

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

The Mackerel Fishery.—The Mackerel Fishery of New England has not for many years presented so gloomy a prospect at this season, as it does the present year. For a number of years the business has not been so good as formerly, and now that our fishermen have the British provinces to contend with in their own market, the business has looks despairing enough. The low rate of duty which the present tariff imposes, and the advantages which the people of Nova Scotia have over our fishermen to take the mackerel which flood their shores, enables them to bring to this country large quantities, at a great deal less expense than our fishermen can procure them—thus supplying the market and reducing the price to a very low standard. Last year they began to import mackerel from Nova Scotia about the first of September, and about fifty thousand barrels were imported—those that are imported now, we understand, are of this year's catch. Twenty-two hundred and seventeen barrels have arrived at Boston this week from the provinces, and should they continue to arrive through the season in such numbers, we do not see but that the business, so far as our fishermen are concerned, will be entirely prostrated. Under the tariff of 1842, the duty on mackerel was one dollar and fifty cents per barrel; now it is less than fifty cents per barrel.

Violation of the Passengers Act.—The Queen, on the complaint of M. H. Perley Esq., Emigration Officer, against Michael Hedigan, master of the schooner *Hornet*.

This case was heard on Friday and Saturday last, before B. L. Peters and Daniel Ansley, Esqs., when it appeared in evidence that the provisions put on board the *Hornet*, at Limerick, for use of the passengers (eighty-six in number) were bad and unwholesome—that the flour so called, was not flour at all, but merely bran and refuse, quite musty—and that the oatmeal had been of passable quality, but was mixed with dirt and grit. At the close of the evidence for the prosecution, Capt. Hedigan threw himself upon the consideration of the magistrates, stating that Mr. Bannatyne, of Limerick, the owner of the *Hornet*, engaged the passengers, and put the provisions on board himself—that the provisions having been inspected and passed by the Emigration Officers at Limerick, he, the Captain, conceived that no responsibility could rest upon him, but now found otherwise, and hoped to be dealt with leniently.

It was proposed that compensation should be made to the passengers for the deficiency of provisions and Capt. Hedigan then settled in a satisfactory manner with every passenger on board. The Magistrates taken this into consideration, and that the conduct of the Captain during the voyage had been kind and considerate, with the assent of Mr. Perley mitigated the penalty to Five Pounds sterling and costs.

We have seldom heard of a more barefaced attempt than this to impose upon emigrants, and we trust that the Irish newspapers will give such publicity to this case, as will prevent Mr. Bannatyne of Limerick, from being again able to obtain passengers for his vessels.

We understand that such a representation has been made to the Government as will render it necessary for the Emigration Officer at Limerick to explain satisfactorily his part in the transaction. —*New Brunswick.*

RETIREMENTS.—H. Bowyer Smith, Esq., late Collector, is placed on the retired List; and Messrs. Stringer and Walker on the Redundant List. James Smyre, Esq., late Sub-Collector at Dorchester; goes on the Retired List. Henry Wright, Esq., late Sub-Collector at Miramichi, is placed on the Redundant List.—*Ibid.*

Marine Assurance Company.—On Monday last the annual meeting of the Stockholders in this Company was held at their Office in the Commercial Bank Building in this City, for the choice of Directors for the ensuing year, when Messrs. James Kirk, John Wishart, Thomas Leavitt, John Ward, John V. Thurgar, F. A. Wiggins, W. H. Scovil, D. J. McLaughlin, and Wm. Parks, were re-elected. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, James Kirk, Esquire, was unanimously re-elected President.—*Courier.*

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has, we understand, within a few days, had a regular Bush excursion to the northward. — On the 21st, he left Fredericton, accompanied by Lieut. Col. Hayne, A. D. C., and his Private Secretary, Mr. Pennefather, and proceeded to the New Brunswick & Nova Scotia Company's principal settlement at Stanley. On the 26th, his Excellency passed through the woods in a direct line, to the head of the Miramichi Lake, a distance of about 24 miles. On the following morning, the party crossed the Lake in canoes, which had been placed in readiness for the occasion, and descending by the "Little Brook," entered the Southwest branch of the Miramichi River, forty five miles above Campbell and Boiestown, which latter place the party reached on the 29th and returned to Fredericton on the following day. In addition to the expense of travelling through woods as yet unnumbered with roads, which his Excellency has gained, he has also we learn, seen the route marked out by the recent survey, for the Halifax and Quebec Railway, and several other important stations in the northeast part of the Country, including the intended site for Bridging the Southwest Miramichi.

His Excellency camped out four nights, and is the first of our Governors—at least for many years, who has had such practical knowledge of the wilderness in its original grandeur, and with its great natural capabilities for the purposes of future civilization. He is also said to be an expert disciple of old Isaac Walton, but although he made the trial, the salmon showed no disposition to be caught even by the Representative of Majesty.

New Brunswick is justly proud of being an appendage of the British Empire, but her people often feel annoyed at their valuable and extensive Territory being set down in England as a mere stepping stone to the Province, of Canada; and we believe that much of the ignorance which exists on this subject, may be traced to the sedentary habits of many of her former Rulers, who, if they only could find things comfortable in the vicinity of Government House, gave themselves little trouble to acquire more general—at least practicable—knowledge. The extreme ignorance which exists on the other side of the water, in relation to the extent of New Brunswick, cannot be better portrayed than in the story at present going the rounds of the English Papers, namely, that the Mail-carriers first take the letter portion of the Mails from Halifax to Quebec, and then return—of course stepping across New Brunswick—for the newspapers!—*Reporter.*

Fire.—On Monday evening last, a little before twelve o'clock the alarm of Fire was sounded in our streets, and the troops and many of the inhabitants proceeded in the direction of the light, which was found to come from a barn belonging to the estate of the late Attorney General, at Ethiopien, about a mile and a half below this City.—The barn was completely consumed, with its contents before any assistance could be rendered.—*Head Quarters.*

Lotus from Newfoundland.—The Steamer *Unicorn* arrived on Sunday afternoon, with dates to the 16th inst.

The most favorable accounts, says the *Courier* continue to be received of the success of the Cod-fishery. From the northward, in Trinity and Bonavista Bays as well as in the Green Bay and its vicinity, there has not been such a good fishery for many years. To the south and westward also the catch is much greater than for several years past; and the inhabitants of the colony have now every prospect, after several seasons of severe privation, of being again blessed by an all bountiful Providence with an ample supply of all the necessities of life.

The papers complain of much existing destitution among the inhabitants of the outports.—*Nova Scotian.*

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT.—James Buchanan to be Commissioner to expend £25 for the Canoe Bridge, at Saint James, Charlotte.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.—Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to direct that the Hon. Colonel Shore, Hon. Thomas Baillie, and the Hon. Hugh Johnston, shall retain the honorary distinction and precedence which they lately held as Members of Her

Majesty's Executive Council in this Province.

The Niagara arrived at Boston on Wednesday morning, in 19 3-4 days from Liverpool. The *Canibah* left Boston the same day at one o'clock, with forty-one passengers for Liverpool and five for Halifax.

Provincial Board of Education, Fredericton, July 7, 1848.—It is determined that fresh applications from Females for Parish School Licences should be entertained; and that a Certificate of moral character from the Clergyman or Minister of the Communion to which the applicant belongs, nearest her residence, together with a Certificate of Competency from two or more members of the late Board of Education for the County in which she intends to commence Teaching, be the indispensable accompaniments of the Petition to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, but not necessarily sufficient to ensure a Licence. By order of the Board.

J. GREGORY.

We understand, says the Prince Edward Island Royal Gazette, that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the praiseworthy intention of ascertaining to what extent destitution exists among the settlers; has been engaged during the last week in visiting several Settlements within twenty miles of Charlottetown, accompanied by the Hon. T. H. Haviland.

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ST. ANDREWS, WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 1848.

WELLINGTON DIVISION, No. 30, SONS OF TEMPERANCE.—On the 10th inst., a new Division with the above title, was opened at the Rolling Dam, St. Patrick, by G. W. P. Alexander Campbell, Esq. The division commenced with 26 members, under most promising circumstances. A large number of the members of the Order from various parts of the County, were present on the occasion. The following persons were installed officers for the present year.

Edwin Foster, W. P.; S. McFarlane, W. A.; John Buckstaff, Jr. R. S.; Wm. Stuart, A. R. S.; Wm. Gill, F. S.; Edward Budd, T.; Jas. Crangle C.; Moses McCoubrey, A. C.; Irvin Goss, I. S.; Robert McCloskey, O. S. Edward Towers was appointed P. W. P.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.—The New Brunswick, says "the Boston Post learns from J. R. Darrow, Esq., one of the agents of the enterprise, that the construction of the Telegraph from Portland to the boundary of New-Brunswick, at Calais, to connect there with a line to Halifax, is to be commenced forthwith. The following intermediate towns have arranged for stations.—Bath, Damariscotta, Waldoboro', East Thomaston, Belfast and Bangor. The line will be completed the present fall, and before the opening of winter. The Provincial line to Halifax is to be constructed simultaneously with that in Maine. This will bring intercourse with Liverpool, on an average, two days and a half nearer Boston than at present.

The duties of the Grammar School will be resumed on Monday the 24th inst.

Mr. Kent, pilot, informs us that the Barque Britain, Pickins, from Boston bound to St. John ran ashore in a thick fog on Moose Pecca shooting place, on the morning of the 15th inst.—unshipped her rudder, parted her chain, and lost an anchor; she floated off next morning, her hold to the lower deck beams filled with water. The master endeavored to ground the Barque on a sand beach, but failed in doing so, and brought her to an anchor where she lay on Tuesday.

It is stated in the Montreal papers, that the brother of Mitchell would arrive in that city in a few days. A preliminary meeting had been called for the purpose of adopting measures to receive him.

Circus.—June Time Menagerie will visit next—so we learn from—forgot to call on us.

Wm. Whiteside Esq. and Navigation Law here on Saturday, and on Monday last. Our late much esteemed Ellman, left here on St. John.

M. A. R. H.

At Mount Allison, S. Wick, on Thursday, G. Albert DesBrisay, Ch. Esquire, Classical and Wesleyan Academy, daughter of Mr. John Canada West.

D. I.

At Calais, Maine, a lingering illness, Elizabeth Veasy, Esq. in the 54 ing a husband and the merous circle of relations bereavement.

SHIPPING

PORT OF ST.

July 16, schr. Emily, J. Drudge, " " Spray, " " Cargo, 17, " Favourit, " Nelson, 18, " P. Smith, " brig John Begg, W. Todd, Arrivals, Cork, June 26, A. 27th, Crescent, ditto, Liverpool 27th, St. 28th, Sea King, from Jersey 27th, Lad Andrews, Sailed.—Liverpool St. John. Deal 26th

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