

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

The corn markets are rising in consequence of the improvement in the quality of the English wheat, through the continuance of the present dry winds from the north-east.—The average price of wheat has not yet, however, been sufficient to cause the duty to decline, and the price is still 20s. 8d. per quarter of foreign wheat, and 18s. 1d. per barrel of flour of 196lbs.

The Queen, with Prince Albert, had visited Drury Lane and Covent Garden. The reception was most brilliant, and the boxes crowded to excess, at exorbitant prices. This was her first appearance in public. The drill at Drury Lane, outside and in, was tremendous, and at every line of the national anthem, on the entrance of the Queen and Albert, the former graciously bowed to the latter bowed. The pieces were the *Mountain Sylph* and the *Rising Wind*.—The play at Covent Garden was *Sham* and *Knowles' Love*.

There are reports that Lord Melbourne will be forced out of the Ministry, as the majority of his colleagues insist that the Ballot and the Corn Law question shall be taken up as Cabinet measures, while Lord M. is opposed to both.

In the House of Commons on the 21st Feb. Mr. O'Connell moved the adjournment of the House. He asked for an increase of £461,000, £1000 more, and fifteen ships in commission. The number of ships in commission January first, 1859, was 234; in 1840 239. Whole amount asked for, £2,659,051, for the service of the year.

On this motion there was a long political debate but nobody proposed a reduction, and the motion was agreed to.

An order has this week been received at Plymouth dock yard to fill up all vacancies which may occur in future from deaths or superannuation.—*West Devon Correspondent*.

Fortunate, Feb. 19. Sailed yesterday, from Spithead, H. M. S. *Blenheim*, 74, Captain Sir H. Stenhouse, for the East Indies. The *Blonde*, 46, Capt. Buechier, destined for the same quarter, left for Plymouth on Friday, where a party of men await her. These ships are laden with warlike stores to act against the Chinese and have been ordered by strong adverse gales. Several superannuated lieutenants to join the *Blenheim*, 74, and strong detachments of Royal Artillery and Marines have proceeded in these ships. The *Nimrod*, 30, and *Pyrites*, 13, are waiting the arrival of the *Blonde* at Plymouth, to accompany the squadron to China.

The *Andromache*, 26, Captain Baynes, C. B. is nearly ready in the harbour, and will shortly follow the squadron to the East Indies, touching at the Mauritius.

British North American Bank.—By the provisions of the Deed of Settlement, a special authority was reserved to the Directors, to apply for an accept a royal charter on such terms as they judge advisable.

Circumstances connected with the political state of the Colonies were considered, at the formation of the Bank, to present difficulties to the granting of a charter by the Imperial Government. These objections having ceased, the Directors applied for a charter, and they have the pleasure to announce that the details have been satisfactorily arranged with Her Majesty's Government, and that it is now before the law officers of the crown, preparatory to receiving the royal sanction.—*Annual Report*.

War Office, Feb. 21. 62d Foot, Lieut. General Sir A. Campbell, Bt., G. C. B. from the 77th Foot, to be Colonel, vice Sir T. A. Weatherall, appointed to the 17th Foot.

The Queen's first Levee for the season was held at Saint James's Palace, on the afternoon of the 19th. It was attended of course, by the nobility, foreign ministers, &c. Among the presentations was Mr. Featherstonhaugh, her Majesty's Commissioner for the North American Boundary.

Boundary Question.—The following resolution was offered in the House of Representatives, at Washington, on the 15th inst, by Mr. Evans of Me.—

Resolved, that the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to enquire into the expediency of establishing and immediately constructing the arsenal, forts, fortifications, and works of military defence on the frontiers of Maine, recommended in the reports of Brigadier Gen. Wool, and M. D. Graham communicated to the Senate by the Secy. of War, Dec. 31, 1858.

The following extract will show that even in the land of multitudes of heroes, there are some of a different texture:—

Disgraceful from Florida.—The Quincy (Pa.) Sentinel, of Feb. 28, says:—We learn that Lieut. Whitten of the Volunteers, was killed by the Indians, near the Ocala, a few days since. He was out on a scout with 12 men, and was somewhat in advance of his company, when he was fired on, killed, and mutilated in a most horrible manner; his men in the mean time, leaving him to his wretched fate. Such cowardice and treachery deserves the severest rebuke, and we learn that their names will be

stricken from the roll, as they must be from the respect of society.—The force of the enemy was said to be only 8 or 9.

Halifax, March 23.

Yesterday afternoon His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell came down in state to prorogue the Legislature. A company of the 37th Regt. formed a guard of honor in front of the Province Building, and volunteer militia lined the entrance to the Council Chamber. In obedience to a summons from the Lt. Governor the members of the Assembly repaired to the Council Chamber, and His Excellency closed the session with the following speech:

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislature, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

As the public business is now brought to a close, I have great pleasure in releasing you from your Legislative labors.

It would have afforded me much gratification if the important business which it became my duty to bring under your consideration at the commencement of the Session, in obedience to Her Majesty's commands, had been satisfactorily arranged, and I cannot but express my regret that a subject of such interest to the tranquility and prosperity of the Province, should remain unadjusted.

I have to convey to you my thanks for the liberal supplies which you have granted to Her Majesty for the public service, and you may rely, that they shall be applied with the utmost care, to the objects to which they have been appropriated.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Fredericton, N. B., March 31, 1860.

This day, precisely at 4 o'clock, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor came, in the usual state, to the Council Chamber, and being seated in the Chair on the Throne, commanded the attendance of the House of Assembly, and having given his assent to the Appropriation Bill, and a number of other important enactments, His Excellency was pleased to close the Session with the following speech:

SPEECH:

Mr. President and Hon. Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

I offer you my hearty congratulations upon the successful termination of the Session, which has been marked not only by a close attention to the business of the country, but by, it is possible, an increased disposition on the part of a Branch of the Legislature to carry out the duties of Legislation in a spirit of perfect good understanding with the other. Possessing a Legislature animated by such dispositions and composed of men practically and thoroughly versed in what is true interests, constituting the happiness of the Province, the assurance of those feelings of loyalty and devotion towards Her Majesty's person, which will ever lead you warmly and affectionately to sympathize in any and every event which promises to promote the happiness of the Province, it will be my pleasant duty to transmit your Address to be laid at Her Majesty's feet.

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, In the name of the Queen, I thank you for the liberality which has characterized your Grants and Appropriations for the public service, and it will be my earnest endeavour in carrying them into effect, to make them, to the utmost extent, available for the beneficial purposes for which they are intended.

Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, The prospect of any further disturbance with the Neighboring States appears to have greatly diminished, if not wholly to have vanished, in consequence of the prudent course adopted by our more immediate neighbors of Maine, in having placed the conduct of the Boundary Dispute wholly in the hands of the General Government of the United States—thoroughly affording to both countries the most satisfactory guarantee that the peace and friendship, now happily subsisting between two of the greatest and most enlightened Nations of the World, and in the maintenance of which their best interests are acknowledged mutually to consist, will not be suffered to be disturbed, or interrupted on light or trifling grounds.

In now taking my leave of you, therefore, I do so in the confident hope that nothing may occur, during the recess, calculated to impair the prosperous and satisfactory state of public affairs under which we separate.

Saint John, March 23.

Masonic Ball in honour of the Queen's Marriage.

Last Wednesday evening the Masonic Brethren of Saint John's Lodge, No. 632, gave a splendid Ball under their Banquet, and were assisted on the occasion by Members of the Albion and Hibernian Lodges. The entertainment was given in the large Hall at present used by the School of Arts, in Bedford street, which was tastefully decorated with the paraphernalia of the three Lodges, to which the numerous marriage favours were attached, the whole presenting a novel and brilliant appearance from a great profusion of wax-tapers tastefully arranged. Dancing was kept up in the most spirited style until the "new morn" appearing induced the Brethren reluctantly to retire.

At high twelve the Brethren were assembled

in "circle round," and the healths of THE QUEEN, HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS OF WALES, and the CAESAR were drunk in "due form."

The festivity deserves much credit for being the first in our community to give this kind of popular demonstration of respect for our Sovereign, and the harmony and good fellowship with which the whole was conducted reflects much honour on the Worshipful Master, Brother John Hays, the Stewards and the Craft in general.

Surely provided the entertainment, and as usual on similar occasions, gave great satisfaction to the Brethren and Sisters assembled, by the profusion and excellence of the substantial and delicacies which he furnished. Amongst other things, we observed that a large and handsomely decorated Queen's Wedding Cake was provided, which, from its very fine flavour, was done ample justice to.—*Courier*.

It is with regret that we have to announce the death of A. R. Hamel, Esquire, advocate general of Lower Canada, and one of the commissioners of the recently constituted Court of Requests, in this Province. He died in the township of Leeds, county of Megantic, on the 23d instant, where he had gone to hold the court for that county. He found himself unwell in the afternoon and died in the night, it is supposed from an apoplectic attack.—*Quebec Gazette*.

Toronto papers, of the 16th inst. and from Kingston of the 18th, are received. They contain nothing local but electioneering. As usual, all parties are sure of success.

Gas Light Company.—Upwards of 800 shares have already been taken in this company, and as the Incorporation has now been passed we suppose the remainder of the stock will soon be subscribed, and its operations commenced. We are satisfied it will pay a remunerating profit to the stockholders, and are equally confident it will prove a great public benefit to this community, and induce an immense saving to the inhabitants.—*Halifax Paper*.

THE STANDARD.

SAINT ANDREWS, SATURDAY APRIL 4th, 1860.

Charlotte County Bank.

Hon. HARRIS HATCH, President.

Director next week, J. Wilson.

Discount day, THURSDAY.

Hours of business, from 10 to 2.

By Bills and Notes for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier on or before Wednesday, others so they must be over until next week.

Amis and Elcock House.

Commissioner next week, Wm. Babcock.

Saint Stephens Bank.

WILLIAM PORTER, Esq. President.

Director next week, Robert Todd.

By Bills and Notes for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier on or before Thursday, others so they must remain in his hands until the following discount day.

Discount day, FRIDAY.

Bank open from 10 till 3.

LATEST DATES.

LONDON, March 1. MONTREAL, March 25.

EDINBURGH, March 2. QUEBEC, March 26.

PARIS, March 2. HALIFAX, March 25.

NEW YORK, March 25.

BOSTON, March 25.

We have no intelligence of importance since the arrival of the British Queen.

The *Albion* contains a full and interesting account of the Festival given in New York in honour of the Queen's Marriage. We shall give some extracts from it in our next number.

A grand entertainment was given at Government House, Fredericton on Thursday evening, 26th ult. by His Excellency Sir John Harvey, in honor of the Queen's nuptials.—Upwards of 300 persons were present.

The last Woodstock Times, says—"We have been informed that our neighbours are busily engaged in transporting Artillery and other munitions of war to the neighborhood of the Arrostook. Perhaps they intend strengthening the land Agent's party, as reports are in circulation that the Commander at Port Fairfield has expressed his determination of driving off the 11th Regt. from Temisquatta.

The Assembly of Nova Scotia have passed an Address to Her Majesty complaining of the policy of the Lieut. Governor of that Province, and praying for his removal.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

In consequence of making several improvements in our Office, it being our intention to publish the STANDARD in a neat and clear type with a good face, the paper will not be issued until Friday the 17th inst. We have changed our day of publication in order to accommodate our subscribers at Saint Stephen and Saint George, as they will then receive the Paper on the day of publication, being two days earlier than the present arrangement; and containing the news which may arrive by the mails the evening previous to publication.

The *Experiment*, Watson, of this Port, with a general cargo from Montego Bay, Jamaica, for St. John, went ashore on Campo Bello in the snow storm on Wednesday last, in Herring Cove. Vessel will probably be got off next high tides without much damage—Cargo partly damaged.

The Legislature was closed on the 21st ult. His Excellency's Speech will be found in this day's publication. The Hon Thomas Weyer, the Honourable Harris Hatch, James Boyd and James Brown Esquires have returned to Town.

There are at present on the North American and West India stations, 1 line-of-battle ship, 9 frigates, and 10 sloops—522 guns, and 5496 men.

A Bill has passed the Legislature of Nova Scotia, imposing a duty of 2s. 6d. on Fisherman's flour per barrel. If entered otherwise 5s.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments have been made by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor:—

John Wilson, Esq. Justice of the Com. Pleas.

To be Magistrates:—

Charles R. Hathaway, Esq. St. Andrews.

William Babcock, do do

George McKay, do St. Patrick.

David A. Ross, do St. Stephen.

John Robinson, do Campo Bello.

LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC CLUB.

We omitted to mention in our last that an interesting lecture was delivered on Monday se-night on "Organic Nature," by the Rev. Mr. McLean, to a numerous and respectable audience.

The Commercial News a tri-weekly paper, published at Saint John, has come to us this week in a new dress and new head, with a Price Current. It has changed its title from the Commercial News to the *Morning News*. Its terms are—for 3 months 3s 3d, for six months 6s 6d and for 1 year 12s 6d.

Mr. KENT of Grand Manan, informed us that the Brig *Fields* from St. John, cargo lumber, went ashore on Cross Island. Vessel a total wreck, cargo expected to be saved, no lives lost.

The weather for the last week has been cold and foggy with occasional showers of rain. On Wednesday night and during Thursday we have had a heavy fall of snow being upwards of 16 inches which has made tolerable sleighing.

The following Resolution was passed in the House of Assembly on Monday

Whereas highly important Military services were rendered to their Queen and Country by Lt. Colonel Maxwell, of Her Majesty's Thirty Sixth Regiment, and the Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Soldiers under his command, while commanding the Forces stationed on the Upper Saint John, for the protection and defence of the Northwestern Frontier of this Province; and whereas those services were eminently distinguished, as well by untiring zeal on the part of the said Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, and the Officers under his command, for the improvement of the Provincial Militia, as by the most unremitting vigilance over the extended line of defence, whereby these Officers and Soldiers have not only obtained the highest approbation of His

Excellency, Major General Sir John Harvey, Commander in Chief of this Province, in the District General Order of the 27th of March last, but have justly merited the grateful acknowledgements of Her Majesty's subjects in this loyal Province.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to Lieut. Col. Maxwell, and the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Soldiers of the 36th Regt. to Major Brooks, and the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Soldiers of the 69th Regt. to Major Winyates and the Officers of the Royal Engineers, to Capt. Stow and the Royal Artillery, and to William H. Robinson, Deputy Commissary General, and the Officers of the Commissariat Department, for their distinguished services on that occasion, and further,

Resolved, That His Honor the Speaker do communicate the same to Lieut. Col. Maxwell.

There is a rumour current in the city this morning, that a regiment of United States troops have been ordered to Houlton.—*Bangor Paper*.

New Mayor.—It has been reported currently for several days past, that the Hon. W. Black, will be appointed Mayor of the City on Tuesday next, the day appointed for the election of Charter Officers.—*Chronicle*.

MARRIED.

At St. John, on Thursday last, at Gardner's, by the Rev. William Andrew, Mr. Nathan McLean, to Miss Rebecca Wood, both of the Parish of Simmonds.

On Thursday Evening last, by the Rev. Dr. Alley, Capt. James McKenney, of Deer Island, to Sarah youngest Daughter of Mr. Samuel Connick of this Parish.

DIED.

At St. John on the 23d ult. Elizabeth, only child of Mr. Francis Aymor, aged 16 months.

At Carleton on the 23d ult. Mrs. Catharine Brothers, widow of the late Mr. J. Brothers, in the 71st year of her age.

At Fredericton, on the 13th inst. Miss Sarah Ann Nickerson, aged 19 years.

At St. John, on the 10th inst. Capt. D. Robertson, of St. John, in the 36th year of his age.

At the Catholic Chapel House, Dunblair, on the 14th of Jan. in the 80th year of his age, the Hon. and Right Rev. Alex. McDowell, Bishop of Kingston, U. C.

Shipping Journal.

PORT OF SAINT ANDREWS.

ARRIVED, April 2, Schr. Hope, Treble, Halifax, Molasses, J. Wilson and others.

2, Brig Elgin, Vogler, Demerara, Ballast 27 days, to Traders Club. Spike on the 14th Feb. Lat. 22° 51' N. Lon. 64° 41' W. An. Schoner, 100 tons, from Boston for Porto Rico. 21st Lat. 32° 12' N. Lon. 67° 30' W. Ship Joseph Porter of Saint Stephen, 14 days from New Orleans for Liverpool, Eng. 25th Lat. 40° 50' N. Lon. 60° 42' W. An. Brig Susan Jane of Portland, 88 days from Havana, for Portland.

4 Sloop, Union Lass, McMaster, Eastport, Nunda.

CLEAR'D, March 31, Brig Sterling, Clements, Demerara, Lumber.

Brig Britain, Crosby, Bahamas, do.

April 2, Brig Jane Kelly, Harper, Demerara, Lumber.

An American vessel reports a large Banque ashore at Tit Manan of and for Saint John with a cargo of Salt and Gals—name not ascertained.

Brig Elgin reports the brig Comet, to sail from Demerara for Tientsin in a few days.

Capt. Watson of the schooner *Experiment* from Jamaica, 13th March, reports the *Calcedonia* of Yarmouth, Brig Robert and son, Flottilla, Thompson, all to sail in a few days for Cuba.

Brig Brothers, McKenney from Saint John just arrived. *Melancholy Shipwreck.*—On the 30th Dec. the brig City of York, Capt. Hinds, from Saint John for Newport, fell in with the Bge. Chilton from St. John for Liverpool, and took from it the surviving crew—the mate, D. G. Whitley, and 3 seamen, J. Davies, T. Wildgrege, and Geo. Ditto, having been washed overboard, and another Henry Edmondson, died of starvation. The Chilton becoming water-logged, the crew were compelled to take to the tops on the 19th, and for eleven days were exposed to the most dreadful sufferings.

Admitted at Liverpool, 29th February, barque *Argyle*, Sinnat, Saint John; at Bristol, 27th, Lord John Russell, Hubert, Baltimore.

The steamer *Argyle*, Captain Murray, left Clyde on the 13th February, for Cork and New Orleans.

REGULAR PACKET BETWEEN

SAINT JOHN, SAINT ANDREWS, & SAINT STEPHEN

THE Schooner FOREST, Robt. Kennedy, Master, will run regularly for the season between St. John, St. Andrews, and St. Stephen as a Packet, and will take Freight and Passengers. The greatest attention will be paid. Further particulars made known on application to

ROBERT KENNEDY, St. Andrews April 24, 1860—41

DISASTER.

Key West.

The Brig Isabel, Captain Ham John from New Orleans bound to in charge of Molasses, pork, and other cargo, on the 7th instant, on Delta reef on the 7th instant, by the wrecking ship *Pluto* out part of her cargo at this Port the 11th instant. She is disabled and have out for further examination of Commerce.

MARCH 31.

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