

HERE RESTS

SAMUEL GALE, ESQ.,

Formerly Acting Deputy Paymaster-General of H. Majesty's forces in the Southern Provinces,
now the U. S. of America ;

Subsequently Secretary to H. E. the Governor-in-Chief of H. M. Dominions in N. A. ;

Author of Essays on "Public Credit," and other works ;

Born at Kimpton, Hants, England, Oct. 14, 1748 ;

Died at Farnham, June 27, 1820.

The late Judge was born at St. Augustine, in Florida, in 1782, while his father was in service in that part of the British Colonies, and educated chiefly at Quebec, after the settlement of his father in this country. He studied law under the late Mr. Justice Sewell ; was admitted to the bar in 1808 ; in 1815 was appointed a magistrate in the Indian Territories, and in that capacity accompanied Lord Selkirk to the North-West. During the stormy controversies between some of the Lower Canadian governors and the House of Assembly, Mr. Gale adhered strongly to the side of the government, as did most of the inhabitants of Lower Canada of British origin, and he represented that part of the population in England when Lord Dalhousie was attacked for his conduct in this country. In 1829, Mr. Gale became Chairman of the Quarter Sessions, and in 1834 replaced Mr. Uniacke as a Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench ; the latter gentleman resigning on account of the prevalence of cholera in Montreal at that time. Before this he had been, as we have intimated, an active and energetic politician, and in that capacity wrote a series of letters for this paper under the signature of "Nerva." It is unnecessary to say that the policy advocated in those letters, whatever merit it had or seemed to have at the time, was wholly set aside by the authority in whose name and behalf it professed to be put forward. The loyalists of Canada turned out to be *plus*