

FROM THE BOSTON GAZETTE.
THE GALLIC SLAVE—A SONG.
TUNE—"The Galley Slave."

O think on my fate, once I power enjoyed;
Was as great e'en as Baylies can be;
But greatness is fled, all my hopes are de-
stroyed,
And Congress I no more can see.
I was ousted by the feds—'twas the poi-
gnance of fate,
They drove me from all I adore—
When thought brings to mind my lost honors
of state,
I cry—I cry—I cry till I roar.

Hard, hard is my fate, O how cutting the
pain;
From a Coach, now to ride in a Cart;
And though 'gainst the people I fear to com-
plain,
Yet anger still rankles my heart.
I fear I shall shrink, while I feel their sharp
lash,
If my friends, all ashamed, give me o'er,
While around me the horrors of war fright-
ful crash,
I cry—I cry—I cry till I roar.

How fortune deceives—I had good things in
tow;
I'd a "Legion of Honor" in view;
But election day morn was o'erclouded with
woe,

And, dear Bona, I hurried from you.
Our falsehoods exploded, I bore me away,
To eat loaves and fishes no more;
My conscience gnaws my spirit, my heart
feels its prey,
He cry'd—he cry'd—let him cry, let him
roar.

HALIFAX, JUNE 19.

SHANNON AND CHESAPEAKE.

The following detailed account, being
the result of diligent enquiry derived from
authentic sources of information, may be
relied upon as substantially correct:—

The Shannon was laying too, under top-
sails top-gallant sails, jib and spanker, with
just steering way, awaiting the approach
of the Chesapeake, and leaving it in her
power to commence the engagement as she
pleased, either at a distance or close, either
on the starboard or larboard side. She
came down in a very gallant style on the
Shannon's weather and starboard quarter
till within half pistol shot. The Shannon's
men having orders to fire as they could
bring their guns to bear, commenced by
firing first their after gun on the main-deck
and then their aftermost carronade on the
quarter-deck, just as the Chesapeake's bows
were upon their quarter; these two guns
were distinctly heard before the Chesapeake
returned her fire, which then became furious
on both sides; but the superiority of the
Shannon's was so great that at her second
broadside nearly all the men were swept
from the upper deck of the Chesapeake.
About this time the ships came in contact
and the Chesapeake having shot ahead, was
caught by one of the Shannon's anchors,
and lay obliquely athwart her starboard
bow, exposed to a most tremendous fire
from the Shannon's after guns, which bat-
tered her lee quarter and entering her port-
holes, from thence towards the main-mast,
strewn her main-deck with killed and
wounded. A small open cask of musket
cartridges in an open chest abaft the mizen
mast of the Chesapeake, now caught fire
and blew up; and when the smoke it occa-
sioned had blown away, Capt. Brooke saw
the favorable moment, and instantly, with
a few men, not exceeding 20, boarded her
about the mizen-rigging, from her starboard
bow. Not a man was left standing on the
Chesapeake's quarter-deck when she was
boarded, but about 20 made a slight resist-
ance on her gang-way, who were instantly
driven before the fore-mast, and being
there obliged to stand fought desperately,
but were quickly overpowered. A few en-
deavored to get down the fore hatchway,
but in their eagerness prevented each other;
some jumped over, and one or two of them
escaped by getting in again at the main-
deck ports. Capt. Brooke, and his first
boarding party were almost immediately
followed by between 30 and 40 marines, who
secured possession of the Chesapeake's
quarter-deck, dislodged the men from the
main and fore-tops, that were firing down
on the boarders, and kept down all who
attempted to come up from the main-deck.
Being thus completely captured, Mr. WATT
the 1st Lieut. ran aft and seizing the Bri-
tish colors from a sailor who brought them
from the Shannon, bent them, and was in
the act of hoisting them above the American,
when he was struck in the forehead by a
grape-shot and killed in the moment of vic-
tory. He was shot by one of the Shannon's
main-deck guns; the commanding officers of
whom did not know that the contest was
already decided. Just at the close of the

action as Captain Brooke was earnestly cal-
ling on his men to desist, and give the ene-
my quarter, one of them gave him a severe
wound on the head; the man who did it
was instantly killed; the Captain did not
fall, but staggered back, and sat down on
a coil of rope, when one of the Chesapeake's
midshipmen who had been in the fore-top
slid down a rope and alighted close to him:
the poor fellow was saved from the fury of
the boarders, by the Captain, who brought
him with him back to the quarter-deck.
Captain Brooke faint from exertion, pain
and loss of blood, was then brought on
board the Shannon.

Capt. LAWRENCE received his mortal
wound from some of the Shannon's top
men, and had been carried below before
the boarding commenced.

The Shannon suffered most on the fore
part of the main-deck; and fore-castle, and
her greatest loss of men were on those parts.
The Chesapeake was terribly battered on
her larboard bow and quarter: amidships
there are not many marks of shot, which
must have entered here port-holes, as the
whole of her main-deck was strewn with
dead and wounded.

Thus ended in 13 minutes from the firing
of the first gun, one of the fairest, shortest,
severest and most decisive actions that ever
was fought between two ships of equal
force.

SHANNON'S Guns.

Main Deck—28 long 18-pounders,
Quarter Deck—12 32-pound carronades,
1 12-pound do.
2 long 9-pounders.
1 brass 6-pounder.
Forecastle—4 32-pound carronades,
2 long 9-pounders.

Total number of guns 50
Weight of metal—1070 lbs.

CHESAPEAKE'S Guns.

Main Deck—28 long 18-pounders,
Quarter Deck—16 32-pound carronades,
Forecastle—4 32-pound do.
Do. 1 long 18-pounder.

Total number of guns 49
Weight of metal—1162 lbs.

The Shannon we find, mounted one gun
more than the Chesapeake, yet the Ches-
apeake was superior in weight of metal by
92 lbs. She victualled 389 men, who were
all but one, on her muster-roll, and more
were said to have joined her from the Con-
stitution on the morning of the action, but
this assertion has not been proved by any
evidence that could be obtained. The
Shannon victualled 335 men; 20 of whom
were taken into the ship the day before from
a vessel from Ireland bound to New-fund.

KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The SHANNON had
Killed in action, 26
Wounded, and rec'd in Hospital, . . . 37
Several others wounded slightly.

The CHESAPEAKE had
Killed in action, 64
Wounded severely and received into
the Hospital, 71
Prisoners, of whom 20 were wounded
slightly, 250
Received in the Hospital sick, 4

Making her original number 389
These accounts are taken from the Navy
Hospital books, and the books of the agent
for Prisoners of War.

American vanity, raised to the most in-
ordinate height by their former successes in
three very unequal contests, has been mor-
tified in the extreme, and stung almost to
madness by this unequivocal proof of their
inferiority to us in fair and equal combat:
hence, we account for the ridiculous and
extravagant falsehood of their statements, the
baseness of their calumny, and inveteracy
of their malice. According to them the
fire of the Chesapeake was more "vivid and
effective" until the Shannon threw on board
of her "an immense body of combustibles
"and inflammable matter, (like an INFER-
NAL MACHINE of new and horrible con-
struction,) which enveloped the Ches-
apeake in a volume of flame to her very
"tops" and that to the effects of this
all destroying explosion, the Shannon was
entirely indebted for her victory.

The only circumstance that could have
given rise to this wonderful tale of mysteri-
ous horror, was the cask of musket car-
tridges which caught fire and blew up abaft
the Chesapeake's mizen-mast; which had
been placed there by themselves to supply
their marines. These cartridges not being
confined, exploded with so little violence,
that scarce any of the effects are to be trac-
ed on her quarter-deck; the only appear-
ance of a singe that is to be found, is a
small portion of the spanker-boom; and
that so slight as to be scarcely visible.

Their assertion that the superiority of
the Chesapeake's fire is "proved by the
"fact of its having carried away the jib-
"boom, and fore, and mizen royal-masts of

"the enemy," is totally false. Neither of
the ships lost a single spar. The damage sus-
tained by both was in their hulls; and that
of the Shannon's is trifling indeed, compar-
ed with the Chesapeake's.

There was found on the Chesapeake's decks
more shot than could have been fired away,
had the battle lasted several hours; among
which were (beside grape, canister, and
double headed shot) bars of wrought iron
connected by links so as to form an extend-
ed length of five feet, and others with four
bars of more than a foot each, all connected
at one end by a ring, which expanded in
four points as they flew. The Shannon had
only round shot, grape, and canister: but
many of the Chesapeake's canisters have
since been opened, and have all been found
to contain in the centre, angular and jagged
pieces of iron of various shapes and sizes:
and all their musket cartridges had three and
some four buck-shot loose in the powder.
The evident design of which must have been,
not merely to disable and destroy: for round
balls are equally effectual for these purpo-
ses; but to increase the torment, retard the
cure of the wounds they inflicted. They had
also a large cask of unslacked lime with the
head open, standing on the fore-castle, and a
bag of the same on the fore top; and their
intention was (if they had time) to throw it
by handfuls into the eyes of our men when
they attempted to board. Let Madison,
who with the innate malevolence of an un-
derling demon, is forever canting about hu-
manity; and his lying partizans who have
accused our honest tars with unfairness:
let them reconcile such conduct to the prin-
ciples of honorable warfare, or endeavour
to learn candour and veracity.—They can-
not do either.

Neither the foregoing particular narra-
tion, nor the observations on the subject
are published with the vain expectation of
kindling the blush of shame on the cheek
of an ungenerous enemy; but to gratify the
rational curiosity of British subjects, and
do justice to Captain Brooke and the
brave officers and crew of the Shannon;
whose deeds when fairly stated, are their
own best and highest panegyrick.

QUEBEC, JUNE 3.

We are happy to announce from our own
observation, as well as from reports from
different parts of the Province, that the
Wheat has been sown this year in good sea-
son, and presents at present the most pro-
mising appearance. The quantity sown we
believe is little short of that usually sown,
and in the event of a good crop, will be
fully sufficient to restore that abundance to
which we have been accustomed in this Pro-
vince. We shall besides probably have in
the market a quantity of Wheat of last year's
crop, saved by the speculators and the pre-
sent high prices; and no exportation.

BOSTON, JUNE 7.

Loss of the Privateer Gov. Plumer.

The privateer schooner Gov. Plumer,
Mudge, of this port, was captured off Jesso-
ries, on Thursday 27th ult. by the British
privateer Sir John Sherbrooke, ordered for
Halifax. The second officer and nine of her
crew were paroled, put on board a fishing
boat and arrived here on the morning of the
28th ult. Capt. Mudge, and the remainder
of the crew were probably sent to Halifax.
The Gov. Plumer, has taken the following
prizes—April 21, recaptured a schooner
from Norfolk with corn, which had been
captured by the frigate Orpheus, and order-
ed her in—May 14, captured British brig
Helen, from Pool for Newfoundland, in bal-
last, and burnt her—May 13, brig David,
from Waterford, (Ireland) for Newfound-
land, with provisions and ordered her in—
May 19, ship Dick from do. for do. with a
valuable cargo, and ordered her in. Off
Newfoundland, the G. P. was attacked by
6 barges containing about 30 men each, sent
out for the purpose of capturing her: when
within pistol shot, the Governor Plumer
opened a severe fire upon them and they
made for the shore, with the loss of one boat.
Next day, a Packet, of 12 guns and well
manned, was sent out for the same purpose,
an engagement took place, which lasted
about an hour and an half, when the
packet sheered off with considerable loss.
The G. P. had but 30 of her crew on board
at the time of the engagement, and 52 pri-
soners. A few of her men were slightly
wounded.

HALIFAX, JUNE 19.

Thursday, Arrived, schooner Lark, Capt.
Terrio, from Clara, County of Annapolis,
captured on Tuesday last by the Young
Teazer; recaptured same day by the Borer
brig; at which time the Teazer, and a brig
and schooner (prizes to the Retrieve of
Windsor, but recaptured by the Teazer on
Monday last, off the Light,) were then in

sight. [Both taken by the Borer and
ed here on Thursday last.]

Same Day—Arrived ship Princess Mary,
Story, with Rum, Sugar, and Coffee, 37
days from Jamaica. Sailed with a fleet of
about 140 vessels under Convoy of the Ven-
geur, 74 guns, and several sloops of war,
for London; on the 23d May the Princess
Mary sprung a leak, and making water very
fast, was compelled to make the first English
port. Parted with the convoy, 2d June.—
Spoke 6th June, lat 39, 48, long. 61, brig
Arabella, from hence for Jamaica.

A gentleman who arrived in town yester-
day from the Gut of Canso, saw His Majes-
ty's schooner Paz, lying in the Gut on Sun-
day; he was informed by a person who had
been on board, that she had captured an
American privateer off Liscomb Harbor,
and sent her into Arichat.

The privateer "Fly," Stanwood, from
hence, arrived at Yarmouth on Friday the
11th inst. Previous to her arrival, off Shel-
burne, brought too an American sloop from
Nantucket with Naval Stores; took out her
crew and detained her about 12 hours. The
American Captain first said she was bound
to Teneriffe, and then to Halifax, and shew
a British Licence; Capt. Stanwood suffered
her to proceed; but owing to the want of
an English pilot she has unfortunately miss-
ed this port.

The Young Teazer, captured a fishing
schooner from this place for the Labrador,
the Master arrived in town yesterday; he
was informed by the Captain of the Y. T.
that he had captured five vessels, among
them he mentioned the Highland Lass, Clark
from Jamaica with Rum, taken in sight of
the Light house.

The privateer "Weazel" of this port,
has sent into Shelburne, an American schoo-
ner under Swedish colours, loaded with
Flour and Naval Stores. [She has since
arrived at this port and been restored to the
owner.]

YARMOUTH, (N. S.) JUNE 19.

Last evening arrived His Majesty's ship
Acasta, Capt. Kerr. She sailed from New-
London Sunday last, for this place, in Co-
with the Valiant 74 guns. Left the Ramil-
lies and Orpheus, blockading Commodore
Decatur's squadron: They had been taken
up out of the reach of our vessels, and 800
Militia were constantly employed in throw-
ing up fortifications. On Thursday last the
Acasta and Valiant captured, after a chase
of 13 hours, the brig Porcupine, from Ba-
yonne for Boston with Brandy, Silks &c.
The Valiant and Porcupine are coming up.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Charlotte ss.

TAKEN by Execution and will be sold
at Public Auction on Monday the
twenty-eighth of June, at the Court House
in the Town of Saint Andrews, at eleven
A. M.—All that Tract or Parcel of Land
the property of Daniel Davis Woodbury,
on the Island of Grand Manan, described as
follows; bounded southerly on lands be-
longing to Wm. Gadcomb, westerly on lands
granted to Bingham & Quigley, northerly
on lands granted to John Moss, and easterly
on Long Island Bay, containing 800
acres more or less; on the Premises is a
dwelling house, a Grist and Saw Mill, a
large and valuable Marsh, which with a lit-
tle improvement may be made to cut 100
tons of Hay, with the buildings thereon,
and all the rights, privileges and apperte-
nances therunto belonging.

E. ANDREWS, Sheriff of Charlotte.
St. Andrews, 3d December, 1812.

For Sale on Reasonable Terms,

THREE hundred acres of good Land,
18 acres of which has been improved;
it is situate on the River Kennebeck, 16
miles from this City, and has an excellent
growth of hard wood of nearly 120 acres.
Any person wishing to purchase the above
Land, may know the particulars by apply-
ing to Mr. ROBERT LAIDLAY, at York Point.
St. John, 19th April, 1813.

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being, by the consent of all the partners
dissolved: All persons having any demands
against the same, are requested to present
them for settlement without delay, and those
indebted to the said Firm are desired forth-
with to make payment and settlement with
WILLIAM BLACK, & Co.

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Saint John, N. B. January 1, 1813.

CARDS.

MERRY ANDREW and HENRY the
VIIIth Playing CARDS of a good
quality, for Sale at J. S. MOTT'S Office, by
the dozen or single pack,