

Among the many important improvements in the means of communication, which have been prosecuted within the last few years, Plank Roads are assuming a very important rank. A little work by Mr. Kingsford, of the Hudson River Railroad, is of great interest, and should be well circulated throughout the country. It appears that the first Plank Road in Canada was laid down in 1836, and in New York in 1837, but it is only within the last few years that they have been much prosecuted. There now exists as follows:

No. roads	Miles	Cost per mile	Total
Canada	448	\$1,760	\$773,500
N. York	2,106	1,833	3,860,298

Very nearly four millions of dollars have been expended in New York upon three roads, and the resulting advantages are immense. The roads have been subscribed for by individuals, and all pay handsome dividends. For instance, the Troy and Lansingburgh road pays ten per cent, semi-annually; the Utica and Burlington, 20 per cent, and we believe none in operation pay less than ten per cent, and none of the stocks can be bought in the market.

The importance of Plank Roads in farming regions becomes self-evident when it is stated that on the Salina road a two horse team drew six tons of iron twelve miles, without unusual strain. Four and a half tons is an ordinary load, and a team will travel with it forty-eight miles per day, four miles an hour, day after day. A farmer in a heavy country stated that the tolls paid saved themselves in the labor of cleaning their horses.

In all localities where the roads are in operation, land rises greatly in value. On the Salina road farm land rose from nine to fifteen dollars per acre. It will be observed that an amount of property equal to \$4,000,000, bearing a high rate of interest, has been created, and that property has added in addition several millions to the land through which it passes, and that all this property is mere saving from the old cost of transportation. As the existence and operation of these roads is but little known out of their localities, we append the following statistics:

Name	Opened	Length	Cost per Mile
Great West'n & Alb'y	1849	11	\$2,565
Pond's & Co's	1849	18	1,850
Pontville & Johnston	1849	5	5,000
Rome and Utica	1848	15	1,713
Northern road, Utica	1848	22	1,800
Utica and Burlington	1848	5	2,100
Rome and Oswego	1847	60	1,500
Home and Western	1849	11	1,600
Home and Taberg	1849	9	1,300
Home and Madison	1849	23	1,250
Salina and Central	1847	16	1,800
Syracuse and Manlius	1849	8	1,400
Bridgeport	1849	12	1,400
Oswego	1849	32	1,300
Salina and Liverpool	1849	11	1,400
Syracuse and Tully	1848	25	1,100
Spit Rock Road	1849	1	1,600
Halsbald and Oswego	1848	7	2,000
Home and	1849	5	1,300

Every section of the country should be lined with these roads as tributaries to the railroads. Their progress at the west is very great already.

Cost of Plank Roads.

The following letter addressed to Mr. Hinton, of Rochester, was read to the Plank Road meeting in Columbia, South Carolina, on the 29th ult.

Petersburg, Va., March 14, 1851.

DEAR SIR: I take pleasure in answering the inquiries received this morning.

1. The cost of Plank roads has generally ranged from \$1,200 to \$2,300; averaging \$2,000 per mile.
2. Taking \$2,000 as the cost, the proportions would be:
For timber about \$1,100
" laying 150
" grading 350
" bridges 100
" superintendence 100
" lands, etc. 200

Total, per mile \$2,000

3. Width of track, 20 feet between the ditches 3 to 3 1/2 feet width on top, depth 1 1/2 feet; plank way 8 feet wide, formed of 3 inch plank, resting on longitudinal stringers of either 4 or 5 by 6 inches, or 2 of 3 by 12 inches; the whole to be firmly imbedded in the earth. It is not generally considered necessary to use ties, although I have no doubt it would be advantageous to place a tie crossways of the road at and under the joints of the stringers, say every 16 feet, and pin with wooden pins.
4. The cost of plank per 1000 feet board measure, varies from 5 1/2 to 7 1/2, delivered.

The roads that have been made to this time, both North and South, are over favorable sections of the country where but little rock has been encountered, and the soil sand clay, gravel, etc.

6. The greatest grade that should be used is about 1 to 16; 1 to 20 is very good grade.

All the above statements have been made from memory, as I have not my memorandum book with me.

7. The Boynton road is 7 1/2 miles in length and runs generally over a favorable country with cuts and fills, varying from 1 to 3 feet, except at the crossing of streams, where the freshets make it necessary to construct higher banks. The contract for the contractors of the work is \$1,933 1/2 per mile.

8. It may be stated generally that upon a plank road the same power would convey twice as much as upon a turpentine, and three times as much as upon a common dirt road.

Two horses are all that are used for freight wagons. These, with one driver, will convey the same load, as is now conveyed over our clay roads with six horses and two drivers, or one driver and a boy, say 50 cwt.

Four horses to convey twenty passengers ten miles per hour, and are changed every ten miles.

9. The only other fact of much importance in having a general description is, that of all the roads of plank there is not one which

does not pay good dividends. They have not been long enough in use, however, to ascertain with any degree of exactness, the actual charge for repairs; it is believed, however, by those who have embarked in them, that they will continue to make satisfactory returns upon the capital invested.

Yours, respectfully,
C. O. Sanford, Civil Engineer.

A mammoth excursion party has been organized in Montreal to proceed to New York and back, occupying a period of ten days, at an expense of \$7. The party will consist of about 1000, and will so arrange as to be in New York about the 4th of July.

Celebration of the Sons of Temperance.

The Sons of Temperance of Springfield Division No. 463 will hold a celebration at Springfield village on the 4th of July, 1851. The neighboring divisions of the Sons of Temperance, the United Daughters, and citizens generally, are invited to participate with us in celebrating this day of our National Freedom.

Order of the Day.

The procession will form at the Hall of the Sons of Temperance at half past 7 A. M. and march to the grove, where the Declaration of Independence will be read by William W. Price, M. D. An Oration will be pronounced by Rev. A. H. Sloat, A. M. John R. Dimock and S. B. Chase, Esqrs. of Montreal, R. R. of Hon. JOHN BRIBBER and W. M. Platt, Esqrs. of Tunkhannock have been invited to deliver addresses. After which the procession will move to the house of Thomas Jackson, where refreshments may be obtained.

MUSIC PARADE.
A. H. SLOAT, A. M.
W. B. HANDBRICK, Esq.
C. BURR, Esq.
AL SHERKNER, Esq.
Committee of Arrangements.
Springville, June 16, 1851.

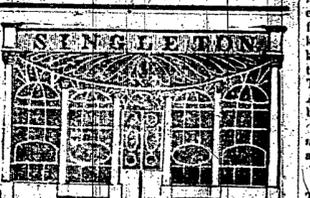
The Annual Exhibition.

At Harford University, will take place on Wednesday, July 2d.

Harford, June 14, 1851.

Take Notice.

The quarterly meeting of the Bridgewater Baptist Association will be held in the Baptist Meeting House in Dimock, commencing on Friday the 27th inst. at 4 o'clock P. M.



Lever, Watch, and minute Automata Mechanism.

J. A. SINGLETON (Pupil of Litherland, the J. A. Patents, and late with R. Roskill, Liverpool) Chronometer, and Patent Lever Watch Manufacturer.

In compliance with numerous influential and earnest solicitations to remain in Montreal, I have accepted, on condition that I meet with that encouragement and approval which it shall be my constant study and interest to merit.

In addition to the Manufacturing Department, J. A. S. undertakes effectually to repair every description of Geneva Medical Tables, Repeating and other Watches, together with Automata Mechanism, however complex. The disagreeable jarring so prevalent in spiral music, and so justly complained of, thoroughly eradicated, more particularly so in Musical Boxes.

It must be admitted that, in connection with, and in addition to theoretical knowledge, of a speculator in art, it is indispensably requisite that the artisan should be practically familiar with the complete nature of that delicately minute description of machinery referred to. This qualification, and this only, renders the artist competent to accomplish with mathematical accuracy.

If upwards of forty years' assiduous and practical perseverance in the construction of various approved escapements for the more accurate means of measuring Time, in conjunction with unique specimens of Automata, now in his possession, together with the high patronage enjoyed by him, and his position in the scale of scientific appreciation, then J. A. S. unostentatiously presumes he has some pretensions to the confidence of those honoring him with the commissions.

Shop in the Store of Abel Turrell, Montreal, June 10, 1851. 24-3m

Ready-made Clothing.

A LARGE assortment of latest styles, just received, and ready to suit at a small advance for ready pay. Store next door to Judge Taylor's.

Boots & Shoes.

A new and good assortment of Men's Boots, coarse and fine. (Call at Montreal, Men's Shoes - Women's Shoes, gaiters, and fine - Boys and Children's Shoes. The largest lot in town and probably the cheapest received since the fall.

Hats & Caps.

A new supply and good assortment.

Books.

A general assortment of School Books, embracing every variety useful in the Schools and Academies throughout this region. Also a great variety of Surgery School Books - Blank Account Books, Pass and Memorial Books, and a large assortment of Miscellaneous Books.

Wall Paper!

A new supply of neat patterns just received.

Cap and Letter Paper.

Of the first quality, by the Ream or Quire.

Stationery & Fancy Stationery.

A good assortment.

Links.

Instants, Slates, Pencils, Wafers, Quills, Pens, Matches, Combs, Fishing Tackle, Cravats, Men's Socks, Suspenders, Shirts, etc.

Sugars, Coffee and Teas.

A small stock, but of first quality. Those who want a good article of Black Tea, as well as Hyson, will perhaps do well to give me a call.

A few Trunks.

For sale. One door below Judge Taylor's. Montreal, June 11, 1851. GEO. FULLER.

Guardian's Sale.

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the Orphan's Court of St. John's County, there will be exposed to public sale upon the premises, on Saturday the 5th day of July next, at one o'clock P. M., the undivided two thirds part of the following described piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of St. George, containing 100 acres, bounded on the West by lands belonging to the estates of Garret Ingham and Samuel Gregory deceased, on the East by the lands of the estate of the said Samuel Gregory deceased, and lands of Fred. Clemons, on the South by lands of Stood and Jared Lillis, and on the West by lands of Rufus Merriam, containing about 150 more or less acres, more or less improved and on which there is a good two story house, barn, out house, fruit trees &c. Terms made known on day of sale.

HODNEY JEWETT, Guardian of Julia A. Ed-ROBERT KEET, Guardian of John A. Ed-ROBERT KEET, with Robert, minors, etc.

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the Orphan's Court of the County of St. John's, there will be exposed to sale by public vendue at the Court-house in Montreal, on Saturday the 5th day of July next, at 1 o'clock P. M., that certain house and lot the property of Mary Jane Carr, situate in the borough of Montreal, bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post one foot from the Northwest corner of the building standing thereon in the line of lot No. 80 and Chestnut street, thence south about 25 deg. west down said street to Strawberry Alley, thence along said alley south about 65 deg. east six perches, thence north about 25 deg. east along the line of lot No. 81 the same distance of the first named line to a post corner, and thence north about 55 deg. west 6 perches to the place of beginning, containing some 24 rods of land, on which there is a dwelling-house &c. Terms made known on day of sale.

ASA PARK, Trustee.
Montreal, June 10, 1851. 24s.

WOOL CARDING.

DONE at Reynolds's it should be at 4 cents a card as the 9th pound of wool.

A. G. REYNOLDS.
Brooklyn, June 2, 1851.

New Millford, June 3d, 1851.

GRIND STONES - A superior lot just received and will be sold low to all who want a new and superior article. H. BURRITT.
New Millford, June 3, 1851.

Wool Carding and Cloth Dressing.

THE subscribers have entered into copartnership in the above business, and are now ready to receive Wool and to card and dress the same, which they have clothed with new cards, and fitted up in the best possible manner, they flatter themselves that they can give good satisfaction to all who may seek it to favor them with their custom. Most kinds of produce received in payment.

IRA SUMMERS.
DAVID FOREMAN.
New Millford, May 31, 1851. 23-4w

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

HERE WE ARE.

THE undersigned having fully recovered his health, the loss of which has disabled him to do business for the last four months, is again on hand with a new stock of goods bought at unusually low prices, which he offers to sell in the same way. I cannot enumerate my goods except that I think I have every thing suitable to keep in a fancy store. I have the largest lot of Fluid Lamps ever brought to market, short of the city, also Perfumery, high and low good and poor, for the handkerchief, hand face, etc. cloths of fifteen different kinds, Jewels and Watches in endless variety. Fish tacking, all kinds of Brushes, Fire Works, Violins, Toys, &c. &c. Also a very large assortment of A. Bingley's celebrated Gold Pens and Holders, the best in use.

Watch Repairing in all its minute automatic mechanism, performed as cheap as the cheapest and as good as the gooddest.

WM. W. TRUE.
Montreal, June 4.

ABBOTT'S SALERATUS, a pure article, in 20 pound papers. Also,

Effervescent Compound, for raising bread and cakes, and sweet yeast. Also,

Sweep Powder, by the use of which much of the labor of washing is saved, and no injury done to the clothes - for sale by ABEL TURRELL.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested in the estate of JOSEPH REAZE, late of Bridgewater, dec'd, that immediate payment must be made to the subscriber, and all persons having claims against said estate to present them, duly attested, for settlement.

JAMES STERLING, Adm'r.
Bridgewater, June 4, 1851. 23-6w

To all whom it Concerns.

The Committee on the Burying ground, desiring to make a plan of the same, would request all persons having friends buried therein without grave stones to meet them on the ground on Thursday afternoon of each week, commencing June 5th. All those who would not like to have lots requested to call on the Committee.

B. R. LYONS, Committee.
P. LINES.
Montreal, May 28, 1851.

New and Fancy Dry Goods.

H. BURRITT has now in store a new and choice selection of Dry Goods, including a great variety of Ladies Dress Goods, Crapes and other Summer, Shawls, Silk Mantillas, Paris French Lace Fancy Straw and Leghorn Bonnets, a beautiful assortment of Bonnet Ribbons, Flowers and Trimmings of new styles, Black Silk and Laces for Mantillas, Bonnet Silks, Black Lace Veils, Broadcloths, Fancy Cassimere, Vestings and Summer Cloths, Carpet Bags, Trunks, Valises, Boots & Shoes, Paper Hangings, Painted Window Shades, Carpets, Hair Oil, Candles, Crockery, Groceries, Groceries, Paints, Oils, Medicines, Stoves, &c. etc. all which will be sold at the lowest prices and on the most favorable terms.

N. B. - Nearly all kinds of Produce wanted. Socks in particular, and the highest price paid in Cash for Flour and Salt, constantly on hand.

New Millford, May 27, 1851.

Emswell's Mineral Paint.

A SUPERIOR ARTICLE for painting on Wood, Brick, Stone, Iron or Tin, proof against fire, water, and weather, and unchangeable in its color. It mixes readily with oil or composition, and is a beautiful dark brown or Free Stone color.

This paint received the premium at the New York State Fair, in 1850, in competition with the Ohio Fire-proof Paint, and several other kinds of mineral paint, as being superior to any thing of the kind now in use. For sale by

ABEL TURRELL.
Montreal, May 29, 1851.

A SUPERIOR article of Burning Fluid, Camphene, and Burning Fluid Lamps, just received.

TURRELLS.
May 22, 1851.

A NEW supply of Ladies' and Children's Shoes.

Also Men's Brogans, cheapest in town, for cash at TURRELLS.
May 22, 1851.

CHEMICAL Liquid Solder, for welding China, Glass, Earthen, Pearl, Ivory, Ornaments, &c.

the best thing for that use ever invented, making the articles made as stout as before broken, and without injury to looks. Price 25 cents per bottle. For sale by

A. TURRELL.
Montreal, May 29, 1851.

TAKE NOTICE.

ON account of unanticipated departure I am deprived of the pleasure to present a most excellent selection of imported German and Italian Music for divers instruments, personally to all Masters, Scholars and Friends of music in this place. I left that splendid assortment of the most celebrated composers with Mr. Theodore Lyons for sale, and invite the attention of my friends to it.

G. H. WALTER.
Montreal, May, 1851.

10,000 POUNDS WOOL WANTED.

for which the highest market price will be paid in Cash by H. BURRITT.

CORN Starch and Farina, a new article for pudding, for sale by L. YONS & CHANDLER.

CABINET SHOP.

NEW ARRANGEMENT.

William W. Smith & Co.

Have now completed their arrangements for manufacturing and keeping constantly on hand all and every kind of

Household Furniture.

manufactured out of the best quality of Mahogany, Black Walnut, Maple, Cherry, and other lumber, and in the best and most durable manner. Among the articles which they intend to keep on hand, or make to order, are Mahogany, Black Walnut, Cherry and Maple Bureaus, Side Boards, Secretaries, Book Cases, Centre, Card, Play, and other Tables; Stands of every variety; Sofas, Settees, Divans, Ottomans, &c.; Beds of all kinds and varieties, made of Mahogany, Black Walnut, Cherry and Maple. Also, Mahogany, Black Walnut, Oak and Pine CHAIRS of every variety and description, which they have now on hand, and intend to keep a constant supply. Any article desired will be supplied on a few days' notice.

As the subscribers have often been solicited to enlarge their business and to open an establishment of the kind in Montreal, which could supply every variety of Household Furniture, and save the trouble of sending to the Cities for such articles, they hope to meet with liberal patronage and encouragement.

WILLIAM W. SMITH, ALEXANDER SMITH, E. R. SMITH, R. A. SMITH.
Montreal, June 5, 1851.

NOTICE.

I hereby give to the Stockholders in the Montreal & Hartford Plank Road Company that an additional Payment of Five Dollars on each share of the said Road will be required on the 30th day of June next. J. B. SALISBURY, Treasurer.
Montreal, May 28, 1851.

GREAT ATTRACTION!

NEW SPRING GOODS.

H. BURRITT is now receiving his general supply of Goods for the Spring Trade, which will be found unusually attractive, particularly in the following: new styles and kinds of Ladies Dress Goods, Summer Shawls and Mantillas, with a general assortment of Staple Goods, which will be sold on the most favorable terms.

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