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inis netorious riot, leaving it to the trio (Hillier, Robinson, and Macaulay) to get out of the scrape as easily as they could. I found that his excellency was to make one of his pilgrimages between Queenston and York by the Frontenac. steamboat, and I judged he would call at the post office in passing. I prepared a selection from the York, Rochester, Kingston, and Washington newspapers, in several of which Sir Peregrine got the credit of chief instigator of the press riot, and enclosed them in a blank cover dong with a letter from Mr. Gourlay to J. B. Robinson, containing sundry suitable admonitions : & directed them " care of Sir P. Maitland, on his way to York." This package I sealed and sent to the post office; the clerk delivered it to his servant. In the steamboat he had time to look over his despatches, and the result was the dismissal of Capt. Lyons from his confidential situation in his office, and a brief notice of the riot in next Saturday's Gazette. This was all forced work however, and Capt. Lyons was soon reinstalled in the very responsible and lucrative post of Register of the Niagara district, vacant by the death of Judge Powell's son, and is now a barrister in the higher courts of our immaculate judiciary. From one end of this continent to the other, the press cried shame on the press riot, but in Canada it cried in vain .- Such services as the rioters performed are not often soon forgot.-Even Colonel Fitzgibbon met his reward in an appointment to the head clerkship of the assembly of Upper Canada--but there will probably be an if or two before installation.

During the time my press was dormant, an anonymous writer in the Lewiston paper (and whom I ascertained beyond a doubt to be that same sycopl antic tool who told so many untruths on Mr. Gourlay and who now writes black-guard nonsense by the sheet as Watkin Miller) was prevailed upon by the Maitlands to undertake their case for a consideration. Don Quixotte and his blue stocking termed their joint effort, "A Subscriber,"—and meanly attempted to dive into my personal affairs, and to do me harm with the public at a time whom I could not reply—I despised them for this conduct and shall despise them to the end of the chapter—but as "Blue" is intimate at head quarters the following extract is important, being joined with Lyons's late elevation to the Re-

gistership.

"In dismissing from his office a young man to whom he is said to have been much attached, the Lieutenant Governor certainly acted with sternness of justice worthy his high character and situation and gave a convincing proof (if proof was wanting) of his zeal in the support of the laws and of that order which is necessary for the well being of society."

[From the Brockville Recorder.]

Freedom of the Press .- It is a positi is generally hid down by the unbiassed advocates of the British Constitution, that the Freedom of the Press is the great bulwark of the much boasted liberty of Britons. In this there is much reason for in what country is liberty exercised in a more extensive degree? and where has refinement and prosperity risen to a greater height than where the benign influence of a free and unshackled Press has found its way ? Yet it has met with severe and determined opposition from aspiring demagognes, and those heartless and unprincipled men who can sit themselves down in the midst of the rums of their country, if they can but obtain a share of her spoil and fatten on her-That such men should be found, is, to every true patriot, a matter of regret; but that there are such, almost every age and country can furnish us with examples. It is not therefore a matter of surprise that our Capital should nourish in her bosom a party of men capable of assailing the most vital interests of our country, and make an effort to put down by physical force, any person who should have the firmness and temerity to hold up to the view the base and underhanded measures

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