

Mr. McCord, as a Member of that Society, in a very animated speech, returned thanks, and assured the gentlemen present that he should have much happiness in conveying to that body so gratifying an expression of the sentiments entertained towards them by their friends in Upper Canada, pledging himself at the same time upon all occasions to use his utmost exertions for the benefit of the new Society, by forwarding from time to time any important communication the Lower Canada Institution might command.

Mr. Smith, of the Canada Company, who has but lately arrived from England, felt it a duty incumbent on him to express his astonishment at the rapid growth and prosperity of the new settlement, and on that account would propose—

"The rising City of Guelph," with three times three.

It is needless to add, this toast was drunk with unbounded enthusiasm.

The British Consul, after the cheering had subsided, begged leave to propose a toast which he felt the observations of his friend Mr. Smith called for: When he looked around him and beheld the magnificent apartments in which they were then celebrating the birth day of the best and most beloved of Sovereigns, together with that of what he might call this nucleus of a city which promised one day to become the most important in Upper Canada,—the tables abounded with luxuries from every part of the world, and surrounded by an assemblage such as he then had the honour of addressing, he was led to ask, could such things be real? Was it possible that the place they were then sitting in, under the roof of a mansion which might vie with the proudest in the land; and surrounded as it was by upwards of a hundred others, affording protection and comfort to nearly a thousand human beings—was it possible, he would ask, that that same place, not eighteen months ago was a perfect wild, without even a shadow of humanity to enliven it? What mighty magician had produced all this? One striking result has arisen from the situation of this settlement, and the improvements carried on here, of which you can all judge, namely: that the land here and in this neighbourhood, two years ago would not bring \$1 per acre, and now, Gentlemen, from \$2 to \$4 has become the general price—such already being the result of the Company's operations, what may we not expect when the contemplated roads are opened? I cannot omit to mention the late work of 30 days, in which 70 miles of road has been opened, to the shores of Lake Huron, and reception houses built every ten miles, under the immediate superintendence of our worthy Chairman,—an operation almost unexampled. The contemplated road to York, of 48 miles, will shorten the distance by the new road, between the seat of Government and the River Maitland, on Lake Huron, about 200 miles, and throw open a region fertile beyond expectation, and capable of supporting the surplus population of the Parent State. The gentleman continued at great length, in his own peculiarly happy and eloquent style, to eulogise the conduct and exertions of their worthy host, whom he justly described as being the chief organ by whose means such gratifying results had been effected; and concluded by giving the following toast:

"Our highly esteemed Chairman—May he long live, and enjoy, DURING THIS LIFE, the reward of his patriotic and unexampled labors; and may he escape the usual fate of the great benefactors to mankind, to whom justice has been rarely awarded until after death."

The cheering after this toast lasted several minutes, and was again renewed upon the honourable gentleman's rising to return thanks. He stated that although he felt, most deeply and warmly, the kind feelings and intentions of his friend Mr. Buchanan, he utterly disclaimed assigning to himself the praise so lavishly bestowed. He had been ably assisted upon all occasions by gentlemen, as well present as absent, connected with the Company and otherwise, whose feelings coincided with his own in an earnest anxiety for the interests and welfare of the British Empire; and in no way, he conceived, could such be better promoted, than in providing a reception for the superabundant population at home. [Cheers.] The gentleman having again expressed his regret at the manner in which his exertions had been set forth, and returned thanks, sat down amidst loud and continued applause.

The President, then, in reference to the Agricultural Society, gave "The health of John Brant, Esq., their Secretary, whose liberality, zeal, and

gentlemanly conduct, upon every occasion connected with the public welfare, demanded their warmest admiration" [Drunk with cheers.]

Mr. Brant, with great feeling, and in a speech of deep interest, returned thanks.

In proposing the health of one of his earliest friends, Mr. Thomas Smith, the Chairman observed upon the advantages the Company would derive, and himself in particular, from the aid of a gentleman so eminently gifted as Mr. S.

This toast likewise was received with very great expression of approbation.

Mr. Smith returned thanks, and assured his friends that his abilities should ever be exerted to promote the best interests of the Province with which those of the Company were indissolubly united.

The health of Doctor Dunlop was then proposed and drank in a manner that must have been highly gratifying to the Doctor's feelings. He returned thanks and concluded a very impressive speech, by proposing the health of a gentleman whom he considered of more practical importance to the Province than perhaps any other—he meant James Crooks, Esq.—wishing him in a most singular expressive and highly characteristic manner, a long life, and prosperity. [Drunk with cheers.]

Mr. Crooks, with much feeling and eloquence, expressed his thanks. Soon after which the company broke up, highly delighted with the evening's entertainment, which had been considerably heightened by a variety of excellent songs from different gentlemen present.

QUEBEC, SEPT. 4.

On Tuesday morning arrived His Majesty's ship *Challenger*, 28 guns, Captain ADOLPHUS FITZ-CLARENCE, last from HALIFAX, having on board His Excellency Lieut. General Sir JAMES KEMPT, G. C. B. and G. C. H. late Lieutenant Governor of the Province of NOVA SCOTIA, and now appointed to succeed His Excellency Lieutenant General The Earl of DALHOUSIE, G. C. B. as GOVERNOR IN CHIEF and CAPTAIN GENERAL of BRITISH NORTH AMERICA. His Excellency was accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES YORKE, formerly of the 52d Regiment, late inspecting Field Officer of Militia for the Province of NOVA SCOTIA, and by Captain J. J. HAMILTON, 81st Regt., His Excellency's Aide-de-camp.

The *Challenger* sailed from HALIFAX on the 23d ult. On her arrival she received a salute from the Citadel, which she returned on coming to anchor opposite the King's Wharf. The hour of noon was fixed for the landing of His Excellency, who was received with appropriate honors, by a Guard of Honor, and Regimental Color of the 15th Regiment, commanded by Captain DROUGHT. His LORDSHIP the COMMANDER IN CHIEF, proceeded in his open carriage to the King's Wharf, accompanied by his Staff, and escorted by the Troop of Quebec Cavalry. Sir JAMES KEMPT, on landing from the stairs, was received by His Excellency, the principal Officers of the Garrison, and by Commodore BARRIE. The Frigate manned her yards, and saluted on the occasion, in honor of Sir JAMES; who ascending Lord DALHOUSIE's carriage with Captain FITZ-CLARENCE, was conveyed to the Chateau St. Louis, with the same cortege as accompanied His LORDSHIP. On his arrival at the Chateau, the Gentlemen of the Council were introduced to His Excellency, who afterwards received the Officers of the Regiments in Garrison.

His Excellency Sir JAMES KEMPT, has, for the present, taken up his residence at MOUNT CANNON, the house of Lieutenant Colonel the Honorable CHARLES GORE, on the Cape.—*Gazette by Authority.*

DEPARTURE OF THE GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF.—On Monday, at half past 11, as had been announced, the Earl of Dalhousie held his farewell levee, which was numerously attended, and at which his Lordship conversed familiarly with a number of the inhabitants. A short time after twelve, His Excellency proceeded, on horseback, to the lower town, attended by the whole of his personal and military staff, and escorted by Colonel Bell's troop of volunteer cavalry. A salute had been fired on his leaving the castle, and the streets had been previously lined by the soldiers of the 15th and 66th regiments. Though the weather was extremely unfavourable, a great number of civilians and others had found their way to the King's Wharf, where His Excellency again took leave with much affability and affection. On the barge leaving the stairs, a salute was fired by the volunteer artillery

from some field pieces placed on the front of the wharf. On reaching the *Challenger*, of which the yards were all manned, a salute was fired from her main deck.

The same escort that had attended His Lordship, returned immediately to the Castle of St. Lewis, and accompanied the Countess of Dalhousie to the wharf. Her ladyship was seated in a carriage with His Excellency, Sir James Kempt, the streets being still lined with military. Sir James Kempt attended her Ladyship to the Frigate.

The *Challenger* was under way about two o'clock. We understand the *John Molson* steamboat, with a great number of respectable inhabitants on board, left the harbour at the same time, and accompanied the frigate, with her noble passengers, 24 miles down the river. The steam-boat returned in the evening.—*Star.*

KINGSTON, U. C. Aug. 13.

Steam Boat Encounter.—On Saturday last the Steam Boat *Dalhousie*, Capt. M'Donnell, in order to oblige a number of the inhabitants of Kingston, made a trip to Bath. About 7 o'clock in the evening, the *Dalhousie* left Mr. Ham's wharf, and steered for Kingston. A few minutes afterwards, the *Toronto*, Capt. Sinclair, got under way from a wharf a short distance to leeward of the *Dalhousie*, and proceeded towards Kingston, also.—When opposite to a point of land below Bath, the *Toronto* came within hail of the *Dalhousie*, and Captain M'Donnell perceiving that danger was at hand, requested Capt. Sinclair to stop his engine. This request, however, was disregarded, and the next minute the stem of the *Toronto* struck the *Dalhousie* on her larboard quarter, carrying away the stanchions, railing, &c. The *Toronto* then shot ahead, and the two boats became wedged together, in which situation they ran more than half a mile. Here again Capt. M'Donnell entreated Capt. Sinclair to stop his engine, and he would do the same, in order that the boats might separate without doing further injury to each other; but all to no purpose—the Captain of the *Toronto* continued obstinate and unyielding. At length Captain M'Donnell, fearing that serious consequences might ensue, stopped the *Dalhousie's* engine, and allowed the *Toronto* to escape.

The foregoing is a plain relation of the facts as they occurred under our immediate observation, and in the presence of twenty or thirty other passengers. We abstain from comment, as the affair will probably hereafter become the subject of legal investigation.

PICOU, SEPT. 3.

Reply to a Despatch enclosing a Petition from the Inhabitants of Picou.

Downing Street, June 9, 1828.

SIR,—Your Despatch, enclosing a Petition from the principal Inhabitants of the district of Picou, praying that the Port of Picou may be made a Free Warehousing Port, having been referred to the consideration of the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade; I have now the honour to acquaint you that as Picou has been made a Free Port, their Lordships cannot recommend a compliance with the prayer of the Petitioners.

I have the honor to be, sir, your most obedient humble servant,

G. MURRAY.

Lieut. Gen. Sir JAMES KEMPT, }
G. C. B., &c. &c. &c. }

A Special Session of the Peace is hereby Summoned to meet at the County Court House, on Thursday the 25th instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to take into Consideration an Application for a Retail Licence.

Clerks Office, Fredericton, Sept. 16, 1828.

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H. G. CLOPPER.

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Fredericton, 5th August, 1828.

ALL persons who have unsettled Accounts, and are indebted to the Subscriber, will please to call and settle them satisfactorily, or they will be put into the hands of an Attorney to collect without discrimination.

Fredericton, April 22, 1828.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.