

canvass adopted by the minority of Mr Carman's committee, in opposition to the avowed determination of the majority, viz: against Mr Rankin instead of against Mr Street, for his return—alho' at that time, contrary to Mr Rankin's declaration at the commencement of the Election, which was that he stood alone and independent of, or unattached to, Mr Street in his Election, when he, Mr R. discovered that his own Election was placed beyond a doubt, he canvassed (shall I say faithfully) both by his committee and by himself in person, in favor of Mr Street—urging such persons as he could control, instead of dividing their suffrage between himself and Mr Carman, to divide between Mr Street and Mr Carman. Will Mr Rankin dare to deny this? However, by this time the Phalanx embodied under the wings—yes, under the wing, ungrammatical as it may sound to you, Sir, for they were as one man, of Rankin & Street had assumed so 'Mammothish' and formidable an aspect as that a struggle must be hazarded to break it up, or else eternal servility must be established, by consenting to allow these two Gentlemen again to be returned hand-in-hand. That struggle has been hazarded—and how far it has succeeded is, I fancy, pretty clearly established, or at least was on Friday afternoon last, at the Hustings in Newcastle. And next, as to the manner in which that struggle was conducted I shall venture to make a few observations—but before doing so have some thought of setting in array before the public, the conflicting Powers as marshalled during the progress of the Election—viz:

- Gilmour Rankin & Co. John Williston, Esq. and his brothers
J. A. Street Esquire, Wm Carman, Esq.
Street & Kerr's influence, H C D Carman, Esq.
Crane & Allison D Perly, Esq.
Duncan & Loch B Stymist, Esq.
John Nesmith, Esquire Michael Dunn,
J. C. P. and Merch, C McCarty,
John Fraser, Esquire Luke Pike,
J. C. P. Wm. Rafter,
Thomas C. Allan, Esq. John Noonan,
Alex Foster, Merchant John Hea,
Neil McLean, ditto. Wm. O'Brien, Renous River
Hugh Hamill, John Bergen, South West
James Ledden, John M'Kenzie, Chatham
Roderick M'Leod, Esq. John McRae,
Alex. & James Davidson, Esquires Philip Savoy,
Donald McKay, Esq. William Dickens,

AND THE PEOPLE

- Alex. McLaggan, Esq.
David Crocker, Esq. with all his influence as supervisor and Capt. in the Militia.
Thomas Underhill, Esq.
Alex. Fraser, Jun. Merchant.
Alex. Goodfellow, Esq.
Thomas Willoughby, Esquire.
Francis Ferguson, Merchant from Bathurst
John McDonald, Esq.
J. J. Donald, Esq.
Roland Crocker.
The Rev. J. Souter
The Rev. Robert Archibald, went 30 miles to vote
The Rev. Angus McMasters
T. H. Peters, Esq.
John Wright, Esq.
J. Russell's Interest Merchant, Chatham.
Joseph Samuel, do.
Thomas Vandy, do.
J & G Parker, Merchants do.
James Johnson, Merchant do.
Halley & McKenzie, do.
Leonard Hawbold, do.
John M. Johnson, Jun. Esq. Chatham
Caleb McCully, do.
Hugh Ferguson, do.
Peter Rennie, do.
Peter Morrison, Esq.
James L. Price, Esq.
Not only these gentlemen but all their dependants and adherents, several of whom are men extensively engaged in business, and possessing a considerable amount of influence, such as N. Williams, William McWaters, McAlister, and Ogilvie, Wm. McKay, DeCannon, and various others.

Before the Election commenced I had a conversation with Mr Street, in which he urged that notwithstanding his residency on the other, or Newcastle side of

the river, he protected and represented the local interests of the 'Chathamites,' as well as those on the Newcastle side, in reply to which, I told him, that the sub-division of the Bye Road grants, as well as many other acts of omission and commission flatly contradicted that, that we were by no means satisfied, that if the power was in me, I should send the whole of the late 'House,' from the Speaker down, adrift, except in such cases as they could shew themselves adverse to mismanagement and recklessness; but yet, that if he, Mr Street, resided on the Chatham side, and went into the House upon our suffrages, instead of being taken in upon the shoulders of Mr Rankin, it was quite probable that we should not insist upon a change. The reason why I give the purport of the above conversation is, that on several occasions thro' the Election Mr Street made use of such a portion of it as suited his purposes, and very disingenuously, but in his characteristic style, suppressed the rest of it. Here I would add that I told Mr Street the contest would, of course, take place between himself and Mr Williston, and that consequently our canvass should be directed against him, and not against Mr Rankin, and I have no doubt Mr Street will remember his very modest reply to that observation—however, lest he should not possess candour sufficient to acknowledge, I shall let you have it in his own words, viz.—'I he d---d if I know that.' I asked him whether he thought I was a fool, for a moment to suppose that he would lead the Poll in this County against Mr Rankin; without whose support he, Mr S. could never have found his way into the House as a Representative for the County.

From an apprehension that you may not be able to spare room for anything further from me on the present occasion, or at least in the next Gleaner. I shall close here for the present, but shall continue my observations, if spared, in the paper after next, commencing with the opening of the Poll at Newcastle. Your obt^d Servt.

JOHN HEA: Chatham, Jan. 14, 1843.

P. S. In speaking of the 'Newcastleites,' as opposed to us, our friends in Newcastle, of whom many have sprung out of the late contest, will not for a moment suppose that we intend to include them.

MR. EDITOR. I was in hopes the present contested Election would have past over in silence, and that all excitement would have died away—each individual following his avocations—some to their Counters, others to the Bar, the rest to their Offices. But sadly have I been disappointed. Instead of quiet and peaceful abode, I find your last paper filled with all the invective imaginable, by Mr. Street, the unsuccessful Candidate, and his partizans, against Mr. Williston's supporters. For what? Is it because that gentleman has been the successful Candidate on the present occasion? No doubt that is the chief cause. Sad disappointment, writhing between pride and ambition—has been too overflowing to allow them to remain in silence. The great victory achieved by Mr Williston and his friends on the present occasion, has been too much for their weak minds to bear. But how unfortunate, Mr E.J. how much are those people to be pitied who cannot bear with disappointment however trifling. It certainly must be a sore subject to the Ex-Member, as well as to those persons who past the Resolutions published in your paper of the 10th inst., otherwise I feel confident such language could never have escaped the pens of either the one or the other; and yet, how can I wonder. Let me take a retrospective view of who composed that numerous meeting:

- THOMAS C. ALLAN, in the Chair—Bank Cashier.
NEIL McLEAN, Secretary—Messrs. R. & S.'s Poll Clerk.

When the first Resolution was moved—by whom? (!!!) Moved by Wm. Masson, tavern keeper, and seconded by Hugh Ferguson; ditto. 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 base leader, during the 3rd 4th 6th and 8th days of the Polling, and in coercing others to vote for Mr. Williston, by threats and intimidation.

Now, Mr. Editor, a few words with regard to this sweeping Resolution, which is evidently written, as well as the others, and Mr Street's Speech, at the close of the Poll, and his reply to the Resolutions,—for what? Not for the

Inhabitants of this County. No. But for the purpose of attracting the eye of those persons on the other side of the Province—whom he and his partizans would lead to suppose that his Election had been lost by undue influence, in the manner stated. I cannot, in justice to myself, as one of Mr Williston's friends and supporters, (for I am happy to style myself such) allow those Resolutions to go, as well as Mr Street's glaring and ungentlemanly Speech, to the world, unanswered, so long as I can wield my pen or wag my tongue, however reluctant I may be to appear before the public. The movers, as I have shewn you their standing, unfortunately, I fear, have either been in a state of inebriety, or not possessing sufficient common sense to see the force of moving such a Resolution.

I shall presently shew you, Mr. Editor, and all other disinterested individuals, whose minds may have been warped by those Resolutions, that the supporters of Mr Williston were equally respectable, if not more so, than Mr. Street's friends; it will be impossible for me to enumerate the whole; the result has shewn the respectability and standing of his friends—having, at the close of the Poll, the glorious majority of 31. I feel it a duty incumbent on me, in the first place, as a Magistrate, in the second, as a member of this community, to mark the peace and quiet of the individuals who followed and supported Mr Williston, and in a determination to keep the peace. I allude now to my respected Catholic brethren, who were most numerous on the occasion, and whose influence and friendly feeling entitled Mr Williston to such a majority; and here let me remark, that the dispositions evinced towards that respectable body of individuals, to tramp them down by a certain party, whose influence and money have hitherto had great sway in this County, reflects still more credit for their energy in breaking the chain hitherto too long suspended about their necks. You must be perfectly aware, Mr Editor, in all cases where Elections are contested, there is more or less excitement, and on the present occasion can you wonder at a little outbreak of popular feeling, when for the last ten years the majority of the Freeholders in the County have been anxious that they should be equally represented by having a Member on each side of the River, and hitherto prevented by intimidation and Ledger Influence. Such has been the fact which has, until the present time, when they determined to throw off the yoke, and en masse, resolved to act for themselves.

Moved by Wm. Loch, Merchant, and seconded by Hugh Hamill, tavern keeper and saddler.

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.

This Resolution evidently carries with it deep remorse, disappointed ambition—a signal defeat, of what they imagined was but a mere shadow. No doubt the disappointment is so great, that a stone will not be left unturned to accomplish their ends—that they would not only give their time, as well as their money. I cannot for one moment doubt, could they unseat Mr Williston. But, mark ye, cannot you suggest a little advice to those persons—to keep their money, and employ their time for some more useful and charitable object. And now, to shew the extent of this numerous meeting, when the Poll Clerk has to be called to throw off his Secretary garb, and assume the would-be, in moving another Resolution:

Moved by Neil M Lean, poll clerk, and seconded by Alex M'Laggan, Magistrate.

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 John T. Williston's Election, and to raise the necessary funds for defraying the expenses of that object.

Here you again find these gentlemen, with the word money in their mouths, passing a third Resolution. For what? Not that they expect any benefit can accrue from this, but as another mark of their glorious defeat. Such a Resolution, emanating from such a source, is really laughable. But why should I make any comment—they no doubt feel

all the remorse of a child having doted on a rose, and from the too frequent handling, become withered, and died. Such, no doubt, is the case in the present instance. Their favorite champion has lost, thro' too much over zeal on the part of his friends, and too much usurpation on the part of himself—the pride of his ambition, a seat in the House of Assembly of this Province.

The final Resolution here follows: Moved by Henry B. Allison, merchant, and seconded by Alex. Foster, shop keeper.

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!!!

- Wm. Loch, merchant.
Henry B. Allison, magistrate.
Alexander McLaggan, magistrate.
Hugh Hamill, tavern keeper & saddler
Thomas W. Underhill, Magistrate.
Alexander Foster, shop keeper.
Archibald Haddow, clerk to J Russell.

I merely give the titles of those gentlemen who style themselves Mr Street's friends, in order that I may contrast them with the supporters of Mr Williston—as Mr Street has been pleased to remark, partizans, in his written Speech in your last paper. He tells the world—'Had the Election been conducted fairly and honestly, and the sense of the Constituency had been declared against him, he should have cheerfully bowed to the decision.'

Dear me, Mr Editor, how a drowning man will grasp at a straw. Notwithstanding he has been defeated by an overwhelming majority of 31, he still imagines himself the Member elect. The majority of the independent Freeholders of the County have decided his fate, and resigned him to private life; and instead of floundering up and down with such abuse only fit for the precincts of Billingsgate, he should quietly thank them for their good intentions. I have not yet done, Mr Editor, and I fear I take up too much of your valuable journal, I regret my time is not more profitably employed: the satisfaction to me however is sufficient, can I with my pen do away with the shameful insinuations thrown out against the majority of the independent Electors of this County, by Mr Street, and those persons who composed his Meeting. That base falsehoods, coercive means, and acts of violence were used towards Mr Street and his friends, I have yet to learn. Mr Street further says, he has been supported throughout by all the most respectable people in the County. This I deny. The majority of the Freeholders in this County proves the fact that such is not the case. I look upon the Mechanic, the Farmer, the Fisherman, the Labourer, and those men who, if they only possess property sufficient to enable them to record their displeasure, equally entitled to consideration, as much so as the great and mighty engine with which Mr Street has been hurried to his untimely fate on the present occasion. In the meantime I shall conclude, and with a parting friendly hint to the disappointed. Fear your defeat as becomes good christians, and shew to those whom you would wish to style your friends, that words spoken, and sentences written in anger, are merely from the tongue and pen, not from the heart. If I have been over zealous in this letter, it is from a desire to put such a construction on the face of this Election as the County merits, and as the majority of the Freeholders have testified.

Your faithful Servant, H. C. D. CARMAN. Chatham, January 14, 1843.

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Dated at Miramich, this first day of May, 1842