

THE QUEBEC TRANSCRIPT.

the ball. I was half an acre distant. He received the wound in his left side. The gun once missed fire. There was no wagon there. Although I saw the gun at the person's shoulder I cannot say who fired it. There was no one between me and L'Hussier. I saw the officer plainly. I think he was dead but I do not know if he was so. I do not know if the gun was loaded. I was not much afraid.

Christopher Lapre, 13th witness.—I lived at St Denis in November 1837; and I met a wagon on that day in which were Mignon and Malliot. I had heard before that, that an officer was arrested. He was in the wagon. I did not see that his hands were tied. I did not see the wagon stop. I heard the report of a pistol and turned round to see what it was. The officer was on the ground. I think the officer was dead but I was about an acre distant. I then proceeded on, and at the distance of an acre I met Jalbert on horseback going in the direction of the officer. He must have been two acres distant from the officer. I continued on and Jalbert overtook and again passed me at the gallop. Twelve minutes might have elapsed from the time that I first saw Jalbert until he again passed me. I found Jalbert at the camp. The battle then commenced. Jalbert had a sword in his hand, I think I would have seen it. I have been there since Tuesday, and have remained in the witness room. I know the two boys, and as far as I know they remained down stairs all day. The room is not very large and we were all together.

Cross-examined.—The boys did not leave to my knowledge; I do not know if they could have left without my knowledge; I went out for a little time; they might have come up; I never approached nearer than an acre to the officer; he was about 25 feet from the wagon; I only heard one report; he did not appear entangled in the wheels; Jalbert did not speak to me; I was going towards Madame St. Germain's house which is 8 or 9 acres distant; from where I was; a person might have gone to Madame St. Germain's in about 2 minutes.

Sophie Gueros, 14th witness.—I am 18 years of age and lived in St. Denis in November 1837; I was there on the day of the fire; I know the place where the officer was killed; the house was 6 or 7 arpents distant; we left our house in a cart to avoid the troops; on turning the corner I saw the wagon and the officer was on the ground on his knees; I was opposite to the gate of the convent yard; there were three or four persons round the officer; I saw one blow struck with a sword; I did not know any of the people, nor did I see Jalbert; the officer was on his knees lamenting; had Jalbert passed I would have known him; I was dreading the approach of the troops, and had Jalbert been coming up I would have seen him; since Tuesday last I have been from morning till evening in the witness room below; the two boys did not leave at all; Marguerite O'Brien was gone only half an hour, I then went out with the boys; when Marguerite O'Brien was absent the boys were always with me.

Cross-examined.—The two boys did not leave when Marguerite O'Brien was absent—we went to a place near M. Pigeons to get a drink of water and remained ten minutes. The convent at St. Denis is near the church. I do not know where Cadieux's house is. I have always lived at St. Denis. I entered the yard for an instant. I went in immediately after the blow was given to the officer. I saw no one after this nor anything which occurred.

Six o'clock.—The court is adjourned until tomorrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 6th September.

Pierre, Bourgeois, 15th witness.—Having been in court, is withdrawn.

Jean Baptiste Blanchette, 16th witness.—I lived at St. Charles.—I have known Capt. Cadieux for thirty-five years—he is a very obstinate man—he is a headstrong man—very obstinate. I have known him to be most unreasonable—he has no property. In November 1837 the country around the Richelieu was in a state of great agitation. The magistrates could not enforce obedience and many people were obliged to fly.

Cross-examined.—I was at St. Denis on Nov. 23rd—I do not think it is easy to put things into Cadieux's head—all that I can say is that he is an obstinate man. He is an honest man.

Louis Edward Hebert, 17th witness.—I lived at St. Denis in Nov. 1837. I remember the engagement there; my house is next

to Dr. Nelson's; it is on the opposite side of the road, about 84 feet distant; I recollect seeing a wagon pass my door in which were Malliot and Mignon, besides a stranger who I understood was the officer; there was no person on horseback near the wagon; I did not see Jalbert there that day; they could not have taken more than 2 minutes to come from Dr. Nelson's; Jalbert was a Captain of Militia, a church warden, and a school trustee. He is generally respected and bears a good character; I know Capt. Cadieux, he is a very old man.

Cross-examined.—I have known Capt. Cadieux for 40 years. He is a perfectly honest man. I never made a declaration to any one to the effect that I did not know who passed in the wagon. I only remained at my door whilst the vehicle passed. I was not at the door when the vehicle came up but merely saw it passing. A man might have passed on horseback an instant before or after the wagon. I only looked in the direction of St. Charles. A person might have been coming from the direction of Dr. Nelson's without my seeing him.

Eleanor Fortier, 17th witness.—I know that the boys recently examined here, remained down stairs yesterday. Marguerite O'Brien went away to dinner about two o'clock. She went about the middle of the day and was absent about half an hour. The boys were in the room during her absence; I went out with them when Miss O'Brien went out; I was with them all afternoon, when we returned.

Cross-examined.—I have only been here for two days—By the middle of the day I mean half past one or two o'clock.

The defence is here closed, and the Attorney General addresses the Jury. The Judge then delivers the charge and the Jury retires at half past four o'clock.

His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell, Lieut. Govt. of Nova Scotia, and Miss Campbell, left Halifax on the 1st inst., in the steamer Medea, on a visit to Prince Edward Island.

The Toronto Patriot of the 7th inst., states that the sum of twenty-two thousand pounds sterling has been appropriated to the building of barracks in Toronto.

We learn that the City Bank, of Montreal, is about to open a Branch Bank in Quebec, to be placed under the management of Cus. Gerrittos, Esquire, who has so long filled the situation of First Teller of the Quebec Bank, to the entire satisfaction of the Directors of that establishment, and of all who have had occasion to transact business with him—Mer.

To the Editor of the Quebec Transcript.

Sir,—In reply to a letter bearing the signature "R. C. Geggie," published in your paper of the 6th instant, containing certain remarks on "An Extract from Appendix D. to Lord Durham's Report, containing Mr. A. Buller's Reports on the state of Education in Lower Canada," permit me to offer a few observations; although the tone in which that letter is written would have justly condemned it to pass unnoticed.

In it, certain demands are made of me as the individual appointed by the late Education Commission to visit and report on the schools of Quebec. As regards those demands, Mr. Geggie must be content to know that, the documents from which he derived having officially passed out of my hands, I cannot accede to his request to publish the names of the masters and mistresses, whom I, from a close and careful examination, considered "utterly incompetent." I hope, however, that, notwithstanding he states himself to be commissioned to act in the name of the "many," it will be sufficient for him again to learn, what I had since his determination to write that letter, and several times on previous occasions communicated to him, that he was not included in that number; but, on the contrary, that the school under his superintendence was reported, (and with equal justice as the other Reports,) as one of the best conducted in the City of Quebec—considering which, I cannot but attribute his present intrusion on public attention to less meretricious motives than even those sordid ones of self interest, which in this case, after the explanation given, could not have operated.

So far from retracting any portion of the Report in question, I distinctly state that the Tables furnished by me to Mr. A. Buller fully justify him in the conclusion at which he arrived, that "many of the masters and mistresses are utterly incompetent;" but as the word "many" seems to displeas Mr. G. and

the gentlemen in whose name he professes to write, to whom it appears to have represented the majority, I am ready to remove that impression, and to apprise them that my Report merely showed that even in the City of Quebec, there were several (far too "many" in the condition described, incompetent to conduct a public or private school, some from want of system, but others, and indeed the majority of those thus described, from a lack of that very elementary knowledge they professed to impart to others.

Surely it is not necessary for me to remind Mr. G. that "many" and "few" are but relative terms, and that the same amount which in a certain number and peculiar circumstances would be "few" becomes "many" in proportion as the integral number is reduced, and the circumstances changed. This is precisely the case with the schools of Quebec. Mr. A. Buller after speaking of the woful ignorance of the majority of the masters and mistresses of the country schools under the various Bills of Education from 1829 to 1836 says, that in the City of Quebec, out of 45 private and public schools, many, that is for the chief City, are utterly incompetent.

For the information of Mr. G. and those associated with him, I beg to state that the School Returns received by the Education Commission, from various parishes in different parts of the Province, show a proportion of nearly one-third of incompetent teachers. At the expiration of the 1st Bill for Education in 1836, out of 326 teachers, 104 are reported by the most respectable and influential gentlemen of each parish as being unqualified to conduct a school. At the close of last year, in the same parishes, out of 112 teachers, 20 are reported as indifferently qualified.

If Mr. G. is of opinion that it is necessary for the same proportion of unqualified teachers to exist in Quebec, and that that city must sink to a level with or even lower than the country parishes before the term "many" can be justly applicable, I am then willing to admit that it has in this instance been misapplied. In this, as in all my other engagements, I trust I have faithfully and fearlessly discharged the duties of the office confided to me, without courting the favour or dreading the frown of any man, but keeping a single eye to acquit myself honestly towards the public.

With a heartfelt desire that the time may not be far distant when an effectually operative and permanent system of Education may be established in this Province, whereby the present degraded condition of the great mass of the people may be ameliorated; and that the list of teachers may present none less qualified than Mr. Geggie, of whose qualifications as a public teacher, I have the highest opinion, I am, &c.

GEORGE FETVOYE.

Bourg Royal, Charlesbourg, Sept. 10, 1839.



SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

PORT OF QUEBEC.

ARRIVED. Sept. 13th. Bark Airey, 7th August, Liverpool, general cargo, Montreal.

CLEARED. Sept. 11th. Ship Brunswick, Porter, Hull, Levey & Co. Brig Nicholson, Kay, Ulverstone, Gilmour & Co. Schr. Albion, Belfontaine, Halifax, T. Jackson. 12th.

Ship Dumfriesshire, Gowas, Belfast, Parke. Brig Sir Wm. Wallace, Tallock, Aberdeen, Maitland & Co.

Schr. Caroline, Jonas, Richibucto, G. B. Symes.

The Matthew Bell, from Quebec, was spoken on the 11th August, in lat. 49 15, N. long. 23 W. wind from the westward.

The Richardson of Whitehaven, Furness, master, was spoken on the 12th Aug. in lat. 50, 1, long. 29, 00 W. 42 days from Quebec.

BIRTH. On Tuesday, at Mount Pleasant Mrs. Henry Weston, of a son.

MARRIED. On Wednesday, the 11th inst. in the Cathedral, of this city, by the Rev. G. Mackie, Curate, Mr. J. H. Watson, to Catherine, second daughter of Archibald Duff, Esq. of all Montreal.

DIED. On Wednesday morning, after a long and severe illness, Mr. Charles Harvicker, tobacconist, a native of Magdeburg in Prussia, and long a resident of this city, aged 60 years.

At Montreal, on the 9th inst. Mrs. Ann Morison, widow of the late Richard Symes, Esq. formerly merchant of that city, aged 65.

At Montreal, on the 10th inst. after an illness of a few days, the Hon. R. De St. Onrs, Sheriff of that District.



THEATRE ROYAL.

LAST NIGHT BUT THREE OF THE CELEBRATED MISS DAVENPORT.

THIS EVENING, SEPT. 13. Will be performed the MERCHANT OF VENICE.

SHYLOCK by.....MISS DAVENPORT. (Her last appearance in any of Shakspeare's characters in Quebec)

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SPOILED CHILD.

LITTLE PICKLE, with SONGS, and SAILOR'S HORNPIPE,.....MISS DAVENPORT.

To prevent confusion at the Doors, on the first night it is respectfully intimated that the Box Office will be opened at 10 o'clock each day, when seats can be secured.

Doors open at Half-past Seven, performance to commence at Eight o'clock. Boxes, 6s. Pit, 3s. 6d.; Gallery, 1s. 3d. Quebec, 13 September.

FOR CHARTER.

THE A 1 BRIG HARMONIS. JOHN ARNETT, Commander, 22 tons, will accept of a Charter to any safe Port in Great Britain or Ireland.—Apply to WM. PRICE & CO. 11th September.



CANADIAN PATRIOT,

J. Leckie, Master, WILL LEAVE FOR MONTREAL,

THIS EVENING, Sept. 13th. AT HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK. Cabin Passage 25s. Steerage Passage 7s. 6d.

JUST RECEIVED,

EX "MARY LAINE," FROM LONDON, And for sale by the Subscribers, TWO Cases Bickerton & Gillet's BEAR HATS of very superior quality, and worthy the attention of the trade. WILLIAM PRICE & CO. 11th September.

AUCTION SALES.

PUBLIC SALE OF HOUSES

On the 25th September instant, viz.—THE Lot on the Cape forming a corner on St. Genevieve and St. Francois streets, with the Dwelling House thereon erected, with the dependencies thereof, severally occupied by Captain Bayfield, and Mr. Munison. The Titles may be seen and all information had at the office of the undersigned Notary, St. Peter Street.

The Sale will be held on the spot the day above mentioned, at the hour of ONE o'clock. L. T. MACPHERSON, Notary Public.

BY THOS. HAMILTON.

Will be sold TO-MORROW, (Saturday) the 14th inst. on the Wellington Wharf:— THIRTY-FOUR Puns, Whiskey, 26 Pipes, } Beneficial Wine, 30 Hhds. } 20 Qr. Casks, } 11 Qr. Casks Sherry, } 12 Cases Glazed Hats, } 100 lbs Flour. } 10 Hhds. Cognac Brandy, (Hennessy) } 5 Hhds. Refined sugar, } 20 Bags Black Pepper, } 50 Boxes Tobacco Pipes, } 30 Firkins Lockfine Herring. } Sale at TWO o'clock. Quebec, 13th Sept.

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TWENTY FOUR DAYS LATE ENGLAND.

Affairs of Canada—Reported by Her Majesty—The Christian—The East—Harvest, &c.

By the steamer St. George, which shortly after twelve o'clock this day arrived slips from the Montreal He containing the subjoined highly and, on the whole, very gratifying news from England. In the Tra Monday, we shall give full details.

The steamer Great Western arrived York from Bristol about eleven o'clock Tuesday forenoon, bringing twenty later news. By her we have received and Liverpool papers of the 23rd. Farley's Bristol Journal of the 24 Western is of a favourable character quantities of specie had been received Bank of England. The crops are more than was anticipated, and there is promise of a fair average harvest. The excitement appears to have much of the summary punishment of a few leaders has restored quiet and harmony.

Parliament was to be prorogued Majesty in person on the 28th ult. we will have a speech from the Queen in a few days by the British Queen, who leave London on the 1st inst.

Lama will be found a notice of Her future lord and master, together with tradition of the on dit. It was currently reported in the Marquis of Normandy is about moved from the Colonial Office, he will be succeeded by Lord John Rus Rice, who is to be raised to the peerage. The member for Bristol spoken of as likely to become a member of administration, to which he would strength. It is notorious incompetent Lord Brougham to say that he knew the instance of a Cabinet existing length of time in the country, if man was included who could ever have possession of talent. His Lordship many bitter things, both true as it happens to suit his purpose, but little of any thing like moral or political truth, for it is a truth, is because to be a servant out of place. If horse would but make him Chancellor could not be, in his opinion, a ministry than the Whig.

The bill for making temporary the government of Lower Canada the Royal assent on the 17th ult. official copy of it was on board the steamship addressed to His Excellency Colborne.

The Great Western had one ten passengers, among whom were Furness and Cuthbertson of Montreal weather during the voyage was boisterous, particularly about the mouth of the Grand Bank.

Several Yankees who had been led to go to Europe for the purpose loans on some more bubble scheme turned in the Great Western, not able to procure one cent. The 1 missionaries, however, succeeded four millions of dollars.

The penny postage bill has been of the land, and we hope its bene extended to the Colonies. 1 beneficial measure effected during About eight hundred applications made for tickets to the stands at the tournament, and every post increased demands. The issue v