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Goods and Services Advertised in  
St. John's Newspapers, 1830-1840

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In 1982, the Atlantic Region of Parks Canada completed restoration of Cape Spear lighthouse near St. John's, Newfoundland. The building has been interpreted to illustrate the lightkeeper's life in 1839-40. Since site specific information on the interior was sparse, extensive newspaper research was required to provide the detail on consumer goods available in St. John's that would assist the curators in their refurnishing program. The following lists represent a qualitative sampling of advertisements from three St. John's newspapers for the period 1830-1840: the Royal Gazette, Newfoundlander and Public Ledger. In general, advertisements containing description of type, price or packaging were included to provide a greater range of information.

Most of the St. John's merchants functioned as retailers and as wholesalers, both for other merchants in the city and for those in the outports. McCrea's description of a St. John's merchant of the 1860s appears to have been equally accurate 30 years earlier. «His wide stores contain an omnium gatherum of most of the necessities and rubbish of civilized life.... Where else is there...any shop where one might purchase a crape-bonnet, a ham, a chimney-pot, a wedding ring, and a bottle of Radway's Ready Relief?»<sup>1</sup> As the advertisements suggest, St. John's received imports from both Europe and North America. During the 18th century, New Englanders had increasingly supplied much of the colony's requirements for fresh produce and livestock and this trend continued in the 19th century with regular imports of food from New York, Philadelphia and Boston.<sup>2</sup> As the century



progressed, however, neighbouring British colonies entered the Newfoundland trade. Nova Scotia's developing agricultural economy, for example, is represented here with sales of Annapolis Valley apples and fattened Cumberland County steers while Bonnycastle noted in 1842 that lobsters came chiefly from Prince Edward Island.<sup>3</sup> Vast quantities of less perishable goods were still imported from Europe, especially Great Britain. Bags of bread, barrels of salt pork or beef as well as more exotic goods like pickles, spices and wines found a ready market in Newfoundland. Britain was also the main source of supply for what was usually termed «manufactured goods», a category composed of all sorts of fabric, hardware and notions. Similarly fishing goods such as lines, hooks, canvas and chains were primarily imported from England, as they had been in the 18th century.<sup>4</sup>

Most merchants brought in large shipments of goods in the spring and again in the fall. Spring imports usually arrived late in March or early in April, after the worst of the ice had left the coasts. These shipments consisted of supplies for the fishery (both equipment and provisions), as well as food and the «latest London styles» in a variety of commodities from wallpaper to women's wear. This stock, with additional importations received regularly through the summer, formed the basis of the merchants' inventory. Advertisements frequently ran unchanged for weeks on end, promoting the same «newly arrived» goods. Fall imports began to arrive late in September. Such items as winter clothing and fabrics as well as dried and preserved foods were featured in autumn ads. Shipments continued to arrive regularly until late December when worsening weather conditions effectively ended the shipping season. The few vessels that arrived during the winter were primarily from other North American ports, most often Halifax or Boston.

One type of advertisement deliberately excluded from these lists is the auction sale of furnishings from private homes. Auctions were common in St. John's with its military garrison and transient civil administrators, many of whom remained for only a few years. High shipping costs meant that most of these men acquired the bulk of their furniture in St. John's and sold it upon their departure. Certainly large quantities of furniture changed hands through the auction method and advertisements about auctions often contain detailed information on the furniture for sale. On the other hand, the ads described furniture that was re-cycled within the community rather than recently imported for sale and have therefore been excluded.

The lightkeeper at Cape Spear was well paid by contemporary standards: he received a yearly salary of £ 100 sterling as well as a fuel allowance and free accommodation. Furthermore, unlike the vast majority of 19th century

Newfoundlanders, he was paid in cash on a regular basis rather than being dependent on the fishery with its problems of bad weather and fluctuating prices. Lightkeepers seem to have occupied the middle range of the civil service with a standard of living less than senior administrative officials but above minor functionaries like clerks of the peace or constables. Hence the lifestyle portrayed at Cape Spear lighthouse could reflect the wide variety of goods advertised in the St. John's newspapers of the day.

## Endnotes

- 1 Robert B. McCrea, Lost Amid the Fogs: Sketches of Life in Newfoundland, (London, 1869), p. 93.
- 2 C. Grant Head, Eighteenth Century Newfoundland. A Geographic's Perspective, (Toronto, 1976), p. 131.
- 3 Sir Richard Henry Bonnycastle, Newfoundland in 1842, London, 1842), v. 2, p. 185.
- 4 Head, op. cit., p. 102.

FOOD - DRINK1832

Benjamin Bowring - sugar, allspice, mustard &c.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - 3000 bags superfine, fine and good common quality Hamburg bread, 1000 barrels flour, Irish pork of very superior quality (suited for family use), 500 firkins butter, oatmeal, pease, coffee, rum, molasses, sugar, soap, candles, starch (in convenient size boxes), port, madeira, sherry, malaga, canary, teneriffe & catalonia wines, 3 dozen packages port in bottles.

1833

Baine, Johnston & Co. - miscellaneous food, tobacco, 32 boxes spermaceti candles - from Boston and Hamburg.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - 30 cases assorted pickles, sauces &c comprising mixed pickles, french beans, onions, cabbage, gerkins, Burgess', Reading's and Harvey's sauces, ketchup, mustard, curry powder and capers.

Baine, Johnston & Co. - tobacco - imported from Boston.

Codner & Jennings - food, tea, wine - imported from New York.

Thomas & John Brocklebank - food, spices, beer, 50 boxes dipped candles (10s, 12s and 14s), 5 boxes rushlights, 100 boxes soap - imported from Liverpool.

1834

Rennie, Stuart & Co. - Seville oranges - 15s. per box or 5s. per hundred.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - tea, spices, 20 boxes Trieste soap (white, fine blue, red blue, red veined, blue and marbled), 50 boxes Trieste mould candles - from Fayal, Azores.

Benjamin Bowring & Son - 70 packages of bohea, congo, souchong, hyson and gunpowder tea.

Perchard & Boag - spices, wine, mustard, pepper, gin, tobacco, brandy, port.

1835

Bland & Tobin - 400 barrels prime pork, 10 kegs soda crackers, 10 kegs water crackers, 10 kegs butter crackers, 10 kegs sugarcrackers - imported from New York.

F. & D.P. Maret & Co. - food, candles, soap in 56 lb. boxes, vinegar in hogsheads.

Bennett, Morgan & Co. - flour, pork, butter - imported from New York.

Perchard & Boag - chocolate, pepper, rice - imported from Boston.

James Clift - scented soap.

James Clift - Windsor Soap.

James Clift - 25 boxes oranges and lemons, 25 frails figs, 2 boxes grapes, 2 baskets chestnuts, 1 bag walnuts, 2 barrels eggs, 10 hundredweight onions, 5 bags corks, flour, break, molasses.

1836

James Clift - 5 boxes rushlights.

James Clift - 10 boxes sperm candles.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - dried fruit - 138 boxes and half boxes raisins, 15 cases raisins, 10 cases prunes, 3 cases French plums - imported from London.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - New York beef, tobacco.

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - 60 barrels prime Boston russet apples, 50 barrels prime American beef, 20 barrels cider, 30 boxes cigars.

Monnier Hutchings - russet and New York pippin apples, hickory nuts, cabbages, sugar, molasses, 8 hundredweight superior coffee, snuff.

1837

James Clift - tobacco, figs, lemons.

James Clift - sperm candles, chocolate, food - imported from New York.



Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - 300 barrels very prime  
Hamburgh pork, 350 firkins very prime butter, 500 bags  
Hamburgh bread, flour, pearl barley, rum, molasses, sugar  
(in hogsheads, tierces and barrels), very prime leaf  
tobacco, teas, rice, coffee, candles, London and Halifax  
porter and ale in wood and bottles, port, madeira and sherry  
in wood and bottles, bronte, teneriffe and fayal in wood,  
Barsac and St. Julien's claret in bottles.

William Taylor - London stout, raisins, cheese.

J. & W. Stewart - 250 packages tea viz. Hyson and young  
Hyson in cannisters and boxes of 2, 7 and 14 lbs. each,  
twankay in quarter chests, souchong in quarter chests,  
congo in quarter chests, bohea in chests and half chests -  
imported from Greenock, packages perfectly sound.

John Nichols- 20 chests souchong tea, 20 bags coffee, 10  
hogshead sugar, 10 barrels oatmeal, 10 barrels pease, 15  
barrels Irish mess pork, 50 barrels prime beef, 10 casks  
bottled port wine, 10 puncheons rum.

#### 1838

Timothy Hogan - 250 barrels superfine dantzic flour  
(DeWitt's brand), 60 barrels prime mess pork (Graham's brand),  
60 firkins best butter, 80 sides prime Hampshire bacon (for  
families), 25 best double Gloster cheeses, 4 dozen finest  
bottled Damsons, 2 dozen fine assorted bottled fruit, 3  
dozen quart bottles finest chili vinegar, 2 dozen pints fine  
assorted sauces, 2 dozen 1/2-lb. bottles fine Durham mustard,  
4 dozen 1-lb. bottles finest Durham mustard, 4 dozen 1 1/2-  
lb. bottles assorted jams and jellies, 6 dozen 1/2 lb.  
bottles capers for sauces, 6 2 lb. cases preserved fresh  
salmon, 12 2-lb. cases fine preserved haricot mutton and  
vegetables, 6 2-lb. cases fine preserved mock turtle, 12  
1/2-lb. cases fine preserved pounded shell-fish, lobsters  
&c, 6 kegs fine ox tongues (containing 1 dozen each), 240  
lb. best arrowroot (in tin cases of 14 lb. each), 4 hogs-  
heads best vinegar, 150 boxes best London mould and dipped  
candles (in boxes of 30 lb. each), 100 boxes London hand  
soap (in boxes of 27 lb. each), 40 dozen Barclays bottled  
porter, 40 dozen Burtons ale, 3500 gallons good French red wine  
(in pipes, hogsheads and quart casks), 12 dozen superior  
pink champagne, 12 dozen Italian wine, 10 dozen cherry brandy  
(in pints), - imported from London.

James Clift - 10 barrels prime American beef, 2 barrels prime  
American pork, 20 prime cheese, 10 boxes lemon syrup, 5 boxes  
chocolates, 10 barrels prime cider, 10 dozen liquid blacking,

5 kegs arrowroot, 20 kegs tobacco (16 lb. each), 5 bags coffee, 5 dozen port wine, 20 dozen Vidonia wine (to be offered low), 20 boxes cigars.

James Clift - 30 barrels New York apples, 50 boxes prime new muscatel raisins, 20 kegs prime new figs, 10 jars prime grapes, 6 sacks almonds, 6 half-barrel cider, 30 boxes soap, 20 kegs prime negrohead tobacco, 10 boxes cavendish tobacco, 5 hogsheads, leaf tobacco, 6 puncheons molasses, 4 casks olive oil, quantity cheese, 6 boxes Carpo tea.

W.E. Taylor - 2 cases fancy soap - imported from Hamburg.

William Firth - 16 hogshead fresh porter, 50 boxes smoked herrings, 2 casks shrub, 100 gallons peppermint, 50 gallons brandy, 2 boxes bluing, 5 boxes pipes, 50 dozen prime bottled ale.

William Firth - 10 boxes oranges, 3 boxes bitter oranges, 10 fraills figs, 10 boxes lemons, 10 hundredweight prime onions, 1 quarter cask best port wine, 3 boxes rushlights.

W.E. Taylor - 60 gallons soft almonds, 80 gallons walnuts, 4000 lemons, 200 boxes table and pudding raisins, 10 boxes broad figs - in lots to accommodate small families.

#### 1839

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - 450 cabbages, 45 barrels Boston apples, 5 barrels cider, 10 hogshead sugar, 20 puncheons molasses.

McBride & Kerr - British sugar in barrels at 30s. per hundredweight, red wine at £ 4/10 per quarter cask, sherry at £ 5/5 per quarter cask, scotch porter at 40s and 45s per cask.

Richard Neville Goff - tea in packages of 100, 80, 60, 35, 14, 4 and 2 lb. each - imported from Britain.

#### 1840

C.F. Bennett & Co. - superfine flour in barrels and half barrels, rye flour, good, common and superior pilot bread, Indian meal, pork, butter, Indian corn, Carolina rice, pepper, allspice, caraway seeds, raisins, almonds, prunes, wines-imported from United States.

James Fergus & Co. - 400 barrels Philadelphia superfine flour, 100 bags Hamburg bread, 20 barrels American prime pork, 20 puncheons prime molasses, 10 kegs lard, 20 firkins butter, 10 boxes chocolate, 4 boxes candles, 1 puncheon rum, 2 kegs tobacco, 2 chests congo tea, 10 bags St. Domingo fresh coffee.



Dunscombe and Kavanagh - 10 tierces superior cheese - imported from New York.

James Clift - 20 baskets raisins, 10 baskets figs, 5 tierces rice, 10 kegs negrohead tobacco, 5 casks highproof rum, 1 hogshead brandy (in lots), 25 American cheese.

James Clift - 50 boxes cigars.

Stabb, Row & Holmwood - Devonshire ale in hogsheads, half hogsheads, and 18 gallon casks, brown stout and ale in bottles, Devonshire sweet cider in hogsheads, prime Devonshire potatoes.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - 28 quarter chests good souchong tea, 15 boxes fine souchong (recommended for family use), 55 hogsheads bright Puerto Rico sugar, 26 barrels bright Puerto Rico sugar, 200 barrels superfine states [American?] flour, 50 barrels rye flour, 50 barrels Indian meal, 200 barrels yellow Indian corn, 12 puncheons high proof rum of good flavour.

James Clift - 40 quarters prime fresh beef, 24 carcasses and 8 quarters mutton, 24 turkeys, 20 pair partridge, 53 geese, 20 pair rabbits, 1 basket sausages, 50 boxes prime fresh muscatel raisins, 10 fraills figs, 5 barrels apples, 20 bags common bread, 10 boxes prime Digby herrings - imported from Halifax.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - 87 barrels prime pork, 23 barrels mess pork, 6 barrels navy mess pork, 14 barrels prime rump pork, 5 barrels jowls, 20 barrels Genesee flour, 11 barrels fine middling flour, 248 barrels bread, 20 barrels New Orleans molasses, 45 boxes soap (65 lb. each), 12 half piper high-proof rum - imported from Boston.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - 60 barrels apples, 25 barrels onions, 90 barrels beets, 70 barrels turnips, 90 barrels squashes.

#### DOMESTIC UTENSILS

1830

Richard Perchard - 3 Britannia metal teapots.

1832

Benjamin Bowring - earthenware.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - a few crates earthenware.

1833

Perchard & Boag - 11 looking glasses, britannia metal tea-spoons.

1834

Perchard & Boag - 20 dozen tumblers, 20 looking glasses.

1835

James Clift - 12 looking glasses, 1 set ornaments.

Perchard & Boag - 20 dozen carpet brooms - imported from Boston.

James Clift - tins, ladles, strainers, teakettles, funnels, saucepans, cups, coffee pots, extinguishers, chamber buckets, canisters, sugar boxes, nutmeg graters, tea caddies, 50 dozen pewter teaspoons, 25 dozen pewter tablespoons, 5 dozen pewter dessert spoons, 5 dozen pewter gravy spoons, 4 dozen pewter soup ladles, 200 dozen knives and forks.

James Clift - coffee mills, japan tea canisters, tea-trays, tin and copper scales.

James Clift - 41 dozen blue-edged dinner, soup, dessert and cheese plates, 23 dozen blue-edged flat, baking, cover and salad dishes, 4 soup tureens, 2 dozen butter and sauce tureens, 4 dozen blue and lustre jugs, quantity earthenware and chimney ornaments, wine glasses, tumblers.

James Clift - 200 dozen wine glasses, tumblers and decanters.

1836

Perchard & Boag - cruet stands, tea sets.

Monier Hutchings - 4 crates earthenware consisting of plates, bowls, mugs, half-pints &c, 2 dozen pitchers, 2 dozen large earthen pans.

1837

James Clift - 2 dozen dressing glasses (British plate).

William Taylor - 2 sets ivory knives and forks, 2 sets plated dish covers, 2 patent bottle jacks, britannia metal tablespoons and teaspoons, a few britannia metal teapots and coffeepots.

G. & R. Clapp - large assortment of brown earthenware.

1838

James Clift - 30 dozen looking glasses.

James Clift - 6 sacks feathers, 30 dozen carpet brooms, 10 dozen dusters.

W.E. Taylor - 4 cases glassware - imported from Hamburg.

1839

Robert Prowse - 10 casks well assorted tinware.

1840

James Clift - 50 dozen tumblers and wine glasses, quantity earthenware, 2 china teasetts.

James Clift - 5 gross Britannia metal tablespoons and tea-spoons, 6 dozen iron frying pans, 5 1/2 dozen tin teakettles, 2 dozen saucepans-pudding pans, fish kettles.

James Clift - 3 dozen longhanded frying pans, 3 dozen short-handed frying pans, 6 1/2 dozen tin teakettles, 3 dozen tinder boxes, 3 dozen tin saucepans and covers, 2 dozen tin teakettles, 3 dozen pudding pans, 5 dozen pannikins and sailors' pots, 2 fishkettles, 2 dozen coffee pots.

STATIONERY - NOTIONS

1835

James Clift - 3 gross lead pencils.

James Clift - 12 dozen slates, 100 slate pencils, 50 reams writing paper, 2 dozen sealing wax, 2000 quills, 18 dozen playing cards.

John Howley - charts and maps of Newfoundland, British North America, United States and Europe, Blachford's telescopes, (1, 2 and 3 drawn, day or night), military telescopes with cases, assorted sizes, quadrants, plain and with tempered screws, warranted correct, parallel rulers, cases of drawing instruments, scales and dividers, brass and wood ships' compasses, pocket compasses, nautical almanacs, Epitomes of Navigation (new edition), Steel's Shipmaster's Assistant, Sun's declination tables, sailing direction for all parts, suited for the trade of the island.

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - 560 volumes consisting of novels, travels, ancient and modern history, poetry, plays, essays, natural history, &c.

### 1836

Perchard & Boag - 4 box-wood thermometers, 6 morocco case thermometers, 2 ivory thermometers with glass shades, work boxes, backgammon boards, 2 dozen wax dolls, 4 telescopes, 1 thermometer and barometer.

James Clift - 140 volumes - Blackwoods', Fraser's, Taits and the new monthly magazines.

Monier Hutchings - 1 case pictures consisting of 100 splendid plates.

James B. Wood - for sale to wholesalers - combs, buttons, dressed dolls, thimbles.

### 1837

James Clift - thread, combs (back, side, rack, small tooth, pocket), snuff boxes.

### 1838

Timothy Hogan - 1 case best London perfumery &c comprising an assortment of hairbrushes, nailbrushes, toothbrushes, combs, scents, waters and oils and pomades of the best quality - imported from London.

Warren & Wheatley - Encyclopedia Britannica.

James Clift - 30 dozen assorted hair combs.

William Firth - 22 gold seals, 6 new silver watches.

John Howley - nautical goods - charts, quadrants, telescopes of various sizes, wood and brass compasses (storm, amplitude and of every description), colours, bunting, scales, dividers, epitomies, sailing directions, marine barometers, thermometers, parallel rulers.

### 1839

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - 20 gross friction matches.

Perchard & Boag - books (50 volumes).

J.B. Barnes - quadrants, telescopes, charts, time glasses, brass and wood compasses.

#### 1840

James Clift - large number of combs, 5 cards scissors, 10 dozen scissors, 5 cards penknives, 12 dozen toothbrushes, 2 dozen pictures, 50 gross friction matches.

James Clift - 20 dozen pocketknives, 150 dozen back, side and dressing combs, books.

Alex McIver - just published Newfoundland Almanac for 1841 - price 1/9 currency.

#### CLOTHES - JEWELLRY

#### 1835

James Clift - 27 cotton shawls, 400 cotton handkerchiefs, yarn hose, comforters, braces, canvas frocks, cotton shirts, regatta shirts, red shirts, 25 pair drawers, 31 pair deck boots, 60 pair men's and women's shoes, 35 pair children's shoes, 50 dozen side combs, 6 pair bracelets, 2 pair bracelet clasps, 2 dozen watch guards, 6 dozen rings, 9 lockets and brooches, 2 dozen breast pins, 6 dozen bead necklaces.

James Clift - 14 cotton umbrellas, 1 dozen watches, scissors, thimbles, buttons.

#### 1836

Monier Hutchings - knit and twilled stockings, glazed hats.

#### 1837

James Clift - rubber coats and hats, shawls.

James Clift - 100 pair Wellington boots, 200 pair shoes.

James Clift - 20 pair India rubber trousers, 3 dozen India rubber caps, 5 glazed hats.

James Clift - 100 pairs runner boots and shoes good and cheap.

G. & R. Clapp - men's deck boots, great coats, flushing jackets, cotton shirts (described as ships' stores).

Monier Hutchings - 4 dozen men's glazed hats, 8 dozen blue and white guernsey frocks.

William Taylor - 24 pair men's clogs, 12 dozen southwesters, 6 dozen chip hats.

John Edes - fishing and deck boots, skin coats, barvels (described as fitting for the fishery).

James B. Wood - southwesters, canvas trousers.

#### 1837

James Clift - regatta shirts, canvas frocks.

R. O'Dwyer & Co. - Christy's hats, Canadian fur caps, gentlemen's, ladies' and children's best English cloth and flushing boots - imported from England.

#### 1838

James Clift - canvas shirts and trousers, guernsey frocks, flushing jackets and trousers, southwesters, scotch caps.

Timothy Hogan - 200 dozen pairs men's, women's and children's London-made boots and shoes assorted - imported from London.

#### 1839

W.E. Taylor - spring supply of ladies' patent clogs, and walking shoes.

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - 150 pairs boots and shoes, 1 case eau de cologne.

#### 1840

James Clift - 15 dozen English shoes (boys', women's and children's).

Samuel Mudge - 5 dozen printed shawls - imported from Torquay.

John H. Warren - valenciennes and persian shawls, Indiana, zebra, lama and mantlet shawls, ladies' lace and kid gloves, lama handkerchiefs and scarfs, blond scarfs, capes, silk embossed aprons, victoria belts, fancy silk parasols, mouslin de laine dresses, gentlemen's silk parrametta and satin stocks, variety of fancy dresses, men's sable turbans, men's sable gloves and gauntlets, - manufactured goods imported from Liverpool, «many of which are seldom or never imported here.»



FURNITURE, STOVES, LIGHTING EQUIPMENT1831

Richard Perchard - 2 dozen Windsor chairs.

John Randell jr. & Co. - 10 dozen handsome cane bottom and fancy chairs of various patterns.

Gaden & Scott - Liverpool shop lamps (3 and 4 lights), elegant Etruscan and vase hall lamps - imported from Liverpool.

1832

Perchard & Boag - tables, chairs, desks.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - grates and stoves in variety.

1833

Baine, Johnston & Co. - 600 green, dark and straw-coloured chairs - imported from Boston.

Codner & Jennings - 500 painted chairs - imported from New York.

1835

James Clift - 2 portable writing desks.

F. & D.P. Marett & Co. - a variety of stoves and grates.

Perchard & Boag - 200 chairs, tables, bedsteads, bureaus, washstands, sofas - imported from Boston.

James Clift - 6 pair brass candlesticks, 1 dozen wooden clocks.

James Clift - bureaus, 100 American chairs, bedsteads.

James Clift - 2 sofas, 3 secretaries, 2 chests of drawers, 1 sofa bedstead.

James Clift - 4 dozen American chairs.

1836

Perchard & Boag - candlesticks.

A.E.J. Kerr - 5 dozen cane bottom chairs, 2 dozen polished birch chairs.

Dunscomb & Co. - 1 small Franklin patent stove.

William Taylor - 12 iron candlesticks.

Perchard & Boag - 1 chest drawers, 2 mahogany tables, 1 large Canadian stove.

Bulley, Job & Co. - 6 bureaus, 10 toilet tables, 10 washstands, 2 dozen Grecian cane-seat chairs, 4 dozen flat top chairs, 18 dozen common wood chairs, 2 dozen armchairs, 2 dozen children's table chairs, 6 dozen rocking chairs.

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - 52 cane-bottom chairs, 100 wood-bottom chairs.

Abraham Lemessurier - 4 dozen lamporines or floating lights.

Monier Hutchings - 8 Franklyn stoves, bedsteads, tables.

### 1837

James Clift - 1 kitchen range (oven and boiler complete).

James Clift - 10 Franklyn stoves - imported from New York.

Stewart & Cheetham - 1 kitchen range, 4 deal tables, 2 dozen chairs, book shelf, chest drawers, 2 washstands, mahogany table, sofa.

William Firth - 12 rush bottom chairs, 1 large brass lamp, 1 pair small brass lamps.

James Clift - 12 Franklyn stoves for wood and coal.

Samuel Mudge - 1 register stove.

### 1838

William Firth - 100 fancy chairs.

Timothy Hogan - 18 very superior modern lamps with instantaneous lights for chamber, drawing room or counting house (never before exhibited) in china and glass of burnished gold &c - imported from London.

Patrick Gleeson - 2 complete kitchen ranges.

W.E. Taylor - mahogany furniture - tables (2 round with

pillar stands), 1 set drawing room chairs with hair and spring bottoms, 2 hair and spring bottom sofas, 1 very superior hair and spring bottom couch - imported from Hamburg.

James Clift - 1 iron boiler (200 gallons), 1 cooking stove, 1 very complete steam kitchen, 6 Franklyn and Canadian stoves.

#### 1839

James Clift - 2 argand lamps.

Perchard & Boag - 10 German lamps, 5 American clocks, tables, chairs, bedsteads, easy chairs, sideboards, sofas, cupboards.

J.P. Barnes - a lot Franklyn stoves - imported from New York.

#### 1840

William Firth - 500 fancy chairs.

James Clift - 2 dozen lamps.

Richard Langley - large and neat assortment of Franklyn stoves, also cooking stoves of various descriptions, suitable either for families or shipping. «These latter, from their great economy, are now in general use throughout the United States and neighbouring British Colonies, and are furnished with various Culinary utensils.»

#### WALLPAPER

#### 1830

J.M. Tremlett - 3 bales room paper (French patterns) - imported from Boston.

J.B. Tremlett - 400 pieces room paper and bordering - imported from Boston.

#### 1831

John Rendell jr. & Co. - a few dozen pieces paper hangings - imported from England.

1832

Benjamin Bowring - 100 pieces assorted wallpaper.

Perchard & Boag - 200 pieces room paper.

1833

Baine, Johnston & Co. - 1 case paper hangings - imported from Boston.

1834

Bennett, Morgan & Co. - large lot of paperhangings - imported from New York.

Perchard & Boag - 500 pieces roompaper.

Perchard & Boag - 200 pieces good quality paper hangings - imported from Philadelphia.

James Clift - 20 pieces paper bordering.

1835

Lemessurier & Co. - 600 pieces roompaper and bordering.

Monier Hutchings - 200 pieces assorted roompaper.

Bennett, Morgan & Co. - paperhangings in great variety - imported from New York.

Perchard & Boag - quantity roompaper - imported from Boston.

James Clift - 50 pieces assorted roompaper.

1836

John Renouf - 3 sets landscape paperhangings.

Richard Langley - 1 case room paper containing 216 pieces, 1 case room paper containing 419 pieces.

Richard Mudge - 200 pieces handsome roompaper.

Perchard & Boag - 200 pieces roompaper.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - 9 bales of paperhangings containing 644 pieces.

1837

James Clift - 30 pieces roompaper.

James Clift - 400 pieces roompaper.

1839

James Clift - 300 pieces room paper.

1840

John H. Warren - 200 pieces London roompaper (cheap).

FLOOR COVERINGS - FABRICS1833

Benjamin Bowring - 2 pieces checked drugget.

1835

James Clift - 7 pieces and remnants of black, blue, olive and superfine cloth, 2 pieces white flannel, 1 piece tartan, 6 pieces green, brown and blue stuff, 1 piece red bunting, 30 pieces and remnants printed and furniture cotton, 3 pieces shirt cotton, 7 pieces and remnants coloured lining, 1 piece derry, 7 pieces and remnants gingham, 3 pieces apron check, 2 remnants striped shirting, 12 remnants calico, 2 pieces oilcloth table covering.

G. & R. Clapp - patent painted floorcloth in a variety of patterns for covering rooms, halls, passages &c. Pieces ordered to any dimensions whatever. Also patent painted baize for covering tables, sideboards &c of 4/4 ths, 5/4 ths, 6/4 ths, 7/4 ths and 8/4 ths and of any length not exceeding 12 yards.

James Clift - 3 oilcloth table covers.

James Clift - damask breakfast cloths, table covers, blankets, white counterpanes, coloured counterpanes, pillows, bolsters, mattresses.

1836

James Clift - 1 lot painted canvas, 2 pairs window blinds, 2 floor mats.

James B. Wood - for sale to wholesalers - superior fine blue, black, olive and oxford grey broadcloths, ladies blue habit broadcloths, 20 pieces drab and olive mole-skin, 147 pieces printed cottons (dark and light patterns), 20 pieces rich furniture cotton, 60 pieces unbleached calico, 10 pieces gingham, black cotton velvet, 4-4 Irish linen, black shalloon, blue and white serge, plain worsted, blue derry blanketing, white satin jean, quilts, sewing cotton in balls, cotton handkerchiefs and shawls, coloured fringe, threads, checked muslin, 4-4 twilled black and drab glazed lining, calico, figured brocade, white shirting, wadding, furniture binding, linen sheeting, diaper table-cloths, white and unbleached linen towels, diaper.

Bland & Tobin - wholesale - olive and brown duffel, brown jersey, flushings, brown cloth, blue and olive fearnought, Norwich carpeting.

### 1837

James Clift - 5 pieces oil floorcloth.

Perchard & Boag - 6 pieces prime Norwich carpeting, brown and olive duffel.

Stewart & Cheetham - carpeting, stair carpeting and rods, oil cloth.

G. & R. Clapp - quantity of patent floor cloth for covering passages and rooms of from 10 to 20 square feet, table mats, table covers.

James B. Wood - 10 pieces figured brocade - green, brown and puce.

James Clift - printed cotton.

Perchard & Boag - 12 pieces carpeting (assorted patterns), hearth rug and bedside carpets to match - imported from Greenock.

Samuel Mudge - 200 pairs English blankets, 50 pieces English blanketing and serges.

R. O'Dwyer & Co. - Whitney blankets, west of Scotland cloths, waterproof pilot cloths and petersham - imported from England.

### 1839

Perchard & Boag - 7 pieces carpeting (handsome patterns), 6 new ready-made carpets, hearth rugs, window and bed curtains.



1840

James Fergus & Co. - 10 pieces Russia duck.

Samuel Mudge - 100 pieces blue and white serges, 15 pieces striped serges, 10 pieces printed serges - imported from Torquay.

John H. Warren - broad cloths of every description, cassimeres, doeskins, buckskins, fancy tweeds, summer trousering, blue, black, brown and victoria beavers, coatings, pilot cloths, petersham and arctic cloth, fancy silk, satin vestings, light cashmeres, cloth plaids, plain and figured merinoes, orleans cloth, printed saxony, moreen, toilet cloth, variety of fancy buttons, victoria binding, mohair and silk coat cord, travelling portmanteaux, assorted angola brown and lavender door mats - manufactured goods imported from Liverpool, «many of which are seldom or never imported here.»

LIVESTOCK - FEED

1832

Codner & Jennings - 6 tons excellent hay - imported from Poole.

1836

Hunters & Co. - 17 oxen, 18 cows, 3 calves, 5 sheep, 1 bull.

1837

W.H. Thomas & Co. - 13 oxen, 1 bull, 19 cows, 12 sheep.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - 27 fat oxen and cows.

1838

C.F. Bennett & Co. - 40 fat sheep, 4 fat bullocks.

Perchard & Boag - 250 bushels oats.

Timothy Hogan - 1200 bushels prime feed oats, 200 bushels best horse beans - imported from London.

1840

Thomas Duder - butcher, pair of prime oxen to be slaughtered next week - weight, about 18 hundredweight. Purchased with

10 others from Joseph Avent of Cumberland, Nova Scotia. Duder has 30 oxen (average weight about 7 hundredweight) feeding under Avent's care to be delivered to St. John's in the spring.

## HORTICULTURE

### 1831

Gaden & Scott - glass vases for flower gardens - imported from Liverpool.

### 1833

W. & H. Thomas & Co. - fruit trees, shrubs and flower roots consisting of apples, cherries, plums, walnuts, currants, roses, honeysuckles, tiger lilies and asparagus plants.

### 1834

Wm. & H. Thomas & Co. - handsome assortment of fruit trees and ornamental shrubs, 225 tulip roots, 125 tiger lily roots, 1400 asparagus plants, 16 dahlia roots.

### 1835

Newman Hoyles - prime early seed potatoes, the growth of the country.

### 1837

Perchard & Boag - large assortment of fruit trees and roots - imported from Halifax. 40 pots English cabbage plants - imported from Bridport, England.

P. Cowan - large assortment of new garden seeds.

William Firth - quantity fresh garden seeds.

### 1838

Perchard & Boag - 2 cases assorted garden seeds, quantity fruit trees, plants &c consisting of plum, apple, currants of all sorts, gooseberries, sloe walnuts, quinces, cherry, lilac, flowering thorn, double pink thorn, single and double tulips, rose tulip, white crocus, hyacinths of various colours, narcissus of all kinds.

1839

James Clift - assortment of geraniums, myrtles, roses &c in pots.

BUILDING AND FISHING SUPPLIES, TOOLS

1831

Gaden & Scott - 10 crates crown glass, 10 boxes glass (10x8, 14x12), nails, bolts & bar iron, pipes, red ochre, blacking - imported from Liverpool.

1832

C.F. Bennett & Co. - sheet, bar and bolt iron, nails (all sizes), BB and mould shot, sheet and bar lead, lead pipes of various sizes, white lead and paints, oils, turpentine spirits, copper bolts, sheet copper, copper and composition nails, East Crocker and Bridport sailcloth - no. 1a and Flat Canvas, bright and black varnish, topsail sheets and ties, window glass of all sizes, extensive assortment of ironmongery - imported from London, Bristol and Liverpool.

1833

Perchard & Boag - 15 crates crown glass, 6 boxes glass - imported from Newcastle.

1835

James Clift - 20 boxes window glass (8x10, 10x12, 9x9).

1836

Monier Hutchings - pitch and tar.

1837

James Clift - 29 window sashes and frames.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co. - window glass in crates and boxes.

1839

Perchard & Boag - window glass.

1840

James Fergus & Co. - 20 barrels tar, 6 barrels pitch.

James Clift - 6 dozen trenching shovels, 2 dozen garden spades, 6 dozen Irish spades, 4 dozen salt and coal shovels, 6 dozen hatchets, 6 dozen British poleaxes.

C.F. Bennett & Co. - 80 fish boxes in shooks.

James Clift - 4 dozen riveted lanterns.

SERVICES1830

Dr. Rochfort - having received a recent supply of vaccine matter from the National Vaccine Board will vaccinate children at his surgery from 8-9 a.m. every day except Monday.

1831

Louis J. Martin - wanted - an apprentice to the house painting, glazing and paperhanging business - a lad of 14 years or upwards. Good character required.

1834

«W. Haddon - surveyor and builder respectfully informs the public that he draws plans, elevations, and sections of buildings on reasonable terms. Builders' work accurately surveyed and valued, N.B. Funerals performed».

William Birchell - painter, glazier and paperhanger - thanks public for their patronage and announces the arrival of a young man from Dublin who does ship, house, carriage and sign painting, imitation of wood and gilding.

Samuel Creed - cabinet maker, upholsterer &c arrived from Halifax with stock of seasoned mahogany &c intending to carry on business. Sofas, couches, mattresses, pallisses, venetian, parlour or roller blinds made to order. Carpets, curtains &c cut out or made as above. Repairs in both areas done quickly and neatly. Ship wheels in mahogany or hardwood. Funerals. At Duckworth near Cochrane.

Furniture by Creed specified in later ad - large round table, chests of mahogany and painted drawers, chiffonier, child's cot and mahogany chair.

1835

Lionel Chancey - loaf, bread and biscuit baker on King's Road near Mr. Ryland's house - beginning business - a variety of cakes always on hand.

1836

William T. Parsons - clock and watchmakers, just beginning business.

Mr. Beyer - music teacher, has been in St. John's for some time, pianoforte, singing, guitar, harp, violin, flute, clarinet, key bugle, French horn, trumpet, bassoon, serpent, trombone &c. Grand, cottage, square and cabinet pianos tuned. Musical instruments for sale - violins, flutes, French horns, trumpets, clarinets with mouthpieces and reeds, roman violin strings, bass violin strings, violin bridges, bow hair, blank books, music paper, 2 pianos.

James Clark - setting up business in St. John's as silk and wool dyer, scourer &c.

1837

Henry Parsons - announces opening of Commercial Hotel on King's Beach. Cabinet making and gilding carried on as usual.

Elias Rendell - has opened tea and grocery shop - teas of all descriptions, raw and ground coffee, loaf and moist sugars, rice, split and round pease, currants, raisins, sweet and bitter almonds, pearl barley, pickles and sauces, ginger and other preserves in bottles of various sizes, liquid and paste blacking, pepper, mustard in bottles and by the pound, whole and ground ginger, sperm and tallow candles, chocolate, basket salt, knife bricks and various other articles in the above line.

Samuel Creed - on Duckworth near Cochrane - has enlarged his store by the addition of a ware room where will be kept on hand an assortment of cabinet and upholstery furniture (second to none) as cheap for quality as can be imported. Seeking an apprentice.

Dr. S. Carson - two wet nurses wanted immediately.

1838

Westcott & Solomon - clock and watchmakers - entered into

business together in Solomon's premises - have on hand lever and vertical watches, charts, quadrants, compasses, spy glasses, log glasses &c.

Samuel Creed - sale of new and second hand furniture - telescope, pillar and block dining tables to dine from 4 to 20, ladies' work, card, sofa, Pembroke and other tables, fine screens, stair cloth, moreen covered sofas, couches and easy chairs, spring-stuffed music and foot-stools, an excellent 8-day clock in a mahogany case, butler's trays, children's swing cots, mahogany wardrobe, handsome cheval and other dressing glasses, variety of bedsteads, night commodes, bedsteps.

#### 1840

Alex McAuslin - ship and house smith - from Greenock - is beginning the smith business in the new brick building at the firebreak opposite Beck's Cove. Has on hand a variety of register grates, fenders, arnot stoves, also patterns of plain and fancy stair and tomb railings. Kitchen ranges with ovens and boilers made to order. Bells fitted up with tubes and wires inside the plaster.

Messrs. Cope and Willoughway - formerly of the Royal Menageries, Tower of London and the Exeter Change - showing at the Mechanics Hall, their collection of living curiosities - snakes (boas, annacondas etc.), kangaroos and Chinese gold and silver pheasants. «The above Serpents are so perfectly docile that the most timid Lady may view them with pleasure and safety. The greatest attention paid to Ladies and children.» Open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 to 5 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m. Admission is 3d, children half-price.

«Dinner Extraordinary (The last day but one of the Exhibition of Living Curiosities in St. John's). A Dinner will be served up THIS AFTERNOON, at Half-past Four, precisely, at the Mechanics Hall, where the GREAT ANACONDA AND BOA CONSTRICTOR will be fed on living Rabbits!! After which the AMPHIS BAENA will partake of the DESSERT, and will be favoured with a Chinese White Mouse! Admission 1s 3d.»



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