

POETRY.

For the N. B. Royal Gazette.

DOMESTIC JOYS.

Love is a vain and empty sound,
And constant love a vainer still;
To be with nuptial chaplets crown'd,
The source of every galling ill.
Thus the love-disappointed race,
And they who marriage ties disgrace,
With envious smile, or wrinkled face,
Domestic joys deride.

Such never knew the heart-felt joys
That cheer my humble fire side,
Ecompassed by my girls and boys,
And faithful wife—my constant pride:
Unpractised in the ways of ill,
Their simple prattle pleases still,
And with delight our bosoms fill,
To guide their harmless sports.

What tho' no rich inflaming wines,
Nor costly viands load our board;
Nor robes, decked with golconda's mines,
Our little income can afford?
Cheerfulness spreads the frugal feast,
Unmixed with cares that tend the breast,
With health, and love, and virtue blest,
With grateful hearts we dine.

MONTREAL, MARCH 10.

We are favored by a gentleman who left York U. C. early on Saturday last, with the following particulars of the proceedings at the Court of Assize then holding there, and which began on the 22d February.

YORK, 26th FEB. 1819.

REX, versus THE EARL OF SELKIRK, & OTHERS.

A bill of indictment for a conspiracy to ruin the trade of the North West Company, and impoverish the partners thereof, was found by the Grand Jury against,

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| Thomas Douglas | Serjeant Jacob Vitchie, do. |
| J. B. Chevalier De Lorimier, Esqr. Captain in his Majesty's Indian Department. | Capt. Miles Macdonnell, late of the Canadian Fencibles. |
| Capt. Protais D'Orsonnens, late of the DeMeuron Regiment. | Lieut. Alex Bridport Becher, late of the R. Navy. |
| Capt. Frederick Matthey, do. | Dr. John Allen, John McNab, John Spencer, Archibald Macdonnell, do. |
| Lieut. G. A. Fouche, do. | Donald Macpherson, John F. Burke, and Jacques Chatelain. |
| Lieut. Frederick Gaffenreid, do. | |

The indictment contained three counts, and amongst the numerous overt acts therein set forth, supported by documentary and oral evidence, the following were particularly prominent. The engaging and arming a number of disbanded soldiers, (foreigners;) the entry by them, by force and arms, into Fort William, in August 1816; retaining possession of the Fort till May 1817; sending off as prisoners, the partners of the North West company found there; getting rid of the clerks by subpoenas to appear at York at a period when no Courts are held there, without enquiring of them whether they knew any thing of the matters to which the subpoenas related, and without ever bringing them forward afterwards; stopping of the outfits from going into the interior, and the returns from coming to Montreal; possessing themselves of all the books and papers of the concern; sending away the principal clerk under a charge of felony without examination, and without having ever followed up that charge; the pretended sale by Daniel Mackenzie of the North West property, obtained by his Lordship by means of continued duress; tampering with, and debauching the North West Company's servants, and commanding them in the King's name: writing circular letters to the partners and clerks in the interior country, advising them to abandon their trust, alleging that the N. W. Co were ruined, and to carry the furs to Hudson's Bay; taking possession of Fort Lake La Plue, and the property there, and stopping the navigation, &c. &c.

Upon this being returned a true bill, the Attorney General moved the process of the Court against the parties; and Doct. Allen being present was to be arraigned the following day.

WILLIAM SMITH vs. THE EARL OF SELKIRK.

This was a civil action brought, by Mr. William Smith against Lord Selkirk for false imprisonment. It appeared in evidence that the plaintiff was under-sheriff of the Western district, and as such the bearer of a writ of restitution founded upon a verdict of a special Jury at Sandwich, in October, 1816, and

granted by the sitting Magistrates, ordering the restoration of Fort William to the N. W. Co.; he was also the bearer of a warrant for felony issued against his Lordship, Dr. Allen, Capt. Matthey, and others, upon an information upon oath before a justice of the peace. Mr. Smith got to Fort William on the 19th of March 1817, and produced his writ of restitution, with which his Lordship refused to comply; and when the Earl and the others were arrested by Mr. Smith upon the warrant for felony, his Lordship laid hold of him and pushed him out of doors; and he was afterwards kept in close custody in the Fort under a military guard for upwards of 6 weeks. A circumstance which added much to the grievous nature of the offence, and which was particularly dwelt upon by the Judge in his charge to the Jury, was that whilst Mr. Smith was kept in rigorous confinement, Charles De Reinhard, though under an accusation for murder, was at large and keeping a school, though nominally under the surveillance of one or two of his former comrades. The Chief Justice also remarked upon another part of the evidence for the defence, by which it appeared that the only option left to Mr. Smith, to obtain his liberty was that of abandoning his duty, and breaking his oath of office, by a promise not to molest Lord Selkirk: Mr. Smith, however, notwithstanding this, persisted in doing his duty, and was not liberated, until the evacuation of Fort William by his Lordship and his forces, in May 1817.

The Jury, after some deliberation, returned a verdict, in favor of the plaintiff; damages £500. [Contant.]

The following statement dated a day later from York, gives a more full account of the proceedings there than the above, and it appears that instead of sixteen persons, there are twenty names included in the indictment for conspiracy, found by the Grand Jury.

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| At a Court of General Jail delivery and Nisi Prius, held at York for the Home district of Upper Canada, on the 22d February and following days, a bill of indictment was found by the Grand Jury, against | Thomas Earl of Archibald Macdonald, |
| Miles Macdonnell, John Spencer, John Allen, P. D. D'Orsonnens, Frederick Matthey, Gustavus A. Fauche, Fredk. De Graffenried, John McNab, Donald Macpherson, | Jean Baptist Chevalier De Lorimier, Alexander B. Becher, Louis Nolin, Jacques Chatelain, Pierre C. Pambrun, John Pritchard, John P. Bourke, Michael Heden, and Jacob Vitchie, |

for a CONSPIRACY to ruin the trade of the North West Company; a verdict for £500 damages was likewise given against the Earl of Selkirk, for false imprisonment at Fort William, of William Smith, acting in the capacity of deputy to the Sheriff of the Western district, in virtue of a writ of restitution issued at Sandwich by four magistrates, for restoring to the N. W. Co. their property forcibly seized by Lord Selkirk in August 1816; and of a warrant for felony against his Lordship, Dr. Allen, and others. Daniel Mackenzie, Esquire, formerly a partner of the N. W. Co. also recovered a verdict for £1500 damages against the Earl of Selkirk, for false imprisonment. This gentleman, though in a distressed state of mind, was, without any legal proceedings, thrown into a dungeon at Fort William, and kept there under military restraint, until (conceiving his life to be in danger,) he was compelled to put his signature to various deeds, purporting to be sales of the N. W. Co.'s property at Fort William, an arbitration-bond, &c. by which Lord Selkirk obtained colourable possession of the Fort and its contents, to the value of full One Hundred Thousand Pounds.

The exalted rank which the Defendant in these causes holds in society, and the disclosures of his conduct, were made so fully during the course of these proceedings, excited a more than usual degree of interest on the part of the Bench, the Bar, the Jury, and the Public; and it was observed that it was with difficulty they could restrain themselves from openly manifesting their indignation at the unparalleled proceedings of this nobleman.

Samuel Smiler, Jun.

BEGETS leave to inform his Friends and the Public, that he has commenced Business as

FANCY and WINDSOR CHAIR-MAKER,

at his Shop in Queen's-Square, where he hopes by a strict attention in his avocation, to merit a participation of the favors of the Public.

Having engaged a first rate Workman, lately from England, he will be enabled to furnish GRECIAN CHAIRS, &c. at the shortest notice.

Fancy, Windsor, and other Chairs, made to any pattern to suit purchasers on the shortest notice.

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Orders from the Country will be duly attended to.

Any order for Chairs or other Furniture, left with Mr. GEO. K. LUGRIN, Printer, Fredericton, will meet with due attention, and of whom Chairs, &c. may be had.

St. John, 1st December, 1818.

NOTICES.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of JOHN JENKINS, late of the Parish of Kingsclear, in the County of York, Esquire, deceased, are requested to present the same, duly attested, within THREE months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

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| PENELOPE JENKINS, Adm'x. | } Adm'rs. |
| EDWARD W. MILLER, | |
| MICHAEL C. HATLES, | |

Kingsclear, 16th February, 1819.

ALL persons having any demands against the Estate of ALEX. MURDOCH, late of Miramichi, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested, and all those indebted to said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to

GEORGE MURDOCH,
Sole Administrator.

Miramichi, 14th Feb. 1819.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of JESSIE PHILLIPS, of Queen's County, deceased, are desired to render them duly attested, to the Subscribers, within six months, and all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

THOMAS PHILLIPS, Adm'r.
ELIZABETH PHILLIPS, Adm'r.
Gagetown, 10th Oct. 1818.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING any demands against the Estate of Benjamin Dean, late of the Parish of Burton, County of Sunbury, deceased, are requested to render their accounts, duly attested, within three months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to

SAMUEL NEVERS, Adm'r.
Burton, 19th March, 1819. 3mp.

ALL PERSONS

INDEBTED to the Subscriber, either by bond, note, or book debt, are hereby notified that their accounts, if not settled by the first of June next, will be put into the hands of an Attorney to collect.

EVEAN MUNRO.
Maugerville, 19th March, 1819.

ALL persons having any demands against the Estate of BENJAMIN BURPEE, late of Burton, in the County of Sunbury, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested, within six months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

SARAH BURPEE, Ad'x.
NELSON DE VEBER, Adm'r.
Sheffield, 3d Feb. 1819.

ALL persons having just demands against the Estate, of JOSEPH WILLISTON, deceased, late of the Parish of Glenelg in the County of Northumberland, Farmer, are requested to render the same duly attested within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

ALCEY WILLISTON, Ex'rx.
RICHARD SIMONDS, Ex'rx.
Miramichi, 19th Jan. 1819.

NOTICES.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late PETER CRISTY, Esq. of Saint Stephens, deceased, are desired to render their accounts duly attested, within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

NANCY CRISTY, Adm'x.
St. Stephen's, 19th Sept. 1818.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late JOHN M'LEOD, deceased, will render their accounts for adjustment, and those indebted to said Estate will make immediate payment.

JEDEDIAH SLASON, M. NEEDHAM, Executors.
Fredericton, 7th April 1818.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING any demands against the Estate of JOHN DAYTON, late of Queensborough, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested; and those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

CATHARINE DAYTON, Adm'x.
Queensborough, 7th Nov. 1818.

ALL those Indebted to the Subscriber, neglecting to settle their Accounts will be put in the hands of an Attorney to collect.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.
Fredericton, 9th March, 1818.

ALL Persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing Notes of Hand against JONATHAN HARTT and WILLIAM KNOX, in favour of GEORGE HUME of Gage-Town, as there was no value received for said Notes.

JONATHAN HARTT.
Gage-Town, 2d Dec. 1819.

THE Subscriber earnestly requests those persons indebted to JAMES FRASER, FRASER & DONALDSON, and FRASER, DONALDSON & Co. (all of Fredericton) that they will call and pay their respective balances without delay.

M. NEEDHAM.
Fredericton, 6th Oct. 1818.

THE Subscribers respectfully inform the Public that the STEAM-BOAT will commence running from Saint John to Fredericton as soon as the river is sufficiently clear of ice.—She will leave Saint John every Saturday morning precisely at 7 o'Clock, and Fredericton, every Tuesday at the same hour.

FARE as usual.
JAMES SEEGE,
RICHD. WINTER,
Fredericton, 27th March, 1819.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING just demands against the Estate of Frederick Rogers, late of the County of Northumberland, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested, within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

NANCY ROGERS, Adm'x.
ANTHY ROGERS, Adm'r.
A. FRASER, Junr.
Miramichi, 11th March, 1819.

ALL Persons having any Demands against the Estate of Sarah Allan, late of the parish of Nelson, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested, within six calendar months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

JOSEPH SAUNDERS, Executor.
JOHN CLARK, Adm'r.
Miramichi, 2d Feb. 1819. 6p.

WANTED to hire by the Subscriber, a Man who understand the TANNING and CURRYING Business, to whom liberal wages will be given.

DANIEL HART.
Miramichi, 26th Feb. 1819. 5w-p.

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