

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to vacate the Seat of any Member of the House of Assembly who may accept a commission or appointment in His Majesty's Army or Navy, or who may accept any Office which is now or may hereafter be rendered compulsory or obligatory, by the imposition of any Fine or Penalty by the Laws of this Island.

III. And be it further enacted, That when it shall be declared by the House of Assembly that any member thereof hath accepted an Office of Emolument under the Crown, either during the Session or Recess of the Legislature, that then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the Administrator of the Government for the time being, and he is hereby required, within seven days next after information thereof shall be by him received in writing, under the hand of the Speaker of the House of Assembly, to issue a Writ for the Election of a Member or members to fill the place or places which may be so vacated as aforesaid.

IV. And be it further enacted, That any Member of the House of Assembly who shall hereafter, either directly or indirectly, enter into any contract for the performance of any public work within this Island, or who shall become security for the same, shall vacate his seat in the said House of Assembly, in the same manner, and under the same regulations, as are provided for by this Act in cases where he shall have accepted any Office of Emolument under the Crown.

On Thursday next we suppose it will be decided whether the provisions of the above Act will, under existing circumstances, affect the seats of all the members who have accepted office during the recess, or whether those who have merely been re-appointed to fill the offices formerly held by them, will be exempt from its operation, as clearly appears to have been intended when the Acts above referred to were passed last Session. The seats of the Hon. J. S. Macdonald, Francis Longworth and Roderick Macaulay, Esqrs. will undoubtedly be declared vacant.

BANKRUPT LAW.—About this time last year we endeavoured to call the attention of our readers to the benefits that might be expected to accrue to this community, and the Island generally, from the operation of a well-digested Bankrupt Law; and in his speech to both Houses of the Legislature, on opening the Session, last winter, His Excellency the Lieut. Governor suggested "the advantage of assimilating the Laws between Debtor and Creditor, as far as circumstances will permit, to those in force in Great Britain." In replying to this part of His Excellency's speech, the House of Assembly express their readiness to adopt His Excellency's suggestion, "in whatever respect it may appear advantageous, in assimilating the Laws between Debtor and Creditor to those in force in Great Britain, as far as the local circumstances and the exigencies of the Colony will permit." The only measures of the Session, however, having any bearing upon the subject, were, An Act to continue and amend the Act relating to the Limits and Rules of Jails in the several Colonies in this Island; and An Act to continue and amend an Act therein mentioned, for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; and as neither of these does more than continue for a further term of five years the former Acts—with one or two trifling alterations, termed amendments—it is unnecessary to notice them further. A Bankrupt Law has just been passed by the Canadian Legislature, and a similar measure is, we believe, in contemplation in Nova Scotia. That this Island stands in as much need of a Law of this nature, at the present moment, as either of those Colonies, is, we take it, incontrovertible. We trust, therefore, that another Session of our Legislature will not be suffered to rise without the passing of a Bill conferring the same privileges and "real benefits" upon this community as that to which we have just alluded. The following remarks, taken from a New Brunswick paper, exhibit in a clear, candid and striking point of view the beneficial working of the Bankrupt Law in that Province:—

"It having been stated to us by several of our subscribers that a full and correct list of all the persons who have been declared bankrupt within this Province would be highly useful, we have been at considerable pains and much labour to make up such a list, corrected to the present time, which we publish to-day, the names being arranged alphabetically, for the convenience of reference. The total number is One hundred and sixty-four; and when it is considered that these bankrupts are the accumulation of years, in which there has been a great depression in every description of trade and business—in which heavy losses have been sustained in the timber trade, in saw mills and in shipbuilding, which losses have been widely spread by the general use of accommodation paper—it is matter of surprise, that the number of bankrupts should be so small, in proportion to the population of the Province. Heretofore there was no law in force in New Brunswick, by which an Insolvent Debtor could obtain a final discharge from his liabilities, even although he might give up every thing he possessed to his creditors; but now, a more humane spirit prevails, and many who were bankrupts years ago, and who have during a long period been pining on the gaol limits, for the support of their families, are enabled to use their labour for the support of their families. It may be true, that persons who have accepted of the Bankrupt Law; but if such persons succeed, it will be in a great measure the fault of their creditors, in allowing them to pass without opposition. Very extensive powers are granted to the Commissioners, for the detection of fraud; and where any thing of that kind can be clearly made out, the bankrupt will not only be refused his certificate, but be placed entirely at the mercy of his creditors. We are strongly inclined to believe, that the compulsory clauses of the act are not yet fully understood or appreciated, and that a very erroneous opinion has generally obtained, that the Bankrupt Law was entirely in favour of the debtor; but if creditors will take the trouble to use the means the law gives them, they will soon find that their rights are as fully and as equitably protected as those of the bankrupt. If creditors make no opposition, and silently acquiesce while the bankrupt is passing through the Court, they have nobody to blame but themselves. It must be remembered, that the list we publish to-day, is that of actual bankrupts, and that of all these, only some five or six have as yet obtained their final certificates and discharge. Many other persons besides those named have declared their insolvency in the Gazette, but of these, some have not found it necessary to go into bankruptcy, others never intended to do so, and the rest may probably have fiats taken out against them hereafter. There may, perhaps, be some evils in this Bankrupt Law, but if so, there are also many real benefits, not the least of which will be, the limitation of credit, the disuse of accommodation paper, and the introduction of a safer and sounder system of business, in which good character will stand higher than it has heretofore."—New Brunswick.

HEMP.—Some of the British Colonial papers are recommending the culture of Hemp in the North American provinces. The St. John Herald says:—

"This plant is undoubtedly one of the most profitable productions the earth furnishes in northern climates, and as a staple product for the colonies, its cultivation deserves the serious consideration of the agriculturist. In the remote parts of Russia the farmer affords his Hemp at so cheap a rate, as to allow of a transportation of many hundred miles by land to St. Petersburg, Archangel, and other ports, and from thence (after the duty and charges are paid) some hundred leagues to the southern parts of Europe. This being duly considered by the Provincial farmers, it will be a means of convincing them, that notwithstanding the supposed difference in the price of labour, they may produce Hemp with profit, since it may be transported to market with a light charge, free of duty, and vendible for cash, at more than seven times the price it would cost at the place of its growth in Russia. Should it be said the Russian farmer gets but little for his labor, it will then follow that the Provincialist must grow rich by his, and we doubt not that a few years' experience would convince him thereof. Hemp would furnish a ready remittance to Great Britain, and become a reciprocal advantage to both, and as its cultivation increased, we should be able to ship immense quantities, which would result in a never-failing revenue. Indeed, the editor of the Cultivator hesitates not to assert that our exports would soon equal our imports." Be this as it may, it could not but prove a rich and increasing source of wealth, and, as such, is worthy the serious consideration of the Legislature, and of every man who truly loves his country.

"The expense of raising hemp is but very trifling; it may be grown on the same ground for twenty or thirty years in succession, without lessening the crop, or impoverishing the soil, and we are fully satisfied that no branch of agriculture can be carried on to so great an advantage as that of raising Hemp, and we hope that our farmers will soon be convinced of the truth of this assertion by experience."

FINANCES OF CANADA.—In another column is an interesting document lately laid before the Provincial Parliament, being an exposé of the financial state of Canada, for the year 1842 and 1843. It appears that the income for the year ending 31st Dec. 1842, was £365,603 currency; and the expenditure £359,232, being an excess of income beyond expenditure, of £6,371. The estimated income for the year 1843, is £317,500, while the expenditure is taken at £393,022, being a deficiency of £75,522. This deficiency is made up by the appropriation of £79,347, of a balance of consolidated fund from the year 1842. This balance, however, being the mere accumulation of previous years, does not properly form part of the year's income, and in taking a view of the financial condition of the colony, it ought not to be set down as income. The deficiency between the incomes of the two years arises from the diminution in customs' duties, which produced, in 1842, £265,000, but are estimated for this year at £200,000. There is a decrease, also, in the excise of £1900; but there is an increase on the territorial revenue of £10,400; and from public works of £16,600.—Toronto Banner, Nov. 3.

POWNAL STREET WHARF.—We are glad to learn that this much-needed and long-talked-of Wharf has been contracted for, and that the contracts have been taken so low, that the Commissioners will be enabled to introduce several very material improvements into the original design. The Hon. J. S. Macdonald, Andrew Duncan, Esq., and Messrs. Kenneth Mackenzie, Isaac Smith and Robert Hutchinson, have been appointed to superintend its construction.

We trust the wretched state of our Currency—or rather the almost total absence of any Currency whatever—will attract some share of attention from our legislators in their approaching Session. Unless relief come from some quarter—and that speedily—we fear for the consequences. It is now, we think, clearly apparent, that the mere act of giving a fictitious or nominal value to a coin—though it may afford partial relief for a while—cannot possibly, in the long run, effect any good. We have all along been of opinion that there ought to be no difference between the currency of this Island and that of Nova Scotia or New Brunswick; that our currency has, for a long time past, been a disgrace to us, and an effectual bar to the successful prosecution of any commercial enterprise. We trust, however, that our legislators will not think of remedying the pressure now so severely felt by another issue of irredeemable paper, of no greater value out of the Island than so much waste paper, and of very little better repute within it. The origin and cause of the disease must be carefully sought out. That found, it will be comparatively easy to apply the remedy.

TEMPERANCE.—The Rev. Mr. Strong will deliver a Lecture on Temperance, on Tuesday, the 19th inst., at 7 p. m., in the Vestry of the Wesleyan Chapel in this town.

For the benefit of the suffering poor, we feel much pleasure in stating, that, at the last quarterly meeting of the Benevolent Irish Society of this Island, Dr. Cook intimated his intention, as a member of that Society, to dispense his services gratuitously to the poor and indigent generally.—Palladium.

MEDICAL AFFAIRS AMONG THE COSSACKS.—Medical affairs were at a very low ebb among the Don Cossacks until within a very recent period. It so happened that Prince Tschernicheff was seized with what was deemed an incurable attack of paralysis. The native physicians had recourse to magical charms, talismans, adder's broth (&c.), stewed wolf (&c.), frideau of assafetida, &c. &c., but all to no purpose. At last, however, an English traveller named Hill, having in his portmanteau a few pots of "Holloway's Ointment," and a box or two of "Holloway's Pills," (the latter a tonic and alterative auxiliary to the former), he advised their use, and the Prince soon became "himself again." These specifics are therefore in great note for all external disorders; and what the Cossacks would do without them it is difficult to imagine, since Gout, Rheumatism, Cancer, Scrofula, Swelling of the Glands, Wounds, &c. &c., so speedily yield to their extraordinary and unrivalled influence.

PORT OF GEORGETOWN. Dec. 2.—Packet Mary, Bark, Pictou; Coals and Passengers. 4.—Sch. Country Maid, Dangle, Halifax; Goods. Peronia, Hughs, Pictou; Coals. Three Brothers, White, Halifax; Goods. Susan, M'Erwen, do; Ballast. 5.—Ringwood, M'Donald, do; Goods. Annandale, Wightman, do; do. 6.—Regulator, Hobbs, do; do. Sam Slick, Cowley, Arichat; Pickled Fish.

ARRIVED, at Bristol, on the 4th Nov., Barque Mary Jane, Williams, Master, from Richmond Bay—30 days. At Bidford, on the 6th, Brig British Lady, Redmond, Master, from Bedoune—23 days. On the 9th, at Gloucester, the Barque Five Sisters, Lowther, Master, 23 days, from St. John, N. B. All belonging to James Yeo, Esq., Port Hill.

MARRIED. On Tuesday, the 12th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Jenkins, Ecclesiastical Commissary, &c., the Hon. Edward James Jarvis, Chief Justice of this Island, to Elizabeth, daughter of the late Hon. Robert Gray, senior Member of Council, and for many years Treasurer of this Island. On Wednesday, the 13th inst., at Darnley, by the Rev. John Kier, Mr. John McNeill, Charlottetown, to Penelope, eldest daughter of the Hon. Peter Stewart Macnutt, Darnley. At Wolfville, Nova Scotia, on the 5th inst., the Rev. E. A. Crawley, A. M., to Elizabeth, daughter of Dr. Lewis Johnston, of Annandale, Horton.

DIED. On the 10th inst., Ann, wife of Mr. James Millner, sen., Timonah, aged 53 years. On the 6th inst., Mary, wife of Mr. Lauchlan M'Donald, Malpeque Road, aged 47 years. On Thursday last, Mr. William Lacey, of this town, aged 27 years, deservedly regretted. His funeral will take place to-morrow (Sunday), at 2 p. m. At Halifax, on the 1st inst., in the 39th year of her age, Agnes, wife of Mr. Francis Stevens, Jr., and daughter of Mr. James Dechman, Senr.

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J. P. respectfully requests all persons indebted to him to settle their Accounts forthwith. Charlottetown, Dec. 14, 1843. (4w)

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