

tended the fitting out of the vessel, &c., &c., and when all were ready to take their final departure, sent his steamer free of charge, and towed them seven or eight miles to sea, allowing their friends to accompany them as far as the steamer went. We sincerely wish them a pleasant and a prosperous voyage, and trust that they may realize their most sanguine expectations. We copy the following remarks

FROM LAST TUESDAY'S GAZETTE :

'CALIFORNIA.—Sailed from Charlottetown, on the 12th inst., followed by the good wishes and prayers of several hundreds, the brig Fanny, direct for San Francisco, calling at Rio Janeiro and Valparaiso. This being the first vessel from this Island to the newly discovered Pactolus, deserves more than a passing notice. The Fanny is owned and fitted out by an Association of forty persons—mechanics, clerks, farmers,—all active, steady, sober men, of good character and industrious habits, actuated, for the most part, as we believe, with a laudable desire to better the condition of themselves and their families, by sharing in the trade suddenly opened up on the western shores of North America. The Fanny has all her available space occupied by lumber (three house frames) bricks, coal, &c., and provisions of such kinds as will keep for two years. As no event of a like nature has ever occurred before, in this town, that of an emigration from our shores of persons similarly circumstanced, as no event has called forth, to an equal degree, the heartfelt interest and sympathy for the adventure, some of whom are young men, connected with the oldest and most extensive families in the Colony, while others are themselves fathers of families, who leave wives and children to grieve their present departure and to hope for the successful issue of their venture. It added to the temporary interest of the scene that in the morning the sun arose in full effulgence and the weather throughout the day was as warm and fine as we usually ex-