To the Rotton of the Royal Gazette.

Sir;

By a Resolution published in Hazzet's Gazette, with several others, passed at a public meeting held in the Court House, to take into consideration "the loss of the Fairy Queen," and the metancholy casualties attending the fatal accident, I perceive a consure is levelled against the Enceutive Government, for having come gentlemen of the community have thought proper to impute to the Executive still more unworthy and selfish motives, namely, to deprive Mr. Peake of the contract. This demands a refutation, which a statement of a few facts unworthy and selfish motives, namely, to deprive Mr. Peake of the contract. This demands a refutation, which a statement of a few facts will. I feel confident, fully carry out. When the present Government came into office, they found that no contract had been entered into with Mr. Peake for running the Rose or carrying the mails; accordingly advertisements were published, calling for tenders for conveying the mails by a steamboat, of equal power to his vessel. To this advertisement no application had been responded. A letter from Mr. Peake to the Government, offering to carry the mails, but refusing to enter into any contract, was received and accepted, without any contract, thus leaving Mr. Peake quite unshackled.

The reciprocity entered hut by the two governments this year (1851), gave such a stimulus to trade, that it became obvious that more competent means for transporting our produce to the siste Colonies and States should be supplied, and suggested the propriety and necessity of placing a competent steam power at the disposal of our farmers and trades, and led to the introduction of the Albatrost, which vessel, however, subsequently proved too large and expensive.

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The advertisement for tenders continued in the papers during the winter, without inducing an offer from a contract had expired, Mr. Whitney arrived from St. John, and offered the Fairy Queen. I told him that the time for entering into a contract had expired, Mr. Whitney arrived from St. John, and offered the Fairy Queen. I told him that the time for entering into a contract had passed by undependent of which Mr. Peake had put the Rose into proper order, and it would be an act of injustice to that gentleman to interfere with him, after expending so much 'money upon her boilers, &c. However, as there would be a meeting of the Council in allayer two, he was at liberty to make a proposal. A filter days subsequent, while talking with the Governor of the market square, Mr. Owen, agent for the Rose, came up, and stated that he was requested by Mr. Peake to say, that having learned that Mr. Whitney's offer would be accepted, and in order that uninched into a good deal of expense in r

maggues, as destitute of fine feeling as they are of principle, who presume to ascribe the calamity to the government, I despise, as all the world must, and teave show to crawl into that retirement best suited to conceal their deformity, until some future occasion (not steeped, I hope, in human affliction) may present to them an opportunity of sporting the gall and rancour which pervades their constitution against the government and its supporters.

I remain, Sir,
Your most ob't, Sersant,
GEORGE COLES
Charlottetown, 21st Oct., 1833.

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To The Editor of Haseard's Gazette of the 24th inst., a letter signed Gazete of the 24th inst., a letter signed is stated by one of his colleagues. Every body knows that he cannot say a dezen words without his interminable "as hows," and I have heard it stated by one of his own Crew, that he is unable to answer an invitation to Government House without first consulting the Ex-counciller. However I will pass over these things just now.

The letter says, that a censure is levelled against the Government for having engaged the Fairy Queen to carry the Mails; Mr. Coles has attempted to evade that censure, but certainly has not in the least cast off the blame, either from himself or his colleagues, for having employed an unseaworthy vessel. When the present party came into office they thought only of the emolument and petty power which they had gained, they never thought of the weighty responsibility that rested upon them, and which is always inseparable to men in authority.

The first Advertisement for tenders in 1851 wat a cut at Mr. Peake; it ran for a vessel of 50 horse power, Mr. Peake declined entering into any contract, I think I have heard him say, because the remuneration was not sufficient to induce him to put on another boat at once, if anything happened to the Rose.

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"In the fall of 1852," savs Mr. Coles, "I in "In the fall of 1852," savs Mr. Coles, "Induced the Government to advertise for a vessel of 100 horse power." On looking over a file of the Royal Gazette, I find it was the 10th of January, 1853, that such tenders were advertised for—I see Mr. Coles is not particular as to dates or facts at any tikis—this, I presume, was soon after the accounts of the profit and loss of the government sailing packet had been made up—the loss had been found greater than the profite, and the apposition grew stronger, instead of abating. He acknowledges the Hon. Mr. Pope the owner of the sailing packet—no wonder he get the station

extra flatienings where she hinged in the middle! No Report was given, and flatocame has been offered why such a document was not drawn up! But we may guees the reason.

No person could be found on whom the public could rely, who would give a favourable Relegant them in a more impressive manner of the grown of the country. He was the being appointed to the duty, would create suspiction a person of his standing being required to act in the capacity of fiscan-boat suspecton a person of his standing being required to act in the capacity of fiscan-boat suspecton a person of his standing being required to act in the capacity of fiscan-boat suspecton approach to the Report we are to get from the commissioners, without the addition of this name of the agent, government inspector of the boat and member of government inspector of the boat and member of government is proposed to the North and which, had they any provide the country of the government? None in existence? I suppose he did not like to give one in writing! The greatest commendation I have ever heard him give was that the ongines were better than he expected! Eldely they were; he could expiced much, when the Pairy Queen was the third vised they were in, and were only in the proposed much, when the Pairy Queen was the third vised they were in, and were only in the grown of the government. The market of the government is not an existence?

The contract has been entered into for three years, to that Mr. Whittney can put another boat on the route, and may yet cause more trouble to the pople wif the Island; and yet it has been and the contract has been held too late, but for our waters; the originators of that meeting, who knows but that another of Mr. Wiffiney's attailing the work of the work

for as well as the mails, and that the government that did not make every provision for their security was not worthy of support or countenance.

Mr. Coles says, she never left a mail due, this is incorrect, although she had a remarkably fine summer, she was often behind her time, after the first few trips, she seldom exceeded 5 knots and was often detained to repair the leaks in her boiler, Mr. Coles could not have been ignorant of this, and Mr. Lord acknowledged, he knew her state after Dr. Evans came over, yet in neither of his capacities as agent, government inspector, or councillor did he take any pains to remedy the evils complained of.

Isle of my love; my happiest hours;
Rich in thy treasures, as thy daughters fair
'Tis not amid thy banks of flowers,
Young Love and Hope give wings to care;

Bright are thy flowers, but brighter far-Refelgent as thy beam of day— Earth's choicest gems; mans guiding star— Eyes, beaming through our life's dull way,

ought to have been some consideration for the interests of Mr Peake. It was notorious, that the "Rose" had been purchased at no small cost by that gentleman, it was pretty clearly evident to those who chose to make the calculation, that above the charge for interest of purchase money, insurance, wear and tear, of vessel and materials, independent of the costs of salling her, not a very great deal of profit could by any possibility be realized, in fact, she was in a pecuniary point of view a losing concern to her owner. Under these circumstances, and knowing that a steam vessel of her description could not easily be sold either in the Colonies or elsewhere, except at a great disadvantage, one would have supposed that it might have occurred to the government to make a proposition to Mr. Peake, and offer him the privilege of sailing a boat upon the line in lieu of the Rose and at such an allowance as would make a fair remuneration for his outlay, doing, by this mode of acting, justice to a spirited individual, and obtaining for the Island such a steam vessel as would be certain of meeting the exigencies of the Public and competent to perform the duty required. This would have been just, still weadamit the government were under obligation to act in the way prescribed. They had a right to put the conveyance of the mails up to public competition, and to have them carried at the lowest possible rate consistent with safety and despatch. Nor will we quarrel with this attempt, it might be

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They had the right and they chose to exercise it. They advertized for a boat one hundred or double the horse power of the Rose, now, what was the result! no tender! The advertisement had been continued the whole winter and without effect. Mr. Peake had been, as was natural, disgusted and offended and had made up his mind to sell the Rose at the first opportunity that might occur, though at a considerable sacrifice. The sum offered by the government was not sufficient to induce an upright honest man who would have performed his contract when once entered into "loss or no loss." At this critical time, Mr. Whitney of St. John N. B. is written to and advised to try his boat, not the boat advertized for! not the boat of one hundred horse-power, no! a very diffe-N. B. is written to and advised to try his boat, not the boat advertized for! not the boat of one hundred horse-power, no! a very different boat of less dimensions and less power. Mr. Whitney comes and so does Mr. Whitney's boat. The Fairy Queen, what a misnomer! No sooner had he arrived at the wharf, than she was at once proclaimed by gold and young, learned, and unlearned, skilful and the reverse to be utterly unit for navigating the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The administration were laughed at by their own friends, and every sort of humorous as well at ridiculous epithet was heaped upon her. Nor were they ignorant of all that had been said of her by their political opponents. Read what fell from the pen of the Hon. Mr. Whelan, then a member of the administration, one of those who were to accept or reject Mr. Whitney's offer, we quote from the Editorial of the Royal Gazette May 30th 1853.

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to dock; she has under will satisfy the most tin will satisfy the most tint to fear, and yet, whet saked for the report of nounced so definitively of the reased which wo their best defence, which onus of responsibility dera, to, that, of the Compelled to reply "tregard to the Fairy (Here is indeed a humil is a confession of incofairly assume that me open, manly, official reviews of a mail-boat services of a mail services of a mail-boar shameful want of kno shameful dereliction of in any degree compo Government of the Is difficult times. They we they had been wanting to—we will not say ent an approbation of the ve cit from him some expr be, but, with a little in. urned into a kind of a might be too, that forbear any expression would have held forth of negative approbation term. Be this as it may saying is, without their has earned for himse saying is, without their has earned for himse nautical men which wi of America or the la gated by seamen and likely to pronounce a ha Not only a sailor by pre done, but a highly ec-capable of giving a rea should fall from his lips hay? "I disapprove of the engine is construct the engine is construct the is a river boat only, she is a river took only, build, of standing againmust necessarily encoul. Lawrence." Here wa whose opinion was wort to a document approvithe vessel, would have the vessel, would have nacious caviller in the Pope's reply: "It is her for three years." field's opinion at all, asked before! Who versely to consult! The conduction colleagues, in this, as have done, or attempted gross ignorance of duty recklessness of consequences, whether we consequences of consequences Mr. Coles says in Monday last —which

Mr. Coles says in of Monday last —which while writing this arroll on, ere the recoile Fairy Queen) be ever there can be no doubit is either mentioned will he and his associbeen accessary to the those who have by and a fearful end.

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Lieut. Col. Gray, and and infatuation that well deserved rebuk We shall answer M St. ELEANOR'S Erisc anniversary of St. Ele celebrated on Monda children were exam tures and the church proofs—many of the eadiness in answerin whole was exceeding tion. When the exachildren were addret the Rev. Mr. Read, with their leaders to was tastefully decor flowers for the occu-lentifully supplied variety, which bespot taken by the friends to the occusion, whill of the children expreof the children exper felt in meeting togs anniversary of the heartily wish prosp think that the efforts the youthful mind, it Gospel, may be abun the sake of His dear sympathy for the Latenderly expressed, v Children to come unifor of such is the Ki

CRITICAL STATE BILITY. — This uni lieve, given over by household. Paral has lately been seiz of nine, three are to hors de combat in a ly took place in the County. Two are ing temporarily su Pap'' and the re-nerveless state, aw be speedy dissoluti

On Dir-Ex-C his fidus Achates, stand, gone to Ki pose of agitation. perhaps, and come The Rey. Mr. Podeliver a Lecture of the suppression of Temperance Hall, of at half-past 7, p. m

At Charlottetown, by the Rev. W. Sno Miss Mary Beaton, be At Milton, St. Ste 10th Inst., by the M'Lauchlan, former! Miss Martha Gilmou