

## PUBLIC MEETING.

At a Public Meeting held at Fraser's Hotel, in the Town of Chatham, on Thursday the 30th March, 1843,

Mr. GEORGE JOHNSTON, (of Napan,) in the Chair,

Moved by Mr. Michael Dunn, and seconded by H. C. D. Carman, Esq.  
Resolved, unanimously, as the opinion of this meeting, that an Address should be presented to JOHN T. WILLISTON, Esq. on his return from Head Quarters, testifying our deep sense of the judgment, zeal, and independence he has displayed during the short period he has represented the interests of this County in the Provincial Assembly.

Moved by Mr. William Johnston, seconded by Mr. Henry Wyse,

Resolved, unanimously, that the draft of the Address now read, be adopted; and that Dudley Perley, Michael Dunn, James Dickson, John M'Lean, John Begual, John M' Rae, Geo. Johnston, Daniel Crimmins, Cornelius M'Carthy, Henry Wyse, Michael Conway, Michael Searl, Peter Gray, William Rafter, Robert Coulson, William O'Brien, Alexander Campbell, John Hea, James Crawford, S. J. Frost, Wm. Tobin, John Whitehead, John Noonan, Daniel M'Laughlan—be a Committee to wait on John T. Williston, Esq. on his arrival, and present the same, on behalf of this meeting.

Moved by Mr. Michael Searl, and seconded by Mr. B. Stapleton,

Resolved, unanimously, That the same desire to promote the public good which actuated the supporters of John T. Williston, Esq. in the late election, constrains this meeting to request that he will allow himself to be put in nomination as a candidate for the Representation of this county at the ensuing election.

Moved by Mr. John M'Lean, and seconded by Mr. Adam Carr,

Resolved, unanimously, that the Petition of John A. Street, Esq. against the return of John T. Williston, Esq. contains foul and unwarrantable aspersions against Mr. Williston, and his Friends, and calls for our unqualified disapprobation.

Moved by P. Williston, Esq. and seconded by Mr. William Gray,

Resolved, unanimously, That Wm. CARMAN, Esq. is justly entitled to the thanks of this meeting, for the straight forward, and gentlemanly course pursued by him, and for the zeal, ability, and judgment he has displayed in conducting our affairs before the Committee of the House of Assembly, and successfully thwarting the intentions of John A. Street, Esq. and his partisans, to involve John T. Williston, Esq. in the expenses of a scrutiny;—and further Resolved, That 7 persons be a committee to prepare an Address, to be presented to Mr. Carman, on his return, predicated on the foregoing Resolution; which Address shall be signed by the Committee. And further Resolved, That the following gentlemen compose said committee—Edward Williston, John M'Lean, S. J. Frost, John M' Rae, William Tobin, Alexander Fenton, and James Dickson.

Moved by Henry C. D. Carman, Esq. and seconded by Phineas Williston, Esq.

Resolved, unanimously, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Gleaner, and that Mr. Chubb, of the St. John Courier, be requested to copy the same into his journal.

GEORGE JOHNSTON, Chairman.

Moved, that Mr. Johnston leave the chair.

Henry C. D. Carman, Esq. was called therefor.

Resolved, unanimously, That Mr. Johnston is entitled to the thanks of this meeting for his able and impartial conduct while presiding over the same. RICHARD PATTON, Secretary.

The following is a copy of the Address presented to Mr. Williston,

Chatham, 31st March, 1843.

Sir,  
We, the undersigned, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of Miramichi, beg to express our unreserved conviction of the judgment, zeal, and ability displayed by you, during the short period you have represented this County, and thus practically testing the propriety of our choice.

Notwithstanding the attempts of Mr. Street and his partisans, to cast a reflection on you, as well as on those of your friends who supported you in the recent contest—the coolness you have hitherto manifested, and the increasing desire evinced, to discharge your duty as a Legislator faithfully, calls for our admiration.

Although many important and intricate questions have arisen during the short period you have represented your constituents, the course you have on all occasions adopted, has been such as to call forth an expression of approbation from the Freeholders of this county.

With increased confidence, therefore, in your ability and faithfulness, to serve us, we respectfully and earnestly request that you will allow yourself to be nominated as a Candidate at the approaching Election.

We will not allow ourselves to believe that the unjustifiable attempts which have been unsuccessfully made to depreciate your character, will deter you for a moment in accepting our invitation.

It need scarcely be added, that should you comply with our request, we will give you our most cordial support.

[Signed by the Committee]  
To John T. Williston, Esq.

The following is Mr. Williston's Answer:

Miramichi, 1st April, 1843.

Gentlemen,

The Address which you have been pleased to present me with, from the inhabitants of Miramichi, on my return among you, after an absence of over two months, attending to your business as one of the Representatives of this County; and in which you approve of my conduct, is, I assure you, very flattering to me.

I can truly assert, that all questions which were before the Legislature, received my best consideration; and any judgment, zeal and ability displayed by me was freely devoted, to advance the prosperity of the Province at large, and of this my native County in particular, and which I am gratified to find receive your approbation.

Notwithstanding the vile attempt of Mr. Street and his partisans to reflect on me, and to degrade the Freeholders of this County, who so nobly supported me during the late Election, and thereby to destroy if possible my usefulness and influence in the Councils of my Country, and the harassing care attending the protracted investigation of our late Election before a committee of the House of Assembly; still I pursued the even tenor of my way, and can truly say that I discharged my duties to the best of my ability, influenced by no other consideration than the public weal, and nothing is more convincing of my having done so, than the approval of my Constituents.

Although many important and intricate questions have arisen during my short representation of your rights, still I have the satisfaction to say that I have, untrammelled by the influence or power of the great, advocated every question according to my own deliberate conviction, with a due regard to the interests of the people.

Although unjustifiable attempts have been made to depreciate my character in public estimation, and if possible to deter me from again contesting the Election for this County, I fear, I dread them not; and I now beg to state distinctly that I shall cheerfully respond to your call, and shall again offer myself as a Candidate to represent your interests in the General Assembly of this Province at the approaching Election.

For the assurance of your cordial support receive my warmest thanks, and in conclusion I can only say, that whether your member or not, this my native County shall receive my warmest support.

I have the honor to be,  
Your obedient humble servant,

JOHN T. WILLISTON.

MIRAMICHI, 31st March, 1843.

William Carman, Esq.,

Dear Sir,

Having been appointed a Committee to address you on your return from Fredericton, in consequence of your professional exertions in the investigation relative to the Northumberland Election, lately pending before a Committee of the House of Assembly, we avail ourselves of this early opportunity to perform so pleasing a duty.

From the talent and legal knowledge arrayed against you, and the unparalleled exertions used to frustrate the friends and supporters of John T. Williston, Esquire, in their just rights, and to deprive him of his seat, and them of their Representative, was certainly calculated to create alarm as to the consequences, but your legal research, ability, honesty of purpose, and indefatigable exertions during an arduous and protracted investigation, supporting the rights of the People, have earned for you, and most justly so, the well merited approbation of the community.

Your gentlemanly deportment and urbane conduct on all occasions, particularly on the present, (compared with that of your opponents) were well calculated to forward our cause, and meet the approbation of the Committee.

Valuing as we do your worth, integrity, and ability, we congratulate you on your professional success, and can assure you in whatever situation in life you may be placed, or sphere of action your talents may be called in to exercise, that a Divine Providence may watch over you for good.

[Signed by the Committee.]

To Wm. Carman, Esq., Barrister at Law, Chatham.

Miramichi, 1st April, 1843.

Gentlemen,  
On my return from Fredericton I had the satisfaction of receiving many hearty welcomes, not only from my friends, but also from many of my political opponents; but I can assure you I was not prepared to receive so flattering a testimonial as you have just presented to me, of the approval of my conduct during the protracted investigation relative to the late Election, and it gives me peculiar satisfaction to find that my humble exertions have met so general approbation.

I feel that I am not deserving of the very flattering encomiums you have been pleased to express as to my abilities; and must beg to state that if the result of the late investigation has been such as to give satisfaction, the credit is not due to me, but to the members of the Assembly who composed the Committee, for their patient investigation, untiring assiduity, and rectitude of purpose, and for which, in my closing Address, I took the opportunity of thanking them in the name of the majority of the Freeholders of this County.

For the manner in which you have been pleased to speak of my general conduct, and your good wishes for my future prosperity, I return you my most sincere thanks.

WILLIAM CARMAN, JUN.

THE SEASON.—We have before stated, that the season has been the most extraordinary one we have ever witnessed in the country, and it appears it intends maintaining that character to the end of the chapter. Sunday and Monday brought us a most tremendous snow-storm, with heavy wind from the eastward, which drifted the snow in such a manner as to render travelling on the roads, and streets of the town very difficult; many individuals who ventured out on Tuesday, trudged through our streets on snow-shoes. We should suppose, that the snow which fell on these two days, could not be less than three feet on a level. On Thursday

we had a repetition of the same scene. All our roads are blocked up, and it is with much difficulty horses can travel on the main roads; and persons on foot find it no slight task to wend their way through the less frequented streets. The appearance of every thing out of doors resembles the middle of January instead of the beginning of April. We saw several individuals on Wednesday who had just come out of a camp at Black River, who stated that the snow was six feet deep in the woods.

TO OUR READERS.—It is a common phrase "that it is difficult to please every body;" and we know by experience, that the thing is not only difficult, but impossible, and we have therefore never attempted so to do; but in all transactions in which the public have had any interest, we have endeavoured to act justly, and therefore impartially.

Some time since, a very numerous body of our subscribers, signified their desire, that the controversy which had been carried on by several Reverend Gentlemen, through the columns of the Gleaner, should be brought to a close; as they—very justly in our opinion—conceived that if persisted in, it would tend to disturb that harmony which we have much satisfaction in stating, exists between the members of the different churches in our community. Fully coinciding in the views of our subscribers, and anxious—as we trust we shall always be found—to meet their views, when not infringing on the liberty of the Press, we embraced the first opportunity that offered, to effect that purpose.

In our Journal of the 6th ult. which contained a Letter from the Rev. Mr. Souter, answering a number of charges which had been brought against that gentleman as well as the members of the Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Mr. Hudson, we distinctly stated, that our Rev. Correspondents must in future, confine themselves to the only two points which had been started in the controversy, in which the public felt any interest, namely—"Apostolical Succession," and the validity of the claim advanced, to style the Church of England the "Established Church of this Province."

A few days after our paper was published, we received a portion of a Communication from Mr. Hudson, and on perusing it, discovered that that Gentleman had not confined himself to the points above stated; and in a conversation which we had with him the following day, we ascertained that he did not intend even to notice them: we at once declined inserting it—declaring to him at the time, our determination strictly to adhere to the course we had laid down for the guidance of our correspondents.

Much, very much has been said by certain parties, about what they please to call "the injustice of our conduct toward Mr. Hudson," and "the ungentlemanly manner in which he has been treated by us, in not allowing him to answer Mr. Souter," &c. &c. &c. and imputing to us highly improper motives, such as "partiality," and an unmanly fear, lest we should offend the members of a certain church.

As we have stated, we know it is impossible to please every body, we are therefore not at all surprised to find that our course of action in this particular instance, has not met with unanimous approbation—but we conceive that we have an undoubted right to be dealt justly by—and when persons feel disposed to canvass our conduct, that they should at least make themselves acquainted with the merits of the transaction before they pronounce an opinion; and when they impute improper motives to us, they should have at least a shadow of reason to support their accusation. Now, we defy the parties who have been at some pains to vilify us, to adduce reasons, other than those we have stated, for the course we have pursued. We have determined, that if certain individuals, who have made themselves more busy in this matter than becomes them, still persist in propagating their scandal with an intent to injure us, we shall publicly call upon them for proof of their allegations.

Last week we inserted a communication from the Rev. Mr. Souter, and to-day we publish a letter from Mr. Hannay. Both these gentlemen have confined their remarks to the limits prescribed—and when Mr. Hudson does the same, he also shall have free access to our pages. This, the Rev. Gentleman distinctly understands, we having discussed the matter over freely together.

FIRE!—During the heavy storm on Thursday afternoon last, an alarm of Fire was given, and it was no easy matter to get out the engine, and for persons living at a distance to face the "pelting of the pitiless storm," as they trudged through the snow drifts to the scene of danger.

It was ascertained to be a dwelling house, situate a short distance below St. Andrew's Church, in the lower part of Chatham, occupied by Mr. Raimie, and Mr. George Hayden. The property belonging to the first named individual, was principally removed from the dwelling; but that belonging to the latter was totally consumed. The house was burnt to the ground.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—The following Communications were received during the week:—"A READER," "PHILO," and "—."

MARRIAGES.

At Chatham, on Friday, the 31st March, by the Rev. Samuel Bacon, Rector, Mr. ROBERT MURRAY, of the Parish of Chatham, to Miss JANE WRIGHT, of the Parish of Newcastle.

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RICHARD CARMAN.

Bathurst, 21st January, 1843.

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