

Mem. *The other letter which Justice announces, her intention of sending shall receive similar attention.*

In turning the tables upon justice, as has, on this occasion, been done in Montreal, and prosecuting the innocent instead of the guilty, the truth has been exemplified that

“Forgiveness to the injured does belong,

But they ne'er pardon who have done the wrong.”

But I have some questions to ask,

1st: Is it true, what has been mentioned in the papers, that besides John Swails, a sailor also lost his life, having been severely wounded, and afterwards died in the hospital: and if so, whether a coroner's jury was not summoned upon his body, if they were. what was their verdict, and if not, why not?

2d. Did the military, acting under the command of the magistrates, at the time, or have they since, dispersed by force, any assemblage of persons in the streets; and if so, was the riot-act previously read, *each time*?

But the climax of this “strange, eventful, history,” is that a meeting, it appears, was held at the court-house, by a requisition of the magistrates of “well-disposed citizens,” for devising the most efficient means of preserving the future *peace of the city*. These “well-disposed citizens” consisted almost exclusively of Scotch and Americans, and might, in fact, have been called a meeting of unionists; and at this meeting the chief of the union faction, the Hon. John Richardson, speechified, according to custom, and it is really a wonder that his immortal harangue, has not, like others of the same stamp, been copied from the original draft, and published in the newspapers. With all the oratorical powers, for which he is so eminent, he reprobated in strong terms the practice of the Charrivarri, as having been productive of so much mischief, but said not a word of the indefensible outrage against the *peace of the city*, which had been committed by the opposite party. The *peace of the city* indeed! it makes one boil with indignation to think that those who did break the peace, and that in a sanguinary and fatal manner, escape without reprehension or remark, whilst those whose conduct, at the very worst, can only be said to have had a tendency to provoke a breach of the peace, are hunted, and stigmatised, and prosecuted, and talked down, by such men as the Hon. John Richardson, *cum suis*. Look to it, I say, Canadians; this is another symptom of that determination to crush, oppress, and eradicate, your customs, liberties, laws, language, and existence as a nation, which is the characteristic of the Scotch cabal, whose head and organ has made himself again so busy about affairs that he ought not to intermeddle in.

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