THE NEW ROUTE TO INDIA.

As it is impossible to over-estimate the importance and value of any means that may be found practically applicable to the shortening of the journey between England and her rich possessions in the East, we must own that, from the time when General Chesney first directed the attention of the public in this country to the facilities presented by the Valley of the Euphrates for the construction of an easy and rapid mode of communication between the Eastern shores of the Mediterranean and north-western provinces of our Indian Empire, we have never ceased to regard the project with other feelings than those of a very lively interest accompanied by the hope that sooner or later steps would be taken to carry it into execution. There seems to be now a reasonable psospect that this new and shorter route to India will be established at an earlier period than we had anticipated. Within the last year the undertaking has been seriously taken up by a company formed for the special purpose of carrying it into execution; and within the last week a body of the officers of this company have actually set out from England to commence the operations. A recent correspondence between the company and the Foreign Office enables us to explain pretty precisely the present position of the undertaking. On the 20th of the last month, in accordance with a request to the effect, the company transmited to Lord Clarendon a description of their proposed route, and of the nature of the concession promised by Turkey, intimating at the same time their intention to despatch General Chesney, Sir John Macneill, and a competent staff, immediately to the scene of operations. The route at present contemplated is from the port of Seleucia, on the Mediterranean, *via* Antioch and Beppo to Jaber Castle, on the Euphrates, a distance of 80 miles, and the contract with the Ottomen Government will embrace a guarantee of 6 per cent for 99 years, with power to raise capital for steamers at a rate to be hereafter determined. The land is also to be given free of charge, and the guarantee is not to involve any right on the part of the Turkish Government to participate in future profits in excess of 6 per cent, beyond a reimbursement of any sums of interest they may have previously paid. At the same time application has been made to the India House and the Board of Control for encouragement and co-operation, and the support of Lord Clarendon is also relied upon in his instructions to the British Ambassador at Constantinople, who is believed to regard the project with great interest. The instructions given by the Board to General Chesney and Sir John Macneill, whose departure took place on Tuesday last, full liberty is given them to adopt any spot on the Mediterranean other than Selucia that may appear more favorable. It is indispensable that the line should start from a safe harbour, and a former survey of Seleucia by General Chesney and Captain Allan, R.N., seems to establish eligibility of that point, but the port of Alexandretta would give the shortest line to the Euphrates, and it has been said by high naval authorities that it would contain the whole navy of Great Britain. There would, however, be some objections on the score of unhealthiness, as well as from the less satisfactory character of the gradients in its neighborhood, and unless it should appear that these may be avoided Seleucia will most probably be selected. The general nature of the route from Seleucia to Jaber Castle appears to be singularly free from physical difficulties, and the same may be said of the entire distance to Bussorah, on the Persian Gulf, to which the railway will be ultimately extended.

With regard to the habits and disposition of the population of the provinces through which the line will pass, the experience of General Chesney, and of others, is held to establish that no serious difficulties need be apprehended, and that if their rights are respected they may, in fact, be made valuable allies in maintaining the permanence and security of the work. If these expectations should be well founded there will be every reason to expect that the undertaking may be rapidly carried out, and that at a not distant period the passage to India will be reduced to little more than half its present time. A line of electric telegraph will accompany the work throughout, and will, of course, be pushed on simultaneously with the rail. It is scarcely possible to overrate the effects thus likely to be produced upon the commerce of the world, and it may be fairly hoped that the Governments of the two countries primarily interested—Great Britain and Turkey—will loose no opportunity of promoting the work, and hastening its execution. Above all, the East India Company will be bound to expedite it by every aid they can affor d. Two or three years of well-directed energy will, unquestionably, bring Bombay within fifteen day's journey from London, and a few years later, should peace continue, and the Sultan be disposed (as he appears to be) to extend the line of railway through the whole line of his dopinion, from the Danube to Constantinople,and thence from the eastern shore of the Bosphorus to the point at which the present undertaking is to commence, we may be exchanging the fogs of England for the golden sun of India in the brief space of a single week. We doubt not that there are many among us who will live to do this.

HARD TIMES.—A Yankee Doctor has recently got up a remedy for hard times. It consists of ten hours' hard labour per day well worked in.

A STORY OF BOMBA.—On the 7th of August, the anniversary of St. Gaetano, while the King's carriage escorted by his body guards and hussars passing the corner of the Via Santa Brigida, in the street of Toledo, two of the horses shipped and fell. The police and the soldiers were engaged in getting them up, when; taking advantage of this interruption, a lame man, leaning upon a staff, and respectably dressed, approached the carriage, handed a written petition to the King and began to speak in a low tone of voice. An officer of the guard saw this, ran with drawn swords against the petitioner and inflicted a wound upon him; other officers followed the example, and the cripple tried in vain to ward off the blows. When he was about to sink beneath their assault he cried out to the King, "Ferdinand, they are assaulting me before your eyes! Remember this!" The King was terrified by his appeal, and called out to the officers "Let him have his life". Immediately afterwards the horses having been reined, the carriage went on at full gallop. The same shocking scene is described in several letters from Naples, some adding that the man was mortally wounded. A similar affair happened at Palmero, in the year 1853, when Colonel Castelvetrano was promoted to the rank of General, imbrued his sword in the life-blood of a man who had merely ventured to accost the king's brother, the count of Syracuse. Nunziante obtained for that ferocious deed, the nickname of Amazza-morti ("Kill them dead,") by which he is known amongst the populace at Palermo to this day.

MRS. PARTINGTON'S VIEW OF TEMPERANCE.—"Intemperance!" said Mrs. Partington solemnly, with a rich emotion in her tone, like an after-dinner speech, at the same time bringing her hand containing the snuff she had just brought from the box down upon her knee, while Lion, with a violent sneeze, walked away to another part of the room—"Intemperance is a monster with a good many heads, and creeps into the bosoms of families like an alligator, and destroys its peace and hapipiness forever. But, thank heven! a new erie had dawned upon the world, and soon the hydrant-headed monster will be overturned. Isn't it strange that men put enemies into their own mouths to steal away their heads?"—"Don't you regard taking snuff as a vice?" we asked, innocently. "If it is," she replied with the same old argument, "it is so small a one that Providence won't take no notice of it, and besides, my oil factories would miss it so." Ah! kind old heart, it was the drunkard's argument; and he who casts stones at his frail brother must first see if there be not something at home to correct before he presumes upon his own infalibility.

A countryman being asked how he knew a man, of whom he had been acquainted, was drunk, indignantly replied, "What could he be else, when he asked for a shoehorn to put his hat on with."

When does a man become four-handed? —When he doubles his fists.

AUCTIONS,

BY WILLIAM DODD.

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

THE following LANDS and PREMISES will be peremptorily submitted to Public Competition, at the Court House, Colonial Building, in Charlottetown, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of OCTOBER next, at the hour of 12 o'clock, viz:—

PASTURE LOTS Nos. 233, 234 and 235, in the Royalty of Charlottetown, fronting on the St. Peter's Road, and situate about three miles from Town, containing in the whole 26 acres a little more or less.

ALSO—That beautifully situated PROPERTY, forming part of COMMON LOT No. 18, in the Royalty of Charlottetown, fronting on the Hillsborough, and in the immediate vicinity of Government House, lately in the occupation of Captain Beazeley, R. N., bounded on the north-west by the Road leading to Government House, and on the east by Westcott-street, and extending on said Street 233 feet, a little more or less, with the large and commodious DWELLING HOUSE, OUT-BUILDINGS and appurtenances thereunto belonging. The contingent annuity formerly charged on these Premises for the use and benefit of Mrs. Wilson, having been duly transferred to the residence of Mr. David Wilson, in Richmond street, this valuable Property (on Common Lot 18) will be sold in fee simple, and freed and discharged of all incumbrances.

ALSO—That valuable piece of Ground, with the DWELLING HOUSE and PREMISES, known as the present residence of Mr. David Wilson,fronting 40 feet on Richmond-street, and extending in depth 50 feet, a little more or less, forming part of TOWN LOTS Nos. 4 and 5, in the second hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown. This property is subject to an annuity of £50 currency per annum, charged thereon for the use and benefit of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Wilson, from and after the decease of her present husband, (in case she shall survive him), and so long as she shall remain his widow and unmarried, and it will be sold liable thereto.

For terms of sale and further particulars, enquire of the undersigned Trustees for Sale,&c., under Deed of Release and Conveyance, bearing date the 21st day of December, 1853, executed by the above named David Wilson and his said wife, with the other parties therein named, to the undersigned, and duly registered, and as the same is amended by an addenda thereto, dated the 10th day of May ultimo, endorsed thereon, and also duly registered.

Dated at Charlottetown, this 10th day of September, 1856.

JOSEPH HENSLEY,
JOHN LONGWORTH,
Sept. 15. ROBERT STEWART.

BY JOHN C. TRAVERS.

Notice to Farmers and others.

TO BE SOLD by Auction, on THURSDAY the 9th of OCTOBER next, at 11 o'clock, forenoon, on the Farm of MR. NATHAN WRIGHT, on the Winsloe Road, 5 miles from Town, the whole of his

SROCK, CROP, & FARMING IMPLEMENTS,

CONSISTING OF

1 Ayrshire COW, 4 years old, from 'Sweet Lad,'
1 do 3 do do
1 yearling HEIFER, from 'Sweet Lad;'
1 Calf, from do., 1 Cow 1 good Farm Horse, 2 Pigs,
1 Set Sleigh, 1 Wood Sleigh, 1 Truck,
1 set Sleigh Harness 1 Jaunting Sleigh & Furs,
1 set Cart do 1 Roller 1 Plough
1 pair Harrows Franklin Stove
2 acres Potatoes Five tons upland HAY.

A number of Stooks OATS and BARLEY, and a number of Farming Implements, and other articles too numerous to mention.

☞ TERMS:—All sums under £5 cash on delivery after the sale; over £5, a credit of 3 months, on approved Joint Notes.

Don't Forget Thursday the 9th October

Greatly Reduced Prices!!

THE large STOCK of DRY GOODS at the "Manchester House," Queen Street, will be offered

During this Month,

at Prices very much Reduced!!

to make room for HEAVY IMPORTATIONS, expected by first Fall vessels from LONDON and LIVERPOOL.

Those wishing BARGAINS, will find it to their advantage to call at this Establishment.

SAMUEL W. McMURRAY.

Sept. 3, 1856.

Strayed or Stolen!

A BLACK HORSE, with long switch-tail and a long mane, with a spot of hair off his back, strayed from the premises of Mr. MICHAEL WELSH on Tuesday night last. Whoever will bring the same to this Office, will be suitably rewarded. Sept. 14, 1856.

Lescher's Starch, &c.

10 BOXES Lescher's best London Starch,
5 do. Glenfield Patent do,
1 cwt. Thumb Blue, *ex Anne Reddin.*
W. R. WATSON

PAPER HANGINGS!

—JUST RECEIVED—

3,300 *PIECES FROM BOSTON,*

And for Sale by HASZARD & OWEN.

Aug. 16, 1855.

Hardware Hardware!!

JUST RECEIVED from the United States, and for Sale by HASZARD & OWEN—

Mortise Locks and Latches, from 9d to 20s each,
Rim, western, store door and plate Locks, &c,
Small Locks, (a large stock,)
Wardrobe, hat and coat Hooks, 4s a 2s 6d per doz.
Iron and wooden Beach Screws,
Clamp and Riggers' Screws,
Wilson's Braces, (gear-wheel'd), &c. 2s 3d a 16s,
Mineral, porcelain,-silvered Door-Shutter and Drawer Knobs,
Mahogany, walnut and japanned Drawer Knobs,
Coal Chisels and Dismiths' Tools,
Pencil Sharpeners,
Grindstone Fixtures, from 7s 6d a 12s
Circular Saws and Arbors, and Leather Belting,
Hammers, (a large assorted Stock)
Hatchets, (shingling, claw, lathing, broad, &c)
Narrow and Broad Axes and Adzes,
Plumbs and Levels,
Screw Plates and Dies,
Web Saws and Handles, lever Sawsets
India Rubber Packing, combs, toys, bat, ball, &c

SPRING SUPPLIES.

HASZARD & OWEN, have received ex *Ellen* from Liverpool, part of their Spring supplies, among which will be found

Post, Foolscap, and Pott paper, of every description and quality.

Ruled Papers from Note size to Demy.

Ledgers, Day and Account Books of every variety.

Bill Books—receivable and payable, Pens, Penholders, Blacklead, and slate pencils—a large stock.

Envelopes, Cloth lined, official and other sizes

Wrapping paper, Brown, and Gray of all sizes.

Schooner for Sale!

A SCHOONER three years old, under repair, to be Sold. She is a good cargo vessel of thirty tons register. Apply to—

WILLIAM HODGES.

Cymbria Lodge, Rustico, Aug. 29, 1856.

QUEEN SQUARE HOUSE.

NOW contains an immense assortment of *BRITISH AND FRENCH*

MANUFACTURES,

(the newest make and patterns) just arrived per Brig "INTENDED" direct from England, which is offered for sale at a small advance on cost.

WM. HEARD.

Charlottetown, July 3, 1856.

A good Assortment of WILSON'S

CELEBRATED

Botanic Medicine

AND

Thomsonian Preparations,

with full directions for

FAMILY USE

—ALSO—

B. O. & G. C. WILSON'S Compound Sarsaparilla, Neuropathic Drops, Wild Cherry Balsam, Dysentery and Cholera Syrup and Wild Cherry Bitters.

For Sale by Haszard & Owen, Sole wholesale Agents for Prince Edward Island

ROCKLIN CLOTH MILLS. Middle River, Pictou, N. S.

The Subscribers having lately increased their business facilities, are prepared to execute any amount of Work in their line, at the shortest notice, and in the best style. In returning thanks for the liberal patronage hitherto afforded by the public of P. E. Island, they respectfully solicit a continuance thereof. The following gentlemen are Agents for the *"Rocklin Cloth Mills,"* who will be responsible for all property delivered to them :—

DAVID STEWART, Esq., Charlottetown,
N. J. BROWN, Esq., St. Eleanor's,
DANIEL GORDON, Esq., Georgetown,
JOHN E. MCDONALD, Esq., Gd. River, Lot 56,
MR. HECTOR GILLIS, White Sands,
JOHN HYDE, Esq, Murray Harbour.
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R. & A. FRASER.

July 25, 1856. 3m