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COMMISSARIAT OFFICE. Toronto, 15th January, 1841. NOTICE is hereby given, that SEALED TENDERS will be received at this Office, on Monday the 1st March next, at 12 o'clock precisely, (after which hour a Tender will be admitted,) from all Persons willing to enter into a Contract, or Contracts, to furnish, during the ensuing season of Navigation, STEAMBOAT CONVEYANCE for Passengers and Government Stores, between Chippewa and Ashkarburgh, and the intervening Ports, and vice versa; between Toronto and Hamilton, and the intervening Ports, and vice versa; between Toronto and Queenston, touching at Niagara, and vice versa; and between the Holland Landing and the landing in Kempenfeldt Bay, and vice versa; viz.:

Table with columns for Cabin Passengers, Deck Passengers, Heavy Ordnance, Gunpowder, Specie, and Parcels and Packages, with corresponding rates and measurements.

Cabin Passengers shall be allowed to take with them, free of expense, six cwt. of personal baggage; Non-Commissioned Officers and Private Soldiers, their knapsacks, arms, and accoutrements; and other Deck Passengers, being men, sixty pounds in weight—and women, thirty pounds in weight. The personal baggage of Officers, and their camp equipage, to be computed by measurement, at the rate of three tons measurement for every ton in weight, to which they may be entitled; and their baggage, comprising household furniture, carriages, &c., to be charged by weight or measurement, at the option of the Contractor.

Payment will be made by the Senior Commissariat Officers stationed at Toronto, Hamilton, Drummondville, Amherstburgh, and Penetanguishene, for all orders for Transport granted at their respective stations. Particulars of the proposed Contracts, and any further information required, may be obtained on application at this office.

Note.—It is particularly requested that parties disposed to tender for any of the above services, will have the goodness to make their offers in strict conformity with the above schedule.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF TORONTO.

GENTLEMEN.—Several months have now elapsed since I announced myself as a Candidate for your suffrages to represent this City in the Provincial Parliament. I believed then, as I do now, that a majority of you approve in reality, of my political principles, and would desire to see me returned as your Representative. If personal observation, and the result of a pretty accurate canvass can be depended upon, there is no room to doubt this being the case. But the events of the present week have sufficiently demonstrated, that in this City, corruption and intimidation are at present paramount. We have a Corporation so universally condemned, that you can scarcely find a person of weight or property, who pretends to have confidence in them; and yet, that very Corporation has, at the late Municipal Elections, succeeded, with three exceptions, in returning their candidates for every Ward in the City—and that too without reference to the politics of the respective Ward. As was fully explained in St. George's Ward, where Mr. Stanton, an old inhabitant of the City, of unimpeachable private character, of experience as a Magistrate, and of well known Conservative principles, was defeated—and by whom?—by Mr. George Garnett. After such an indication of the power of the Corporation, and of the usurpation of its power, it would not become me, against whom, in particular, the most violent personal as well as political opposition has been directed by the Corporation generally, and all within the sphere of its influence, to expose so many of my friends to the oppressions which would be sure to be practised upon all in any way exposed to them, who might come forward to redress their grievances by re-electing me in my stead. I therefore, feel it my duty to announce to you that I am no longer a Candidate for the Representation of the City.

Having done this, it is due to my political friends not to omit the opportunity of reiterating my conviction that the great principle of Responsible Government as we have absurdly misrepresented us as claiming it, is effectually conceded; and that it remains only for the people themselves to convert it into an element of political regeneration. It is of the essence of this principle that those should be employed by the Crown to assist in the administration of the Government who enjoy the confidence of the people. The first indication of that confidence must necessarily proceed from the people themselves; and the Poll, as this mode provided by the Constitution for the elective expression of that confidence is, in my opinion, the only fair and just mode of ascertaining it. If, therefore, the people do not give this primary indication of confidence in me by returning me to Parliament, it will, of course, be my duty to resign into the hands of the Crown an Office which the joint confidence of both Crown and People can alone enable me upon my own principles usefully to fill. It is due to the country at large, as well as to the political party to which I belong, to make this avowal, because, while I never can be an advocate for the people's electing as their Representatives men who do not enjoy the confidence of the people, it is necessary that it should be distinctly understood, that the principle for which we have been so long contending can never be practically carried into operation if the possession of office under the Crown is to be deemed in itself a disqualification for becoming a Representative of the people.

For my own part, however, I do not fear the result of the approaching Elections throughout the Province generally. Happily for the Country, and for the continuation of her connection with the Parent State, the Counties are free from the baneful influences which oppress the City, and the return of a large majority of Reformers is beyond a question. My humble services in carrying out the great principle to which I have ever devoted my political energies, long to my country. I therefore, feel it my duty, therefore, to resign my present position, of course, bound to read, I have the honour to be your obedient servant.

ROBERT BALDWIN.
January 16, 1841.

LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING IN THE THORNHILL POST OFFICE, JANUARY 6th, 1841.

Table listing names of letter recipients including John Atkinson, James Darragh, John Martin, Lewis Page, etc.

TWELVE DOLLARS REWARD.—Strayed or Stolen, from the premises of the subscriber, about the first of November last, a GREY HARE, sixteen years old, about fourteen inches high, heavily laden with light-colored and dark-colored hares, and with a small mixed star in the forehead. Any person returning said Animals, or giving information where they may be had, will receive the above reward.

IMPORTATIONS FOR SPRING 1841.—The Subscribers beg to intimate, for the information of the Trade, and their distant Customers, that early in January they will open out a very large and general supply of STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS, HOSIERY, and STRAW HATS, &c., imported by the late Fall Ships, and which possess the attraction of having been bid in during a period of the greatest depression at Home.

From the experience of last Spring, they believe their Customers are very well convinced of the decided advantages they gain by having Supplies of goods for sale at least two months earlier than Goods can arrive out next year; and the advantage, too, of taking such Supplies by Winter roads to the more remote places must be allowed by all.

BUCHANAN, HARRIS & Co., will be found most extensive.
Hamilton, U. C., 24th December, 1840. 6w 32.

BRITISH AMERICA FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Eight per Cent. per Annum on the Capital Stock paid in, for the half year ending on the 31st inst., was this day declared; and that the same will be payable on and after Monday the 11th day of January next.

The Transfer Book will be closed from the 1st to the 6th day of January, inclusive. By Order of the Board, T. W. BIRCHALL, Managing Director.

MARWOOD, SURGEON DENTIST, begs leave to announce his return to Toronto, and that he may be consulted any hour of the day at his office in Chewett's Buildings, King Street, next door east of Tilton, Chemist.

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Foreign and Provincial News.

LATEST FROM ENGLAND.—Since our last, three Packets have arrived at New-York from England,—the England, the Corrick, and the Oxford,—bringing dates down to the 20th of December. We have only room this week for a few of the most important items. The Corrick was thrown ashore by the violence of the storm on the night of her arrival, January 7th. Her cargo was valued at \$400,000, mostly saved. All the passengers and crew got safe to shore. It is said she will be a complete wreck.

Queen Victoria had an entirely recovered that she was to hold a Privy Council on the 8th ult., at Buckingham House. At a Privy Council held on the 8th of December, Parliament was further prorogued from the 10th of that month to the 26th of January—then to meet for the third day of session.

Weekly meetings of the Chartists are held at various places in the West of England. The eminent house of Fox & Co., wire-drawers of Birmingham, stopped payment December 9th. Total liabilities £150,000. Assets believed to be sufficient to pay all. About 500 workmen were thrown out of employment by this failure in Birmingham alone, and a great number in Wales.

Mr. Grant declared in the Chamber of Deputies on the 9th December, that it was the firm determination of the French Government not to interfere, directly or indirectly, in the affairs of Spain. This is important. The commercial intelligence is favourable, so far as the staples of the United States are concerned. Cotton and Flour had both advanced.

The Drington Gazette states that it is the intention of Government to increase the naval force in the Mediterranean to twenty-five sail of the line. A Toulouse letter states that Admiral Hugon has been ordered to sail immediately with six ships of the line, to the coast of Morocco, to demand satisfaction for the insult recently offered to the French Consul at Tangier. Some steamers are to go with the squadron, and if satisfaction is refused, the place is to be bombarded.

