

POETRY.

The following exceedingly tender lines are by a young poet, GEORGE, first LORD LITTLETON, tho' not published in either Anderson's or Chalmers's collection. George Lyttleton was born at Hagley in 1709, became baronet on his father's death in 1751, and was raised to the Peerage in 1757. He was an active politician, and for some years formed part of the ministry of George II. He died in 1773. His first wife was Lucy, daughter of Hugh Fortescue, Esq. of Filleigh, Devon, to whom he was married in 1741, and lost her in child-bed six years after. The verses were written on her death

ADIEU to the village delights,
Which lately my fancy enjoy'd!
No longer the country invites,
To me all pleasures are void.
Adieu, thou sweet health-breathing hill!
Thou canst not my comfort restore;
For ever adieu my dear vill'
My Lucy, alas! is no more!

She, she was the cure of my pain,
My blessing, my honour, my pride;
She no'er gave me cause to complain
Till that fatal day when she died.
Her eyes, that so beautiful shone,
Are closed forever in sleep;
And mine, since my Lucy is gone,
Have nothing to do but to weep

Could my tears the bright angel restore,
Like a fountain, they never should cease;
But Lucy, alas! is no more,
And I am a stranger to peace.
Let me copy, with fervour devout,
The virtues that glow'd in her heart;
Then soon, when life's sand is run out,
We shall meet again, never to part.

JEPHTHA'S DAUGHTER.

SINCE our country, our God—Oh! my sire!
Demand that thy daughter expire!
Since thy triumph was bought by thy vow—
Strike the bosom that's bar'd for thee now!

And the voice of my mourning is o'er,
And the mountains behold me no more.
If the hand that I love lay me low,
There cannot be pain in the blow!

And of this, oh, my Father! be sure—
That the blood of thy child is as pure
As the blessing I beg ere it flow,
And the last thought that soothes me be'ow.

Though the virgins of Salem lament,
Be the judge and the hero unbent!
I have won the great battle for thee,
And my father and country are free!

When this blood of thy giving hath gush'd,
When the voice that thou lovest is hush'd,
Let my memory still be thy pride,
And forget not that I smile as I died!

BYRON'S 'HEBREW MELODIES'

FROM COLONIAL PAPERS.

QUEBEC, AUG. 26.

It was lately rumoured that a Convention of the Members of the House of Assembly was to be held at Three Rivers, but that the Quebec Members did not altogether incline to take the journey. The papers in the interest of the Assembly are silent upon the subject of the Commission, which Mr. Roebuck's London correspondents still say will prove a "humbug." After a good deal of cavilling and opposition, the newspapers appear to be undecided on the question of the members meeting or not the Royal Commissioners.—*Gazette.*

The "extraordinary" issued yesterday by the official paper furnishes the Commissioners enregistered in our own Provincial Records of the Royal Commissioners for the enquiry into grievances, and of the Earl of Gosford as Captain General and Governor in Chief. These are the mere *pro forma* Provincial Commissions, the latter, *viz.* that of the Governor in Chief, being very long, and detailing most of his duties and powers.

Although Lieutenant-General Sir Colin Campbell is the next highest officer of the army, after the departure of Lieutenant-General Lord Aylmer, and will take the command, yet we apprehend that his command, will only be nominal in so far as respects the forces in the several provinces, and that the highest officers in the different Provinces will exercise the command over their several provinces only. We suppose that Lord Gosford, though a civilian, has authority to call upon all the high officers in the different North American Colonies to obey him. The next despatches from the Horse Guards, which come by the English Falmouth Packets, will probably solve all doubts on the question.—*Id.*

August 28.

It is mentioned that the ROYAL COMMISSION will soon organize itself, and proceed to put in train the different investigations, which it has received instructions to pursue. We learn that Lord Gosford, has had placed before him, by individuals, several claims to redress. The matters which will introduce themselves under the head of *grievances*, which the words of the London Gazette used, will, we fear, be very varied.—*Gazette.*

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE PROVINCE,
QUEBEC, 24th August, 1835.

HIS MAJESTY has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable the Earl of Gosford, the Right Honourable Sir Charles Edward Grey, and Sir George Gipps, to be the Commissioners for the investigation of all grievances affecting His subjects in the Province of Lower Canada, in what relates to the Government of the said Province, by the following Commission.

WILLIAM FULFORTH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, —to our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin and Councillor Archibald Earl of Gosford, our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Charles Grey, Knight, and Sir George Gipps, Knight, greeting:—

Whereas divers addresses have been preferred to us, by the House of General Assembly of Lower Canada in North America, and divers Petitions have been presented to us by sundry of our faithful subjects inhabiting our said Province, in which Addresses and Petitions, have been represented to us, certain grievances of which the said House of General Assembly and our subjects aforesaid have by their said Addresses and Petitions sought redress. And we being minded, as far as in us lies, to afford the redress of every grievance by which any of our faithful subjects inhabiting the said Province may be affected, and having therefore specially resolved to appoint fit persons to proceed on our behalf to our said Province, there to investigate all complaints respecting the Administration of the public affairs thereof, have for that purpose made choice of you, the said Archibald Earl of Gosford, Sir Charles Edward Grey, and Sir George Gipps. Now, Know Ye, that we, relying on the approved discretion of you, that the said Archibald Earl of Gosford, Sir Charles Edward Grey, and Sir George Gipps, have, of our especial grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, thought fit to constitute and appoint, and do hereby constitute and appoint you the said Archibald Earl of Gosford, Sir Charles Edward Grey, and Sir George Gipps,

to be our Commissioners for the investigation of all grievances affecting our subjects in our Province of Lower Canada, in what relates to the Administration of the Government of the said Province. And we do authorise and require you for that purpose to proceed with all convenient despatch to the said Province of Lower Canada, and there by all lawful ways and means to enter upon a full and impartial enquiry into all complaints which shall to you be preferred respecting the Administration of the Government thereof: and in the execution of this our Commission, our will is, and we do hereby require, that you do in all things conform to such instructions as shall be addressed to you by us in our Privy Council, or through one of our principal Secretaries of State. And whereas for the better execution of the powers so vested in you as aforesaid, we have by other Letters Patent under the Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing even date with these presents, constituted and appointed you the said Archibald Earl of Gosford, to be our Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over our Province of Lower Canada:—Now we do strictly charge and command all our Officers Civil and Military, and all our faithful subjects and all others inhabiting the said Province, that in their several places and according to their respective powers and opportunities, they be aiding to you the said Archibald, Earl of Gosford, in the execution of this our Commission so addressed to you as aforesaid.

In witness whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourself, at Westminster, this first day of July, in the sixth year of our Reign.

By Writ of Privy Seal.

His Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Thomas Frederic Elliot, Esquire, to be Secretary to the said Commissioners.

August 31.

The Ball to Lord and Lady Aylmer has been postponed in consequence of the serious indisposition of Lady Aylmer, from the 2nd to the 15th prox. Lord Gosford and the Commissioners will attend.

THE SEASON AND THE CROPS.—We regret to say that we continue to experience the most unseasonable weather, both for ripening and carrying the crops. It has been impossible to cure a load of hay for nearly the last fortnight, and although Saturday and yesterday the sun was visible occasionally, there were showers both in the day and at night, and the same hopeless appearance still existed again this morning, though they have disappeared this afternoon. This fine weather brought out to the fields, a number of people to cut the wheat and oats, a considerable part of which is ripe. The wheat is in some fields scarcely touched by the fly, but in many others a full fourth and even a third attacked. In the lower parts of the district, the crops are very backward, and there is scarcely any chance of their ripening in time to eschape the early frosts; this is the case even with the oats. Upon the whole the prospects of the farmer are by no means promising. There fortunately has yet been no frost whatever.—*Quebec Gazette.*

AGENTS

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