

to the winds by the horrible concussion. The ruin consequent upon this disaster may be easily conceived.

Athena is blockaded by the Turks. Ibrahim has marched from Tripolizza towards Corinth.

By the latest accounts from Liverpool and Manchester, a steady amendment in Trade is spoken of with much confidence. — In Manchester, Calicoes are somewhat higher; and heavy goods (fustians &c.) not to be procured on such favorable terms as formerly.

A frigate built at New-York for the service of the Greeks, has sailed for Gibraltar.

For the Royal Gazette.

MR. EDITOR,

But a few days have elapsed since I read in the St. John's Courier, a Letter, recommending the observance of a day of General Thanksgiving, dated Fredericton, and signed J. S. — A Letter composed with much feeling and displaying no common persuasive talent in the cause of religion. The sentiments therein expressed, keep pace with the important solemnity of the subject, and the whole seems to have been penned from a sincere desire to do good; and put forth from the best of motives. But, although I am willing to allow, nay, anxious to give every credit and praise to the author, for his good intentions, still I cannot resign to him the full merit of the idea having originated with himself; which from the part of his Letter, that reflects (unintentionally perhaps) on the want of "duty," in "those placed in offices of publick trust," will naturally be attributed to him.

Amongst those whose study and employment is religion, there subsists, as J. S. himself may probably have experienced, a Godly jealousy; a jealousy arising not from the fear of a Brother's doing more good than oneself, or from the narrow-minded principle of withholding from him, the applause due to his exertions; but from a disinclination to allow another to "reap" where he himself has "sown," or to "gather" where he has "strawed," when thereby his own industry is called in question, or it can be implied that he is an idle labourer in the Vineyard, or is wanting in his own duty. On these grounds therefore I must withhold a portion of credit (if either party without presumption may take any) as due to "those placed in publick offices of trust in this Province," as long before the date of the Letter of J. S. it was promulgated in Fredericton that it was intended to appoint a day for the purpose alluded to; that the concurrence of the Spiritual Head, who was then on an extensive tour of duty, must first be obtained, without which, however urgent such a measure might be, it would be unbecoming and irregular to adopt it.

I can assure J. S. we have not been so unmindful of mercies received, and favors passed, as in the fulness of his gratitude, his "hint" would lead the serious part of the community to think is the case; we have not forgotten that "it is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not."

And right and proper as the observance of the preceding year's visitation, would have been on the anniversary of that awful event, still, if a season more appropriate presents itself, I am of opinion we should take advantage of it. For instance, at the period abovementioned, many of the principal Inhabitants were from home, and others were accidentally engaged in a way that would ill accord with that temper and state of mind, which should on such occasions prevail; circumstances which did not operate in other parts of the Province, where the day was observed in a becoming manner. For these reasons the feelings of those, disposed to seriousness and prayer, were withheld from publick view, under the expectation of enjoying with their friends and neighbours, the satisfaction of pouring forth the grateful effusion of their hearts for the

peace and plenty they now enjoy in remembrance of the dangers they have escaped, the sufferings they have been spared, whilst every other quarter of the globe has been racked and disturbed with misfortunes unparalleled; when all shall have returned to their homes and families, and their minds are a little abstracted from those worldly occupations, in which they have been more than usually engaged since the calamity of last year.

J. S. is not the only one who feels and acknowledges that "the Lord has visited the earth and blessed it; and made it very plentiful"; that "he has watered her furrows, and sent rain into the little Valleys thereof; and made it soft with the drops of rain, and blessed the increase of it"; that he has "crowned the year with his goodness"; and considering that the intention of appointing a day for the publick expression of our gratitude has long been made known; I would rather, instead of his well intentioned "hint," J. S. had said — It is with much satisfaction I hear, "those in offices of trust" in this Province have it in contemplation to appoint a day of General Thanksgiving, at the expiration of the year; of which timely notice will be given in due form and with all solemnity becoming so desirable a measure.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,

G. B.

Fredericton, 11th Nov. 1826.

St. John, Nov. 2.

On Thursday His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with Lady DOUGLAS and Family paid an unexpected visit to the Central Schools established upon the Madras System of Education in this City.

After witnessing the method, good order, and full acquaintance with the Subjects of their lessons, which were evident in all the Classes, throughout the male and Female Schools, these distinguished visitors were pleased to express their full approbation of the institution and of the ability and assiduity of the immediate conductors of it in the Schools, Mr. TRURO and Miss WAL

LACE. On the following Sunday also, His Excellency, who takes a lively interest in every thing which conduces to the public advantage, visited the Sunday School lately established under the patronage of the Episcopal Church. This institution although in its infancy, fulfils the most sanguine expectations which have been formed of it. The same principle which has operated so wonderfully in the Madras weekly Schools, the multiplication of power by the division of labour, with as much of the System as the nature of the object will bear, has been introduced with its usual effect. The number upon the books in the Male and Female branches is now 424 and the poorer classes of the community are constantly increasing the number by sending their Children for admittance.

The Governor minutely attended to the different classes, when under examination by their respective teachers, and has benevolently consented to patronize the Establishment. He has bestowed upon it a donation from his private purse, and appropriated some public monies to its support.

HALIFAX, NOVEMBER 6.

A number of men are at present employed in the repairs and additions which are making to the fortifications at George's Island. The conical shape of this island, and its position in the centre of the harbour, which is not more than one and a half miles wide, renders it capable of being made a place of vast strength and importance. — Journal.

INQUEST.—On Thursday morning about

ten o'clock, a Coroner's Inquest was called to examine the body of Lieutenant-Colonel JOSEPH HUXLEY, Inspecting Field Officer of Militia, who was said to have committed suicide. The Lieut.-Col. had dined the preceding day with the Admiral; and was accompanied part of the way to his quarters, by Capt. Hamilton, H. M. Ship Doctor; appeared to be in an excellent flow of spirits; expressed a strong desire of returning to Scotland, and remarking that all the trouble and difficulty attending the undertaking would be amply repaid by enjoying the society of his friends there. The deceased was universally respected for the mildness and placidity of his temper. The next morning, he arose as usual, gave the necessary orders to his servant, W. Lemons, private 70th regt. shaved, dressed and was preparing to go out. The Servant on going into the Colonel's room again, found him with the dressing case open before him, in which he kept his razors, &c. He then went into the next room, where the servant followed him, and asked some questions relating to articles intended for Auction. Lemons then went out for bread; but was called back by Catherine Ariz, who told him that Col. HUXLEY was dead—returned and saw him lying on the floor covered with blood; ran instantly to Major Blair's, and from thence to call a surgeon. The deceased, had ever spoken with kindness; but had said little since Monday, excepting the difficulties he had met with preparing to go home were enough to drive him mad. Knew that the deceased had lived happily with his wife, who had gone home last spring from Canada to Scotland for the purpose of seeing her mother—had received letters from Mrs. H. part of which he read to witness. Saw him bring a number of papers on the morning of his decease, from his bed room and throw them into the fire—knew not whether they were letters or no.

VERDICT.—That the deceased had committed Suicide under a fit of momentary insanity.

His remains were interred on Saturday with all the honours due to his rank.

MARRIED,] At Fredericton, on Tuesday evening last by the Rev. Archdeacon BEST, Mr. CHARLES GODSOE, of St. John, to ANN sixth daughter of the late Mr. THOMAS CREIGHTON of Queens County.

REMOVAL.

THE Subscriber having erected a New Store (upon the old place where he was burnt out,) offers for sale a variety of

Dry Goods and Groceries, very cheap for cash.

MARK NEEDHAM.

Fredericton 14th Nov. 1826.

WILLIAM MADIGAN, TAILOR,

RETURNS his most grateful acknowledgments, and sincere thanks to the inhabitants of Fredericton, and the country in general, for the very liberal encouragement he has received since his return from Miramichi, (after the ever memorable 7th of October 1825,) he begs leave to inform them that he has removed his Shop to that house in Regent Street, in which Mr. J. B. Johnston kept Store, opposite to Mr. George Wood's Store, where he assures them that nothing on his part will be wanted to render satisfaction to those who may honour him with their commands.

Fredericton Nov. 14. 1826.

N.B. Orders from the country punctually attended.

EVENING SCHOOL

WILL commence on the 15th inst. at the National School-room, Fredericton, when all who wish to avail themselves of the present opportunity of instruction, will please to attend and give in their names at the hour of six o'clock, as the School will not be continued unless a sufficient quantity of Scholars offer; terms may then be known, and also the hours of attendance, by application to the Master,

JOHN BAIRD.

14th Nov. 1826.

FESTIVAL OF ST. ANDREWS.

THE ANNIVERSARY

DINNER of the ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, will be held at Miller's Hotel on Thursday the 30th inst.—Members of the above Society, and Gentlemen of Scotch descent who may wish to attend, are requested to leave their names at the above mentioned place, previous to Saturday the 25th inst. where a Subscription paper will be left.

Dinner on the table at 4 o'clock.

By order of the President.

JOHN SIMPSON, Sec'y.

Fredericton 14th Nov. 1826.

NEW GOODS.

SIMPSON & FISHER

ARE now opening and exposing for sale at reduced price, their former stock of Goods, together with a handsome assortment of

MERCHANDISE

imported this fall suitable for the winter season.

Muffs & Tippets; Seal Skin Caps & Fur Trimmings; Pelisse Cloths; Beaver Bonnets; Ladies Angola Gloves; Ladies and Gentlemen's Kid Gloves; do. Silk Stockings & Gloves; Black & White Lace Veils; Fashionable Ribbons & Trimmings; Pophireit & Lace, &c. &c.

West-India Produce,

RUM, SUGAR, COFFEE, MOLASSES,

ALSO

A Chose assortment of the Best Wines; Brandy; Hollands, White Wine Vinegar; Porpois Oil; Paints & Paint Oil; Turpentine; Soap; Candles; and a general stock of Groceries.

Provisions.

250 Barrels Superfine Flour,
100 Half do. do.
Barrels Pilot & Navy Bread,
do. New-York Pippin & Pearmain Apples,
do. Onions,
do. Mackarel,
Kegs Butter'd and Water Crackers,
Best Plug and Lady Twist Tobacco,
A quantity of English, and Country Cheese of the first quality.
Irish Rice, Corn, Indian Meal, &c. &c.
Fredericton, 14th Nov. 1826.

ABIUD PAYSON

HEREBY informs the Public that he has purchased the Shop &c. belonging to Messrs. Fisher & Payson, Blacksmiths, where he intends carrying on that business, in its various branches, and solicits a share of public patronage.

Fredericton, 14th Nov. 1826.

CAUTION.

ALL Persons are hereby forbid buying a Note of Hand payable in June next, drawn by the Subscriber, in favour of Robert Harold, as I hold accounts to balance the same.

JOHN NASON, Junr.

Lincoln, 7th Nov. 1826.

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