

LONDON.
CURIOUS OCCURRENCE.

BOW-STREET.—Wednesday evening, one of the most extraordinary investigations took place before Mr. NARES, the Sitting Magistrate, that ever disgraced a civilized country, respecting two beings in the shape of men, whose conduct proved that they could not possess intellects superior to beasts. It appeared, that on the same evening as Croker, belonging to the office, was passing along the Hampstead-road he observed at a short distance before him two men on a wall, and directly after, he observed the tallest of them, a stout man, about six feet high, hanging by his neck from a lamp-post, attached to the wall, being that instant tied up, and turned off deliberately by the short man; this very unexpected and extraordinary sight astonished and alarmed the Officer; he made up to the spot with all possible speed, and just after he arrived there the tall man who had been hanged fell to the ground. Croker produced his staff, said he was an Officer, and demanded to know of the other man the cause of such extraordinary conduct; in the mean time the man who had been hanged recovered from the effects of his suspension, got up, and on finding Croker interfering, gave him a violent blow on the nose, which nearly knocked him backwards. The short man was then endeavoring to make off; however, the officer procured assistance, and both the men were secured and brought to the above office, when the account the fellows gave of themselves was that they worked together on Wednesday afternoon, had tossed up with half-pence for money, and afterwards for their clothes: the tall man, who was hanged, won the other's jacket, trousers, and shoes. They then, in the most wanton manner, and worse than brutes, tossed up who should hang each other. The short one won that toss, and they got upon the wall. The one to submit, and the other to carry their savage conduct into execution on the lamp-iron. They both agreed in this statement. The tall one, who had been hanged, said, if he won the toss, he would have hanged the other. He said he then felt the effect on his neck of the time he was hanging, and his eyes were so much swelled that he saw double. Mr. NARES and Mr. BIRNIE, the Magistrates, both expressed their horror and disgust at such conduct and language, and ordered the man who had been hanged to find bail for the violent and unjustifiable assault on the officer, and the short one for hanging the other. Neither of them being provided with bail, they were committed to Bridewell for trial.

Famous Decree of General MINA.

This celebrated Leader of the Guerillas, induced by the horrid atrocities of the French invaders of his Country, issued some time ago, the following Decree:—

- ART. 1. In Navarre, War and Death without quarter, is declared against all French soldiers and officers, including the Emperor himself.
2. French officers, and soldiers taken, with or without arms, in any action, shall be hung, and their uniforms placed on the high roads.
3. Any officer, soldier, or person of whatever description, who assists, or suffers a Frenchman to escape, shall infallibly be shot.
4. Any person speaking against this Decree shall be shot, and their property distributed among the division.
5. The house, in any town, in which any Frenchman is found concealed, shall be burnt, and its inhabitants shot.

BOSTON, MAY 12.

From the New-York Commercial Advertiser.

A letter, we understand, has been received in town, from a respectable citizen of Alexandria, stating an interview he had just held with a gentleman at Washington high in the confidence of the Administration. In this interview, the gentleman observed:

That the government were now convinced that the French Decrees were in renewed operation against the commerce of the United States;

That the government viewed Mr. Barlow's late communication, respecting the prospect of completing two treaties with Bonaparte, as premature and unjudicious;—and

That he [the informant] believed, that our government would, within the compass of six weeks, declare war against France.

MAY 18.

LATEST FROM LISBON.

Yesterday arrived here ship Columbia, Jennison, 30 days from Lisbon. Mr. S. A. Wells, passenger in the above vessel, reports, that Badajoz, after an investment of 21 days, 13 of which was employed in close firing, capitulated to the English on the 6th April; he adds, that the assault of the city was most horrid; that the breaches were repeatedly stormed, and the walls scaled; and that the castle was the first point carried. The killed and wounded on the part of the French was not ascertained; the prisoners were from 2 to 3000; the loss of the English was great, said to be 1500 in killed and wounded, among whom were 5 or 6 Generals, 6 or 7 Colonels and a considerable number of other officers; during the siege the garrison had blown up two mines. Our next accounts from Lisbon, will probably furnish the official particulars of this important event. Mr. Wells also reports, that just before he sailed, a report was in circulation, that General Ballesteros had on the 7th of April, surprised and taken the city of Seville.—

By the Benjamin, Franklin, arrived at N. York, from Bayonne, we have a confirmation of the continuance of the Berlin and Milan Decrees. So far from their being rescinded, private letters as late as the 5th of April say, that there is not the least idea in France

of any alteration taking place in favor of American Commerce. Mr. Barlow, it was said, was determined to despatch the Hornet in a few days, with an assurance to our Government that he could obtain nothing of the Emperor's minister, but fair promises.

From the Philadelphia True American.

We understand that subscription papers are circulating in the country praying Congress to avert the evils of a war with Great-Britain, and that these petitions are handed about by some of the most influential characters among the democrats—and the idea is understood to be favored by the administration.—[No doubt of it.]

From the Philadelphia Gazette.

It is reported that a letter is in town, said to be written by Mr. Madison and addressed to a Gentleman in this city, formerly a Senator of the United States, in which he says, that he had hitherto firmly believed that the voice of the people were decidedly in favor of war with England; that he had acted under that impression, although individually, he deprecated such an event: but that now, finding that the people were not desirous of war he should act in conformity to their will. We do not vouch for the accuracy of the above; although we certainly believe that a letter, much of the above tenor, is in town.

[We learn from an accurate source, that the letter referred to in the preceding article, was received from Mr. Madison by Mr. Logan.]—Boston Gazette.

From HALIFAX, MAY 22.

Wrecked.—On the 6th inst. the brig Speculator, Hutchinson, from Greenock in ballast, was driven on shore in a gale, by the ice, near the entrance of Canso harbour, and crushed in pieces.—The Master and crew were saved on the deck.

THE ROYAL GAZETTE.

SAINT JOHN, MONDAY, JUNE 1, 1812.

By the Ship Rosina, Capt. Potter, which arrived on Wednesday afternoon in 31 days from Plymouth, we were politely favored with a Plymouth paper of the 25th ult. containing an account of the fall of Badajoz by storm, on the night of the 6th ult. brought to Plymouth by the Fantome sloop of war, in 8 days from Lisbon, with despatches from Lord WELLINGTON.—We are sorry to add the loss of many valuable Officers and brave men on this occasion.

Came passengers in the Rosina, Major-General SMYTH, and family—a General Salute from Fort Howe, welcomed the Major-General's landing.—We understand the Major-General is to succeed His Honor Lieutenant-General HUNTER, in the Civil and Military command of this Province.

ARRIVALS.

- Ship Rosina, Capt. Potter, from Plymouth.
- Ship Lord Hood, Capt. Smith, from Hull.
- Ship Sarah, Capt. Frank, from Shields.
- Ship Brothers, Capt. Jenkinson, Portsmouth.
- Brig Castalia, Capt. Sopwith, from Shields.
- Brig Hope, Capt. Græge, from Perth.
- Brig Peggy, Captain Pearson, from London, via Halifax—Cargo, Bale Goods to John Robinson, Salmon Wheeler, B. Gilbert, & Son, James Codner, Noah Disbrow, and Andrew Crookshank.

MARRIED] Yesterday at Trinity Church, by the Rev. Dr. BYLES, Captain GEORGE EVATT, 55th Regt. to SUSAN, second daughter of JOHN BECKWITH, Esq. of the Bower, Halifax.

JOHN L. VENNOR

Has now Landing from on board the PEGGY from LONDON,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF BRITISH MERCHANDIZE

—COMPRISING—

SALMON Twine; Fishing Lines; London Bottled Brown Stout; Hawsers and other Cordage; Iron and Nails; Paint and Oil; Scythes, New England pattern; Canvas and Raven's Duck; Fine Indigo; Calicos and Muslins; Cloth Silks and Twists; India White Cottons; Ditto Silk Handkerchiefs; Loaf Sugar; Teas; Pepper; Mustard in kegs; Hats; Shoes; Stationary.

Besides CLOTHS, FLANNELS, and the usual variety of Linen and Cotton Manufactures.

All which he offers for Sale on very low terms for prompt payment in CASH or PRODUCE. 67
Saint John, 30th May 1812.

JOHN ROBINSON,

Has Received by the Augustus from LIVERPOOL, and Peggy from LONDON,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF MERCHANDIZE,

Which he is now opening for Sale on reasonable terms, viz.

SUPERFINE and Coarse Cloths; Red and White Flannels; Flax and Tow Oznaburghs; 1/2 and 3/4 Irish Linens; Shirting Cottons; Printed Calico and Shawls; Corded and India Dimities; White Jean; Fustians; Clouting Diaper; Towelling ditto; 1/2, 3/4 and 1 Table Cloths; Dowls and Raven's Duck; Brown Holland; Long Lawns; Lenos and Muslins; India Silk Handkerchiefs; Black and colored Barcelona ditto; Black and white Crape; Ribbons; Sewing Silks and Twist; Men and Boys Hats; Black Pepper; Loaf Sugar; Salad Oil and Fish Sauces; Stationary, and many other articles.

SAINT JOHN, 29th May, 1812.

LIBRARY.

THE Proprietors of the SAINT JOHN SOCIETY LIBRARY, are notified that the LIBRARIAN will commence his attendance on Wednesday afternoon, from two to four o'clock, to deliver the Books; and will continue it the same hours on every Wednesday and Saturday.
Monday, 1st June, 1812.

JAMES CODNER

Has just received by the last Vessels from LONDON and LIVERPOOL, a seasonable and elegant assortment of GOODS, now opening for Sale at the most reasonable prices, comprising the following articles, viz.—

SUPERFINE and other Cloths; Cassimeres; Plaids; Flannels; Sheetings; White Cottons; Dowls; Duck; Oznaburghs; 1/2 Irish Linens and Shirting Cottons; Bedtickings; Brown Holland; White and colored Cambrics; Lustre for gowns; Long Lawns; Lenos; Muslins; Dimities; A handsome assortment of Printed Calicos and Shawls; Handkerchiefs; Checks and Striped Cottons; Ribbons; White Chapel Needles; Pins; Tapes; Bindings; Threads, Sewing Silks; and Cotton Balls; Ladies fashionable Straw and Beaver Hats and Bonnets, with feathers, &c.; Lace Caps and Pilgrim Tippets; Worsted and Cotton Sandalls; Fashionable silk trimmings; Shoes and Gloves; Fine Cotton and Worsted Hosiery; Cotton Night Caps; Mens' and Youths' superfine and coarse Hats; Silk and Cotton Braces; Fashionable Waistcoating; Ready made Pantalons; Best Calf Skin; Morocco ditto; Suwarrow Boot Legs and Boot Soles; Patent Shoe Blacking and Heel Ball; Perfumery; Loaf Sugar; Poland Starch and Fig Blue; Scotch Barley; Mustard; Black Pepper; Ginger; White Wine Vinegar; Powder and Shot; Fine Sallad Oil; London White Lead, and Yellow Paint and Paint Oil; Crown Glass, 7 by 9 and 8 by 10; Cutlery; Hardware; Ironmongery, &c. &c.
St. John, June 1, 1812.

JACOBS MOTT,

Has received by the Brig PEGGY from LONDON, and Ship ARGUS from LIVERPOOL, A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF STATIONARY, —Which he will Sell low for CASH. June 1.

NOTICE.

THE Dissolution of the Partnership between GEORGE M'CALL and ARCHIBALD R. HENDERSON, having taken place in consequence of the death of Mr. M'CALL—All Persons indebted to the said Firm, or to GEORGE M'CALL prior thereto, are hereby required to settle the same without delay with ARCHIBALD R. HENDERSON; and all those who have any Demands either against Mr. GEORGE M'CALL, or the said Firm of M'CALL and HENDERSON will present the same.

LYDIA M'CALL, Executrix.

ANDREW CROOKSHANK, Executor.

Saint John, N. B. 28th May, 1812.

THE SUBSCRIBERS being appointed Commissioners to inquire into the Insolvency of the Estate of JOHN CRAFT, late of the City of Saint John, deceased, (who died intestate) and to examine and settle the Claims of all the Creditors of the said Estate, do hereby give notice that they will meet at the Exchange Coffee-House in the said City, on Tuesday the 9th June next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of adjusting the Claims of the several Creditors.

JOHN WARD,

J. C. F. BREMNER,

DAVID HATFIELD.

Saint John, 28th May 1812.

TO BE LET

And possession given immediately, till the first of MAY next—

A FRONT ROOM, Bed Room, and Pantry, in the house, on the corner of Duke and Prince William Streets, with a common privilege of the Garret, Cellar, and Yard—for further particulars inquire of Mr. ANTHONY BAKER, York Point, or the Subscriber in Wickham, Queen's County.

SAMUEL PARKER.

SAINT JOHN, MAY 30, 1812.

To be Sold at Public Auction,

ON THURSDAY the 11th of JUNE next, at the Dwelling House of the late JAMES H. LAMB, the residue of his Stock in Trade, and personal Estate; by ROBERT SMITH, Auctioneer.

HARRIET LAMB, Sole Executrix.

Fredericton, 20th May, 1812.

NOTICE.

ALL those who have Accounts against General HUNTER, are requested to present them for payment immediately. May 25, 1812.

WANTED,

A MAID SERVANT of a good character, to attend on a Lady and Child going to Canada. Enquire at the Royal Gazette Office. Saint John, 18th May, 1812.

ALL persons having any demands against the Estate of JAMES H. LAMB, late of Fredericton, Merchant, deceased, are requested to send them in, duly attested, within Twelve Months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

HARRIET LAMB, Sole Executrix.

Fredericton, 20th May, 1812.