

FOR THE COURIER

MR. CHUBB. Having read a Card published in Mr. Hooper's paper, and signed by Edward Elliott and Edward Johnston, I think it my duty to make the following statement: There is no man of the name of Johnston in the Detachment of the Royal Artillery now in Saint John. The man named Elliott of the men that had sent the Card for publication, they did not believe him. As many of the men as could be collected have been paraded, and to a man, have avowed their participation with Elliott in his unjustifiable attack on Mr. Simonds.

By inserting the above in your highly respectable paper, you will vindicate the credit of the honorable corps, and oblige your's, &c. Jan. 29. VERAX.

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In the last number of the British Colonist we have, in a "Card" addressed to CHARLES SIMONDS, Esquire, another specimen of the imperishable materials which have ever contributed to the usefulness and respectability of your interesting Journal; and which, by your adherence to the motto of the author, "Fearless but Faithful," has rendered it so valuable to the public. Yes, truly; never was pledge more honestly rendered, and that to the very last. Ever faithful, both in the invention and the execution of all that is low, abusive, and untrue, I think, I have, up to this present hour, and I think, will, up to the hour of the future, set mankind an example to charge him with a single instance of delinquency, or to point out the neglect of any opportunity wherein either truth or falsehood, or unassisted him in preserving the consistency and utility of his duty. And so "fearless" has formed of his consequences, that although his miserable paper has become so exceedingly disgusting that many have abandoned it, and nearly all are suffering it to close the period of its existence, yet he keeps the steady, unwinking eye upon his motto, and pursues his course with such faithfulness, that very soon he will drive the Editor and all "fearless" into the sea.

But, having, in any additional observations on the "beauteous" of the Colonist, and the merits of its owner, I will proceed to state to you, as briefly as possible, the circumstances from which, as his special poison, he has derived his name, and which he has before us in his paper of the 26th inst.

At the close of the late election for the County of Saint John, some of the good people had a desire to express their gratification at the return of their much-esteemed Representative, Mr. Hooper, by giving to him a testimonial of their affection, in addition to some other indications of their joy. To this end, an individual applied to the Sergeant of the County of Saint John, and referred him to the Sergeant of the Royal Artillery for the guns and the salute. With the approbation and concurrence of Captain Stanway, who was also consulted on the occasion, the Sergeant, with two other non-commissioned officers and two gunners, accompanied also by seven other volunteers, proceeded to the residence of Mr. Hooper, and fired rounds were accordingly fired without any accident; and the men, after partaking of a glass of wine and some cakes, were marched in military order to the barracks, and there dismissed.

No remuneration of any kind had been held out to the men for their services; they were discharged a duty enjoined on them by their OFFICERS; and to have offered or promised Soldiers pay under such circumstances, would have been an abuse of the favour conferred by the Officer; at variance with military discipline, and, consequently, repugnant to the feelings of the men.

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EDWARD JOHNSTON. St. John, N. B. January 26, 1835.

ON THE APPEARANCE OF THE CARD, CAPTAIN STANWAY.

Myself assembled the Non-commissioned Officers and Gunners of the Company, who individually stated that the article was written without their knowledge or consent; and no remuneration was either implied, proposed, or promised them, and that the making of such a claim never entered into their imaginations.

Before making a few concluding remarks on this piece of iniquitous ingenuity, I would just say myself of the present moment to state, in justice to the honorable gentleman whom Mr. Hooper would behold with his eyes, that Mr. Simonds was as unconscious of the intended exhibition of the flag, or the firing of the feu de joie, as any other individual in the community; and that he neither directly nor indirectly in any manner contributed to the object.

And now, Mr. Chubb, what shall I, or ought I, to say farther on this miserable effort of depravity to throw dirt on an individual who is morally beyond its reach; or what could we say of the being, in the shape of a man, who, for the sake of ingratiating himself with the political opponents of Mr. Simonds, would have recourse to such miserable shifts to prosecute his scheme? Had he no regard for the feelings and the character of the Royal Artillery Company stationed in this City, among whom there could not be found another individual than Edward Elliott, capable of uniting with him in mischief so low and base, as to forge such vile traits in the name and behalf of that Company, and add a testimonial to give it the semblance of reality? What will be thought of our would-be Representative and adopted Pat, by His Excellency, to whom, no doubt, it has been deemed necessary to communicate the proper information, that the Royal Artillery Company are an excellent body from this odious imputation upon their character?

I understand that Mr. Hooper is about to set out for Head Quarters; no doubt the great business of the State requires his august presence there; I will advise him to present himself before His Excellency in his real reporting dress, and editorial costume; and should His Excellency condescend to inquire who he is?—I would fervently advise him to answer him in undisguised professional style—"My name is Legion, for we are many."

Finally, I would exhort Mr. Hooper to make no attempt to get rid of this scrape; every effort to extricate himself, will only plunge him deeper in the mire: "Johnston" is an entire forgery, and Elliott can scarcely write his name; and he must inevitably stick, for Hercules himself cannot pull him out.

However, he may yet serve a purpose: if some kind contemporary would print a label, and send a boy to tie it round his neck, he would serve to warn travellers from being so "fearlessly" faithful as to plunge themselves into inevitable destruction.

St. John, 30th January, 1835. VERITAS.

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In pursuing a former number of the Christian Reporter's Temperance Advocate, I noticed a communication from a friend to Temperance who in reporting the proceedings of a late meeting of the Wakefield Temperance Society stated, that it was Resolved unanimously, that the

thanks of the meeting be given to His Honor Judge Beardsley, for the able manner in which he supported a petition presented in their behalf to the Court of Sessions, in the month of June last, praying that licenses should be granted to the Parish of Wakefield.—The prayer of their petition was granted by the Court, and it cannot be denied that some good has already resulted therefrom. At the opening of the January Sessions, His Honor Judge Beardsley expressed his opinion in the most decided terms, as to the propriety of granting licenses for the sale of Ardent Spirits.—He observed that lately Spirituous Liquors had been freely given to the public for the purpose of gratifying certain passions, and not only so, but that, by its demoralizing effects rendered it absolutely necessary that some means should be devised to prevent the progress of that growing evil, and at the same time strongly recommended the Grand Jury to take up the subject in their annual Report, and report their opinion thereon to the Court. On the Friday following, a Petition respectfully and humbly signed was presented to the Court, (praying that no Licenses should be granted in this County) by Charles Fisher, Esq., in advocating the cause of temperance, and especially for the more purposes of increasing the revenue, for he thought the revenue was already large enough, if it was properly taken care of; it was quite sufficient for all the necessary improvements of the Province and for the reasonable purposes of government. The commercial part of the Province, he said, was in a state of depression, as it had already been laid by rum smuggled from this, if the duty were lessened. That, however, would be a liberal policy towards the sister Province, to introduce into Nova Scotia, the duty ought to be laid equal here. (Mr. Speaker) was very anxious to see all taxes kept within the bounds, and a proper system of economy established; a right system of economy, to answer both for present and for posterity. He was sorry that the duty on rum could not be increased to a much greater extent, even so as to amount to a prohibition, which would indeed be good policy. The article of rum imported into the Province annually to the amount of about £60,000; which was worth as much as the duties on rum, and it was not fair to tax rum more than the duties on rum. It was not fair to tax rum more than the duties on rum. It was not fair to tax rum more than the duties on rum.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE JOURNALS.

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The following Committees were appointed:—Committee of Privilege—Messrs. Weldon, Johnston, Street, Allen, and Chandler. Committee to examine and report upon Public and Private Accounts—Messrs. Partelow, Robinson, Woodward, Taylor, and Stewart. Committee of Trade—Messrs. M'Leod, Weyer, Burns, Robinson, Stewart, and Woodward. Road Committee—Messrs. Taylor, Connell, Partelow, Crane, End, Johnston, Clinch, Weldon, Miles, Freeze, and Street.

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