

The squadron in Lynhaven Bay, on the 5th, consisted of the St. Domingo and Dragon 74 guns; Statira and Janon of 38, and Maidstone of 36. On Saturday the 6th, they were joined by the Belvidera of 36, and Lauristons of 24. On the same evening, the St. Domingo and Dragon went to sea, the remainder of the squadron remained at anchor in the bay.

One of the Baltimore papers conjectures that the blockade is owing to the expectation of the arrival of a French fleet in the Chesapeake, the Admiral wishing to prevent information of the force there.

It is said Admiral Warren has sent despatches to government, and it was rumoured at Washington that the Senate were engaged on this new proposition with closed doors.

The ship Emily's register was thus endorsed: "I hereby certify, that the Bay and Harbours of the Chesapeake were yesterday (5th) put under a strict and rigorous blockade." J. B. WARREN, Vice Admiral of the Blue, Com. in Chief.

By the schooner Joanna, arrived at this port yesterday, in 30 days from St. Jago de Cuba, we learn, that a Spanish brig had just arrived at St. Jago, from St. Martha's, with news of that place being taken by the Revolutionists; and that 22 vessels had sailed from thence for Cuba with troops and emigrants.

PORT ROYAL, (Jamaica,) November 14.

About 20 minutes past 2 o'clock on Wednesday morning last, a severe shock of an earthquake was felt in this town, and about a quarter of an hour before six the same morning, a very alarming and tremendous earthquake was experienced, which lasted nearly half a minute, consisting of three distinct shocks, each of which increased in violence, and have occasioned considerable damage to many houses in this town, by throwing down chimnies, cracking walls, and demolishing ceilings; the church and the bridge have also sustained some damage, and the clock on the public buildings was stopped. This earthquake is the most severe felt by the oldest inhabitants, and had it continued a few seconds longer, the destruction of most of the buildings in this town and Kingston would have been inevitable. Several people who were in the Carraccas during the late terrible earthquakes there, mention that the shocks were not so severe as those felt on Wednesday, and account for the destruction occasioned in that place, by the great length of time the earthquake continued, the loose sandy soil on which the buildings were erected, and the flat roofs of the houses. The mischief done in Kingston, we are truly sorry to say, has been very considerable:

All the cornices of the church, commencing from the left side of the altar to the northern door, have fallen down and destroyed the pews beneath; the ceiling is cracked, and the plastering injured in different places; the wall of the steeple cracked, the wood work of the southern door shaken out of its original place, and the clock stopped.

The gable end of Mr. Robert Donaldson's house in Duke-street fell in on his bed, and, melancholy to relate, that unfortunate gentleman (who has long laboured under the severest of human afflictions, blindness) had one of his legs broken so severely in two places as to require its being amputated shortly after.

The counting-house of Messrs. Bogles & Co. at the bottom of King-street, suffered much; part of the southern and western wall, the latter in the clerk's bed chamber, fell in, and the eastern wall is cracked in several places; the wood work is injured in different directions, and the whole building is severely shaken, also several openings made in the earth near their wharf.

Harmony-Hall house, the property of Mr. Meek, has sustained dreadful injury; the whole of the walls are rent, and the elegant ceiling destroyed, exclusive of other injury to the building.

Great injury has been sustained in the Portuguese synagogue in Princes-street, the walls are rent in four places, besides other damage done to the building.

The walls of the beef market are cracked in different directions, and the building otherwise injured.

Several chimnies have been thrown down, amongst them those at the sugar-houses of Messrs. Kennedy and Gutzmer, and McIntosh and Parker.

The barracks at Up-Park camp have suffered severely. At Lieut. Col. Wharton, of the 60th's quarters, the plastering and a quantity of brick-work is fallen down, and most of the furniture destroyed from it.—The quarters of Lieut. Col. Haffey, of the 18th, have experienced nearly the same fate. In both mess-rooms all the plastering and ceiling, and great part of the internal work is destroyed, and the mess utensils are broken from the rubbish which has fallen on them.

At Rock-Fort the watering wharf has been injured, and almost the whole of the guttering from the reservoir has suffered much, and some of the springs have dried up.

The Overseer's house on Papina Estate in Liguanea, suffered severely; some of the walls have fallen in, and others rent so much as to render it dangerous to reside in it. The still-house chimney is down, and the boiling-house one is so much injured as to require rebuilding.

Besides the above, almost every building of any magnitude in the city received injury, but we are happy to state that no persons as we have ascertained lost their lives, although (exclusive of the probability of houses falling on them) many ran the hazard from jumping out of the upper stories into the streets.

Madame Marolin, alarmed at the shocks, ran from her room into a balcony, from which she unfortunately fell, and, being pregnant, is much injured and her life despaired of. Several persons were more or less hurt by the falling in of the walls, &c.

The Martello tower at Fort Nugent is split down the middle, and the spring of water, which supplied

the navy, is completely stopped. Part of the walls at Fort Augusta have suffered.

From Port Royal, we learn, that no very material damage has been sustained there—the hospital suffered a little, the partition walls between the 11th and 12th wards having split in two places. The watchman at the dock-yard a few minutes previous to the shock, observed a tremendously large meteor, which passed in a direction from the south-east to the north-west—the shock is stated to have lasted one minute, and some seconds.

The great house of the Farm pen is almost destroyed, the walls being split and otherwise severely damaged.

Off the White-Horses, the people on board the Enterprise felt the shock of the earthquake very severely. The following extracts of letters describing the effects of the Earthquake were received by the posts on Thursday:—

Anatto-Bay, November 11, 1813.

"You must ere now have been informed of the severe earthquake we experienced here this morning. I suppose it was about the hour of six o'clock. It first began with a subterraneous noise, and was immediately followed by a shock, which increased, abated, and increased again, and ended with a report not unlike an explosion. From its beginning to the end, I think it could not have taken up less time than from 70 to 80 seconds. The road running from Gibraltar line, down to the Bay, opened in several places; and, from the cracks it left behind, I believe the direction of the shock to have been from north-west to south-east. All the houses on the Bay are more or less injured; the house of Mrs. Moore, and the house I occupy, have not suffered any thing material. The pillars from underneath the new house are tumbled down, and with screws and posts your mechanics are now supporting it. The walls of the works are cracked in several places, but not so bad but what can soon be mended except the chimnies of the boiling house, which will require to be taken down. I am sorry now to come to add the worst—the damages done to the great-house (on Gibraltar estate) and adjacent buildings; the western wall has separated from the inside wall not less than six inches; the two beds rooms on that side were covered with stone, brick, and other materials falling from the top; the ceiling in a great many parts of the house torn up; fortunately Providence ordained it so, that no person was in that part; a great deal of bottled liquor, and other articles was also destroyed; the dining-hall also met with severe damage; the cornices are cracked in several places, and the wood-work of the chimney split. The shock was so severe that the wall-shades were thrown down on the floor. The mason work of the kitchen and wash house is completely destroyed, and what is standing will have to be taken down. The shipping in the harbor also felt it: The Experiment parted her stern cables, and swung round, but was soon brought to her anchor. Reports from the country coming in are such as to indicate that of falling down of buildings, &c. but, happy I am to add, no lives have been lost to my knowledge.

"P. S. I forgot in my narrative to observe that the atmosphere appeared very gloomy previous to the shocks; but no sooner was the explosion over than a fine breeze sprung up, the sun made its appearance, and we enjoyed a pleasant day, rather warm, and light breezes. I just now hear the Experiment did not part, as supposed, but that the anchorage ground gave way, and anchors and cables swallowed up, and that she drifted round at the rate of twelve knots. The timber-head, to which the stern cable was fastened, gave way, which saved the stern from being torn out, and in all probability the ship itself.

Another letter from Anatto-Bay states, that the Experiment lost ninety fathoms of cable along with her anchor. The ship Lord Cathcart, Bixly, also lying there, sustained no damage. There are large chasms on different parts of the bay.

Extract of another letter.

Rectory, St. George, Wednesday morning, 20 m. past 6, A. M.

"About half an hour ago we had a violent shock of an earthquake. Thank God we have received no injury—the house is much injured—hardly safe for us to stay in it. The outer walls cracked in a great many places—some stone fallen out—the chimney down, and all the plastering inside the house thrown down; had the shocks lasted a few seconds longer the whole building would have fallen upon us. It passed from W. to E. which leads me to hope it has done no damage on the south side."

The church at Buff Bay has also been considerably injured.

We are happy to state, that the injury sustained from the earthquake, by the church in this town, has not been so material as to render the building unsafe, or to prevent the performance of Divine Service, as usual, to-morrow. Our readers will observe, by the Proclamation in this paper, that a day of Thanksgiving for the great danger we have escaped from, has been appointed to be held on Wednesday the 25th inst. throughout this island.

CORNELIUS VAN HORNE, BLACKSMITH,

RESPECTFULLY informs his Friends and the Public in general, that he has taken the Shop lately occupied by Mr. WILLIAM STENING, where he intends carrying on the above business in its various branches, and hopes, by a strict attention, to merit a share of their favors.

N. B. Work will be done at his Shop much cheaper than heretofore for CASH in hand when delivered. St. John, 1st February, 1813.

THE ROYAL GAZETTE

SAINT JOHN, MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1813.

Since our last we have been favored with Boston papers to the 22d ult. from them we have made copious extracts for this day's Gazette.

Post-Office, St. John, 8th March, 1813.

The arrival of the Mail from Halifax being so irregular and uncertain, it is concluded for the present, to close the Mail for Halifax, on the next day after its arrival, at 10 A. M. The Fredericton Mail continues to be closed on Thursday evening.

WM. CAMPBELL, Postmaster.

MARRIED] At Sussex Vale, on the 23d ult. by the Rev. Mr. Arnold, GEORGE ARNOLD, Esq. to Miss ELIZA HALLETT, both of that place.

In this City, on Thursday evening, by the Rev. Mr. Viets, Mr. CHARLES THOMAS to Miss ELIZABETH HUMBERT, daughter of Stephen Humbert, Esq. all of this City.

OFFICE OF ORDNANCE, ST. JOHN, (New-Brunswick) 4th MARCH, 1813. WANTED IMMEDIATELY

FOR the use of His Majesty's Works, the undermentioned Articles, viz. 8000 BRICKS, 5 Hogsheads of LIME, and 80 Bushels of SAND. ROBERT PARKER, Ordnance Storekeeper.

WANTED

A SERVANT in a small family where other Servants are kept, a WOMAN of good character, and that can be well recommended—Inquire at this Office. 4s St. John, 8th March, 1813.

To be Sold by Private Contract

Any time previous to the 15th day of April next, THE Lease of that valuable Farm, of seven years' endurance from next Mayday, at present occupied by the Subscriber, the property of the Hon. GEORGE LEONARD, in Sussex Vale, King's County. Along with the Lease will be sold the use of from eighteen to forty head of capital Milch Cows and Heifers, a number of young Cattle of different ages, also, a number of fine Sheep, and Hogs, &c. &c.

The above Farm is capable of keeping upwards of one hundred head of black Cattle, one hundred Sheep, a span of horses, &c. well throughout the year. Further particulars may be known on application to the Subscriber on the Farm, who will be ready to conclude a bargain with any good farmer.

GAYIN SMITH, 3s Sussex Vale, 12th January, 1813.

ALL persons having demands against the Estate of the late AMOS BORSFORD, Esquire, of Sackville, deceased, are hereby required to render the same duly attested; and all those who are indebted to the said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to WILLIAM BOTSFORD, Executor. Sackville, 8th March, 1813. 6s

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

THAT all Persons having any business to transact with the Commandant, are directed to attend at the Town Major's Office, at Portland, between the hours of ten in the Morning, and two in the Afternoon, at which hour the Office will be shut for the day.

All Masters of Vessels of any description are hereby cautioned that under no pretence whatever are they to presume to sail from this Harbour without having previously brought to the above Office a Return of the Vessel's and Master's name and cargo, whither she is bound, together with the numbers and names of such passengers as may be embarked in her; and the Masters of all Vessels arriving in this Port are without loss of time to report themselves, bringing with them a similar Return as the above to the same Office.

The Post at Partridge Island has received Orders from the Commandant to stop all Vessels going out, who cannot produce a Passport signed by him.

By Command, H. COOPER, Acting Town Major.

Saint John, 24th February, 1813.

SUGAR and RUM.

Just Received per Schooner BRITANNIA, JOHN WOODWORTH Master, from MARTINIQUE,

113 Hogsheads Muscovado Sugar, 7 Puncheons of Rum, For Sale by the Subscriber cheap for CASH.

NEHEMIAH MERRITT.

St. John, 8th February, 1813.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having demands against the Subscriber are requested to present the same within Three Months from this date; and those indebted, are desired to make immediate payment.

WILLIAM STENING.

St. John, 1st February, 1813.

FOR SALE,

A COMPLETE set of BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS; also, a number of Articles suitable for a GUNSMITH; the whole of which will be sold low for CASH, if applied for soon.

WILLIAM STENING.

St. John, 8th February, 1813.