

two friends. The other Candidates were followed by at least seventy individuals from the parish of Newcastle, who prevented my friends from polling, and many of them were roughly handled. The next polling place was at Bay du Vin, where I intended to take the same individuals with me, together with my friend William Carman, Esquire, who had kindly offered to accompany me; but before leaving, twenty seven sleighs and sleds, conveying at least one hundred persons, with the other two Candidates, passed through Chatham, on their way down to the polling station. This display caused apprehension for our safety, and a number of my friends—without my knowledge—determined to go down, knowing as they did, how shamefully we had been used at Negucc. It will therefore be seen, that the opposite party has nothing to complain of on the score of intimidation, for if it has been used by any of my supporters, they brought it on themselves, as I intended never to take with me more than five or six individuals to the different polling places. A different course was forced on me.

Gentlemen—I have, by the Sheriff, been proclaimed duly elected to represent you in the General Assembly of the Province. I have no professions to make—my public conduct has been before you for the last seventeen years, and from the friendly feeling manifested towards me during the election by all parties, I am sure it has been such as to meet your approbation. I have not received insult from any one except the Candidates, for which I freely forgive them, and am now ready to offer them the hand of friendship. On occasions like these, expressions are made without consideration—but now the contest being over, I am ready to bury the past in oblivion. I also freely forgive all my political enemies during this contest, although they have circulated various reports to prejudice the freeholders against me, but I am proud to say, without the desired effect. Let me entreat you, Gentlemen, to offer the hand of fellowship to every one with whom you have had any difference of opinion during this struggle. Harbour no ill feelings towards any one, but shew yourselves men, as you have done throughout the contest.

Gentlemen—I have now to thank you for the disinterested support you have given me throughout this election, and in return, I shall always be found serving your interest, to the best of my ability. Gentlemen—I am persuaded, that by having a member on each side of the River, many of the jealousies between the two Parishes will give place to better feelings; and it is hoped ere long, their united efforts will be exerted to promote the Trade and Industry of the county, instead of engendering strife and discord, that has hitherto unhappily been the case, which has had a pernicious effect on the industry of the whole county. That the Freeholders of both places may become friendly, is my warmest wish, and I can assure the people of Newcastle, nothing shall be wanting on my part, to accomplish so desirable an object.

Gentlemen—I cannot allow this opportunity to pass, without expressing my admiration of the Rev. Mr. Egan, for establishing the Total Abstinence Society—the effects of which is so clearly demonstrated in the manly bearing of the people during this election. Scarcely a man has been seen the worse of liquor—the Drunkard has been reclaimed, and made to see and feel his position as a man and a christian. That Rev. Gentleman's name will be handed down to posterity as a benefactor of his species. I also wish to mete out a due share of approbation to numerous other individuals who have been instrumental in forming Temperance Societies, and lending their aid to promote this good and Philanthropic cause.

Gentlemen—I beg again to thank you, for the good work you have accomplished, and to impress on each of you the necessity of returning home peaceably and orderly.

Mr Rankin also briefly addressed the freeholders, thanking them for the very flattering support he had received.

Meeting at Newcastle.

At a numerous meeting of the Freeholders of the county of Northumberland, and friends of Mr Street, held at Hamill's Hotel, Newcastle, on Friday the 6th January, 1843.

THOMAS C. ALLAN, Esquire, in the chair.

MR NIEL M'LEAN requested to act as Secretary.

Moved by Mr Wm. Masson, seconded by Mr Hugh Ferguson;

Resolved unanimously—as the opinion of this Meeting, That we owe it to the County, to ourselves, and to Mr. Street, to express our deep disgust at the proceedings on the part of the supporters of John T. Williston, Esq., at the present Election, in preventing Voters coming to the Poll by the power of a Base Mob, headed by a baser leader, during the 3rd 4th 9th and 8th days of the Polling, and in coercing others to vote for Mr. Williston, by threats and intimidation.

Moved by Wm. Loch, Esq. and seconded by Mr Hugh Hamill;

Resolved unanimously—That this Meeting do consider it as a duty they owe to the County, and to themselves, to do all in their power to forward and carry through a Scrutiny of the Votes, and in case of that failing, to take the necessary steps to set aside Mr. Williston's Election, in consequence of the illegal measures adopted. And that the persons composing this Meeting pledge themselves to attend, if necessary, as witnesses, either in this County before the Sheriff, or in Fredericton, before the House of Assembly, as the case may require, and to do all in their power to procure the necessary witnesses, free of any expense to Mr. Street.

Moved by Niel M'Lean, seconded by Alexander M'Laggan, Esq., and

Resolved unanimously—That a Committee of five persons be formed, for the purpose of conducting matters, connected with a Scrutiny, and the other grounds, to prove the illegality of J. T. Williston's Election, and to raise the necessary funds for defraying the expenses of that object.

Moved by Henry B. Allison, Esq. and seconded by Alex. Foster, and

Resolved unanimously—That a committee of seven persons be appointed to wait on Mr Street, and request that he will come forward and contest the legality of Mr Williston's Election, on behalf of himself, and for the benefit of the County of Northumberland. And further Resolved, that Wm. Loch, Henry B. Allison, Alex. McLaggan, Hugh Hamill, Thomas W. Underhill, Esquires, and Mr Alex. Foster, and Mr. Archibald Haddow be such Committee.

Moved by Mr Alexander Ferguson, and seconded by Wm. Loch, Esq., and

Resolved unanimously—That the proceedings of this Meeting be sent to the Gleaner Newspaper, for insertion, together with Mr. Street's reply, so soon as the same be obtained.

The chairman having left the chair, and William Loch, Esquire, being called thereto,

Resolved, that thanks are due to Thomas C. Allan Esq., for his able conduct in the Chair.

THOS. C. ALLAN, chairman.

NIEL M'LEAN, Secretary.

The committee having waited on Mr Street, communicated the following reply from him to their request:

GENTLEMEN. In reply to your communication relative to Mr. Williston's Election, I have only to say, that were I to consult my own personal comfort, I should decline having anything further to do with the Election; but as I conceive there are higher objects to be attended to in this contest, than personal considerations of my own, VIZ, Whether the destinies of this County are in future to be governed by the whims and caprices of a lawless rabble, headed by a designing, artful, and vindictive leader, or by the dispassionate, legitimate constituency of the County; and as I feel that never on any occasion have the constitutional right and Election Franchise of the Freeholders of this or any other County, been so grossly insulted and trampled upon, as in the contest that has just closed, and from a conviction, in my own mind, that but for the constraint put upon, and the force used toward my friends in preventing them from coming to poll, I should have been the Member Elect by a large majority of Votes, and further that I even now have a majority of legal votes polled. I cannot in justice to the Freeholders of this County, who have so nobly and fearlessly supported me in this memorable contest, do otherwise than comply with their flattering request, and shall therefore most cheerfully do all in my power to carry into effect the views of the Freeholders as expressed in the Resolutions passed at this meeting. Gentlemen, I beg you will do me the favour to communicate the foregoing as my answer to their request, I at the same time avail myself of the present opportunity of tendering to you, and to the rest of the gentlemen composing the meeting, my heartfelt thanks for the determined and handsome manner in which they have taken up the subject on my behalf, and that of the County.

(Signed) J. A. STREET.

Governor General.—Late papers state that the Governor General continues in a very precarious state of health, with no symptoms of improvement.

Church Society, Glenelg.—The third Annual meeting of the Glenelg committee of the Church Society of the Archdeaconry of New Brunswick was held on the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist, (the 27th ult.) in the Parochial Church. Morning Prayers being ended, on the motion of Mr. A. Williston, seconded by Mr. T. Lewis, the Visiting Missionary was requested to preside. The chairman then opened the business of the day with an Address, upon the conclusion of which several resolutions were unanimously carried, one of which expressed a good hope 'that all churchmen in the different settlements on this river would now come forward and aid the Society with abundance of means to promote more vigorously its various benevolent designs.'

The Rev. Secretary was deputed 'to return the people's grateful thanks to the Parent Society for its second liberal grant to the Parish Church.' Delegates were also appointed to attend on behalf of the local committee at the next General Anniversary meeting, and the Editor of the Gleaner was requested to insert in the next number of his journal, the proceedings of the day, and the Address delivered by the Missionary, or such extracts from the same as he may consider advisable to send for publication in that paper.

It ought not to be concealed that the attendance this morning was not so numerous as that on the preceding anniversaries of the Society, owing to the absence of many members of the Church, who were, as they thought, much better employed on this Holy Festival in prosecuting the respective interests of their favorite candidates, on a noisy election hustings, than in the less important work of encouraging and assisting their pastor in his endeavours to spread christian knowledge throughout this district by the instrumentality of the Church Society.

It is probable, however, that notwithstanding the number of absentees on this occasion, and the present hard times, that the contributions now about to be forwarded from Glenelg, will not fall short of the amount transmitted last year to the Treasurer of the Society; indeed since the meeting, several persons have expressed their intention of subscribing to the Institution; thirty nine of whom are members of the same family.

Before the congregation separated, a resolution was unanimously carried, respectfully requesting the missionary to permit an immediate observance of the Rubric in the Prayer Book, enjoining 'the Deacons, Church Wardens, or other fit persons, to collect the alms for the poor, and the other devotions of the people, during the reading of the offertory sentences.'

It is almost needless to add, that this pious catholic custom of the olden times will be forthwith introduced into Baies des Vents church, never, we hope, to be discontinued. The christian that would have his prayers to go up as a memorial before God, must be very careful to imitate the whole of the beautiful examples set by the good Cornelius (Gentile though he was) and add his alms also.

Extracts from the address next week. [Communicated.]

Public Meeting.—We call the attention of the public to the following documents.

MIRAMICHI, January 7, 1843.

SIR, WE, the undersigned, request you to call a meeting of the 'Merchants and others, whose experience will give weight to their opinions,' at an

early day, for the purpose of taking into consideration the subject of a Circular from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, relative to the Duties now imposed on commerce.

Alex. Rankin, H. B. Allison, Wm. Loch, J. T. Williston, John Fraser, Alex. Foster, Wm. Carman, Jun., E. Williston, James Johnson, J. Cunard, H. C. D. Carman, P. Williston. To J. M. Johnson, Esq., High Sheriff.

In pursuance of the foregoing Requisition, I hereby call a PUBLIC MEETING of the Inhabitants of this county, to be held at the Court House, Newcastle, on Monday, the 16th January next, at 11 o'clock, forenoon, for the purpose therein set forth.

J. M. JOHNSON, Sheriff of Northumberland.

The following is a copy of the Circular alluded to above:—

FREDERICTON, N. B., December 27, 1842.

Sir, As the attention of the Legislature in the ensuing session will necessarily be drawn to the regulation of the duties now imposed on commerce, in such a manner as will sustain the Revenue without pressing injuriously on the trade of the country, I am desirous that a meeting should be convened of the principal merchants and others, whose experience would give weight to their opinions on this important subject, and that the following questions be submitted to their consideration.

1st. Whether with the exception of the duties on spirits and some other special articles, it would not be advisable for the purpose of raising a Revenue, to impose a moderate ad valorem duty on all articles of import, including corn and other bread stuffs.

2nd. Whether a moderate export duty on timber, &c.; could not be advantageously substituted for the licensed duties now imposed on the cutting of Timber in the forests.

3rd. Whether the warehousing system would not be preferable to the present mode of taking bonds, the duties being paid on taking goods out for consumption.

In addition to the foregoing points, I shall be glad to be favored with any general observations which may be of importance in regard to the effects of the British and American Tariffs, or the Trade of the Province.

I have the honor be, Sir, Your most ob'dt Servant, W. M. G. COLEBROOKE.

Elections throughout the Province.

—We perceive there has been considerable excitement throughout the Province during the elections. When we contemplate the sadly altered state of our Provincial affairs, brought about by the gross mismanagement of our Representatives, such things are not to be wondered at.

The elections have been brought to a close in the following counties, and the Gentlemen named returned.

Restigouche—P. Stewart, and A. Barberie. York—Taylor, Allan, Wilmot, Fisher. County St. John—J. R. Partelow, Robert Payne, John Jordan, and C. Simonds. St. John City—R. Hazen, and J. Burns: the latter by a majority of one—Mr Street demands a scrutiny, and Mr Woodward protests against the legality of the election, on the ground that an improper oath was administered to the Freeman.

In Fredericton and Saint John there have been much rioting: in the first named place the military were called out—a measure which is loudly condemned.

The Legislature of this Province meets for the Despatch of Business on the 31st inst:

The mails:—An alteration will speedily be made in the time of despatching the Southern Mails, and also in the days of their arrival.