

to dock: she has undergone a supervision that will satisfy the most timid, that there is no small probability that the Government was asked for the report of those who had pronounced so definitively upon the competency of the vessel which would have been to their best defence, which would have shifted the onus of responsibility from their own shoulders to that of the Commissioners, they are compelled to testify that no such report in regard to the Fairy Queen is in existence.

Under these circumstances, here is a confession of incompetency, for we may fairly assume that men who could not in an open, manly, official manner contract for the services of a mail-boat, without exhibiting a shameful want of knowledge or a still more shameful dereliction of duty were not the men in any degree competent to carry on the Government of the island even in the least difficult times. They were well aware, too, that they had been wanting in duty, and they tried to— they will not say entrap—Capt. Bayfield, into an approbation of the vessel, but substitute—elicit from him some expression, doubtful if it might be, but, with a little ingenuity, capable of being turned into a kind of approbation of the vessel.

It might be too, that they thought he would forbear any expression of dissent, and that they would have held forth as constituting a kind of negative approbation, if we may use the term. Be this as it may, they reckoned, as the saying is, without their host. Capt. Bayfield who has earned for himself a reputation among nautical men which will last as long as the coast of America or the lakes of Canada are navigated by seamen and ships, was not the man likely to pronounce a hasty or imperfect judgment. Not only a sailor by profession, and an experienced one, but a highly educated and scientific man, capable of giving a reason for the opinion that should fall from his lips or his pen—what did he say? "I disapprove of the principle upon which the engine is constructed; and as to the vessel, she is a river boat only, and not capable, from her build, of standing against the gales which she must necessarily encounter in the Gulf of St. Lawrence." Here was the opinion of a man whose opinion was worth having, and whose name to a document approving of the employment of the vessel, would have silenced the most pertinacious caviller in the opposition. Mark Mr. Pope's reply: "It is too late, we have engaged her for three years." Why then ask Capt. Bayfield's opinion at all, or rather, why was it not asked before? Who was there so fit and proper to consult? The conduct of Mr. Coles, and his colleagues, in this, as in every thing else they have done, or attempted to do, is stained with that gross ignorance of duty, or that carelessness and recklessness of consequences that is equally disgraceful, whether we consider them as men or as ministers.

Mr. Coles says in his letter in the Gazette of Monday last—which came under our notice while writing this article—"Many a year may roll on, ere the recollection of it (the loss of the Fairy Queen) be even partially obliterated." There can be no doubt of this, and as often as it is either mentioned or recollected, so often will he and his associates be charged as having been necessary to the untimely destruction of those who have by their means met an early and a fearful end.

The meeting of Monday whatever Mr. Whelan may say to the contrary, was conducted under the circumstances, with singular temper and quietness, nor would there have been a single out-break had not Mr. Theophilus Stewart without the slightest necessity in the world chosen to anticipate that a political discussion was intended, and thus raised the feelings of Lieut. Col. Gray, and Mr. Whelan's own folly and infatuation that brought upon him the well deserved rebuke of the Rev. Dr. Evans. We shall answer Mr. Whelan's observations in our next.

St. Eleanor's Episcopal Sunday School.—The anniversary of St. Eleanor's Sabbath School was celebrated on Monday the 12th inst. when the children were examined in the Holy Scriptures and the church catechism with Scripture proofs—many of the scholars displayed great readiness in answering the questions, and the whole was exceedingly creditable to the institution. When the examinations were ended, the children were addressed by their Clergyman, the Rev. Mr. Read, after which they retired with their leaders to the Court House, which was tastefully decorated with evergreens and plants for the occasion. Tables were most plentifully supplied with tea and cakes in great variety, which bespoke the pains that had been taken by the friends of the school to do honor to the occasion, whilst the happy countenances of the children expressed the joy which they felt in meeting together to commemorate the anniversary of their Sabbath School. We heartily wish prosperity to the cause, and we think that the efforts which are made, to train the youthful mind, in the precepts of the Gospel, may be abundantly blessed, by God, for the sake of His dear Son our Saviour, whose sympathy for the Lambs of His flock, was most tenderly expressed, when He said "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the Kingdom of God."—Con.

CRITICAL STATE OF MADAM RESPONSIBILITY.—This unfortunate lady is, we believe, given over by all, but those of her own household. Paralysis or something worse, has lately been seizing on all her limbs. Out of nine, three are totally gone, one rendered hors de combat in a severe contest that lately took place in the first district of Queen's County. Two are kept from falling off by being temporarily sustained with "Treasury Paper" and the remaining three in a low nervous state, awaiting certain and it may be speedy dissolution.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE

COMMODORE BRUBAKER AND THE FISHERIES.—A semi-official report of the Commodore's Fishery Recourses appears in the Washington Union, from which we extract— A single case of detention came to the knowledge of the Commodore of the squadron, and that was promptly inquired into at Charlottetown, where the fishing schooner was sent and tried. It was found that the vessel was taken in flagrant violation of the first article of the treaty of 1818; and was liberated after having been libelled, on the written acknowledgment of the master that he was so taken, and on his agreement to pay some small expenses incurred in the suit. This is the plain, unvarnished story of the "Starlight, Captain McDonald, of Gloucester," which has been so grossly exaggerated in the newspapers. And it is the only case of detention that has occurred this year.

CHINA.—The position of the combatants in China is unaltered. Vague reports have reached us of the progress of the insurgents, both in the directions of Peking and of Canton, but nothing authentic can be reported. Fighting is going on at various inland towns, and at Amoy a naval engagement has taken place between the Tartar and insurgent fleets. The Imperialists retired, and the insurgents appear to have had the best of it. At Shanghai trade is in a frightful state. The exchange has risen to 6s. 8d. per dollar, and the merchants have made an ineffectual endeavour to get the import duties on goods remitted; but the Chinese were not likely, in their present distress for money, to accede to such a proposal even if Sir G. B. Buxham had encouraged the application.

Two American ships were lying below the city of Foochow, waiting for tea from the interior, but, owing to the prevailing troubles, none came down. The insurrections which are now agitating the whole country have produced a serious disturbance of the ordinary course of trade. The China Mail states, that they heard that an army, in three divisions, had actually been marching from Nanking for Peking; but on its becoming known that the Imperialists were collecting a large force at the former city the insurgent forces were recalled. The Mandarins at Canton have been busy forwarding reinforcements of men and munitions of war by sea, and we are informed that about 600,000 piculs of gunpowder, and 2000 trained soldiers, 30 of whom can cast cannon, have already been sent. 62 men were executed at Canton, under a strong guard on the morning of the 4th; but we know not whether they were insurgents taken in the field, or part of a band of vagabonds who recently laid a plan to fire the Provincial Treasurer's van-man, or official residence. An accomplice discovered the plot, and six men were seized on the premises with arms and gunpowder.

A messenger had arrived at Canton with a letter from the Rebel Chief at Nanking to a missionary. The messenger gave the following information.—"The long haired brethren, he says are between four and five thousand; the fighting men from thirty to forty thousand, while the entire host, men, women and children, in Nanking and its vicinity, is estimated at a hundred thousand. The plunder they have taken has been immense, and as there is no want of money amongst them, numbers are expected to flock to their camp; their purpose, he says, being to remain at Nanking until they can muster 90,000 fighting men of whom 60,000 will be left to defend and retain that position, and 30,000 be marched on Peking."

SUFFERINGS OF EMIGRANTS ON THE PLAINS.—The *Siskiyou* (California) *Mountain Herald*, of Saturday, August 27, contains the following information:—"We learn from Mr. Heard, who went out to meet the emigrants, and returned last evening, that there are eighteen families on their way to this place. Mr. Heard reports a great scarcity of provisions, and, in fact, by this time, actual want in the company. The soldiers will be unable to supply them with anything, as they are also short. Mr. Heard comes in advance of the train, for the purpose of getting provisions from our citizens, and a small party to meet the sufferers. He is an old resident, and well known to many of our people, and we hope our friends will prepare a supply of provisions immediately. The train can be met at or about Klamath Lake. There are about fifty women, young ladies and old, in the train. It is highly necessary that they should be met before they come to the road, in order to give them warning not to take the Rogue river route. Mr. Heard passed another train of several wagons, and two families, on the Shasta river. They will be in town to-day or to-morrow."

CLOSING OF THE CRYSTAL PALACE.—The last of December has been fixed upon as the period of closing the New York Crystal Palace Exhibition, and many depositors will then withdraw their goods.

FRENCH LANGUAGE.—M. CESAR DEBASSON has the honor of informing the inhabitants of Charlottetown, and vicinity, that he has opened Classes for instruction in the French Language, at Mrs. McDonald's, North side of Queen Square.

MARRIED.—At Charlottetown, on Wednesday the 20th, inst., by the Rev. W. Hodgson, Mr. Norman Shaw, to Miss Mary Boston, both of Belfast.

LOST.—On Monday last, October 24, between the Wesleyan and Baptist Churches, a FINE BIBLE, whoever finding the same and leaving it at the Office, will be rewarded for their trouble.

The National Loan Fund Life Assurance Society of London. CAPITAL £500,000 Sterling. Empowered by Act of Parliament, 24 Victoria. A Saving Bank for the Widow and the Orphan.

Equitable Fire Insurance Company of London. Incorporated by Act of Parliament. BOARD OF DIRECTORS for P. E. Island.—Hon. T. H. Haslam, Hon. Charles Hennegh, Francis Longworth, Esq., Robert Hutchinson, Esq., Thomas Lawson, Esq.

THE COLONIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY. GOVERNOR—THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Governor General. HEAD OFFICE—22 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh.

Charlottetown Mutual Insurance Company. Incorporated by Act of Parliament in 1848. THIS COMPANY offers the best guarantee in case of loss, and accepts Risks at an average of fully 50 per cent. to the assured.

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J. S. DEALEY, COMMISSION MERCHANT AND Ship Broker, No. 7, SOUTH STREET, NEW YORK.

NOTICE.—THE Tenants on Townships Numbers Sixteen and Eighty-two, in this Island, the property of the Right Honourable, Laurence Sullivan, are hereby required to make immediate payment of all arrears of rent due by them, otherwise proceedings will be instituted for the recovery thereof.

BELLS! BELLS! BELLS! THE Subscribers manufacture and keep constantly on hand, all sizes of Church, Factory, Steamboat, Ferry, Locomotive, School House and Plantation Bells, with the best description of Hangings.

WILLIAM FORGAN, 12th April, 1853.

A MENKELY'S BONS West Troy, N. Y., March, 1853. Orders will be received and information given as to prices, at Geo. T. Haslam's Book and Stationery Store.

BOATS.—THE Subscriber having been, for several years employed in building Ships, Yachts, and Pleasure Boats of all kinds, begs leave to return thanks for the generous support he has hitherto experienced in that line, and to notify his friends and the public at large, that he is making preparations for a larger and more extended business, and that, for the purpose of accommodating persons who may favor him with Orders, the following gentlemen have kindly consented to act as his Agents.

Captain MATHURSON, of the Steamer 'Rosa.' Mr. G. T. HASLAM, Charlottetown. Captain HUBBARD, Tignish. Mr. Wm. McEwen, Innesoper, Summerside. NICHOLSON & COMPANY, Esq., Killisnoe.

THE PSALMIST, JUST RECEIVED, at GEORGE T. HASLAM'S, Bookseller, in various bindings. The above is the Edition of Wolfe's Hymns used in the Baptist Chapel, Charlottetown.

"Catharine." THE Subscriber begs leave to inform his Friends and Customers, that he has just received per Schooner Catharine, and other arrivals from the United States, a large Stock of GOODS, which will be sold at a very small advance on first cost as Cash is wanted.

FOR SALE. THAT valuable plot of GROUND at the head of Prince Street, formerly the site of the Baptist Chapel, fronting 100 feet on Euston Street, and 104 on Upper Prince Street. It is one of the most desirable situations in the suburbs for a gentleman's residence, or is capable of being divided into three good building Lots.

Notice to Tenants on the Estates of Captain and Mrs. Cumberland, in P. E. Island. THE Tenants on the above Estates are hereby notified, that they will henceforth be required to pay all taxes imposed by the local Statutes upon the lands in their possession, and that the Proprietors will in all cases of default, proceed against the Tenants, upon the covenants contained in their Leases.

FIRST FALL IMPORTATION, DIRECT FROM ENGLAND. Cheap for Cash. At the Establishment of A. & J. DUNCAN & Co., Liverpool, G. B. part of their extensive Stock of BRITISH GOODS.

NEW STORE. ON the North Side Queen's Square, in the Premises lately occupied by Mr. Richard Feaght, at the Subscriber has for Sale, a choice lot of Groceries and American Goods, consisting of—

Seochoing and Congo Tea, Brown and crushed Sugar, Molasses, Golden Syrup, Rice, Coffee, Pilot Bread; Wine, Butter and Pickles Cracked and Cheese, Onions, Vinegar, Pepper, Mustard, Table Salt, Soap, Candles, Starch, Flour, Washing Soda, Saleratus, Alum, Ceylon Tea, Glass, Putty, Cast Iron Axes, Nagure Forks, Spoons, Brooms, Chairs, Buckets, Tubs, Field Lamps, Lanterns, Boots and Shoes, India Rubber Shoes and Boots, &c. &c.

AMERICAN GOODS. JUST RECEIVED, ex Sahr. Sophronia, from Halifax. Hbhd. Ties, and Choice PORTO RICO SUGAR.

NEW GOODS! THE Subscriber being thankful for past patronage, he begs leave to intimate to his friends and the public in general, that he has removed to his New Brick Building, on the East side of Pownall Street—that he has added to his former Stock a choice selection of—

AMERICAN AND OTHER GOODS, suitable for the season, consisting of Cooking Franklin, Close and Parlor Stoves; also Farmer's Boilers, Forks, Spades, Shovels and Scoops, Axes, Hatches, Hammers and Traces, chaff cutters, churns, locks, bolts, and chain bolts, with a variety of other Hardware; Cloths, of all descriptions, Lining Glasses, Boots, Shoes and Rubbers, in great variety, Rubber Overcoats and Oil Clothing.

A Good Assortment of AMERICAN DRY GOODS—Door mats, Tobacco, Buffalo Robes, best kind; Sole Leather, Pilot Bread, Dishes, Choppers, Buckets, Kettle Tubs, Oil Cloth for Wall Floors, Burning Fluid; TEA, wholesale and retail; Sugar, Molasses, Mustard, Starch, Indigo, bags salt, &c. A Good Assortment of Glass, Earthenware and Cruet Stands; Cotton Warp, Hats, caps, window Blinds, combers, brushes, ink writing and wrapping Paper, balances and spring Scales, Jars, strings, Baskets, shoe pegs, window glass, different sizes; with a variety of other articles.

A constant supply of all kinds of PROVISIONS. All kinds of Agricultural PRODUCE taken at the market prices, for any of the above Goods.

Fire! Fire! Fire!! Secure your Property at a saving of 1/10 per cent. THIS can only be done by insuring in the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Wanted to Charter. SHIPS amounting to about 2000 Tons Register from Mechanics to Liverpool, per charter of CHARLES S. H. NUTT, Oct. 17th, 1853.

AUCTIONS

SALE POSTPONED. Until FRIDAY, the 28th, at 11 o'clock. Valuable lot of Tools.

BY LONGWORTH & YATES. ON the Premises of W. C. HOBBS, corner of Great George Street, on Friday the 28th October, the whole of his Foundry and Machine Tools, viz: 1 Large Lathe, with cast iron fly wheel, 1 Small Lathe, with face plate, 4 Brass Chucks, 1 Chuck for turning Oval, 1 Small slide Rest, 1 Small double-cylinder Steam Engine, nearly 2 Horse power, unfinished, one of the cylinders brass.

ON THURSDAY the 28th Nov. next, at the Subscriber's premises, the following Live Stock, Hay, &c. &c., 1 Mare, 7 years old; 1 do. 12 years old, 2 Milch Cows, 1 Ox, 10 Sheep, 5 Pigs, 1 Cart, 2 Plovers, Harness, Sleigh, Harrows, &c. &c. And 3 Tons of good HAY.

To be sold. At 12 o'clock, noon. ON Thursday the 5th day of November next, at the hour of 12 noon, 300 acres of wood land, on the west side of Rustico old Road, and North of land in possession of James Diamond, in 12 acre Lots; Also on same day, at 2 o'clock, in the afternoon on Winslow Road 150 acres on West side of said Road, North of land in possession of George Smith in Firewood Lots of 12 acres; Also, On the following day, at 12 o'clock noon, 100 acres, known as the square 100, situate at the North end of Union Road, having a good Stream of Water running through it, 20 per cent of the purchase to be paid down, and the balance as per further agreement.

Grand Division S. of T. Annual Session. NOTICE is hereby given, that the ANNUAL SESSION of the GRAND DIVISION S. of T., of P. E. Island, will be held in the TEMPERANCE HALL, Charlottetown, on THURSDAY the 27th day of October next, at 4 o'clock, p. m. A punctual attendance of Representatives is particularly requested.

NOTICE. ALL persons having Legal demands against the Estate of JAMES MCKAY, Esq., late of Darnley Township No. 18, in this Island, deceased, are hereby required to furnish the same for adjustment; and all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make immediate payment.

ARTEMAS G. SIMS HAS JUST RECEIVED, from Boston, per Sahr. Favorite the following GOODS, viz. Franklin and Close Stoves, Apples, Onions, Nuts, Cane and wood seat Chairs, Rocking do. Cheese, Tobacco, Candles, Starch, Blue, Ladies' and Gents' India Rubber boots and Shoes, Brooms, Buckets, Manure & Hay Forks, Green & Rope Mats, Horse Tubs, Cloths, Looking Glasses, Clothes Pins, Mustard, Pepper, Wine, Soda & Picnic Crackers, Cigars, Sole leather, Men's Boots & Brogans.

FLUID! FLUID!! FIVE Casks BURNING FLUID just received, and for sale low. Also, a few FLUID LAMPS. JOHN ANDREW McDONALD, Queen Street, 14th Oct. 1st

Stoves! Stoves!! Stoves!! JUST RECEIVED by the Subscriber, 300 STOVES, well assorted, consisting of Pioneer, Peregine, Ransom, New Market, Young America and Boston Cooking Stoves, Soap-stone-back Franklin, Wood Franklin, Cast & Sheet Iron Air Tight, Box, Combination, and other Stoves.

A BAZAAR. WILL be held at the Temperance Hall, at Charlottetown, on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1854, to aid in the erection of the Parson's age House, in connection with St. John's Church, at Capraud. Contributions will be thankfully received by the following Ladies.

Strayed. FROM the Royalty about three months ago, a Year Old Heifer of the Humble breed, white with red spots. Whoever will give information of her whereabouts to the Subscriber or to Mr. John Hearn, will be rewarded for their trouble.

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