

Extract of a letter to a gentleman in this City, dated Westminster, (E.) May 27, 1817.

"Little did you and I think, when we attended the first meeting of the Missionary Society, that it would have been the fruitful parent of so many institutions having for their single, but glorious design, to illuminate the understandings of our fellow-creatures. We have just concluded our yearly jubilee. The month of May has at present higher claims to our praise than the charming scenes of nature, which are now developed, and the merry-makings of thoughtless youngsters.—It is now a month of religious enjoyment, to which the mind looks forward with delight, and which never disappoints our hope. There is an interest, a feeling and a glory about the grand meetings of the Missionary and Bible Societies, which must be witnessed to be understood. We have been this year peculiarly favored: a benediction has appeared amongst us that has eclipsed all his forerunners. It seems a prognostic of remarkable events in the religious world, that the Lord has raised up a man, who is pre-eminently fitted to vindicate his cause, and to promote among all ranks the knowledge of his gospel.

"Dr. CHALMERS, one of the professors in the University of Glasgow, was, in early life, an infidel; but, no sooner did it please God to reveal his Son in him, than, like the Apostle Paul, he began 'to preach that faith which once he destroyed'; and, bringing a great mass of human learning into the field, the armies of the alien are routed before him—he commences a bold attack on the fortresses of infidelity, and their walls crumble into dust before him. He has particularly bent his mind to consider the evidences of christianity, and has very lately published a book, entitled 'A Review of the Evidences of Christianity, considered in connection with the Modern Astronomy,' which has met with so rapid a sale, that it went through four editions before it was heard of in London, and though only a small octavo volume, the booksellers in London have just agreed to give him four thousand pounds for the copy-right.

"This truly great man has been brought to London to preach one of the missionary sermons, and has created a sensation beyond what I ever before witnessed. You know Sunday forenoon, on the Wednesday morning, thinking that my privilege as a minister would procure me a seat if I went early, I got to the chapel at 9 o'clock an hour and a half before the prayers began to be read: but, instead of getting a comfortable place in the first or second row of seats, which on those occasions are appropriated exclusively to ministers, I found the chapel quite full, and thought myself extremely happy to squeeze just within the door of the gallery, where I stood with a column of people pressing me both before and behind for five hours.

"Dr. Chalmers has nothing to recommend him as a preacher but the intrinsic worth of his matter. He is a small, pale man, with a feeble, indistinct voice, and a Scotch accent. His text was 1 Cor. 14, 23, 24, 25; and the chief drift of his argument was to prove, that the conversion of a sinner did not depend on the weight of rational evidence brought before him, but rested altogether upon the agency of the Holy Spirit bringing the man to compare his conscience with the declaration of God's word, whereupon 'the secrets of his heart are made manifest, and falling down on his face, he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.'

"From the confusion of so crowded an assembly, it was difficult to hear him at first; but after a most luminous introduction, he came to the first grand period of his argument:—The congregation were electrified; I never witnessed such emotions before. While he paused to take breath, exclamations of surprise were heard around.—'Astonishing! Beyond all that ever was heard before! I never heard a sermon before! Admirable beyond imagination!' Such were the universal expressions of delight and surprise.—If I was to tell you the expressions I made use of, when I came out, you would think them truly extravagant. Remember, that this universal admiration is not the applause of an ignorant multitude; it is the general feeling of as large and well informed an assembly of divines, as perhaps, ever before met together.

"This sermon was an introduction to a popularity, justly deserved, but of a degree beyond what I have ever before witnessed. All ranks and degrees of men are crowding to hear Ministers of State; Members of Par-

liament; the Lord Mayor; Aldermen of the City, and many Clergymen; fearless of Queen Bess's Laws against non-conformity, crowd to hear Dr. Chalmers. He preached last Sunday morning at the Scots church, London Wall, and at three in the afternoon at the large new church in Swallow-street, formerly Dr. Trotter's; and, although it had not been published, the throng was so great by two o'clock, that they dared not open the doors, but the place was filled chiefly through the *Vestry window*; and it was thought necessary for Dr. Nicholl and other ministers to arrange the people out at the windows, intrusting them not to attempt to press in, as there was not room for one person more even to stand in the galleries; and thousands went away without obtaining admission. The carriages thronged the street, as if they had been going to the Theatre.

"When I consider the earnestness of his delivery, and the irrefragable force of his arguments, he reminds me of Apollonius, 'who mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, proving from the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ.' The minds of men are irresistibly directed to religion: the most prejudiced and worldly minded feel constrained to enquire into the doctrines of the gospel, and, if a peculiar measure of divine power do not speedily follow, it will to me be more extraordinary than these circumstances themselves. The Lord will hasten it in his time.

"I hope Dr. Chalmers's book, as well as his Missionary Sermon, will soon be reprinted and widely circulated in America.

Charleston, Nov 23.
Military movements.—We have it from the best authority, that all the disposable force on the sea-board of North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, under the command of col. Bankhead, are ordered to rendezvous forthwith at some point on the St. Mary's river. Rumour gives to this movement two objects—first, that the expedition is to join Gen. Gaines, who is going against the Seminoles; and second, that its destination is against Amelia Island. This latter opinion, (being grounded upon the supposition that the Floridas have been ceded by Spain to this country,) is most prevalent.

From the Quebec Gazette.
Quebec Exchange.
10th Dec. 1817

At a meeting of the Merchants and other Inhabitants of Quebec, pursuant to a Notice inserted in the *Quebec Gazette*, of the 9th instant.

JOHN JONES, Esq. in the Chair.
On motion of Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Patterson,

Resolved, That this Meeting feels itself bound in duty to its own as well as the Interest of British North America, to express the strong sense of alarm which it feels at the contents of the above letter.—[Mr. Lacks letter of 25th Dec. 1816.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting, that any duty imposed upon the Lumber of British North America, would give a death blow to its Trade in that article.

Resolved, That since the return of Peace, the Lumber Trade though favored by freights unusually low to the Ship owners, has barely afforded Commission to the parties concerned on the other side of the Atlantic.

Resolved, That the loss of such trade would be grievously felt by all concerned in the Trade of this Country, more particularly by those who under faith of the good dispositions of the Mother Country towards this Colony, have expended large sums of money on Saw Mills and other Lumber Establishments.

Resolved, That the loss of such trade, occasioning a very great decrease in the Tonnage now employed, will be severely felt by the very large body of Artizans now employed in this and the other Ports of Shipment in the dressing of Masts, Spars and other description of Lumber, as well as by the labouring class, which now finds employment in the Timber Yards and in the loading of ships employed in the lumber trade.

Resolved, That the loss of such trade will prevent the importation into this Province, of Salt, Earthenware and other bulky articles of British manufacture from the want of return freight for the vessels employed, and seriously injure an advantageous trade, which is now carried on in the supply of the States bordering on the St. Lawrence with the article and which as well, as the Upper Province, will necessarily be supplied from the sea ports of the United States, at the same time affording employment to the vessels of that power to the prejudice of those of Great Britain.

Resolved, That the loss of such trade will be grievously felt by the new Settlers, from their being deprived of the advantage which the sale of the lumber

on their lands would afford in furnishing them with the necessary means of ameliorating a condition subject to very serious privations under the most favorable circumstances.

Resolved, That deprived as this Country is of a free trade with the world by the Navigation Laws of Great Britain, her ports might be considered as virtually closed by the loss of such trade.

Resolved, That in the event of such annihilation to the lumber trade of this Country (now a great source of its prosperity) the great stagnation in business which will follow must reduce to poverty the numerous class of persons by whom the consequences will be directly felt, and seriously inconvenience every Merchant, Householder, Mechanic, and Tradesman, throughout the Province.

Resolved, That a Committee of Eight Gentlemen be appointed to draw up a Memorial to the Lords in Council for trade and plantations, pursuant to the foregoing resolutions, and report the same with all convenient despatch.

Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting be returned to the Chairman.

Ordered, That the following Gentlemen do compose said Committee.

Mr. Davidson, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Price, Mr. Barnett, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Micklejohn, Mr. Moir.

(Signed) ROBT. MELVIN, Secretary.

KINGSTON:
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1817.

Two Labourers, (Sawyers by trade) want employment. Apply to the Visitors of the K. C. Society.

Among the arrivals at the Port of ERNEST TOWN, the reader will notice the Machinery for a new *Steam Boat*, which is upon the stocks in that Village, at the same ship yard where the *Frontenac* Steam Boat was built. This new Steam Boat, we understand, is calculated to navigate the Bay of Quinte, the waters of which are thought to be peculiarly well adapted to Steam navigation. The building of the only two Steam vessels on the Canadian side of the Lake at the same place is a proof that the builders think it a favorable situation for Ship-building. Of which, indeed there can be no doubt. The whole bay of Ernest Town is advantageously situated for a harbor. The winds and swells from the open lake are, in a good measure, broken by the island in front. Nothing seems wanted, but a good substantial Wharf in front of the village, to render the port a very safe and commodious one. The wharves heretofore erected there, were injured & suffered to go to decay during the late war; and have not yet been rebuilt. But we trust a village so advantageously situated in relation to the lake and to a populous and productive country around it, will not long remain destitute of so necessary an accommodation as a Wharf. It will be equally beneficial to the Farmers and the Merchants. This is the natural point of exportation for the merchantable produce of the former, and the importation of the goods of the latter. Here they ought to be exchanged. The increasing scarcity of cash, and other circumstances of the times render such a course of trade more and more necessary. In this point of view, it is for the mutual interest and benefit of the inhabitants of the village and the Township of Ernest Town, and the adjoining Townships, to unite their exertions for improving the accommodations of their harbor, among which a most prominent one is a good commodious Wharf, where vessels, boats and all the various craft which sail the Lake, may lie in safety, and be loaded and unloaded with ease & dispatch. This would enable Steam boats, and other craft, to receive and discharge their loading without delay; and, by thus facilitating transportation, would save many a dollar both to the farmer and the exporting and importing merchant.

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CLEARED.
Oct. 23.—Lady Amelia, Covert, Kingston, flour, apples, &c. 24th, Minerva Ann, Finkle, Kingston, ballast and passengers. 25th, Rambler, Cherry, Sackets, harbor, passengers &c. —Lady Amelia, Covert, Belleville, with merchandise. 30th, Rambler, Cherry, Sackets, harbor, with passengers. Nov. 2d, Sch. Boat, How, for Belleville, with merchandise and passengers—Sch. Boat, Yerix, Hollowell, passengers and goods. 5th, Rambler, Cherry, Sackets, harbor, with passengers. 8th, Ontario, Hugguin, Oswego, in ballast. 9th, Rambler, Cherry, Sackets, with passengers. 16th, do. do. 19th, do. do. 28th, do. do. 30th, Ontario, Hugguin, Oswego, in ballast—Dec. 1st, Fellowship, Dyer, Hollowell, with merchandise and passengers. 8th, Bulldog, Hollister, Sandy Creek, in ballast.

KINGSTON, Dec. 16, 1817.
THOMAS BARNETT.

next door to Mr. McCombie's Store apply to the locksmith, at Mrs. Barnett's residence, for a key to the door. It is deemed unnecessary to give a further description of the premises, as they are well known to all who are conversant with the business of the place. The premises are occupied by Mrs. Barnett, and Mr. J. H. Henderon, with a large number of other persons, and are well adapted for the purpose of a warehouse, or for the purpose of a dwelling house.

To Let,
FOR one or more years from the first day of January next, the House and premises in Stuartville, at present occupied by Mr. Dalton, situated within half a mile of this Town; a favorable situation for a Gentleman and family, and no less so for a Distiller, or Inn Keeper. For further particulars enquire of the subscriber.

E. BARNETT.
Kingston 15th Dec. 1817 29

To Let,
FOR one or more years from the first day of January next, the well known Stand as a Tavern, in Sandville, in the present occupancy of the subscriber.

SAMUEL PURDY.
Kingston, 16th Dec. 1817. 29

For Sale,
THE New MILLS on Big Creek, in Frederickburgh, in good repair, with the Well half of Lot No. 25, in the fourth concession of said Township, with a small, but convenient Dwelling House thereon erected.

ALSO,
Seven Hundred and Thirty acres of Land, lying in the Township of Lochaber, District of Montreal, and two hundred acres in the Township of Camden, Midland District. The whole will be sold cheap.—For particulars, apply to Mr. J. Tuttle, Kingston, or to the subscriber, on the premises.

Matthias Smith.
Frederickburgh, Dec 9, 1817. 29 13

Elegant Sleighs.
TWO elegant and highly finished Double Sleighs for sale. Apply to SMITH BARTLET.

Dec. 16. 29f

Onondaga Salt
JUST received and for sale at the Store of S. Bartlet.

For sale, or to let,
ON remarkable low terms, and possession given immediately, the two story Stone House, lately owned by Mr. Daznie, situated in a pleasant part of the Town. For particulars apply to the subscribers.

B. & E. STARNES.
Kingston, Dec. 5, 1817 28

For Sale,
ALL those having demands against the Estate of the late Capt. Thomas Paxton, of this place, will please to render their accounts, properly authenticated, on or before the 1st of May next, to the subscriber, who is authorized to liquidate them; and all those who are indebted to the Estate, are requested to call and settle the same.

JANE PAXTON.
Kingston, Nov. 25, 1817. 27f

Bible Society.

ON SATURDAY, the 20th inst. a general Meeting of the KINGSTON AUXILIARY BIBLE and COMMON PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY will be held in St. George's Church; at 12 o'clock.

JOHN WILSON,
Secretary.

BOOK STORE

Removed opposite the Sign of the Bible.

J. B. Cheesman,
RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the Public, that he continues the BOOK BINDING, and BLANK BOOK MANUFACTORY in all its various branches, two doors from the Book Store.

Blank Books Ruled and Bound to any pattern; Libraries repaired, and old Books re bound to match in Sets, or in any style. He has on hand, at the Book Store, a general assortment of

Blank Books & Stationery:
Confiting of Ledgers, Journals, Invoice, Day, Letter, Guard, Orderly, Receipt and Memorandum Books. Also, just received, an Invoice of Books; among which are, Hutton's Mathematics, Benjamin's Architecture, Walker and Johnson's Pronouncing Dictionaries, do. in Miniature; Nugent's French & English Dictionary, Perrin's French Grammar, and Murray's School Books; German Flute Preceptor, Smith & Little's Vocal Music, Bibles, Testaments, Watts' Psalms and Hymns, Camp Meeting do. and Scientific Libraries adapted for Children's Instruction.

All orders in his line of Business will be thankfully received and punctually attended to.

Kingston, Dec. 13, 1817. 29f

Masonic Festival.

THE Festival of St. John the Evangelist, will be celebrated by Lodge No. 6, A. Y. Mason on Saturday, the 27th instant, at the Lodge Room, at Walker's Hotel. Those Brethren who wish to join in the festivity of the day, will please signify the same to Mr. Robert Walker two days previous.

By order of the W. M.
JOHN W. FERGUSON,
Secretary.

Kingston, Dec. 16, 1817. 29

Public Notice.

BY virtue of a Warrant to me directed, signed by two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District, Notice is hereby given, that a meeting of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the division of Frontenac, will be holden at the Court House in the town of Kingston, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, on SATURDAY, the 27th of this present month, for the purpose of renewing the Licences for the year next ensuing; likewise for granting new Licences to those who wish to make application for the same. All Inn, Tavern, and Public House keepers, will therefore give their attendance accordingly.

ROBERT YOUNG,
High Conflable.

Kingston, Dec 16 1817. 29

TOWN MEETING.

BY virtue of a warrant signed by two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for said District, and to me directed, the Inhabitants and householders of the town and township of Kingston, Pittsburgh and Woolf Island, paying or liable to pay any public assessments or rates, are hereby notified to meet at the Court House in the Town of Kingston, on Monday the Fifth day of January next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of nominating and choosing fit persons to serve in the offices of Town Clerk, two Assessors, one Collector, one Town Warden, Overseers of Highways and Roads, Pound-keepers, &c. for the year ensuing.

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Kingston, Dec. 16, 1817. 29

For Sale,

ON reasonable terms, the East half of Lot No. 14, in the first concession of Frederickburgh, with a good Frame House and Barn, and about 150 bearing Apple Trees thereon, and about 60 acres under good improvement. For further particulars, enquire of PETER YOUNG, on the premises.

Frederickburgh, Dec. 12, 1817. 29w