

or hopes of escape, from the awful fate presented to their view, implicated others both white and black—some of them respectable, worthy individuals, but who, notwithstanding fell victims to this fearful mode of proscription. Among these we are sorry to say, was a Mr. Robertson, an English gentleman of high respectability, and a Professor in a Literary Institution, who was travelling in the U. States, for his own improvement and the benefit of his health. He had only twenty-four hours allowed him to prepare for his awful fate,—and it is quite certain, that if any ring of the slaves was intended, he knew nothing of it.

It appears, that a great many pamphlets, having for their object the encouragement of such an insurrection by the negroes, had been forwarded from the north by a class calling themselves "Abolitionists," and circulated through the slave-holding States. The Post offices became suspected, as being the means of conveying these seditious writings; and at Charleston, and other places, the Post offices were broken open by the mob, and the whole contents of the mail bags were burnt.

Thus neither life, property, nor correspondence, is at present safe in these states—mob Government has become the order of the day, not only pedlars, steam doctors and vagrants, but travellers, clergymen, and other respectable citizens, become suspected, and are torn from their domiciles and hung up like malefactors by the way side: in one instance, some people who had procured poison to destroy some vermin that infested their houses, became suspected of a design to poison the neighbouring planters, were seized and made to swallow the poison, which produced death in two hours. The civil magistrates dare not interfere, otherwise they would instantly become the victims of their own temerity. The militia or volunteers of the country, who have been armed for the purpose of protecting the laws, and enforcing obedience to them, are the leaders in these scenes of blood and courage, and it is at present quite impossible to tell what may eventually be the result of such lawless proceedings, as the last accounts gave no reason to hope for their speedy termination.

While we behold such scenes as these, the natural production of Democratic Government, we must confess that it elevates in our estimation, the Constitution under which we live, and by which we are protected from the dreadful effects of such popular fanaticism; and while we bid good speed to all rational measures that may be adopted to remove and correct existing abuses, we would not wish to see this palladium of our dearest rights impaired, by the magic wand of the schoolmaster.

By a gentleman from Antigonish, we have received the following account of a most melancholy occurrence:

Mr. JANVRIE of Arichat, having foreclosed a Mortgage he held of lands in Harbour Bushie, and having at the sale thereof become the purchaser, was desirous of dispossessing the former owners, who were Frenchmen, of the name of LAVARDUE; he accordingly procured a Writ of *Habere facias possessionem*, and put it into the hands of the Sheriff of the County of Sydney, who went to the premises and served it, but the persons refused compliance. Some day last week the Sheriff returned to the premises with a *posse comitatus*, consisting of a detachment of militia, about 30 in number, with their arms and ammunition, he being determined to enforce the Writ. The Frenchmen had been apprized of his coming, and had assembled in the house to the number of about twenty, also with arms, besides a number of women and children.—The Sheriff then endeavoured to persuade the men to leave the house, to prevent the necessity of his using violent measures; this was poremporarily refused; when no other resource being left, he ordered the militia to clear the house—they then proceeded to break open the door, when some of those within commenced, first throwing boiling water upon

the party, and afterwards fired upon them, none of the shots however took effect, although one passed close by the Sheriff, and struck a post in his rear; the firing from within continuing, the Sheriff was under the necessity of giving orders to his party to fire, (having previously requested the Frenchmen to send away the women and children, which they also refused,) the party fired, and one shot took effect upon the brother of the former owner of the house, and he died in the course of two hours: the Frenchmen having still declared their determination to defend the house to the last extremity, the Sheriff withdrew with his men, not being willing to cause the shedding of more blood, in the execution of his duty. Some days after, the Coroner held an inquest on the body of the deceased, which had to be disinterred for that purpose; we have not heard what verdict was given, but the jury observed that the Frenchmen had removed the House to the Bush, and were busy fortifying it for a more formidable resistance, in case the Sheriff should again visit them, which we hear he was preparing to do. The deceased left a wife and seven children.

If any thing be incorrectly stated in the above, we will thank any person who will send us a correct statement for our next number.

AT our last advices from Quebec, the new Governor General and the other Commissioners had not arrived, but a Frigate was seen going into the River, supposed to be the vessel in which they were expected.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—The Communication of "J." is received, but for the present we must decline publishing it, for reasons which we shall assign if he sends for his manuscript.

TRAVELLERS' MEMORANDA.

Arrivals during the week,

At Mr. Lorrain's—Mr. Dietman, Miss Dietman, Sergeant Poake, and Mrs. Poake and family.

At Mrs. Davison's—Rev. Mr. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Williston, Mr. Peabody, Mr. Sarouels, and Mr. Randles.

MARRIED.

At Chatham, on Tuesday 18th ult. by the Rev. John McCurdy, Mr. Robert Sutherland, to Mrs. Jean Johnston, both of Pictou.

SHIP NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Aug. 26.—Schr. Mary Ann, Fraser, Merigomish—plank to J. Carmichael & Co; barque Hazard, Jackson, Providence—ballast to Mining Association; brigantine Splendid, Bruncomb, Mount Desert—ballast to Ross Primrose; schr. Mary, Jetroir, Arichat—ballast to Master.

27.—Shallop Lucy, Jetroir, Arichat—herring to J. Yorston; schr.—LeBlanc, Arichat—bal. to master; Corinthian, Chase, Bath—ballast to Ross & Primrose; shallop Albion, Landry, Halifax—ballast to master.

28.—Brig George Barclay, McKenzio, New York—pitch, turpentine, tobacco, &c. to master; Alfred, Mitchell, Fall River—ballast to Ross & Primrose; Schr. Lively, McKenzio, Charlotte town—ballast and six bbls. flour; Bee, Graham, Miramichi—plank and shingles to master; Mary Bell, Cameron, Carleton—fish and oil to master; Morning Star, Chase, Wiscasset—ballast to Mining Association.

30.—Brig Sampson, Doane, Providence—ballast to Ross & Primrose; schr. Pictou, Graham, Miramichi—plank to W. & I. Ives.

31.—Brig Enterprise, Brayton, Bristol—ballast to Ross & Primrose; shal. Dapper, Matlal, Tatmagouche—ballast to master; schr. Catherine, Buckler, do.—empty barrels to G Campbell, sloop Lady, McNeil, R. John—ballast to G. Smith; schr. Gentleman, Robbins, Arichat—ballast to master; Dove, Mermond—do. do.; shal. Fanny, LeBlanc, Sydney—iron to Mining Association; Mary Ann, Fraser, Merigomish—plank to J. Carmichael & Co.

Sept. 1.—Schr. Eliza, Monro, Crow Harbour—fish to G. McKay; Mary Jetroir, Charlotte town—16 passengers and mail.

CLEARED.

Aug. 28.—Brig Susan and Sarah, Remington, Providence—coal by Mining Association.

29.—Schr. Rosario, Sears, Providence—do. do.; brig Sarah Maria, Pope, New Bedford—do. do.; schr. Marmion, Hammond, Watham—coal by Ross and Primrose; Swift, Young, do—do. do.

31.—Brig Charles Dennison, Somerset—coal by Mining Association, ship Charlotte, Darling, Fall River—do. do.; schr. Rapid, LeBlanc, Bay Chaleur—corn meal by G. Smith; brig'tn Rebecca, Hanmon, Liverpool—lumber.

Sept. 1.—Schr. Bee, Graham, Miramichi—provisions and live stock by W. & I. Ives.

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BOARDS, Pine, per M	50s a 60s
" Hemlock, do.	30s a 40s
BEEF, fresh,	4d a 4½d per lb.
BUTTER	7d a 8d "
COALS, at the Mines	13s per chul.
" Shipped on board	14s 6d "
" at the wharf, (Town)	16s "
CODFISH per Ql.	10s a 1
EGGS per doz.	3d
FLOUR, N. S. per cwt.	16s a 17s
" Am. S. F. per bbl.	45s
" Canada fine "	40s
HAY per ton	35 a 40
HERRINGS, No. 1.	20s
No. 2.	none
LAMB per lb.	3d
MUTTON per lb.	2 1-2d. a 3d.
OAT MEAL per cwt.	12s 6d a 14s
PORK per bbl.	60s a 65s
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