

A fire broke out suddenly in Sculler's Ship Yard, at the Oromocto, about 10 o'clock yesterday, supposed to be the work of an incendiary. It destroyed the large building shed, about one-third of the new ship, a large store with a dwelling house, and two barns, owned by Mr. Abner Seeley. Property to the amount of £2000 is said to be destroyed.

We learn that there was insurance on the Ship to the amount of £1000.

EXPLOSION OF A SODA FOUNTAIN—This morning, while a person in attendance was employed in preparing the Soda Fountain of Mr. Brayley, apothecary, in Queen-street, the cylinder burst with a loud explosion, sending through the shoe of the person employed in pumping the air, and seriously wounding his foot. Fortunately, there was no other damage done to persons or property. The explosion was heard at the distance of several squares from the place where the accident happened.

—**Head Quarters.**

A meeting was held at H.P.'s Hall on Tuesday evening last, for the purpose of taking measures to have a Telegraphic Office of communication established in this town. The amount of Stock required to be taken to ensure its establishment is \$4000, which would be 60 shares of \$50 each. Books for the sale of Stock were opened, and a committee of eight chosen, four from Calais, and four from St. Stephen, to solicit subscriptions. Ten shares were taken at the close of the meeting. It is nearly all taken up now.—*Calais Advertiser, August 9.*

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NEW BRUNSWICK MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH

We take pleasure in announcing the arrival of Mr. R. Darrow, Esq., of New York, the Agent of the Telegraphic enterprise, who visits St. Andrews for the purpose of conferring with the inhabitants upon the propriety of establishing a depot of the main line from Halifax to Boston and New York at this place. We consider it almost impossible to over-estimate the advantages arising from the establishment of a method of instantaneous communication with all the principal cities and towns of the United States and the Provinces. A minute detail of the advantages to be derived, and the *modus operandi*, would require more space than we can spare at present; but let us presume that our enlightened business men fully understand the great importance of a telegraphic communication with all the principal ports and markets of this Continent, thus bringing them, as it were, within speaking distance of each other; enabling the ship-owners, merchants, and business men to receive from, and give orders to, their correspondents, without loss of time, not only saving expense, but also relieving a suspense which is always disagreeable, and often painful.

The completion of this line from Halifax to Portland will connect all the principal towns of the coast and the interior, through the whole range of North America. Mr. Darrow informs us that the lines of telegraph are now completed from Portland to New Orleans. Another great line leaves New York for Buffalo, at the foot of Lake Erie, &c.; another leaves Buffalo for Milwaukee, far up on the West side of Lake Michigan, taking in the principal cities and towns in its route. All this great extent of country has been connected together within an extraordinary short space of time. Friends, thousands of miles apart, greet each other as though they were present—business correspondents exchange views, and give orders in and from every point of the land, and govern their operations as though they were themselves present at the several places.

We understand from Mr. Darrow that the question with us now is—whether this town will have a depot or not? Who is there in the community who will not come forward and cheerfully render the assistance demanded by the Agent of this grand enterprise, to enable this second town in the Province to take its place in this great chain of electric communications?

Our neighbours in Canada have got the start of us in this matter.—Quebec, Three Rivers, Montreal, Coburg, Hamilton, Toronto, and other points, have been for some months connected by telegraph with New York, via Buffalo; and now another line is completed from Montreal to New York, via St. John's, through Vermont, &c.

We learn that a public meeting will be held at the Town Hall this afternoon, when Mr. Darrow will explain the object of his visit, and a subscription paper will be opened for the purpose of receiving subscribers. Mr. Darrow enters here, warmly supported by letters, and the personal introduction of influential gentlemen.

Since the above was written, a meeting was held in the Town Hall. The Hon. Colonel Hatch was called in the chair, and Wellington Hatch, Esq., to act as Secretary. Mr. Darrow explained the object of his visit. After a few observations from some gentlemen present, a committee was appointed to obtain subscribers' names. The following gentlemen compose the committee, viz., G. F. Campbell, G. D. Street, and William Whitlock, Esquires.

MURDER AT GRAND MANAN.—Many of our readers will, no doubt, be as much startled at this announcement as we were this morning, when we learned that, on Thursday evening last, three men belonging to, and residing on, the Island of Grand Manan, were drinking that accursed poison—rum. Some dispute arose between them, which we regret to state, led to blows, and finally resulted in the death of a Mr. Joseph Thomas, aged about 60 years. The name of the person who committed this diabolical deed our informant could not recollect; but, as the matter, it is likely, will undergo an investigation before the October Court, we refrain from further comment, as it would be improper to give circulation to the numerous reports which are afloat respecting this awful crime. We understand that an inquest was held on the body and a verdict of "wilful murder" returned by the jury.

Several articles, intended for this day's paper, have been crowded out.

DIED.

Suddenly, at St. Patrick, on the 10th inst., Mr. Robert Linton, aged 35 years, leaving a wife and three children to lament their sudden bereavement. Mr. Linton was a native of the county Antrim, Ireland, and only arrived in this town about ten days ago.

MARINE AND FIRE INSURANCE.

Protection Insurance Company of N. J.
CAPITAL, \$200,000.

Camden Insurance Company of N. J.
CAPITAL, \$100,000.
WITH A SURPLUS OF OVER \$30,000

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
OF CONNECTICUT.
CAPITAL, \$150,000.

THE Subscriber, having received the Agency for the above-named Insurance Companies for Calais and vicinity, will receive applications and issue Policies on Vessels, Cargoes, and Freights, and Vessels upon the Stocks, Buildings, Furniture, and Goods, at the current rates, to the amount of \$10,000 on Marine risks, and \$20,000 on Fire risks. All losses promptly adjusted and paid, or, in case of differences, the Courts of this State will be recognised.

E. D. GREEN, Agent.

Calais, June 1, 1848.

Refer to Wm. H. Esq., Agent, St. Andrews, N.B.

Mill Privilege &c for Sale

FOR SALE 200 Acres of WOODLAND with a valuable Mill Privilege thereon, known as the "Little Falls," on the River St. Croix. This property is situated in a central part of the Parish of St. James, and is so well known as not to require further description. Title indisputable. Terms—One third cash down, one third in three months, and one third in 6 months.

Apply to Wm. Campbell Esq., St. Stephen, or at the Standard Office, St. Andrews.

August 4, 1848.

AT INVOICE!!

Western Dried Apples & Beans.

2500 pounds Dried Apples,
40 bushels White Beans,
Just landed and for sale at invoice and commission
at
Robbinston, July 22, 1848.

C. NOWELLS.

In the matter of Frederick A. Babcock, of St. Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, a Bankrupt.

WHEREAS under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of this Province, intitled "An Act relating to Bankruptcy in this Province," and of the Acts in addition to and in amendment of the same, Frederick A. Babcock, of St. Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, Merchant, hath been declared a Bankrupt, and hath accordingly surrendered himself to me; Now, therefore, I do hereby give public notice, that by virtue of the power and authority to me given in and by the said Acts, I have appointed Harris H. Hatch, of St. Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, Esquire, Provisional Assignee of the Estate and Effects of the Bankrupt; and I do require all persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, to pay to the said Assignee, on or before the 1st day of September next, all such sum and sums of money, debts or duties, as they may owe to the said Bankrupt; and all persons who may have in their possession, power or custody, any Property or Effects of the said Bankrupt, to deliver the same up to the said Assignee, on or before the said 1st day of September next; and I do require all the Creditors of the said Bankrupt, resident in the said Province, or in any other of Her Majesty's North American Colonies, or in the West Indies, or in the United States of America, within three months from the date hereof, to deliver in to the said Assignee, and to prove to, by satisfaction, their respective claims and demands whether the same are actually due or to become due against the said Bankrupt; And notice is hereby further given, that I appoint a meeting of the Creditors of the said Bankrupt, to be held on Friday, the 8th day of September next, at noon of that day, at the Office of the Provisional Assignee, in St. Andrews aforesaid; and a further meeting of the Creditors of the said Bankrupt will be held on Saturday the 9th day of September next, at the same hour, at the Office aforesaid, for the purpose of receiving proof of or contesting any claim presented against the said Estate; at which meetings, or at any adjournments thereof, the said Bankrupt will be examined upon oath, touching his Estate and dealings, and such other business relating to the said Estate will be done as may be deemed necessary.

Given under my hand at St. Andrews aforesaid, this 4th day of August A. D. 1848.

H. HATCH,

Commissioner in and for the County of Charlotte, of the Estates and Effects of Bankrupts.

It is just the Time

To buy NEW GOODS at C. NOWELL'S, Variety store, Robbinston. He has just received a fresh stock of W. I. Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes of the best quality, and at low prices. TOWNSEND'S SASSAPARILLA and other valuable Patent Medicines. SCHOOL BOOKS, and books suitable for Gifts and Keepsakes.—Also the Lives of Generals Taylor and Scott, illustrated with numerous Engravings. It is literally a Variety Store, which you call and see. Robbinston, July 22, 1848. n.w.

NEW ARRANGEMENT!

Passage to Boston, Eastport and St. John N. B. THREE TIMES A WEEK EACH WAY.

STEAMERS
ADMIRAL, Capt. Thos. Rogers,
SENATOR, Capt. Seymour,

Will leave Boston and St. John, from and after Wednesday, the 19th instant, every

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY.

For the above Place.—Returning—will leave Eastport for Boston on the above mentioned days, at 2 1/2 o'clock, P. M., via Portland Rail Road; or Cabin Passengers may continue on in the boat to Boston, at the same price, at their option.

The Boats leave Boston, direct for St. John, N. B., on the above days, touching only at Eastport.

Passengers being in Portland, bound to Eastport, can obtain Tickets of the Agent of this Line in that city, for \$4, over the Railroad, and take the Boat in Boston.

The Boats leave Eastport for St. John, at 11 o'clock, on (TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY,) of each week.

Passengers will be Ticketed through to St. John, by the steamer Nequaquet for Steamer Admiral and Senator.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEORGE HOBBS, Agent
Eastport, Monday, July 17, 1848.