

tuneful chords flow from his bow; sounds which seem to proceed from the heart, and which plunge you into a state of delicious feeling. Then comes a vague sighing of melancholy and self-abandonment. While you are sympathising with the touching and melodious performer, a sudden access of violent grief, a sort of shuddering and rage, appears to seize him; and cries which penetrate the depths of the soul alarms and freeze you, and makes you tremble for the unfortunate being whom you see and hear!

## AMERICA.

### COLONIAL.

**ST. JOHN.**—We understand that His Honor the President has been pleased to appoint Alexander Wedderburn, Esquire, to be Agent for Emigrants in this Province.

Hamilton Smyth, Esquire, (appointed Surveyor and Searcher of H. M. Customs in room of the late J. C. Kelley, Esquire,) and Lady, came passenger in the Aurora from Liverpool, via Eastport.

**DISGRACEFUL AFFAIR!**—On Sunday morning last, about 10 o'clock, a dispute occurred between a Barrack-Master Sergeant named Livingston, and his wife, in the course at which he in a very shameful and cowardly manner struck her on the head with a Shovel [strange weapon for a soldier!] by which so severe a wound was inflicted that her life was despaired of for some time. Medical aid was on the spot, and every attention paid the unfortunate woman, and this morning we understand she is considered out of danger. The man was immediately taken into custody, and committed to gaol, whence he was liberated yesterday on giving bail to answer the demands of the violated law.

**ST. ANDREWS.**—On the 30th ult. a most distressing accident occurred at Calaw in the House of Mr. ——— Spencer opposite the Union Mills.

As Solomon Greenlaw, formerly of this Parish, was in the act of examining a Musquet which had been loaded with a ball and large shot two days before, for the purpose of firing at a Bear, the muzzle dropped on the floor, and the gun went off. The con eais passed through the floor and wounded three persons in the apartment below—a young woman about eighteen years of age, the daughter of Greenlaw, was sitting with a fine child of Mrs. Spencer on her knee, the mother on another chair, besides them. The ball passed through the child's thigh shattering it in a dreadful manner, and entered the body of the young woman, lodging as it is supposed on the opposite hip—some of the shot struck the neck and shoulder of Mrs. Spencer, but the injury was not of a serious nature—a faint hope is entertained of the young woman's recovery, but that of the Child is despaired of.

After the numerous accidents of this description which have come within our notice, it is astonishing that men can be taught so imprudent (which is too mild a term) as to sport with the lives of their fellow creatures, by handling loaded fire-arms carelessly, and the practice of keeping them in dwellings, within the reach of strangers and children is certainly inexcusable.

## ORIGINAL.

**MR PIERCE,**

On taking up your paper of last Tuesday's date I was astonished to observe upon it an article subscribed by James Wright, which was fully entitled to the superlative degree of personal scurrility. You, Sir, from time to time have evinced yourself fastidious upon the subject of introducing into your columns any thing personally derogatory, and it would have been well, if on the occasion referred to, you had preserved your accustomed fastidiousness. Mr Wright's name being subscribed to that vile production is no justification of your having presented it to the public. I contend that in stopping the Boat which was proceeding for Wright, the Judge was actuated by proper and dignified feelings, as in all probability, judging from past conduct on similar occasions, his having done so and recommended the 'Diamond' had the effect of preventing a scene, to say the least of it, of levity, and perhaps of drunkenness, which on an occasion of holding a coroner's Inquest it was much more to the credit of our settlement to prevent, than to encourage. As to the Judge's having any participation in the Coroner's fees, I shall not attempt a further reply than that Mr Wright himself knows the Judge better than to suppose it, and I hope an intimate acquaintance of some years standing with that Gentleman, I am satisfied that he would spurn such a participation. The highly dignified offices which that Gentleman sustains ought to have screened him from the opprobrious epithet which is so indecorously applied to him, and the common rights of courtesy between men even in ordinary transactions ought to be

observed, whatever may be the subject in dispute; his revolting terms applied to the Coroner who did his duty in observing the summon which was conveyed to him, stamps him as a writer of the lowest grade. In the heat of personal debate, for the employment of such epithets some excuse might be formed, but for a man calmly and deliberately to range thro' his stock of disgusting appellations to be applied to a purpose gratifying to his angry feelings exposes him to the severest censure. I have every hope that the Judge will make no reply to that shameful production as being altogether beneath his notice. Pray give this a place in your paper of to-morrow, and oblige

A SUBSCRIBER

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## SCHEDIASMA.

MIRAMICHI:

TUESDAY MORNING AUGUST 16, 1831

The Courier arrived with the Southern Mail on Sunday at 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Barracouta Packet brought London papers to the 7th July; which puts us in possession of important intelligence from Europe. Parliament was convened on the 21st June by the King in person—and the Reform Bill had had two readings; the motion for a third passed by a majority of 136. We shall next week give Lord John Russell's speech upon the subject.

It will gratifying to every lover of liberty and humanity to hear, that the Poles, notwithstanding their late disastrous defeat, have succeeded in checking the progress of the Russians towards Warsaw, the head quarters of the Polish army. The patriots in Volhynia and Samogitia, commanded by General Guigard, have obtained several victories over their opponents, and were marching forward to assist their brethren in Warsaw. General Diebtsch is dead. The Russian account-state it was occasioned by an attack of cholera, put private letters lead us to imagine it resulted from another cause.

The political horizon of France presents a gloomy appearance. She is threatened on the one side with an attempt on the part of the expatriated family to recover their lost crown, the Duchess de Berri, accompanied by the Marshal Marmont and his four sons, having left England for Italy for that purpose; and on the other hand with a change of Government, the elections having terminated in the return of a majority of Deputies, favorable to a Republican system of Government. We hope Providence may avert both these calamities.

Samos has lately been visited by an earthquake of an extraordinary nature for it produced a large opening in one of the highest mountains of the island, from which suddenly issued an enormous torrent of water, overflowing the country, and making its way to the sea. By degrees the inundation subsided, and terminated in forming a river, which has its source at the opening formed in the mountain. If this river should continue to flow with the same abundance, it will be a great benefit to the country.

The Spanish constitutionalists in France have had a meeting, and have resolved to stir up their countrymen in England, Belgium, Switzerland, &c to join them in one more attempt to recover their lost rights.

A second Wesleyan Chapel, on the banks of the Miramichi river, was dedicated to its holy purposes, at Newcastle, on Sunday last. The services were conducted by the Rev. Enoch Wood, one of the Society's missionaries, appointed to this newly formed mission; and notwithstanding the very unfavorable state of the weather, upwards of £7 were collected. The chapel will accommodate about 200 hearers.

It must be gratifying to every liberal mind, to witness the progress of the different religious societies which are established amongst the inhabitants of Miramichi. A few years back, and religious prospects were as dreary as the uncultivated wilderness. After enjoying the inestimable advantages of a gospel ministry at home, the enterprising emigrant felt the want of a 'house of prayer' as a privation of no ordinary magnitude; now, when the Sabbath-day dawns, he may select the temple where the word is preached most

congenial with his own creed, and by travelling a short distance, may unite with his family in the hallowed exercises of the sanctuary. For ourselves, we rejoice in the increasing strength of ministerial talent, which is collecting around us. If these spiritual labourers continue to cultivate the moral vineyard with faithfulness and zeal, incalculable advantages must be the result, especially to the rising generation.

A short time since, as Mr John M Millan, opposite the Forks on the South-West branch of this river, was crossing from Kaim's river, he missed his hold on the pole, fell out of the canoe, and was unfortunately drowned. He was an industrious man, of very good character, and has left a widow, and four children to mourn his loss. He came from Pr. Ed. Island some years ago, and it is said that he was distantly related to the Roman Catholic Bishop of that Island.

On the same day, a young man fell into the mill pond of Robert Doak, Esq. on the St. Bartholew river, and was immersed for a considerable time. He was at length discovered by his hat, and owing to the resort of judicious measures, the assistants were fortunately enabled to resuscitate him.

On Tuesday, the 26th ult. a horse belonging to Mrs Taylor, of the upper Newcastle ferry, was killed by lightning at the Great Meadows on the North West. Mrs Taylor's son was standing near the horse at the time of the accident, and was struck to the ground, but he shortly recovered, and was found to be otherwise unhurt.

On the same day, a barn belonging to Mr Martin Power, on the South West, was levelled with the ground by lightning.

His Excellency Sir Archibald Campbell, Lieutenant Governor of this Province, has arrived at Halifax in the ship New Prospect, from London.

**COMMUNICATED.**—On Thursday the 11th. instant, Mr. John M. Curdy was ordained in this place by the Presbytery of Pictou, to the office of the holy Ministry, and as successor to the late Rev. James Thomson. The Rev. David Roy preached an impressive sermon from 1st Timothy, IV and 16 "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the Doctrine." The Rev. James Robson offered up the ordination prayer. The Rev. John M. Kinlay tendered suitable directions to Mr. M. Curdy; and the Rev. Dr. McCulloch delivered an appropriate address to the congregation. The audience was respectable and appeared to take a deep interest in the service of the day. It is to be hoped that the settlement thus made will be productive of much good to the congregation and the community at large.

## MARRIAGES and DEATHS.

**NEW-BRUNSWICK.**—Marriages.—At Manawagonish, John Quenton, to Miss Eliza Robinson.

**SOUTH-WEST.**—Married.—At Mr. Christopher Parker's on the 10th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Johnston, Mr. M. Null, to Miss Leach.

**DEATHS.**—At St. John, Miss Sarah Irving. At Robinson, Mrs. Mary Brooke.

**NOVA-SCOTIA.**—Marriages.—At Halifax, Mr. James Franklin, to Miss Susan Waddy. At Yarmouth, Mr. Joseph B. Bond, Surgeon, to Miss Eliza Moody.

**DIED.** June 30, at Tosteth park, near Liverpool, Wm. Roscoe, Esq., aged 80. Mr. Roscoe was known to the literary world by his valuable and excellent histories of Lorenzo and Leo the Tenth, and by various poems.

At his seat, Merton Abbey, Surrey, Rear Admiral Isaac Smith, aged 78. He was one of the last surviving officers who accompanied Captain Cook in his first and second voyages of discovery.

## SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

### PORT OF MIRAMICHI:

**ARRIVED,** Thursday, August 11.—Schr. Perseverence, Murray, Wenton; Shallop Dela Aide, Le Blanc, P. E. Island, 3 days; J. Cunard & Co.; Sloop Betsy, Wood, do. 3 days.

**CLEARED.**—August 9.—new Barque Romulus, Johnston's Greenock; schr. Glasgow, Graham, Pictou. 10th—schr. Margaret & Sally, P E Island; Olive, Jaffers, Dalhousie; Mary Ann, McKenzie, Pictou. 12th—schr. Greyhound, Ray, Halifax; Betsy, P E Island.