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Newfoundlander

No. 519.

THURSDAY, July 6, 1837.

Sixpence.

On Sale

BY
HUNTERS & CO.
The Cargo of the ANNANDALE, from Prince Edward's Island.
HARDWOOD PLANK
Pine and Spruce BOARD
Hemlock Ditto
Ash BILLETS
50 M. SHINGLES
50 KEGS, 2 gallons each.
May 25.

W. & H. Thomas & Co.
HAVE JUST RECEIVED,
Per JULIA, from Liverpool,
THEIR SPRING SUPPLY OF
DRY GOODS,
Which are now open for Inspection.

ALSO,
Of recent importations,
150 Lbs. fine INDIGO
400 Bls. Hamburg and New-York Pork
300 Ditto prime Beef
100 Firkins Butter
600 Bls. superfine and fine Flour
700 Bags Bread
Sugar in boxes, barrels, and hogsheads
Molasses, Oatmeal, Pease
130 Bags assorted Nails
20 Tons assorted Cordage
20 Coils White Rope
Spun yarn, Oakum, and Hambroline
100 Boxes Chocolate
Leaf Tobacco in hogsheads and bales
Negrohead ditto in kegs
200 Bls. Pitch
Coal Tar, Paints, Lintseed Oil
Varnish, Spirits of Turpentine
100 Boxes Soap
100 Ditto Candles
Chain Cables and Topsail Sheets
40 Bags fine Coffee.
May 25.

LANDING,
IN EXCELLENT CONDITION,
AT THE WHARF OF
SAMUEL CODNER.
A Few Barrels Best DEVONSHIRE
POTATOES.
ALSO—
40 Barrels Cider, 15 do. prime Devonshire Ale
60 Boxes Mould and Dipped Candles
133 Dozen Paste Blacking
A few Half Qr.-casks White Wine, and Kegs
Ox Tongues
Hooks, Nets, Lines, Twines, Seines, and articles of like description, in great variety and large quantities,
TOGETHER WITH AN ASSORTMENT OF
Necessary and Useful
MANUFACTURED
DRY GOODS,
For the Fishery.
Cheap DECK & FISHING BOOTS &c
May 25.

LANDING,
Ex Schooner LADY, from HALIFAX,
43 Puns. Molasses,
7 Hogsheads Sugar,
Both of very superior quality,
FOR SALE BY
BAINE, JOHNSTON & Co.
May 18.

On Sale

Cod and Caplin Seines of various sizes
Canvas, Nets, Bunts
Lines and Twines of every description
Payable in Fish, Oil, or Cash.
ALSO,
2,000 Pair English Shoes
2,000 Lbs. Butt, Shoulder, & Bellies English Leather
Shoe Thread
Devonshire Cider
Dorsetshire Beer
700 Bottles "Snoours" Pickles & Sauces.
DANIEL FOWLER.
May 25.

West of England Goods

BULLLEY, JOB & CO.
HAVE JUST RECEIVED,
Per PHENIX from Bridport, SELINA from Torquay, and by previous arrivals—
2 Cod Seines 55 by 85
2 Ditto ditto 50 by 70
1 Caplin ditto 20 by 35
2 Ditto ditto 24 by 41
2 Ditto ditto 24 by 43
Long Shore Lines in Bales of 25 dozen each
Herring, Mackerel, and Cast Nets
Twines of all kinds
150 Pair Fishing and Deck Boots
2000 Pair Men's, Women's, & Boys' Shoes, assorted in different sized Packages.
The above will be Sold cheap for Fish payment in the Fall.
May 25.

G. & R. CLAPP
HAVE RECEIVED,
Per Jane & Susan, and Devon,
AND OFFER FOR SALE,
On reasonable terms, for Fish, Oil, or Cash,
COD SEINES, 85 by 55—70 by 50
CAPLIN SEINES, 40 by 24—37 by 24
35 by 24—30 by 20
LANCE BUNTS, 22 and 24 Feet deep, 6 Leaves
SALMON NETS 30 by 35—40 by 45—40 by 50
40 by 60—45 by 45—50 by 60
COD NETS, 52 by 60—CAST NETS
Herring Nets, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60 rans
COD BAGS, 10, 15, 20, 30 Qtls.
Bank, St. Peter's, Longshore, Sed and Jigger LINES,
Seal, Salmon Trawl, Salmon, Caplin, Genging, Herring, Sewing and Sail Twine
HOOKS, Barrels, Splitting Knives, &c.
ALE of prime quality, in hhd. and barrels
ALSO, ON HAND,
Cognac BRANDY, in hhd. and puns.
Port, Sherry, Bronte Madeira and Claret WINE, in bottles, qr.-casks, and hhd.
Tea in qr.-chests, Italian Macaroni and Vermicelli
Scheidam Hollands in cases contg. 1 doz. bottles
Cordage, White Lead, Black, Green, Red and Yellow Paint
Handspikes, Cotton Shirts,
Flushing Jackets, Great Coats,
Deck BOOTS, Men's, Women's and Children's SHOES
Mould and Dipped Candles.
May 18.

NOW LANDING.
From the WEST INDIES—
Rum, Sugar and Molasses,
And from Hamburg—
Flour, Pork, Butter, Beef and Bread.
IN STORE—
Carolina RICE, Leaf TOBACCO, States FLOUR,
TAR, &c. &c.
On Sale for Fish Payment,
BY
J. DUNSCOMB & Co.
April 20.

On Sale

RICHARD FOGARTY,
OF WATERFORD,
OFFERS FOR SALE,
At the Stores of Mr. TIMOTHY HOGAN,
120 Barrels, and 200 Half-Barrels
Prime Irish
PORK.
May 25.

A SECOND HAND
PIANO FORTE.
Apply at the Newfoundlander Office.
May 25.

By the Subscriber,
AT HIS
Grocery, Wine, & Spirit Stores,
King's Road,
20 QR.-CHESTS Young Hyson, Hyson,
Hyson Skin, Twankey, Souchong,
Congo, and Bohea

TEAS,
Irish and Halifax Porter
Brandy, Rum, Gin
Port, Red, and White Wine
Soap, Candles
Pork, Butter
Oatmeal, Pearl Barley
Loaf Sugar, Brown Sugar
Coffee, Chocolate
Peas, Rice, Spices
Honey, Raisins
Window Glass, Whiting
Glazed Hats
Earthenware, Glassware
A large assortment of Combs
Leaf and Negrohead Tobacco
Pipes, Snuff
Starch, Blue
And a variety of other Articles, all of the best quality and on reasonable terms.
WILLIAM BUCKLEY.
April 27.

On moderate terms,
BY
EWEN STABB,
500 Barrels prime Pork
500 Ditto Fine and Superfine Flour
50 Ditto Oatmeal
500 Firkins Butter
10 M. Bricks
Calf Skins, Sole Leather, &c. &c.
April 13.

JUST ARRIVED,
Ex REFORM from London,
AND FOR SALE
BY
J. B. BIDE & KEBB,
250 Packages Bohea TEA
70 Ditto Congo ditto
12 Ditto Twankey ditto
With part of their Spring Stock of
FANCY GOODS,
Now ready for Inspection.
AND OF FORMER IMPORTATIONS,
15 Casks LOAF SUGAR
10 Qr.-Casks PORT WINE, @ 110s.
150 Barrels excellent English POTATOES
10 Gross WINE BOTTLES
LIME in casks of various sizes
12 Reams PRINTING NEWS.
April 6

On Sale.

BY
HUNTERS & Co.
200 Barrels Irish Pork
150 Ditto Hamburg ditto
100 Ditto superfine Flour
100 Firkins Irish Butter
150 Ditto Hamburg ditto
1000 Barrels best Seed Potatoes (Cork crops)
50 Puncheons Rum
60 Ditto Molasses
100 Kegs Paint—white, black, green, sky blue yellow, and red.
ALSO,
20 Hogsheads Sugar
100 Barrels ditto
10 Pipes
10 Hhd. and
20 Qr.-casks } Vidonia Wines.

An excellent assortment of
Manufactured Goods.
Lately imported from London, the greater part of which are now ready for inspection.
ALSO,
10 Hhd. Halifax PORTER.
25 Dozen London BROWN STOUT, in Cases 24 and 3 dozen each—highly recommended.
April 13.

Barque Manchester from LIVERPOOL.
T. & J. Brocklebank,
OFFER FOR SALE
The Cargo of the Manchester, for Fish in September next, VIZ:
130 BAGS Bread
500 Barrels Superfine Copenhagen Flour
200 Bls. Prime Mess Pork
100 Ditto ditto ditto Beef
200 Firkins first Quality Butter
175 Chests Tea
200 Bags Shot
80 Quarter Barrels Gunpowder
50 Boxes Soap, in Boxes of 2 cwt. each
5 Hhd. Brandy
50 Boxes Candles
21 Barrels Sugar.
April 6.

JUST IMPORTED,
AND FOR SALE
BY
Lawrence O'Brien,
250 Barrels prime Hamburg and Irish Pork
300 Ditto Superfine and Fine Flour
150 Firkins Hamburg and Irish Butter
Bread, good common and fine
100 Kegs Paint, White, Black and Green
8 Hhd. Linseed Oil, boiled and raw
100 Bags assorted Nails
20 Tons assorted Iron, and Iron Hoops
100 Coils Cordage from 1-2 to 6-Inch,
Oakum, Spun Yarn, Marline and Hawseline
90 Pieces Canvas, best East Coker double thread from No. 1 to 7
Bohea and Congou Teas, in Chests
Boots and Shoes, in Casks
Window Glass in boxes, 7 by 9, 8 by 10 by 12, 10 by 14, and 12 by 14
Boiling and Bake Pots, from 1-2 to 10 galls.
London Mould and Dipped Candles
Ditto Wax Candles, 2s. per pound
Earthenware in Crates
Coopers Rushes, Chalk
A large assortment of Hardware and
Manufactured Goods;
A few cases Sparkling
CHAMPAGNE.
April 20.

The Newfoundland

ST. JOHN'S, (Thursday,) July 6, 1837.

On Monday last, agreeably to the Governor's Proclamation, the Colonial Legislature met at the Court House—the several Members of the newly-elected House of Assembly having previously taken the oaths enjoined by law before the Honourable the Attorney General, the Commissioner appointed for that purpose. His Excellency attended by the usual suite, arrived about one o'clock, and was received with the customary forms and ceremonies; and having taken his seat on the Throne, the Usher of the Black Rod was directed to desire the attendance of the House of Assembly.

Then, by the Governor's command, the President of the Council acquainted the Members of the House of Assembly that His Excellency did not think proper to declare the purposes for which he had called the present meeting of the Legislature, until they had chosen a Speaker; and that it was therefore his Excellency's desire that they should repair to the place in which they were to sit and there proceed to the election of some fit and proper person to be their Speaker, and that they should then come and present him at the bar for his Excellency's approbation.

The House of Assembly then retired, and shortly again returned to the Council Chamber, when P. MORRIS, Esquire, addressed the GOVERNOR, stating that in obedience to His Excellency's command, the House had chosen a speaker, and had unanimously elected to the Chair WILLIAM CARSON, Esquire, (one of the Representatives of the District of St. John's,) whom he begged leave to present for His Excellency's approval; to which the President of the Council replied, that the Governor was pleased to approve of the Speaker the House had chosen.

The Speaker Elect then addressed the Governor to the following purport:—"Your Excellency having been pleased to approve of the choice the House of Assembly have made of me as their Speaker, it now becomes my duty as such, in the name of His Majesty's loyal subjects the people of Newfoundland, humbly to demand for them that they may have freedom of Speech in their debates; that they may be free from arrest, and enjoy all customary rights and privileges; and that whenever His Majesty's Service, and the interests of the Colony, may require it, I, as their Speaker, may have free access to your Excellency's person."

To which the president of the Council, by His Excellency's Command, replied that the Governor most cheerfully granted their request according to ancient custom, the usage of the British Parliament, and the Royal Instructions.

The Governor then opened the Session with the following

SPEECH.

Mr. President, and Honourable Gentlemen of the Council:

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

I have to inform you that the Act for the protection of the Fisheries has been disallowed by His Majesty.

The Act for regulating the printing and publishing of Books, Newspapers, and Papers of a like nature, has been specially confirmed; and the remaining enactments of the late session are left to their operation.

Of these, one for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, has proved effective only in the districts of St. John's and Ferryland.

A prejudice having been excited against this law, the persons elsewhere entitled to elect Directors refused to exercise that privilege; and as no provision is made in such a contingency for the nomination of those functionaries by any other process, the Act becomes a dead letter.

You will determine whether it be most advisable to remedy the defect I have stated, to modify the Act in other particulars, or altogether to repeal it.

The Hospital at River-Head having, under a stipulation, providing for the accommodation of Lunatics and Pauper Patients, been made over to the Directors for this District, has been by them greatly enlarged and improved.

It will, I trust, in every circumstance be found serviceable to the public, and consequently entitled to your favour and protection.

The Act for the encouragement of Education, so benevolently conceived and so honourable to the Legislature, has also, I regret to say, met with considerable impediments.

One district is for the present entirely deprived of its intended benefits, and in but few places is its operation cordial and complete.

I shall forward to you various letters and documents relating to this point, and most readily shall I assent to any measure that may tend to assuage religious jealousies and apprehensions, and promote the inestimable blessing of universal instruction.

I am here naturally led to the renewal of my former recommendation respecting the foundation of a Seminary for the higher branches of learning, combined with useful and elegant accomplishments.

The last Act to which I think it necessary to advert is, that for ascertaining the Census and other statistical information.

From Twillingate and Fogo I have as yet no return. You will immediately receive all the others in the prescribed form; and they appear, especially as regards the Census, to be made with commendable accuracy.

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

I embrace this opportunity of expressing my regret at the inconvenience to which some of your Members may have been exposed by the double Election.

I shall lay before you copies of correspondence between the Parent and Local Governments, fully explanatory of the circumstances which rendered so unusual a proceeding necessary on the late occasion.

As the Revenue Acts, unless renewed, will expire with the Session, I would suggest them as subjects for early deliberation.

The existing Duties have proved light and harmless in their effect upon Trade, while they have yielded ample means for the ordinary routine of Government, and have also permitted large appropriations for the formation of Roads, the construction of Bridges, the advancement of Education, the encouragement of useful charitable Institutions, and many other important objects.

These, I am convinced, will receive your support; and as the progressive improvement, the welfare and prosperity of the island, mainly depend upon the continuance of the present financial system, I doubt not that its principle will be firmly upheld.

The account of the expenditure of the last, and the estimate of what will be required for the current year, shall be immediately sent down.

As the first quarter is already ended, I hope that you will, without delay, enable me to pay up the salaries due, and also to discharge the debt contracted for the sick and destitute, and for matters essential to the administration of justice.

Any recurrence of inconvenience of the existing description may be prevented by hereafter commencing the financial year with the month of July.

I submit for your decision the expediency of making provision for a Stipendiary Magistrate at the Burgeo Islands, a material part of whose duty it would be to prevent the abstraction of bait by foreigners.

It is also worthy of your reflection whether it may not be desirable to establish a colonial vessel for general purposes, such as, amongst others, the Governor's inspection of the outports, the occasional conveyance of the Judges on circuit, and the protection of the Revenue.

I was induced last year to authorize the Collector of the Customs to hire a small schooner in the hope of discovering and bringing to punishment the authors of a gross act of smuggling in the neighbourhood of La Poile, the documents connected with which transaction are prepared for your inspection.

The wretched state of the Jail and Court-House of St. John's has frequently been made known to the Legislature.

It has been repeatedly presented by Grand Juries, and Estimates have been delivered of the amount of necessary repairs.

These I have now included in the general annual statement, hoping that so great an evil will at length be remedied.

I have only further to observe in reference to the public expenditure, that it is my desire to act in accordance with your wishes and to practise a strict economy.

Mr. President, and Hon. Gentlemen of the Council; Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

I am commanded to bring under your consideration the subject of Prison Discipline, and to lay before each branch of the Legislature a copy of reports of a Committee of the House of Lords on Gaols and Houses of Correction; and also of an Act of the Imperial Parliament "for effecting greater uniformity of practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales."

It is the opinion of His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, that although from the nature of the investigation conducted by the Committee of the House of Lords, some of the observations in their reports, and of the recommendations embodied in their resolutions, are necessarily of an exclusive nature, yet there are many others which are of general application, and which, with such modifications only as are demanded by local circumstances, might probably be advantageously introduced into this Island.

I shall add to these reports some documents which you may find useful in this important examination.

I am likewise directed to supply you with a copy of the Blue Book, as yearly transmitted for the information of His Majesty's Home Government.

It shall be accompanied by a transcript of the Circular Despatch issued on this head, by which you will perceive that hopes are entertained of the Colonial Statistical Returns being rendered more perfect by respective Legislative enactments.

You will feel much interest in the reports of the Road Commissioners. The Boards appointed for the Central District, for Conception Bay, and for the connecting line between Carbonear and Hearts Content, present very pleasing details of their progress. From Trinity and Ferryland the accounts are less gratifying.

I presume that the assistance to be annually granted will in future be proportioned to the energy displayed by the authorities, and to the local capabilities, both of labour and material, for the prosecution of Works so beneficial to the public.

I commend to your particular attention and favourable consideration the representations contained in the report of the Commissioners for the regulation of Statute Labour.

The 5th Wm. 4th, 2d Session, Cap. 5, under which these Gentlemen were appointed, and the 4th Wm. 4, 2d Session, Cap. 6, to which it refers, seem to require modifications, and it may probably be found expedient to consolidate them into one Act.

Permit me to assure you, in conclusion, of the satisfaction with which I shall concur in your efforts for the happiness of the community—for the correction of abuses, if such there be—and for the improvement of our agricultural and commercial resources.

In the pursuit of such laudable objects, every reliance is to be placed upon your general knowledge, individual experience, devotion to the public good, and just appreciation of the many and great advantages already possessed by this extensive and flourishing Colony.

The House of Assembly having retired, the Governor left the House, attended as before.

The President of the Council then moved that a Committee consisting of the Hon. the Attorney General, and the Hon. John Sinclair, be appointed to prepare an address in answer to the Governor's Speech.

The Council then adjourned to Wednesday at one o'clock.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY—MONDAY, JULY 3.

The SPEAKER having taken the Chair,

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, seconded by Mr. KENT,

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency in answer to his Speech at the opening of the Session.

Ordered, that Mr. Nugent, Mr. Morris, Mr. Brown, Mr. Power, Mr. Kent and Mr. Godfrey,

do form such Committee.

Mr. MORRIS prayed for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Acts relating to Roads and Highways in this Colony—and thereupon.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, seconded by Mr. SOLICITOR GENERAL,

Resolved, that the twenty eighth Rule of this House in reference to the introduction of Bills be suspended so far as relates to the Bill in question.

Mr. MORRIS then, pursuant to leave granted, presented the said Bill to repeal certain Acts relating to Roads and Highways in this Colony, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on Monday next he should move for a committee to consider the present state of the Bank and shore fisheries, and the expediency of investigating into the concurrent right of participation of British Subjects with the French people to take Fish on that part of the Coast of Newfoundland called the French Shore.

Mr. MORRIS further gave notice, that, on Monday week next, he should move for a Committee to enquire into the state and progress of agriculture since the year 1792, and the benefits likely to result by fostering and extending more general encouragement to that important and rising branch of our industry.

Mr. MORRIS also gave notice that, on Wednesday, the 26th instant, he should move for a Committee of the whole House to enquire into the present state of the administration of Justice in this Island.

Mr. NUGENT gave notice that he should to-morrow move that His Excellency be addressed with a request that he will order a copy of His Majesty's instructions on the occasion of his accession to the Local Government of this Colony, together with all subsequent instructions on the subject of the general government of the Country, as well as particularly all the correspondence as questions connected with the privileges of the House of Assembly.

Mr. BROWN moved, seconded by Mr. M'CARTHY, that it be

Resolved, that the House do now proceed to the appointment of its own officers, namely the Clerk, Serjeant at Arms, Solicitor, Doorkeeper, Messenger, Printer of the Journals, Printer of the House, and any other officer that may be necessary for the convenience of the House:—

Which being put and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eleven, against it, one—

So it passed in the affirmative. Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at twelve of the clock.

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 1837.

Mr. SOLICITOR-GENERAL gave notice that, on the sixth instant, he would move for leave to bring in a bill to fix and establish the holdings and sittings of the Supreme and Circuit Courts of this Island.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor. The Honourable Mr. Secretary Crowdy being admitted within the Bar, presented to the House a Message from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency; and then he withdrew.

The said Message was then read by the Clerk, (all the Members being uncovered) and is as follows:

MESSAGE.

"H. PRSCOTT." The Governor observing in the Journal of yesterday's proceedings of the House of Assembly, that the House has resolved to proceed this day to the election of its Officers, His Excellency deems it advisable to transmit a copy of Instructions from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State addressed to him on this subject, by which the House will perceive that His Excellency is directed to uphold His Majesty's nomination of the Clerk and Serjeant-at-Arms.

As respects these Officers, therefore, no discretion is left to the Governor; and he cannot in any way recognise in those capacities Gentlemen appointed by any other than the Royal authority. Government-House, } 4th July, 1837. } (Copy)

Downing-street, 18th August, 1837.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 8th ultimo, No. 46, requesting instructions as to the course which you should adopt in the event of the new House of Assembly of Newfoundland asserting a right to appoint their own Officers. In reply, I have to observe that the only precedent which can be followed in such a contingency is that which is afforded by the practice of Parliament in parallel cases; and as the Serjeant-at-Arms, the Usher of the Black Rod, and Clerks of Parliament are all Officers appointed by the Crown, it will be your duty to insist upon the right of making similar appointments in Newfoundland.

I have the honor to be, Sir, &c.

GLENELG.

To Captain PRSCOTT, } R. N., C. B., &c. &c. }

Ordered, that the said Message and document do lie upon the Table to be perused by the Members of the House.

The House then proceeded to the choice of Officers, and

On motion of Mr. KENT, seconded by Mr. DOYLE,

Resolved, that Robert Roberts Wakeham, Esq., be appointed Clerk of this House, and that Mr. Speaker do notify the same to him and direct him to attend in his place to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. KENT, seconded by Mr. MORRIS,

Resolved, that Thomas Beck, Esq., be appointed Serjeant at Arms of this House, and that Mr. Speaker do notify him thereof and direct him to attend and take his place to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. NUGENT, seconded by Mr. WINSEB,

Resolved, that Mr. John Delaney be appointed Doorkeeper of this House, and that Mr. Speaker do notify him thereof and direct him to take his place to-morrow.

Mr. NUGENT moved, seconded by Mr. MORRIS, That Mr. Phillip Brown be appointed Messenger of this House, whereupon

Mr. BROWN moved, seconded by Mr. POWER.

That the said motion be amended by striking thereout the name of "Philip Brown," and in lieu thereof inserting the name of "David Walsh:"—which being put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, eight; against it three.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

Resolved, that David Walsh be appointed Messenger of this House, and that Mr. Speaker notify the same to him, and direct him to take his place in the House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. KENT, seconded by Mr. POWER,

Resolved, that Mr. Philip Brown be appointed Assistant Door Keeper of this House, and that Mr. Speaker do notify him thereof, and direct him to take his place to-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. KENT, seconded by Mr. NUGENT,

Resolved, that the Proprietor of the Patriot Newspaper be the Printer of this House, and that Mr. Speaker do notify him thereof.

On motion of Mr. BROWN, seconded by Mr. MOORE,

Resolved, that the Proprietor of the Newfoundland Newspaper be the Printer of the Journals of the House.

On motion of Mr. KENT, seconded by Mr. BROWN,

Resolved, that Charles Simms, Esq., be appointed Solicitor of this House, and that Mr. Speaker do notify him thereof accordingly.

On motion of Mr. KENT, seconded by Mr. WINSEB,

Resolved, that Mr. Speaker be authorized to procure a Reporter for this House, subject to its approval.

On motion of Mr. NUGENT, seconded by Mr. SOLICITOR-GENERAL,

Resolved, that the Printer of the Journals of this House be required to insert the Reports as far as practicable, in the Newfoundland, of the Proceedings of the earlier part of the week, and the Printer of the House be required to give those of the subsequent days, in the Patriot newspaper.

Mr. BROWN gave notice that, on Thursday next, he should move an Address to His Excellency for an attested detailed return of all the Fees received by the Clerks of the Supreme Court, Northern, Central and Southern Circuit Courts from the 20th June, 1836, to the 20th June, 1837,—Also, Returns of all the fees of the Registration of Deeds for said time in said Districts,—Also, a return of the fees, of the Probate Court of the Island,—Also, a return of the fees received by the Coroners of the Island.

Mr. NUGENT gave notice that he should, to-morrow, move an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause the following papers to be laid before the House, viz.—The Criminal Calendars of the Northern District for last two years—the same for the ten years preceding. The same for the Southern District for last two years—the same for the ten years preceding;—the returns to be verified by affidavit.

Mr. NUGENT also gave notice that, on Thursday next, he should move, that His Excellency the Governor be addressed with a request that he will order the following documents to be laid on the Table of the House, viz:

A Return of all the Writs issued from the Colonial Office for the several Elections of the years 1832, 1833, and 1836, for Members to serve in the House of Assembly, together with the name of the Officer accountable for their proper issue, verified by the affidavit of the proper Officer.

The several depositions taken before Magistrates at St. John's, on the subject of the charge against John Wills Martin, late of St. Mary's, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, of poisoning a public Spring Well in the Town of St. Mary's, together with a return of what has been done thereon—such return to be verified by the affidavit of the party returning.

A return of what has been done on the subject of the arrest and transmission to St. John's of the Rev. Mr. Nisbet, a Protestant Clergyman, charged with an unnatural crime; and of what had been done on the occasion of the charges of misdemeanour against the Rev. Mr. Troy, the Rev. Mr. Ward, and Rev. Mr. Duffy, Catholic Priests—the return to be verified by the affidavit of the parties making the return.

On motion of Mr. SOLICITOR GENERAL, seconded by Mr. NUGENT,

Ordered, that Mr. Solicitor General have leave of absence from this House for a few days, on account of the illness of some members of his family.

Then the House adjourned until eleven of the clock to-morrow.

At a General meeting of the Episcopal Protestants of Harbour Grace, the following Address was adopted:

To PETER BROWN, Esq. MEMBER OF THE HONORABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

SIR,—The destruction of three Churches in this Town—two by fire and one by a gale of wind—within the short period of sixteen years, and the losses consequent upon the sad conflagration that destroyed this Town by Fire in 1832, rendered an appeal to the bounty of the late House of Assembly imperative upon us; for your untiring support of the prayer of our Petition to that Honorable body, you have justly earned for yourself the thanks of the Parish,—we beg leave, therefore, in the name and on behalf of the whole body of the Episcopal Protestants of Harbor Grace, to offer you our most sincere thanks for the indefatigable and praiseworthy interest you took in obtaining for us the munificent grant of Two hundred pounds Sterling from the House of Assembly, thereby enabling us completely to finish the Church in a manner every way creditable to Harbor Grace.

To the other Members of the late House of Assembly, whom you may meet, we also present our warmest acknowledgments for the liberality displayed by them, in complying with the prayer of our Petition.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, (for and on behalf of the meeting)
Your most obedient humble Servant,
THOMAS RIDLEY,
Chairman.

Harbor Grace, }
22nd June, 1837. }

Harbor Grace, 23rd June, 1837.

SIR,—I am highly honoured by the respect paid me by my fellow townsmen, the Episcopal Protestants of Harbor Grace, in the address adopted by that body at a public meeting.

If I have been instrumental in procuring a grant from the Legislature, to assist in raising a Temple to the honour of God, I have only performed a duty that Christians owe each other on all occasions, but more particularly under circumstances so peculiar as those referred to in your address.

I will have great pleasure in conveying the sentiments of the Episcopal Protestants of Harbor Grace, to those Gentlemen, Members of the late Assembly, who assisted me in supporting the measure that has called forth this mark of public approbation.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant,
PETER BROWN.

THOMAS RIDLEY, Esq.,
Chairman of the Episcopal Meeting,
Harbor Grace.

Arrivals.—In the *Unity*, from Quebec, Assistant Commissary General Epps and family.

Married, on Tuesday, the 27th ultimo, by the Rev. E. Troy, Captain Wm. Phelan, of the *Schr. Collector*, of Halifax, to Anastasia, daughter of the late Mr. Edward Molloy, of Burin.

On Thursday last, by the Rev. F. H. Carrington, Mr. Archibald Kerr, of the firm of J. & A. Kerr, merchants, Greenock, to Miss Ellen Aylward, of this town

Shipping Intelligence.



Custom-House
Port of St. John's.

VESSELS (ENTERED.)

June 29.—Brigantine *Thomas Seon*, Pitts, Porto Rico—50 hds. and 50 bbls. sugar, 20 puns molasses.

July 1.—Brig *Adelaide*, Morris, Sydney—100 tons coal.

Brig Lottery, Harriot, Porto Rico—100 puns molasses.

Schooner *Isabella*, Fitzgerald, Miramichi—50 M. lumber, 25 M. shingles.

3.—Schooner *Hope*, Palk, Richebucto—28 M. board and plank, 30 M. shingles.

Schooner *Unity*, Smith, Quebec.—ballast.

Brig *Sophia*, Humphries, Havana—90 puns. molasses, and sundries.

4.—Brig *Apollo*, Ford, Cadiz—160 tons salt, 4 qr.-casks wine.

Schooner *Nancy*, De Roche, Cape Breton—15 M. lumber 35 M. shingles and sundries.

Brigantine *Amity*, Dunn, Liverpool; 175 bbls flour, 400 boxes raisins, 86 tons salt, 30 tons coal, and sundry merchandise.

Brigantine *Daphne*, Young, Trinidad; 86 puns. molasses.

Brig *Charles*, Hutchings, Oporto: 170 tons salt.

Brig *Terra Nova*, Barclay, Cadiz: 160 tons salt.

VESSELS (LOADING.)

June 29.—Clarinda, Anderson, Sydney.

July 1.—Lady Young, Calahan, Sydney.

Mary, Bici, Antigonish.

3.—Pearl, Fridham, Portugal.

4.—Neptune, Parker, Liverpool.

Thomas Seon, Pitts, Barbados.

July 5.—Tryon, Lynch, Bridgeport.

VESSELS (CLEARED.)

June 29.—Schooner *Isabella*, Kennedy, Pictou—sundry merchandise.

Schooner *Herald*, Doyle, P. E. Island—50 bags bread

July 1.—Schooner *Priscilla*, Sutherland, P. E. Island—sundries.

Schooner *Mary*, M'Neal, Nova Scotia.
Schooner *Richard Smith*, Moore, Sydney—132 bbls. flour, 20 bags bread, 12 puns molasses.
—Schooner *Scipio*, O'Neal, Sydney—ballast.
Brig *Devonshire*, Wainwright, Grenada—1300 qtls fish
4.—Schooner *President*, Odell, Bridgeport—ballast.
Schooner *Success*, Deagle, Cape Breton—58 bbls flour, 60 hds salt, &c.
Schooner *Trial*, Roberts, Buctash—ballast.
Schooner *Enterprise*, Simpson, Bay Verte—sundries.
Barque *Lady Turner*, George, Berbice and Demerara—2000 qtls fish, 60 bbls herring, 10 M. feet lumber.
Schooner *Collector*, Phelan, Bridgeport—ballast.
Schooner *Jennet Grant*, Simpson, Quebec—108 hds. sugar, &c.
Schooner *United Brothers*, Hayden, New Brunswick—55 bbls flour, &c.
July 5.—Schr. *Alexander*, Keating, Cape Breton; ballast.
Schr. *Tryon*, Lynch, Cape Breton: ballast.

Sale by Auction.

Household Furniture, &c.

On THURSDAY next,

The 13th Instant,

ALL the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, WINES, &c., of Deputy-Commissary-Gen. LAIDLAY; particulars of which will be given in future advertisements.

July 6. J. CLIFT, Auctioneer.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

The First-class British-built Schr.

ELIZA,
Capt. FOLLETT;—Has room for some GOODS on Freight, and will be dispatched with all convenient speed. Apply to Capt. Follett, or to

ROBINSON, BROOKING, GARLAND & Co.
June 8.

Notices.

CONTRACTS

FOR

ROAD WORK!

TENDERS will be received at the Office of the SURVEYOR-GENERAL, until TUESDAY, the Eleventh day of July next, at Noon, from persons willing to Contract for any part of the undermentioned work—Viz:

To widen Six Miles, more or less, of the ROAD opened last year towards *Bay Bulls*, from 12 to 24 feet; the work to commence near *Sweeney's Marsh*.

To open a new line of ROAD of 12 or 24 feet wide, at the option of the Commissioners, from a point at or near *Cody's Well*, Portugal Cove road, to *Broad Cove*, in the direction marked by the Commissioners.

Tenders to state the rate per mile, and the period when the work will be completed.

J. NOAD,
C. F. BENNETT, } Central Board
WM. RICHARDS, } of Road Com-
R. JOB, } missioners.

St. John's, June 22.

General Commission Business!

THE Subscriber begs to acquaint the Public, in general, that he has taken a part of those eligible Water-side Premises lately occupied by Messrs. A. & J. KERR, where he has just commenced business in the above line, and hopes that his long experience and general knowledge of the trade, will ensure him a share of public support.

TERMS LOW.

WILLIAM FIRTH.

N. B.—The Subscriber is now ready to receive GOODS of every description, for Sale, either at Auction or by Private Contract.
June 8. W. F.

W. & H. THOMAS & Co.

HAVE JUST IMPORTED

Per *Sophia* from Havana,

AND OFFER FOR SALE AT LOW PRICES,

98 Pun. Best MOLASSES
100 Boxes Fine SUGAR

ALSO—

Per *Mary Isabella*, from Hamburg,

200 Barrels Pastry FLOUR, particularly recommended to Families

600 Barrels Superfine and Fine ditto

50 Half-barrels Superfine ditto

100 Bags Cabin Bread

30 Barrels Pease

10 Half-ditto Split ditto

30 Ditto Pearl Barley

50 Demijohns best Hollands

Smoked Beef and Hams.

July 6.

On Sale.

The Subscribers'

HAVE JUST RECEIVED,

Per AMITE,

AND OFFER FOR SALE,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

DRY GOODS,

Also, of former Importations,

150 Qr.—Chests Hyson, Souchong, Bohea and Congo

TEAS.

BENJAMIN BOWRING & SON.

July 6.

BY

JAMES FERGUS & CO.

100 Pun. Choice RETAILING MOLASSES

40 Hogsheads SUGAR

EX LOTTERY from Porto Rico.

Negrohead TOBACCO, first quality, a very superior article

1 Case Fishing BOOTS

EX SIR THOMAS DUCKWORTH from Bermuda

High Proof Demerary RUM

Fine ditto SUGAR

Excellent ditto MOLASSES

EX BETHEA from Demerary.

ALSO, IN STORE,

Prime Mess BEEF, PORK, RICE.

July 6.

BY

HUNTERS & Co.

100 M. Merchantable Pine and Spruce
Inch BOARD

100 M. Merchantable Shingles

20 M. 2 and 3 Inch Pine Plank

10 M. 3 inch Hemlock ditto

10 M. Hardwood Plank, 1 1/2 to 3 inch

20 Spars, from 10 to 16 inch

5 M. Superior Clapboard

Imported by sundry Vessels from Miramichi and P. E. Island.

June 29.

BY

BLAND & TOBIN,

150 PUN. Choice Molasses

30 Hogsheads }
40 Barrels }
100 Boxes } SUGAR

5 Bags Coffee

Irish and Halifax Porter and Ale

Spermaceti Candles

Mould and Dipped do.

Soap, Basket Salt

Feather Beds, Sole Leather

Lumber, &c. &c.

Also—

A QUANTITY FRENCH AND OTHER

WINES,

—CONSISTING OF—

BURGUNDY,

CHAMPAGNE,

CALCAVELLA,

BUCELLAS,

VIN DE GRAVE;

SAUTERNE,

HOCK,

OLD MOUNTAIN,

MADEIRA,

CLARET.

In Cases of Three Dozen each.

June 29.

Recently Imported

AND FOR SALE

BY

JOHN RYAN,

EX KELDY CASTLE and ARISTIDES, from Hamburg,

PORK Prime Mess in Bls. and Half-bls.

BREAD, good, common and fine

FLOUR, fine and superfine

BUTTER, first quality Holstein.

EX BRIG SARAH from Bristol,

Bolt, Bar and Sheet IRON

Bolt COPPER

NAILS (assorted sizes)

BLACK LEAD, LINSEED OIL

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

Stockholm and Coal TAR

PITCH, No. CANVASS

LINES and TWINES

CORDAGE, OAKUM

LOAF SUGAR in Casks

CURRENTS in Casks

Guinness' Bottled PORTER, (very superior)

Bottled ALE in packages of 3 dozen

SHERRY WINE in qr.-casks

COGNAC BRANDY, SOAP

Mold and Dipped CANDLES

REGISTER STOVES, &c. &c.

ALSO,

EX EDGECOMB, CONVIVIAL, and others,

An extensive and general assortment of Manufactured and other

GOODS,

Newest Fashions.

June 15.

On Sale

At Our usual Reduced Prices.

WE OFFER FOR SALE,

The Cargo of the Brig DEVONSHIRE,

CONSISTING OF

150 Puncheons of

RUM and MOLASSES,

To those with whom we have open Accounts, or in Barter for Fish.

J. DUNSCOMB & Co.

June 29.

The Cargo of the VESPER Captain Hutton, from Copenhagen,

2100 Bags Fine and Common BREAD

700 Barrels Superfine FLOUR

400 Ditto PORK

400 Firkins BUTTER.

ALSO,

EX MARNHULL, Capt. White, from the West Country,

800 Barrels POTATOES

22 Tons CUM COAL

10 1/2 M. CRICK

41 Casks LIME

And Sundries

For Cash,

BY

BAIN, JOHNSTON & Co.

June 8.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING

From the JULIA, from Liverpool,

AND OFFER FOR SALE,

2 PIPES } Prime Brant Madeira

10 Hogsheads } WINE.

40 Qr.—Casks }
June 1.

JUST ARRIVED

EX EWINS from Hamburg,

1250 Bags BREAD

450 Firkins BUTTER

300 Barrels PORK

200 Barrels Superfine FLOUR

EX NORVAL from Copenhagen,

300 Barrels PORK

300 Ditto Superfine FLOUR

200 Firkins BUTTER

1200 Bags No. 1, 2, & 3 BREAD

OATMEAL, PEASE, TAR & OAKUM

EX PRICKLE from Halifax,

25 Puncheons MOLASSES.

And on Sale by

BAIN, JOHNSTON & Co

June 1.

Robinson, Brooking, Garland & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING

From the Brigantine FAME, Capt. Figgitt, from Barbados.

98 Puncheons MOLASSES

43 Barrels } FINE SUGAR.

1 Tierce }

And for Sale on accommodating Terms.

June 1.

RICHARD HOWLEY



Poets Corner

THE MALTY YEWS.

BY THE CORN-LAW RHYMER

Famed Maltby Yews, with trunks like stone
Are you or these grey rocks the older
Like life in death, ye strangely grow,
And, dead alive, they sternly moulder.
Memorials grand of death and life,
That seem from Time new life to borrow!
Full many a race have ye outlived
Of men whose lives were crime and sorrow.

Age after age, while Time grew old,
Your withen boughs here slowly lengthen'd;
Storm-strengthen'd trees! your stormy strength
Five hundred years have darkly strengthen'd:
Yet, safe beneath your mighty roots,
The busy bee hath made its dwelling;
And at your feet the little mouse
With lifted hands its joy is telling.

And high above the full-voiced lark,
The sun that loves to see you, beameth
On lonely rock, and mossy trunk,
That with the rock coeval seemeth;
While all around the desert flowers
Where breezes drink their freshness gather,
As children come to kneel and bend
In prayer around their father's father.

Oh, could I write upon your gloom
A solemn verse that would not perish,
My written thought should warn and bless,
And nations saved the precept cherish
For I would bid the Dark and Strong
Be greatly good, and daily stronger,
That power to wrong, and will to wrong,
Like fiends divorced, might pair no longer.

(From "Sonnets by an Officer in India.")

KEATS.

"A THING of beauty is a joy for ever!"
The words were by a gentle spirit said;
And he died young;—yet not ere he had made
A wreath of flowers, whose sweets shall perish never!
Beauty shall always live—all things conspire
To make its life imperishable. Thou
Hast twined a fadeless chaplet for thy brow,
That well hath stood the fierce and angry fire
Of sneering envy and malignant ire.
Time that destroys the rose, preserves its balm—
Time that soon slew thee, makes thy memory's life;
Thy strains, which would not sink when storms were rife,
Now soar the waves above, in victory calm,
Imparting to the world sweet things of joy for ever!

WAYSIDE FLOWERS.

GATHERED IN WALES.

THE WIDOW'S WILLY.

It was pouring rain—(I believe it always rains in Wales)—and the rills were gushing down the mountains in mimic torrents, frothing and foaming on their path. I was watching the rapid and singular effect produced by the gathering, and as quickly dispersing, clouds,—now grasping old Snowdon as with a girdle, and then bursting away from him, and leaving his bleak yet glorious magnificence exposed to our admiration and astonishment,—when I heard the landlady's shrill voice exclaim to the oster, "Look out, David!"

In an instant David stood in front of the hostelry, holding his rabbit-skin cap in his hand.

"Grizzy!" exclaimed the landlady.

"Ea, sure," replied Grizzy.

"Grizzy, mop your face, and look out."

"Ea, sure," responded the domestic; "but how can I? Look at the rain, and the heat I'm in."

"Don't talk to me about rain and heat, you idle jade," said the bustling mistress of the Golden Goat; "but do as you are desired this minute, and bring me a clean cap."

I saw a handsome green chariot, well appointed in all respects, rattling down the opposite hill, which at once explained the cause of the landlady's anxiety. But while Grizzy "mopped her face," brought her mistress's cap, and "looked out," I heard her mutter, audibly too, the everlasting "Ea, sure! yes, sure!" of the Welsh girls; adding, "Such a fuss, such a mighty fuss, for the *Widow's Willy!*"

"Mrs. Jones," said I, "who is the *Widow's Willy?*"

The landlady opened her eyes. She was just preparing to step outside the door, for the carriage was drawing up; but she sprang back, and coming into the little room—half parlour, half kitchen,

where we had sheltered from the storm, she shut to the door, and in an agitated whisper exclaimed—"Ea, Ma'am!—Ea, sure, Ma'am!—I see you know, Ma'am!—But if you please, Ma'am!—Don't speak so loud, Ma'am!—Times change, Ma'am!—and people, too, Ma'am!—I must beg, Ma'am that you will give me leave, Ma'am, to ask *him* in here, Ma'am, while the horses are changing Ma'am!—And so I'll just roll this little butter-firkin under the table, for fear he should feel offended, Ma'am."

This piece of eloquence was interspersed with sundry dips and courtesies—illustrations of her humility and activity. She was a round, little, fat woman, wearing (I suppose upon the principle of that harmony which painters rave about) cherry-coloured ribands, to match her cherry-coloured cheeks: upon no other principle, I am sure, would she have chosen to move upon the earth like an animated pony.

The gentlemen of our party, I must say, one and all were afflicted by a mania, which, universal as it is, (at least, amongst my acquaintances,) I think the most extraordinary one going, even when the dog-star rages. They would leave us ladies to take our ease at our inn much longer than we desired, and go wandering up and down the brawling streams, casting pieces of twine into the water, and waiting (with more patience than they would for the safe stowage of our boxes) to see what it would fetch out of the water. They called the rain fine weather for "sport." Sport, indeed!—pretty sport! They would, after half a day's pastime, bring home eight or ten trout, and some wrigling eels; and then, wet and weary, instead of attending to our amusement, fall upon a discourse relative to the superior merits of London hooks or Liverpool hooks; which discourse gradually warmed into a dispute, the London angler getting the worst of it, only because, he said, it was two to one against him. And from hooks they would get on to flies, not single or double-bodied flies, into which five or six persons cram, and then tell the coachman to drive fast—not living flies but caricatures of the insect tribe, stuck upon pieces of wire: and then the merits of London and Liverpool were again discussed, the Liverpoolians being exceedingly proud of their flies, and thinking them, as they think every thing else in their town, the best, the most perfect in the world. The next morning they were all certain to wake with colds, and then wonder (after standing stupidly for five or six hours in the rain) how they caught them!

All this has nothing to do with the *Widow's Willy*;—I only meant to say, that though it was raining, the gentlemen had gone fishing, and I was occupied in observing, with some curiosity, the entrance of a being so peculiarly constituted, that he *might* have felt offended at the sight of a butter firkin!

I very much dislike looking at ugly people, it spoils one's taste; but my utter abhorrence is a "pretty man." The gentleman who descended from the green chariot belonged to this obnoxious class. He was *petit*, fair; a moustache of light auburn shaded a rosy mouth; his complexion was brilliant; his eyes gray, I believe his eyelashes almost white. He was enveloped in a velvet cloak, lined with ermine; and he trod daintily on his toes, until (without seeming to know that a lady was in the room) he seated himself in an old-fashioned arm-chair, and placed his feet upon the fender. He looked round the room, apparently without seeing anything; and at last he took off his travelling cap;—that had given a graceful air to his head, which it much needed. The instant it was removed, an expression of shrewdness, and I fancied meanness, spread itself over the "pretty man," and my dislike to him increased tenfold. Mrs. Jones entered, courtesying as usual—"Would he like to take anything? Some sherry, some negus, some — She had everything in her house, and all at his service."—"No; nothing, made it a rule to drink no wine out of his own house!" Mrs. Jones courtesied again and withdrew.

I thought over the tones of his voice, and they pleased me as little as his countenance: it was vulgar voice, toned by affectation. I was angry to find that he engrossed so much of my attention, and yet I could not help observing him. His hair was stiff, but had been artificially curled over a broad, flat head; the brow was not ill-formed, but was deficient in that height, which gives an air of dignity, to the most insignificant features; his — But the horses were changed, and stepping out as daintily as he stepped in, the "Widow's Willy," enveloped in ermine and velvet, rolled himself up in his carriage, and then the carriage rolled off; while Mrs. Jones courtesied to the ground, and all the two-footed creatures belonging to the Golden Goat stood bareheaded in the pouring rain.

"I'm so glad I put the firkin out of the way," said Mrs. Jones, gleefully rubbing her hands.

"You are sure, Ma'am, he did not see it?"

"How could he?" I replied; "it was concealed by the table-cover."

"Ah! so it was; but bless you, Ma'am, a table-cover is nothing to him. He knows the value of knowing all too well for that. Ah! well, I say nothing."

I saw Mrs. Jones wanted to say a great deal; and, from my childhood up, I have been an excellent listener.

"Stingy fellow," grumbled the oster to Grizzy, outside the window.

"Ea, sure!" replied Grizzy.

"And one does want a drop of summat this weather," reiterated he of the rabbit-skin cap.

"Ea!—What could one expect from the *Widow's Willy?*" replied the damsel.

"Do you know *all* the particulars about him, Ma'am?" inquired the landlady, who, now that he was fairly gone, longed to tell them. Besides, he had affronted her sherry, and treated her *cwrrw* with contempt; and a vulgar person never forgives a slight from those who have risen to high places! Having ascertained that I did not know any, much less *all* the particulars of this nondescript, Mrs. Jones proceeded to gratify my curiosity and her own volubility:

"There lived," said the landlady, "about ten years ago, near Denbigh—indeed, close to the town—a very rich, bustling, red-faced, comfortable-looking gentleman. He had something to do with everything going. He fed cattle, hundreds of sheep, scores of pigs. He was the real proprietor of several inns; one at Bangor, one at Chester—indeed, it would have been hard to discover where he had not property. Ships upon the sea were his; and many a sleepless night he passed when the winds blew, and made him tremble for his wealth. He married, a few—and only a few—years before his death, a very handsome, noble-looking woman—lady she was not, but handsome she certainly was; and people *did* say, not a bit better than she should be."

"Few of us are," said I.

The landlady looked at me rather suspiciously, and replied—"That may be true; but you know, Ma'am, when the world says people are no better than they should be, it means that they are a great deal worse than their neighbours. However, she *was* a beauty—that's certain; and one day her husband died, leaving her all he possessed in the world, which, you may be certain, was a great deal more than any one, except his widow knew."

"The gentleman, I must tell you, was a great tyrant in his way. He was over head and ears civil to anybody that did not heed his civility, but he was a harsh, stern, bitter man to his dependents. It so chanced that one of his herdsmen was lost in a snow drift, one very hard winter, about thirty years ago. He was to have been married to a mountain girl; and that he *ought* to have been so, was proved by the fact of her creeping, poor thing, to his lonely grave in the lonely churchyard, and, in the dead hour of a cold spring night, giving birth to a boy, who, it was supposed, drew his first breath as his mother breathed her last. There was not a woman amongst the hills or valleys, that would not have pressed that poor, feeble, wailing infant to her bosom, and kept it as her own child; and, doing so, would have thought it only an act of common humanity. But when the rich master of the lands offered to allow the old creature who cherished it, five shillings a week for its support, and signified his intention of providing for the boy, oh, sure! but the mountains rang with praises of the great man's liberality. There was hardly anything else talked of, for a whole month, between Denbigh and Carnarvon. In process of time, the little fellow was sent to the village school; but as soon as he got out of his "hot-hooks and hangers," the rich gentleman discovered he was a smart lad, and took him into his own house. The boy was active, dirty, and prying;—here the landlady paused, and cast an inquisitive look at the butter firkin,—"prying as need be; and that same prying, I have observed, Ma'am, lets people into a deal of news. He was about fifteen when his patron (as they call him) died; and I never could find out what led to it first, (for every thing must have a beginning) but he became quite the widow's factotum. He was an ugly, pale-faced chap, too, for all he is called such a *pretty man* now,—sometimes acting as foot-boy, sometimes as clerk—sometimes as one thing, sometimes as another—she would snub him, and sneer him, and he would bear it all with such humility. I have heard it was only a word and a blow with her, (some of your beautiful women are very spiteful!) but he it what it would, Willy bore it all, bowing and bowing—yet it seemed to more than one, that he was gaining influence over the lady, and that by the most servile tricks you can imagine. It was strange enough that this woman when a wife, was heedlessly, thoughtlessly extravagant, but when she became a widow she was a thousand times more thrifty than the old gentleman had been hunting after brass as if it had been gold, and adding farthings to shillings, and shillings to pounds, as if her life depended on accumulating. I heard a person say, who was fond of tracing things to their origin, that she only spent money when she did not consider it her own, but that when the old man's property became hers, then she manifested her *real* disposition. Above all things, she speculated on an immense dairy farm; her mornings were employed in looking after cows, her evenings, in calculating her gains; and about this same farm did Willy unceasingly busy himself—he was up with the lark, and away after the boys to see that the cows were early in the byre, then he would go peeping to ascertain the quantity of milk, then pry into the churns to see how the butter was rising, and finally superintend the tubbing of that very butter! That is not all," continued Mrs. Jones, her rubicund countenance glowing with a deeper tint as she proceeded—"I assure you it was a saying, whenever anything of light weight appeared in our market, 'that it was packed by the *Widow's Willy*.' Many and many a time have I seen him astride a butter firkin—his keen grey eyes wandering from tub to tub; aye, more—I have known him eat his bit cheese, and drink half a pint of *cwrrw* in the market-place sooner than leave his precious cargo to the carman's care! Yet he could not touch my sherry, forsooth!"—The landlady paused in her ire. Had I been a man, I would have ordered a pint, or bottle, or whatever is customary of that

same sherry, forthwith, to perfect the restoration of her temper, which was, nevertheless, tolerably equalized by being permitted to abuse a fortunate neighbour.

"The widow, Ma'am," she continued, "had many, I may say noble, offers of marriage—but all in vain. She said No, no, no, to them all; and always walked into her pew in the church at Denbigh with what I should fancy the air of a duchess—Willy treading in her footsteps, creeping humbly behind, carrying her prayer-book. There were not wanting those who said Willy was likely to wed the widow; but then it was thought, if he had any idea of that kind, he would have begun to hold up his head in the world; but no, Willy's head poked more than ever, and his mistress snubbed quite as much; and some were silly enough to pity him, and when they hinted as much to the boy, he only laughed a low muttering laugh, which sounded more like scorn than sympathy."

"The widow and her Willy lived on this sort of life for many a day—and people had almost forgotten to talk about them. She continued to amass wealth, and he to look after the butter-firkins and carry her prayer-book—until, behold! the widow fell ill. She grew worse and worse, worse and worse, but it was not until two days before she died that any change became apparent in Willy's manner. He had gone about with his eyes as usual, until, as I said before, the second day before her death; when suddenly he made his appearance at his mistress's chamber door, crept stealthily to her bed side, and, taking her hand, inquired how she did. Ea! but the nurse stared, and from that time till the hour she died he never left her room. The nurse said that once or twice she was on the point of asking him what he did there, but his grey eye twinkled on her, just as an icicle twinkles in a moonbeam; and she had not the power to speak. The widow died at one; and at two—was not Willy a great man!—if he did not command no one ever did: of all things in the world, Ma'am I have observed that ordering needs no practice—people fall into it so naturally, and he lorded it like a born lord. The moment his back was turned, one said, 'I won't do so,' and another swore 'I won't do so,' but yet those who swore the loudest obeyed the most quickly—when his eye was on them: and to be sure good right they had—*Willy had been the widow's husband for four years!*"

"How very strange!" I exclaimed.

"Ea, sure! so it was," said Mrs. Jones, "very strange indeed—for she was her own mistress. But the minister who married them had an income for life to keep the secret—and the funeral was the grandest ever remembered in Denbigh Church; though they did say that Willy agreed with the undertaker to take the silver plates off the coffin, when it was lowered in the vault, to save expense—though, God knows, he was heedless enough of that in other matters;—to be sure it was to serve an end."

"What end, Mrs. Jones?"

"To be a gentleman, to be sure," laughed the landlady. "No hard thing, I fancy, with seventy or eighty thousand pounds to back the desire. Didn't I see, with my own eyes, Lord Flanberris eye him from head to foot the Sunday before the widow's death, as if he was a poisonous animal—and the next Sunday didn't he smile at him; a cold faint smile (for his claim on all her wealth was not believed at first),—and the next Sabbath his Lordship bowed—the next shook hands—and the next absolutely drove him home in his own carriage to dinner! To be sure, he has four unmarried daughters," added Mrs. Jones; "and none of them much to look at."

"What a strange history!" said I.

"We poor creatures," quoth the landlady, "who live by our civility, might be forgiven for bowing low to this man, though we despise him—but we have our bread to earn, and such as him expect ten times the attention of your real gentlefolk; but since, he has got into Parliament he carries it all before him in this part of the world—and I hear that all his odd prying ways are called eccentricities. However, it will be long before I am as civil to him as I have been. Sherry, indeed!—Many and many a month he drank nothing but butter-milk."

The rain had ceased, the gentlemen returned from fishing; when suddenly, the chariot which carried this man of changed fortunes away from the hostelry appeared on the return.

"Ea, sure!" exclaimed the landlady, "I thought he was going to town; but, I warrant me, he only went to pay a visit some five miles on!"

Such is the power of wealth, that the landlady forgot her resolution. Again the oster and Grizzy were summoned—and again did Grizzy, consistent only because she had never been tempted to the contrary,—grumble at the fuss made by her mistress on account of the "Widow's Willy."

EFFECTS OF COLD.—"Sir, I shall fine you for not wearing a white cravat with your academic dress," said a strict disciplinarian to an unfortunate freshman, on a raw morning in January. "Fine me! I assure you, sir, my cravat is white." "How can you say so, sir? Do I not see that it is blue?" "Oh, sir, it was white when I put it on this morning, but it looks blue from the cold."