

Scarcely had the terrified inhabitants of the town recovered from the dismay and consternation attendant upon the Fire, when it pleased the All-wise Disposer of Events to afflict the Island with another of those awful visitations, which, alas, of late years, it has often fallen to our lot to record.

Out of 23 vessels, large and small, which were riding safely at their anchorage at 7 o'clock, 22 were driven ashore, and most of them dashed on the rocks reaching from below the stores of the Messrs Moor, to the upper reef, laying in some places in heaps of four or five, large and small, from the humble sloop to the lofty and capacious barque or brig, exposed, many of them, with their sides down, or keels upwards to the violence of the surf, which dashed for the greater part of the day with unabated fury against them, driving the larger upon the smaller vessels, and thus completing the work of destruction to its utmost finish. Some again were driven by the violence of the sea, upon the rocks abreast of the pier, and have there become complete wrecks. Along the shore, for above a mile and a half may be seen the remnants of the shattered vessels and their cargoes, piled up in heaps, and indeed wherever the eye turns, one unvaried scene of ruin and devastation is presented. Never, we believe, in the memory of the oldest inhabitant of the Island, has a shipwreck occurred in so short a time, so calamitous in its consequences.

CHARLOTTE-TOWN, P. E. I. Sept. 2.

An attempt was made to break out of Jail on the night of Sunday last, by John Maclean, under sentence of imprisonment for horse stealing, and Robert Ralph, a private of the 85th regt. in custody on a charge of burglary. The prisoners occupied separate cells, but were allowed the solace of each other's society during the day, and were not usually separated before nine in the evening. Saturday had been spent by them together in Maclean's cell, and it appears that during that day, Ralph had, with a chisel, cut through two of the planks with which the apartment is cased, which brought them in contact with the outside wall, the cell being partly under ground. The planks being ready for removal, and the incision concealed by Maclean's clothes, the design was then to make an aperture in the wall, large enough to permit them to get through. This, although the wall was two feet thick, they calculated on being able to accomplish in the course of one night, if they could manage to get together. Their cells were separated by a brick chimney, and a stone wall; and no sooner were the prisoners separated on Sunday evening, at the usual hour, nine o'clock, that each set to work within his own cell to remove the bricks and stones, in order to make a passage for Ralph into Maclean's cell. In the same cell with Maclean, the two blackmen (the Byerses) slept, but they refused to lend any assistance although strongly urged by Maclean to do so. Maclean then set to work himself and although he had only one hand, (having lost his right hand some years ago) he had succeeded in removing a great many of the bricks, when his progress was arrested by a large stone near the centre of the chimney. In vain he appeals to the blacks for assistance, they remained obdurate as ever. It is now half past one, the night is wearing rapidly away, and he begins to despair; but liberty is sweet, and he is determined to make another effort. At this interesting crisis, however, he was interrupted by the inopportune entrance of the Jailor and Deputy Sheriff, the former with a drawn sword in his hand. On seeing this (for it seems he had a light in the room), Maclean leaped into bed, got under the clothes, and bawled for mercy.

How the Jailor's suspicions had been first awakened, it is needless to inquire, but it appears that with his assistants, he had been on the watch during the night. On repairing to Ralph's room, it was found that he had not been altogether idle; some of the bricks of the chimney had been removed, but he had made less progress than Maclean. A lunatic, named McKinnon, was confined in the same cell with him, and he was obliged to proceed cautiously, for fear of disturbing his companion. Ralph and Maclean are now heavily ironed, and confined in separate apartments.—*Colonial Herald.*

HALIFAX, Sept. 2.

PROVIDENTIAL ESCAPE.—Yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, as four men were excavating a drain near the African Church corner, two of them were employed in charging the rock with powder to blast it; one holding an iron rammer with both hands, and the other beating the way down with a sledge hammer, the powder ignited and the rammer was blown through the hands of him who held it to an incredible height in the air, the rock flew in different directions with a very loud report, whilst several persons were passing and repassing close by, but notwithstanding, neither passengers, nor the two employed in charging, nor those working near them, sustained any injury whatever. Would not the use of a copper rammer have prevented the terrific hazard to which those persons were so unguardedly exposed?—*Recorder.*

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Halifax, July 12. m-m

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