at night. Since our last publication large amounts of property have been destroyed by fires in the following places: Easing, Great Barford, Bedminster, Saint Ives, Daventry, Nottingham, Dunstable, Telmersham, Sleaford, Macuden, Harlow, Crowland, Weldon, Ipswich, Poindon, Batusford.

The *Globe* of Friday states, on the authority of a city correspondent, that the Bank of England is to obtain a renewal of its charter from the present government. It is said that in return the Bank is to assist the government in any plan for reducing the interest of Consols, by advancing a large sum of money to pay off those creditors of the nation who may be unwilling to submit to the reduction. Bank Stock had risen in consequence. The Times of Saturday treats the statement slightly, and the Morning Herald of the same day contends that the *Globe* has been mystified. The last named journal seems disposed, however, to adhere to its statement; and in confirmation, refers to the fact that the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank have of late been in unusually frequent attendance at Downing-street.

The intended marriage of the Duke of Nassau to a Russian Princess is announced to take place on the 28th inst.—The Emperor Nicholas is thus by degrees engraving his family on the German principalities. He has already contracted family alliances with Prussia, Bavaria, the Grand Duchy of Hesse, and in a short time a Russian Princess will be united to the heir to the throne of Denmark.

**The Duke of Wellington's Napping.**—At the conclusion of the banquet at Windsor Castle, on Tuesday evening last, Her Majesty and Prince Albert, with their distinguished guests, retired as usual, to the green drawing room, the Queen's private band being stationed in the adjoining apartment (the crimson drawing), the folding doors of which were thrown open. In the course of the evening Her Majesty left the private apartment arm-in-arm with the Duke of Wellington, and seated herself, with the Duke on her right hand and surrounded by the Court near the hand. After listening to the performance of two or three compositions, the Queen rose from her seat to retire, a movement which was, of course, followed by the whole of the Royal party, with the exception of the Duke, who had fallen into a profound nap. Her Majesty, smiling, and evidently enjoying the involuntary forgetfulness of his Grace, playfully tapped the Duke on the shoulder with her bouquet, which speedily brought him from a state of momentary oblivion to perfect consciousness, when the Queen, with a gracious smile (amidst the suppressed utterings of the illustrious guests), made his Grace a low courtesy, and taking the noble warrior's arm in the most kind and affectionate manner; and laughing the while, proceeded from the crimson to the green drawing room, where coffee was served.—[*Britannia*].

**American Provisions.**—On Wednesday fortnight a private show of foreign provision took place in the sale room of Messrs. Keeley and Hunt, Monument yard, London, previous to the sale, on the succeeding day. As soon as an improvement in the care and feeding takes place on the other side, to accord with the taste of the English public, there can be no doubt that the imports from America will cause a great revolution in the prices of such articles.—After the inspection of the prepared samples the whole of the gentlemen adjourned to Nicholson's wharf, where the stock was shown in bulk; several packages were turned out for their inspection, and offered the fairest criterion of the importance of this new branch of trade that has as yet been shown. The American cheeses and were high in favour and are undoubtedly well suited to the English palate. The Labrador salmon is also in good condition for the English use. The proceedings of the day were highly interesting, and have given rise to expectations that a thorough simplification of the tariff may be speedily obtained. The great point in the meantime is, to let the public know that American hams and tongues, and Labrador salmon are now imported into this country.

**BELFAST, JANUARY 1.**  
The last month with the exception of a few days, has been unusually mild and fine, and the whole country has the aspect it usually bears in the middle of March. Business generally progresses well; our manufactures and shipping, and our artisans, are all fully employed, and the consequent increase of consumption, tell in the steadily advancing prices of all the necessities of life.  
**TIRES.**—We have had no public sales during the past month, but the demand for consumption continues to increase, and prices gradually but steadily to advance, and high prices are expected for a cargo of deals. (St. John's), and timber advertised for auction on Wednesday next.

**OBITUARY.**—It is with deep regret we announce the death of Lady Douglas, at Bothwell Castle, Hamilton, aged 71.

Major Rutherford, 88th Regt. and Mr. Hobbler, Magistrate's Clerk at the Mansion House, died recently at London.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Wm. Johnston, K. C. B. Commander of the 68th Infantry, died on the 23d ult. at Southampton, in the 72d year of his age.

Major General Churchill, Deputy Quartermaster-general of Her Majesty's forces in Bengal, died lately at that presidency.—Sir Robert Andrews Douglas, Bart. of Gleubur in command of the 2d batt. 12th Regt. at the Mauritius, died there on the 1st November.

Major Gen. Wautier died at Clermont on the 14th ult. in the 87th year of his age. He was Colonel of the 84th Regiment of the line.

Sir Robert Lewis Fitzgerald, Knt. K. C. H. Vice Admiral of the Red, died at Bath on the 17th ult. in the 69th of his age.

Lady Carr, (formerly widow of the late Spencer Percival,) died on the 27th ult. at Ealing.

Sir Francis Burdett died at his town residence on the 23d ult. The deceased commenced his political career as a reformer of the boldest and most uncompromising principles, and was for many years distinguished

as "Westminster's Glory and England's Pride," an appellation which Cobbeit diminished to plain "Old Glory." In 1812 Sir Francis was committed to the Tower for uttering unpalatable truths as to the constitution of Parliament; and in 1819, was prosecuted for his manly denunciation of the Manchester massacre, convicted, and sentenced to pay a fine of £1000, and be imprisoned. In consequence, it is supposed of being passed over when the Reform Ministers came into power, Sir Francis went over to the Tories; and since that period his sayings and doings have not excited the slightest possible interest, either amongst his old political or his new ones.

## New-Brunswick Provincial Parliament.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.  
From the Journals.

Tuesday, February 20th.

Mr. Boyd presented a Petition from Lucien L. Copeland, Mail Carrier, and Proprietor of the Stage running between St. Andrews and Fredericton, praying aid to enable him to continue his Line of Stage on that Road; which he read.

Wednesday, Feb. 21.

Mr. Thomson, presented a Petition from Jean Burns Carlyle, praying to be remunerated for teaching a School in the Parish of Penfield, which was received and referred to the Committee on School Petitions.

Mr. Hill, brought in a bill relating to Grand and Petit Jurors; which was read a first time.

Mr. Brown, presented a Petition from Ruth McFarlane, of the Parish of Saint Patrick, Widow of the late Duncan McFarlane, deceased, an old Soldier of the Revolutionary War, praying that the pension allowed to her said late Husband may be continued to her; which was referred to the Committee of Supply.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**  
Wednesday 21st Feb.

The Hon. Mr. Wyer, presented the following Petitions:—  
A Petition from Ruth Macfarlane, of the Parish of St. Patrick, Widow, praying the Provincial allowance heretofore granted to her late husband, may be continued to her; and

A Petition from Jean Burns Carlyle, praying an allowance for teaching a School in the Parish of Penfield, for six months, ending the 16th day of December last.

**COMMUNICATED.**  
To the Editor of the Standard.

Sir,—With feelings of much regret I announce the death of a young man, formerly of this town, and who for a period of over six years was the faithful and respected clerk of the late Mr. Parkinson. The following very handsome tribute of respect which the friends among whom he died have paid to his memory, is extracted from a Southern paper, and which cannot fail in being perused by all who knew him, but with a very high degree of satisfaction. The subject of such honorary notice died in Eutaw, Alabama, about the first week in January last, aged thirty-eight.

At a meeting of the young men of Eutaw, Greene County Alabama, held in the Court House on the 6th day of January 1844; the Chairman having in a brief and very feeling manner explained the object for which they were convened; and the Committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiments of the meeting, reported the following which were unanimously adopted.

Whereas we have lately heard the melancholy news of the death of our much esteemed and respected friend, WILLIAM B. MCKEE; and desiring to manifest in an appropriate manner the high estimation in which he was held by us—therefore be it

Resolved, That in his death our village has lost one of its most virtuous, intelligent, and honorable inhabitants.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the relations of our departed friend, on account of their dear and bereaved, and that we may secure our grief, it can never elapse from our memories the affectionate remembrance of his many virtues.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this meeting be instructed to forward to the relations of the deceased, a copy of these resolutions and proceedings.

Resolved, That the resolutions and proceedings of this meeting be published in the Eutaw Whig—and that the papers of Augusta, Georgia, be requested to copy.

On motion the meeting adjourned.  
H. FOSTER, Chairman.  
T. L. RATCLIFFE, Secretary.

Mr. Robert McKee, brother to the deceased, who also is well and deservedly remembered in this Community is sole Administrator to the Estate, which consists of a well furnished Dry Good Store &c., as by advertisements in my possession.

Yours &c.  
J. P.

**MAJOR EVANSON.**—This gentleman, a resident of Sussex Vale, has sailed for England on a mission of patriotism. It is his intention to use his best endeavors to induce a better class of Emigrants to come to this Province, by explaining to them the local advantages of this portion of her Majesty's dominions. Mr. E. thinks that practical Agriculturalists with small capitals, while they improve in a very great degree their own circumstances, by settling in this Province, would also materially assist in improving the state of this country, both in a pecuniary and in a scientific point of view. We think so too, and offer up our best wishes for success in his truly laudable undertaking.—[*Chron.*]

Our thanks are due to the Hon. Col. Wyer for the Journals of both Houses, and other Parliamentary documents.

## THE STANDARD.

ST. ANDREWS, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28, 1844.

**Charlotte County Bank.**  
Hon. HARRIS HATCH, President.

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, otherwise they must lie over until next week.

**Sims and Black Mount.**  
Commissioner next week—Peter Smith.

**Saint Stephens Bank.**  
G. D. Kins Esq., President.

Director next week—Geo. M. Porter.  
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 discount day.

**LATEST DATES.**  
London, Feb. 3 Montreal, Feb. 15  
Liverpool, Feb. 4 Quebec, Feb. 15  
Edinburgh, Feb. 1 Halifax, Feb. 15  
Paris, Feb. 1 New York, Feb. 20  
Toronto, Feb. 16 Boston, Feb. 23

The debate, in the House of Assembly on the Address to Sir Charles T. Metcalf, Governor General, on the constitutional stand taken by His Excellency, which led to the resignation of his late advisers, was terminated the 21st inst. after animated discussion, when a division took place, and there appeared for the Address 21, against it 11.

For the Address—Hon. Mr. Speaker, Simonds, Hazen Messrs. Rankin, Wark, Brown, Thomson, S. Earle, W. H. Street, Scoullar, Barberie, Jordan, Botsford, Allen, Hamilton, Partelow, End. J. Earle, Taylor, Stewart, J. A. Street.

Against it—The hon. Mr. Wilmot, Messrs. Smith, Payne, Connell, Perley, Freeze, Barker, Gilbert, Boyd, Hill, Fisher.

**THE LATE CHANGES IN THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.**—Some very important Despatches from Lord Stanley to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, relative to the late changes in the Executive Council, have been laid before the House of Assembly. In these Despatches, his Lordship lays down the following principles for the guidance of the Administrator of the Government, viz:—That no solvent or debtor shall hold a seat in the Executive Council—that any Member who neglects his Parliamentary duties for a certain time, (to be hereafter specified) shall be displaced—that the number of Councilors shall not exceed 21, not more than one-third to hold offices under the Crown—that the different religious denominations in the Province shall be represented in the Council, as nearly as possible in proportion to their respective numbers, and that every religious denomination shall have at least one representative therein. How the principle is to be carried out—we cannot imagine.

**SACRED MUSIC.**—Mr. Winchester the enterprising publisher of the "New World" has just issued from his press—price \$1 a copy, a new and beautiful collection of Church Music called "The Beethoven Collection of Sacred Music" by three distinguished professors, viz. Ives, Alpers, and Timms. It differs from the ordinary books of Church music in the following particulars: 1st. The music which it contains is such as can be found in no other book, every page of it being copyrighted. 2nd. It is complete in its arrangement, the voice parts standing in their proper order, with a separate score for the organ. 3rd. The works of the entire hymn are printed so as to be easily read with the music. 4th. It will contain all the measures used in all the churches of different denominations, as well as all the service of the Episcopal Churches, including the Festivals. 5th. It is got up in a far superior style to any book of the kind which has appeared in this country, being printed on a large and open page, with entirely new types.

The *Yarmouth Morning Courier* says that a quantity of wheat, from the cargo of the brig Catharine, wrecked near Beaver River, has come ashore. By washing in fresh water and drying it, the damage sustained will have been but slight.

**Capture of a Slave.**—The British brig Wasp, just arrived at New York from Sierra Leone, having left that place fifty days since, reports that three weeks previous to her sailing, the British brig of war Rapid had captured a Brazilian slave, having on board two hundred and fifty slaves. The slaves were freed, and the vessel condemned, the British Government allowing each of the crew a shilling a day to subsist on.

**The New British Minister.**—We learn from the *New York Express* of the 16 inst. that the Hon. Richard Packenham and Secretary, left that place that morning en route for Washington. H. B. M. sloop of war Vestal, will remain at N. York until the arrival of Mr. Fox, from Washington, who will return in her to England.

**KILLED** on the 3d of January last, near Pleasant Valley, Kings County, by the falling of a tree, WELLES C. PARKER, aged 21 years, a native of Grand Manan, and nephew of Wilford Fisher Esq. He had but just arrived on a visit to his friends, when he met with the melancholy death above mentioned. He was unmarried, and of sober and industrious habits—would meet with encouragement in this Town.

**NOVA SCOTIA.**—The debate in the House of Assembly, on the Address in answer to Lord Falklands, Speech at the opening of the Legislature on the 8th inst. was concluded on the 20th inst.—for the Address 26, for the amendment 24.

**A WATCHMAKER** who understands his business well—and of sober and industrious habits—would meet with encouragement in this Town.

**A branch Society**, in connection with the Provincial Association, has been established in Fredericton.

**PAY THE PRINTER.**—We respectfully call on our friends to pay our collector when he calls.—We must enforce payment, as our paper bills are now due.

Hay has been very abundant in our market for some time past. Excellent qualities selling at the low price of eight dollars per ton.—Hay has been brought to market this season, from a distance of upwards of seventy miles.—*St. John Herald*.

On the 3d inst. the Editor of the *New Orleans Picayune* was presented with a sample of Strawberries!

**From Jamaica.**—Files of Kingston papers to the 16th ult. have been received at New Orleans.

Mr. Desmones, accused of robbing the Bank at Kingston, has been acquitted, and the affair remains involved in mystery.

A silk company has commenced operations in Jamaica on a large scale.

**PICTORIAL TIMES.**—A few copies of the above Paper for Sale at this Office.

At Barbadoes, 26th Jan. brig Minerva, Donaldson, hence.

**MARRIED.**  
At Madawaska, on the 30th ult. by the Rev. A. Gosselin, Mr. John Hart, Merchant, Little Falls, to Judith, eldest daughter of J. Costigan, Esq. Post Master, Grand Falls.

At Halifax, on the 15th inst. by the Rev. A. Roman, A. M., Mr. E. L. Woodworth, of Cornwallis, to Jane, eldest daughter of Mr. S. Wallis, of Halifax.

On the 22d ult. at Campbelltown, N. B. at the residence of A. Ritchie, Esq. by the Rev. Mr. Stevens, John Wilkie, Esq. Physician, New Carlisle, to Martha Sophia, youngest daughter of the late Oliver O'Hara, Esq.

**DIED.**  
At Fredericton, on the 14th inst. after a lingering illness, which he bore with Christian resignation, Mr. David Breen, aged 23 years, leaving a disconsolate widow, together with a numerous circle of friends and acquaintance to lament their loss.

At Fredericton, on the 15th inst. Mrs. L. Ann, wife of Dr. Woodford, in the 62d year of her age.

At Douglas, County of York, on the 19th inst. Fanny E. wife of Mr. Saml. B. Smith, and eldest daughter of James A. Miles, Esq. aged 30 years.

**COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE.**  
In the matter of Joseph Pratt, a Bankrupt.  
**PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that upon the application of the said Joseph Pratt, this day made to me.—I do appoint a Public Sitting, to be held on Tuesday the sixteenth day of April next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, at my office in St. Andrews, for the allowance of a certificate of conformity to the said Joseph Pratt, pursuant to the Provisions of the Act of the General Assembly in this Province, in force respecting Bankrupts, when and where any of the creditors of the said Bankrupt may be heard against the allowance of such certificate, and the same will be allowed unless cause be then and there shown to the contrary, or such other order will be made as the justice of the case may require.

Given under my hand at St. Andrews the 13th day of January, 1844.

H. HATCH,  
Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts for the County of Charlotte.

**COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE.**  
In the matter of Samuel Watts, a Bankrupt.  
**PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that upon application of the said Samuel Watts this day made to me I do appoint a public sitting to be held on Saturday the eleventh day of May next at ten of the clock in the forenoon of that day at the office of the undersigned Commissioner in St. Andrews for the allowance of a Certificate of Conformity to the said Samuel Watts pursuant to the Provisions of the acts of the General Assembly of this Province in force respecting bankrupts when and where any of the Creditors of the said Bankrupt may be heard against the allowance of such Certificate and the same will be allowed unless cause be then and there shown to the contrary or such other order will be made as the justice of the case may require.

Given under my hand this twenty fourth day of February A. D. 1844.

H. HATCH,  
Commissioner of the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts for the County of Charlotte.

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