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HASZARD'S GAZETTE

Saturday, March 22, 1856.

There are two measures introduced by the Government for which we are willing to give them due credit: the first is the alteration of the mail route from Pictou to Tatmagouche. This will bring us one whole day nearer to Halifax. If matters are managed discreetly a person may leave Charlottetown, say at six or seven in the morning, and be in Halifax at night; the same journey may be accomplished in the same time from Halifax to Charlottetown. This will be an immense gain in every sense of the word. Those whom business may lead to visit the main land will meet with none of those vexatious delays that have hitherto been complained of, the seekers after pleasure will be no less facilitated in their pursuit; and what is of great importance to the whole Island, strangers will be induced to prefer it a place of resort and thus make it better known and, as a certain consequence, better appreciated.

The other measure, the laying out a new line of road from Charlottetown to Inham's, where by those tedious long bills will be avoided and the journey shortened in time if not in length, accompanied by a diminution of labor, will be attended with many beneficial effects. Summerside, which is one of the entrance ports of the Island will be thus brought so much nearer to Charlottetown. Both these measures when carried into effect will greatly facilitate trade and commerce, and be the means of further developing the resources of the Island.

NEW BRUNSWICK RAILWAY.

We are gratified in being able to inform our readers, that the Government of New Brunswick have submitted a plan to the Legislature of that Province for the complete carrying out of its Railway projects, and that Bills for effectuating their intentions have been read a first time in the House of Assembly.

We congratulate the farmers and traders of the Island on the prospect of the railway from Shediac to the Bend, being finished in the course of the ensuing season as opening a more extensive market for the produce of those parts of the Island as are within reach of the opposite shore. We do not doubt that a daily steamer will be put in play, between Summerside and Shediac as soon as the railroad is finished.

The *St. John Courier* gives us the following information on the subject:

The delay in submitting the documents to the House is now fully explained. The Attorney General only reached home from England a week before the Legislature opened, and that time was necessarily occupied in preparing to meet the House. Immediately after, the no-confidence motion was made, and that occupied the full attention of all parties for a fortnight. Then the whole subject came before the Government, and the difficult task of settling details, so as to meet local and sectional interests, had to be overcome.

We have examined the Bills with some care and feel bound to say, that we think on the whole the scheme propounded is one that will give satisfaction to the country, and if prudently and economically managed, will secure us a cheap and efficient Railway system.

It will be observed, that the line from the Bend to Shediac is to be first finished, which may be done next summer; then the line from St. John to the Bend, which, with the sum allotted for it, namely, \$700,000 sterling, will be completed within four years. In the meantime, and during its construction, the sum of \$50,000 sterling is to be expended on each of the extensions from Shediac to Miramichi, and from Saint John to Woodstock, with the

provision, that the future expenditure on these lines shall be equal. This sum of £100,000 will go far towards grading the roads named, which may all be done with the surplus labour of the country, and will leave them ready for the rails when better times come, and money may be more easily procured. There are several minor details in the Bills, which we think might be amended with advantage, but these no doubt will be attended to, in the progress of the Bills through Committee. Should any factious opposition be made to the principles of these measures, we should think the Government could have no better question to go to the country upon, as we are satisfied, that no scheme could be devised better calculated to give general satisfaction or more likely to carry a majority in the House or the country.

We have been requested to publish a notice of a deputation which waited upon Lord Palmerston, headed by the venerable Primate of England and comprising gentlemen representing all the various sections of the Protestant Church; as a pleasing evidence of the vital union really existing on the great question of Sabbath observance.

WESTMORELAND BANK.

We observe that a notice which was lately inserted in the *Examiner* stating that the notes of the Westmoreland Bank were refused at our Treasury has been withdrawn. We believe the Bank in question stands in a good position in the neighbouring Province.

The Edinburgh Review for January has been received; the contents are as follows: 1. The Civil Wars and Cromwell. 2. Himalayan Journals. 3. The Rural Economy of France and Britain. 4. The Minister Von Stein. 5. Lectures to Ladies on Practical subjects. 6. The use of Torture in India. 7. Sir Robert MacClure's Discovery of the North West passage. 8. The life and writings of M. de Stendhal, (Henri Beyle). 9. The Suez Canal. 10. Russian Campaigns in Asia.

Haszard & Owen, Agents for this and the other Reviews, and Blackwood's Magazine.

YOUTH'S BRANCH WESLEYAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—The Annual meeting of this Institution will be held in the Wesleyan Chapel, on Monday Evening next. Chair to be taken at 7 o'clock. The preparatory Sermon will be preached to-morrow evening, by the Rev. Alex. M. Desbrisay. Service to commence at half-past 6. At each service a collection will be taken up in aid of the funds of the Society.

Married.

At Darnley, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. J. Herbert Reed, B. D., John Haszard Esq. of St. Eleanor, to Emma Gertrude daughter of the late Hon. Peter S. M'Nutt of Darnley.
On the 12th inst., by the Rev. John Shaw, Mr. Abner Gay, to Miss Christiana Nicholson, both of Grand River.

Charlottetown Market, March 19.

Beef, (small)	4d a 7d	Turkeys each,	3s 6d to 6d
Do. by quarter	4d a 6d	Geese,	2s a 3s
Pork,	4d a 6d	Ducks,	1s 2d a 1s 6d
Do. (small)	4d a 7d	Fowls,	8d a 1s
Mutton,	4d a 7d	Partridges, none,	1s 2d a 1s
Lamb,	none	Eggs dozen,	11d a 1s
Butter (fresh),	10d a 12d	Oats, bush,	2s a 2s 4d
do. by tub	12d a 14d	Barley,	5s a 6s
Tallow,	1s 4d a 1s 6d	Potatoes,	2s 4d a 2s 8d
Lard,	11d a 1s	Turnips,	1s a 1s 2d
Flour,	3s 4d a 3s 6d	Horseradish yd.,	2s 6d a 5s
Four Barley,	3s 4d	Hay, ton,	60s a 65s
Oatmeal,	2s a 2s 4d	Straw, cwt.,	1s a 1s 2d

FOUND.

A LA S FUB. MITT, in Millborough Street, to Mr. Parson's Blacksmith's shop, a have it by applying at this office, March 19, 1856

AUCTIONS.

AUCTION SALE

Household Furniture and Farming Implements.

THE undersigned is instructed to offer at Auction on THURSDAY, 1st May next, at 11 o'clock forenoon, on the premises at Spring Park. The Household Furniture, Farming implements and Live Stock, together with Hay and Oats, &c. the Property of Lieut. Colonel Gray.

TERMS.—All sums under five pounds cash on delivery: sums over five pounds a credit of six months, on approved notes of hand.

JAMES MORRIS, Auctioneer.

Charlottetown, March 20.

AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD by Auction, on FRIDAY next, the 28th inst., at the store lately occupied by JOSEPH M'DONALD, Queen Street, at 11 o'clock.

20 Hhds. Porto Rico MOLASSES,
10 Chests TEA,
20 Sides Neats LEATHER,
10 do Sole LEATHER,
10 Doz. Cane and Wood Seat Chairs
1 Doz. French Bedsteads, (Imitation Rosewood),
14 do. Childrens ditto,
1 Mahogany Hair Cloth SOFA,
1 Cask Whale OIL (a superior article),
1 Cask Carolina RICE,
10 Boxes CONFECTIONARY,
1 Case ground COFFEE, (in 1lb. Packages),
5 Bbls. BILOT BREAD and BISCUIT,
5 Doz. pairs BROGANS, Nene,
1 Case American SATINETTS and TWEEDS,
and a variety of other goods.

Terms liberal.

A. H. YATES, Auctioneer.

March 20, 1856. Ex

IMPORTANT SALE OF

Household Furniture, Stock, Crop, Farming Implements, &c.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION at "DUNHATTAN", the residence of Captain McIntosh, about two miles from the City, on the Princeton Road, on THURSDAY, the 27th MARCH, the whole of his valuable

Household Furniture, Stock, Crop, Farming Utensils, &c., &c.

For Terms of Sale, &c., vide Catalogues, to be had on application to the Auctioneer.

ALSO, TO LET OR FOR SALE "DUNHATTAN,"

the Freehold Property of Captain McIntosh. The Farm consists of 36 acres of cleared Land, in a good state of cultivation, well enclosed, and subdivided with posts and rails. The House is nearly new, well finished, and commodious, and will be let with 5 acres, 10 acres or the whole of the land, as may be required.

For further particulars, apply to Captain McIntosh, on the premises, or to the subscriber, JAMES MORRIS, Auctioneer, Charlottetown, Feb. 7.

Youths' Branch Wesleyan Missionary Society.

THE Annual Public Meeting of this Branch will be held in the Wesleyan Chapel on Monday evening the 24th inst. Chair to be taken at 7 o'clock.

The Sermon in aid of the Society's funds will be preached on Sunday evening, 23d inst. by the Rev. Alexander Desbrisay, who will also preside at the Public meeting.

The National Loan Fund Life Assurance Society of London.

CAPITAL £500,000 Sterling. Empowered by Act of Parliament, 2d Victoria. A Saving Bank for the Widow and the Orphan.

T. HEATH HAVILAND, Jr. Agent for Prince Edward Island. Office, Queen Square, Charlottetown. September 5, 1853.

School Books. HASZARD & OWEN, have now on hand the various Books used in the District Schools.

VALUABLE PROPERTY.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, the ninth day of April next, (1856,) at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, at the Colonial Building in Charlottetown, pursuant to License, duly granted for that purpose by his Honor the Surrogate and Judge of Probate of this Island, bearing date the Twelfth day of February, A. D. 1856. All the Right, Title and Interest of the late Honorable DONALD M'DONALD, of Glenaladale, Township Number Thirty-six, (36) deceased in and to the following Land and Real Estate:

Namely.—All that Tract, Piece or Parcel of Land, situate, lying and being on Division No. Four, (4) on the Plan of the Estate of Castle Tiarum, from actual survey in July 1823, and filed in the Plan Office, made by the late William Curtis, bounded as follows, that is to say—Commencing at a square stake fixed on the north edge of the East Post Road, or so-called St. Peter's Road, in the east boundary of a tract of Land in possession of Robert Cairns, thence (according to the magnetic north of the year 1784) north for the distance of One hundred and nine (109) chains, or until it meets the south boundary of Division No. Five, (5) thence east for the distance of Twenty-nine (29) chains to the north-west angle of Division number Three, (3) thence south for the distance of Thirty-four, (34) chains to the north boundary of the old Glebe and School Land, thence west Twelve (12) chains and Fifty (50) links, thence south Sixty-one (61) chains to said Road, thence following the various courses of the said Road, south-westwardly to the place of commencement, containing Two hundred and twelve (212) acres of Land, a little more or less, and in part of Lot or Township Number Thirty-five, (35) in Prince Edward Island.

The above Land will be sold in several Lots or Divisions. For further particulars, and conditions of Sale, apply to the Subscriber at Glenaladale, or at the Office of the Honorable Joseph Hensley, in Charlottetown.

JOHN ARCH M'DONALD, Administrator of the Estate of the said late Honorable Donald M'Donald. Charlottetown, 1st March, 1856.

FOR SALE!

OR TO BE LET, for a term of years, in whole or in Building Lots, Town Lot No. 78, in the Fifth Hundred, at the East Corner of Euston and Millborough Streets. There are on it two small DWELLING HOUSES. It is a pleasant site for a private Residence. Apply to Mrs. CAIRN on the premises, or to—

March 12th, 1856.—Ex

H. J. CUNDALL.

WILLIAM CONROY, IMPORTER & DEALER IN BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOODS,

OF THE BEST QUALITY, IN ALL THEIR VARIETY.

Scale of prices as cheap as any in the City.

STORE IN RIDER'S BUILDING, NEAR THE TEMPERANCE HALL, CHARLOTTETOWN.

Tea, Sugar, & Confectionery.

Outlery, Jewelry, Fancy articles of beauty and durability.

BOSTON HOUSE.

Refreshment and Coffee Saloon!

Tanton's Building, Upper Great George Street. THE subscriber begs to inform the inhabitants of this City and the Island generally, that he has moved to the above stand, where he will continue to carry on the SALOON in connection with a HOTEL, and he trusts by strict attention to his business to merit a continuance of public patronage.

G. J. McDOUGALL.

Private entrance for ladies. N. B.—The above establishment will be open to the public on and after Saturday, the 23rd instant. Charlottetown, March 17, 1856.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the Subscriber, up to the first day of January last, are requested to settle their accounts on or before the 15th day of April next, otherwise legal measures shall be adopted. J. W. MORRISON. No. 3, Queen Street, March 12, 1856.

J. S. DEALEY, & Co. SHIP BROKERS AND COMMISSION...

Cigars! Cigars! The Sub-... 22,000 superior Cheroots...

Carriage Bolts.

HASZARD & OWEN have received a large stock of the above...

Free Corn Starch.

PAVABLE, Kembley and Healthy, unqual-ified for rich food...

TO LET.

THE PREMISES in KING STREET, now in the occupation of Mr. Nichol...

Prime Timber, Shingles, &c.

Subscribers offers for sale 100 tons of SPRUCE TIMBER...

JOHN HARPER,

Auctioneer and Commission Merchant (Qualifies, as Mr. Dealey's Auctioneer)...

Leasehold Interest for Sale.

THE HOUSE, at JOHNSON'S RIVER, Lot 25, the Leasehold interest of a FARM, containing One hundred and twenty acres of Land...

NEW GOODS.

Pen Ship Models and Magazines, from Liverpool, and Sir Alexander from London...

Church of England Prayer Books HASZARD & OWEN have received a large supply of the above...

GREAT BARGAINS! THE LARGE STOCK OF STAPLE GOODS!!! MANCHESTER HOUSE, QUEEN STREET. Will be offered for a few weeks, at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES...

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE PRICES REDUCED!! I WILL sell off my present Stock at LOW PRICES, to make room for New Goods. My Stock is fresh, and THE BEST TO BE FOUND IN THE CITY. Manufactured and bought at LOW PRICES, and will be sold at very GREAT BARGAINS! At the Warehouse, Kent-St., Charlottetown GEORGE DOUGLAS. February 25, 1856.—4i

New Books, New Books, RECEIVED this day from England and Cape Town... Mutual Fire Insurance Company. THE above Company now issues all kinds of Policies...

CABINET, CHAIR AND SOFA Manufactory, in the rear of Haszard's Gasetic Office. Queen Square, in the rear of Haszard's Manufactory, in the rear of Haszard's Gasetic Office.

EDUCATION. A Rare Chance for Young Men! M. R. A. A. MACKENZIE wishes to inform the Young Men of this City...

TOWNSEND'S PARIS HATS. THE Subscribers have on hand, the largest stock of SILK and PARIS HATS in the City of the newest styles...

FARM FOR SALE. THE Subscribers offers for Sale, the Farm situated on Lot 52, Georgetown, fronting on the Georgetown Road...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Subscribers having by power of Attorney bearing date the 26th January, 1856, been duly appointed by the Hon. Sir Peter B. Parker...

FINAL NOTICE. ALL PERSONS indebted to WILSON & JAMESON, Messrs. and Jameson & Sons for Cash, or for Goods, or for any other account, are requested to pay the same to the undersigned...

FOR SALE. THE HOUSE and GARDEN at present occupied and belonging to WILSON & JAMESON, Messrs. B. N. N. either with or without Town Lot No. 59, fronting on Pitts Bay Street.

BY WILLIAM DODD. VALUABLE REAL PROPERTY. THE following parcels of LAND, &c., will be sold by public auction at the COURT HOUSE, in the Colonial Building, Georgetown, on WEDNESDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of APRIL next...

Also—The Freehold and Reversion of and in Two Hundred and Sixteen acres of LAND on Township No. 49, adjoining the Roman Catholic Church Property, near Vernon River.

Also—That valuable piece of GROUND with the DWELLING HOUSE and premises thereon belonging, known as the residence of Mr. DAVIS WILSON, fronting 40 feet on Richmond Street...

Also—That beautiful situated Property, forming part of COMMON LOT No. 18, in the Parish of Georgetown, fronting on the Hillborough, and in the immediate vicinity of Government House...

Valuable Farm for Sale. TWO BE SOLD by Private Contract, that beautiful situated FARM on the Malpas Road, distant about 5 1/2 miles from Georgetown...

APOTHECARIES' HALL. The Old Established HOUSE, CHARLOTTETOWN, MAY, 1856. J. DESBRIERAY & Co.

DRUGS & CHEMICALS PERUVIAN Bark, Gumbo, Soap, and other valuable medicinal preparations, Medicines and other Languages, with all the Patent Medicines in vogue, and every other article usually kept at an Apothecary's.

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QUEEN'S COUNTY.

DISTRICT No. 1,

Comprising Townships Numbers 20 and 21.

Table listing items for District No. 1, including Paynter's Bridge, Bridge at Duggan's, Road from Iriestown Road to Princetown, etc.

DISTRICT No. 2,

Comprising Townships Numbers 22 and 67.

Table listing items for District No. 2, including Princetown Road, Anderson's Road, Junction Road, etc.

DISTRICT No. 3,

Comprising Townships Numbers 23 and 24.

Table listing items for District No. 3, including Road from Bott's to New London, Baffle Road, Road from Rustico Chapel to Wheathy River Bridge, etc.

Unexpended grants of last and previous years to be expended where most required in this district.

DISTRICT No. 4,

Comprising Townships Numbers 33 and 34.

Table listing items for District No. 4, including Winsloe Road and Bridges, Shaw's Dyke, Brackley Point Road and Kennedy's Bridge, etc.

Unexpended grants of last year for the District where most required.

DISTRICT No. 5,

Table listing items for District No. 5, including Repairing Bonshaw Bridge, De Sable bridge, Road from Mabey's to Bonshaw Bridge, etc.

Table listing items for District No. 6, including Upper Crapaud Settlement, Open Road, Johnstons Mill to Kelly's Cross, etc.

Table listing items for District No. 7, including Road from Poplar Island Bridge to Mabey's, Repairing Dog River Bridge and Road, etc.

DISTRICT No. 8,

Comprising Townships Numbers 43, 45, 36 and 37, South of the Hillsborough River.

Table listing items for District No. 8, including St. Peter's Road from the line of Lot 34 to St. Andrew's College, etc.

DISTRICT No. 9,

Comprising Lots Numbers 49 and 50.

Table listing items for District No. 9, including Block and Bridge to Fownal wharf, including £20 unexpended last year, etc.

Table listing items for District No. 10, including Round to Heard's Mill, From Fullarton's Marsh to the line of Lot 35, etc.

Table listing items for District No. 10, including New Block and Bridge for the New Wharf at Port Solkirk, Repairing Bridge done by William and James Ross, etc.

Including £28 10s 4d., unexpended in 1855.

DISTRICT No. 10,

Comprising Lots 57 and 58.

Table listing items for District No. 10, including New Block and Bridge for the New Wharf at Port Solkirk, Repairing Bridge done by William and James Ross, etc.

(To be continued.)

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Committee Meeting, March 19, 1856. Present—Henry Longworth, Esq., President; Hon. Judge Peters, Hon. Geo. Coles, Hon. Mr. Mooney, Hon. Mr. Bagnall; Daniel Hodgson, Thos. Pethick, Geo. Wright, James Robertson and Jeremiah Simpson, Esquires; Messrs. Isaac Thompson and John Johnston.

Resolved, That Jeremiah Simpson, Esq., be elected an Honorary Member for the ensuing year.

Resolved, That Messrs. Thos. Dodd, George Tweedy, and Samuel Collings be requested to act as Judges of Fat Stock at the Show to be held this day.

The Secretary informed the Board, that Mr. Geo. Smith had returned the Turnip Prize pursuant to a Resolution of the Committee of the 6th day of February last. The Secretary also laid before the Board a letter received from Geo. Smith, relative to the Resolution of the Committee enquiring himself and Geo. Lewis for their conduct as Turnip Inspectors, which together with a letter from the said Geo. Lewis, the Board observe, has appeared in the public prints.

Mere abuse, the Committee would not of course, condescend to notice, but they observe these parrots state, that they were condemned without a hearing. However conclusive the evidence of their misconduct, the Committee are sensible, that to have condemned them unheard would not have been correct. The Committee therefore, deem it proper to show, that this statement is entirely untrue. On the complaint being made to the Society, the Secretary, by order of the Board, informed Messrs. Smith and Lewis of the charges made against them, and notified them to attend before the Committee on the 2d January, to explain them; they both attended.

The following written replies were received from other competitors:—

Belmont, Jan. 19, 1856. W. W. Irving, Esq.;

Sir—You wish to know whether the Inspectors had my Turnips topped and failed previous to weighing, or whether they merely topped them, and weighed them with all the roots on? I was present, when my Turnips were pulled and weighed; the roots were all cut off, as well as the tops. I observed one of the men cutting away too much of the Turnips at the root, and told him in hearing of the Inspectors, not to cut away so much of the Turnips.—One of the Inspectors held the bag, while the Turnips were put into it, and unless they shut their eyes, they could not but see the roots were cut off; but I am inclined to think, they had them pretty wide open.

Yours, &c. (Signed) Esq. E. Wright.

Goose Pond, St Peter's Road, January 25, 1856.

Dear Sir; I am not surprised that complaints should have been lodged against the Turnip Inspectors. Mr. Smith, when examining mine, could scarcely get a drill, but was too cool, as he said.

I am not sure, that they forbid the tailing, but they allowed me to do so. They also showed me the weight of a Mr. John Wright's, and stated, that I would be before him; notwithstanding, he obtained a Prize and I did not.

I am, &c., &c. (Signed) Alex. Robertson.

P. S.—I measured the same space as they did, and my weightings averaged 165lbs. and theirs about 70lbs. A. Robertson.

To W. W. Irving, Esq., Secretary R. A. Society.

W. W. Irving 5th Jan. 1856.

Sir, I have received your letter, and in reply have to state, that some of my Turnips were weighed with the roots on, but the greatest portion were trimmed and made fit for market before weighing. This was done in presence of the Inspectors, Messrs. Smith and Lewis, and not objected to by them. It is quite true also, that Mr. Smith offered me a sovereign for my chance of the first prize—all of which I will swear to, if necessary.

Yours &c. &c. (Signed) JOHN THOMAS. Jan. 17th 1856.

Sir, In answer to your note of 2nd Jan. inst: requesting me to state, for the information of the Agricultural Society, whether my Turnips were "topped and tailed" at the time of the inspection; I was present in the field, and assisted to prepare them for the inspection, and cut off the tops and roots, and so they were weighed.

Yours obt. svt. JAMES D. HASZARD.

The Committee also observe, that Mr. Lewis attempts to throw blame on the Secretary, Mr. Irving, for informing Mr. Binns that Messrs. Smith and Lewis' turnips had not been tailed, but there is no ground for the imputation. Through the untrue representations of Messrs. Smith and Lewis, Mr. Irving had been induced to measure their turnips with the roots uncut, believing that they had measured the turnips of Mr. Binns and the other competitors in the same manner. On paying Mr. Binns, the second prize, he very properly remarked, that to weigh turnips with the roots on, was not a proper mode of ascertaining the crops; and but for this accidental remark, the improper conduct of the Inspectors might have remained undetected.—Both Messrs. Smith and Lewis were well paid by the Society for making the inspection, and had the Secretary suspected their conduct of unfair dealing, and remained silent, he would indeed have been to blame.

Moved and Seconded that the above be inserted in the Minute Book, and published in Haszard's Gazette.

Read Tenders for printing the Annual Report and transactions of the Society for the past year.

Resolved that Mr. Whelan's Tender be accepted, being the lowest.

Read the following letter from Judge Peters:— Sidmouth Feb. 14th 1856.

Dear Sir, I think our September cattle show would be much increased, if a prize was given for yearling Heifers—I last year gave the Society 40s. to be offered as a prize for ploughing in Buck-wheat, which was not competed for. I therefore desire, that it may be offered as a prize at the next cattle show, for the best Heifer calved in 1855. I also enclose 30s., which I wish offered as a prize for the second-best Heifer calved in the same year, 1855.

I remain &c. Your obt. Servt. JAMES H. PETERS.

To W. W. Irving Esq. Secretary R. A. Society.

Moved and Seconded, that the thanks of the Board be given to His Honor Judge Peters for his liberality.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE.

Mr. Editor; Among the few companies that have been formed in our City, I do not see one that has prospered so well, and promises to be more useful and beneficial to the Community than the Mutual Fire Insurance Company. On enquiry I find that this Institution has now been in operation about 7 years; that a few individuals who had made the calculations and every allowance, became satisfied that nearly three times the amount of money was drawn from the Island, in the shape of Premiums, that it cost to pay the losses incurred in it, and therefore determined to get up a Mutual Insurance Company among themselves, for the first two or three years, their business was very limited; owing to a want of confidence in the system; the promoters however determined to persevere, feeling that as they had such a limited income in the shape of Premiums, they had only a limited number of risks to run. The system now appears to have gained confidence, and no wonder, when we find the parties insured in this company only pay half the premium charged by the Foreign companies, and as a proof of the correctness of the calculations made by its early promoters, I observe, that they have paid all their losses and expenses of working the company; and should no accident happen them this year, they will have cleared £1000 in the bargain! and that the interest of their Cash Capital, now overpays the annual expense; this also shows their company is very judiciously and economically worked. A person insuring in this Company pays about half

the rate of Premium charged in the other Companies, and signs a Bond to pay the extent of 5 per cent. on the amount he has insured, in case of a loss that would absorb that amount over the amount of Cash in hand; consequently if it should so happen that after insuring in the Company several years, one was called on to pay even to the full extent of his Bond, he would be no worse off, than if he insured in a Foreign Company.

I am of opinion, that the advantage of having your money and interest in case of no loss, is equivalent to the risk of having to pay three or four or even five per cent. in case of a heavy loss.

In dividing the amount the Company have insured, by the number of policies issued, they average only about £200 each, and at that average 9 or 10 buildings would be burnt down, before a party could be called on for 5 per cent.

It is quite evident to me, that unless the foreign Companies were making handsome profits out of us, they would not continue their Agencies, might we not therefore make and keep this money among ourselves—should we not all join this Company, and as soon as we have a Capital of two or three thousand pounds—have the Premiums reduced to one quarter per cent. Although I have been always insured in the foreign offices, I mean to withdraw from them and insure in the above.

Yours &c. A CITIZEN.

(For Haszard's Gazette.)

THE SCHOOL ACT. (CONCLUDED.)

In Nos. 1 and 2 communications, I took into consideration the schoolmaster's labour and responsibility; compared his position and prospects in life, with those of other public officers, and glanced at education in the U. States and Silesia. All tending to show, that he is not dealt with according to his deserts, and a due regard to the melioration of this country. It is true, that many teachers get their board by subscription, but in many Districts it rests with a few spirited individuals to bear the burden, while others equally benefited, manage to sink, and "pay nothing by hook or by crook."

In addition to the qualification of the First class, the Second class teachers must know Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Mensuration, Land Surveying, Navigation, Astronomy, and Geography with the use of the Globes, for which they are paid the unenviable sum of £5!! Is this a sufficient inducement to study the necessary branches to become a Second class teacher? I'll leave the public to decide.

I have just read a suggestion of the Hon. Colonial Secretary in the House, that all teachers should pay a pound yearly into a Fund, and in case of continued sickness or old age, should be entitled to £20 yearly. According to this scheme one person's contributions in 20 years would amount to £40 for which he gets nothing, if he has not the luck to get sick, or old. If Mr. Coles were a Schoolmaster, I think he would prefer being paid a sufficient salary, that he might provide against old age &c.

Nerily I say unto Legislators, if you do not say £100 for the Second class teacher this session, you will be remembered next day of responsibility.

But I fancy I hear you asking with a smile, whence the Funds are to come. Every judicious thinker will accord, that education is the pillar of the nation; that the Revenue of a country should be devoted, not only to serve its present wants and protection, but to raise its people to intellectuality, reflection and refinement; for in proportion as intelligence increases, so do civility and the protection of life and property; also in the same ratio do prejudice, superstition, vice and crime, decrease. Therefore if these innumerable advantages are desirable from education, is it too much to say, that the half of the Revenue of any people should be dedicated to the attainment of this momentous object! their own enlightenment!

At present (according to Mr. Whelan's speech) only about 2-7 of the Revenue, or £18000 out of £42000 are expended on education in this Island. Hence, the maintenance of (266) persons and the Central Academy, as well as some other incidental educational expeditures, would satisfy only thirty of our 2400 gentlemen.

O ye law-makers, do not harbour the viper of selfishness, when you are legislating for your children, and the rising generation, who are destined to be the statesmen and administrators of affairs in this beautiful Isle. Prove yourselves philanthropists now, and succeeding generations will bless and crown your day, with honour and everlasting fame.

I might say much more on this interesting subject, but having occupied a good deal of your

valuable space, and hoping that the few hints may not be unimportant, I bid adieu to the rest of the world.

Bedouee, March 6th, 1856.

Gentlemen; I think it somewhat unfortunate for this City that its funds are in so low a state that drains cannot be cut to let off the surplus water, and also that scavengers cannot be employed to gather up the masses of dirt and manure on the surface of very many of the streets. I trust the funds may not be so small another spring.

Yours, &c. C. Charlottevoun, 21st March, 1856.

THE LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE MOVEMENT.

DEPARTURE TO LORD PALMERSTON.

The interview on Saturday between the First Minister of the Crown and a deputation of Ministers and laymen of all Evangelical denominations, headed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, was an occasion of extraordinary interest. Between 100 and 105 gentlemen assembled at his Lordship's residence, 144, Piccadilly. The attendance would have been even more numerous had not the invitations been restricted, in deference, we understand, to the Archbishop's wish that the number should be limited.

This deputation included official representatives of the Church, Wesleyan, London, and Baptist Missionary Societies, Home and Colonial School Society, Colonial Church and School Society, Religious Tract Society, Sunday School Union, Sunday School Institute, Ragged School Union, Church of England Young Men's Christian Association, Evangelical Alliance, Protestant Alliance, Protestant Association, Open Air Mission, Pure Literature Society, Lord's Day Society, Metropolitan Lord's Day Committee, Wesleyan Sabbath Committee, and other missionary and religious institutions.

Lord Palmerston entered the room shortly after 11 o'clock.

The Archbishop of CANTERBURY, speaking with evident emotion, briefly addressed his Lordship on the character of the question at issue, urging the close connexion between our national Sabbath and the public maintenance of religion in the land, and pointing out the unanimity of all Christian bodies in upholding the present legal enactments of the Lord's Day. His Grace then made the following address:—

"We who have now the honour to address your Lordship are persuaded that we represent the common belief of the Christian people of this country that the observance of the Lord's Day is of Divine authority and perpetual obligation.

"We rejoice that this authority and obligation have been acknowledged with more or less of Scriptural enlightenment at almost every period of our history; and we are thankful to God for the reverential recognition of that His ordinance, by our Sovereign and her Government.

"We have, therefore, heard with concern that attempts are being made, both in and out of Parliament, to break in upon its sanctity, and that, among other things, it is proposed to open such places as the British Museum and Crystal Palace, and otherwise to provide similar amusements for a portion of the people on that day.

"We are aware that the observance of the Lord's Day by the people comes far and short of what it ought to be, yet at present all violations of its sanctity are opposed to the spirit, if not to the letter, of our laws; and it cannot be disputed that this nation has long been distinguished above many others by its outward and reverential observance of the entire day; and it is well understood by the people that the afternoon is not less sacred than the early part of it, and that secular occupations, studies, and recreations, which are innocent, or even duties, on the other days of the week, are not suitable for the Lord's day. We would earnestly oppose any attempt to diminish that public reverence for the day; we cannot doubt that a departure from its due observance in any one particular would, if not resisted, soon lead to others; and so far from it being reasonable to expect, as some persons do, that the proposed changes would have the effect of closing public houses and haunts of vice on that day, it is more reasonable to expect that the valuable example hitherto set by this country would no longer be maintained with regard to public exhibitions generally.

"We cannot, as Christians or patriots, contemplate the present amount of Sabbath-breaking in the land without deep sorrow; and we would strongly protest against adding the servants employed in museums, the Crystal Palace, and other places of amusement, to the number already engaged in secular business on the day which we are commanded to keep holy.

"The afternoon and evening are the chief opportunities that many have of attending public worship; and the proposed innovations would add new allurements and obstacles to desertion therewith, and to tempt the young from seeking the instruction which they can only receive at Sunday schools; and it is impossible to calculate the amount of the evils which must certainly arise if a human standard for the observance of the day of rest be allowed to take the place in the minds of the people of the Divine will as it is revealed in Holy Scripture, to which they have hitherto been accustomed. We have no doubt that the