

knowledge the receipt of your memorial of this date, and to acquaint you that although he regrets the inconvenience to which you and many others are exposed by the circumstance of no provision having been made for the contingent expenses of the last two sessions, yet it is utterly out of his power to comply with your request.

I have the honor to be,  
Your very obedt. servt,  
JAMES CROWDY.

To the hon. William Carson,  
&c. &c. &c.

A coroner's inquest was held on Friday and by adjournment on Saturday last, before AARON HOGSETT, Esq., on view of the body of MARTIN EAGAN, fisherman and labourer, who had been assaulted and beaten in the house of THOMAS RAFTER, at River-head, on the previous Tuesday evening. It appeared in evidence that the deceased and one EDWARD CONNELLY, cartman, had met in the house of RAFTER on the evening above stated, and after some altercation, CONNELLY took up an earthenware jug and struck the deceased on the head, from the effects of which blow the deceased lingered until the following Friday, when death terminated his sufferings. A *post mortem* examination was held on Saturday by EDWARD KIELLEY, Esq., and Dr. S. CARSON, who found an extensive fracture over the left eye, with a portion of the skull driven in upon the brain. The jury returned a verdict of *wilful murder* against EDWARD CONNELLY; who, notwithstanding every vigilance to apprehend him, has hitherto succeeded in eluding the officers of justice.

The deceased has left a widow and family in a state of lamentable destitution.—*Ledger, May 5.*

"Under this head (HOSPITALS) your Committee beg to state that they have received no account whatever, *alitho'* an address was presented to His Excellency from your honorable House respectfully requesting to cause the 14th sec. of the Act to be complied with."

Now the above, coming from any other than PETER WINNER, J. P., M. H. A., *Chairman of Audit, Finance, and so forth*, would, as they say in the *far west*, "be pretty considerably cool," but coming from the great authority aforesaid, we pronounce it the most downright and monstrously barefaced piece of impudence that ever was perpetrated even in that "refuge for the destitute" of which the above-named gentleman is so distinguished a member. Our readers will better understand our meaning when we inform them that it has lately come to our knowledge that certain complaints have referred to the executive by the Directors of the Hospital at Ferryland, against this self-same PETER (who has the effrontery to say the Hospital Act "has not been complied with,")—that he has not only offered great obstruction to the due execution of the Hospital Act, but has, under cover, of his authority as a Justice of the Peace, actually threatened the local Collector of the Hospital dues with something of superhuman vengeance for daring to demand them.

We have heard a good deal from time to time of the goings-on of the above personage, which, owing to his utter insignificant tho' oftentimes violent character, we have hitherto refrained from noticing; but which we are informed has more than once been made the subject of representation to the government. In the present instance, if all we are told is true, we should not be much surprised if this pugnacious Justice should, ere another year passes over his head, find himself shorn of his "little brief authority"—as the permitting any man, who could be capable of acting as he has done in several instances, to remain any longer in the commission of the peace, would only tend to bring the Magistracy of the colony into contempt and disrespect.—*Times, May 6.*

Our attention has been called to the wilful neglect of the House of Assembly to make any provision for the expenses attending the Registration of Voters throughout the colony. Our readers are no doubt aware that in one of the earlier sessions of the legislature an Act was passed on this head, providing that all persons entitled to vote at elections of members of the House of Assembly should be registered in the manner and at the period therein prescribed. The House of Assembly it appears has pertinaciously refused, notwithstanding the repeated messages of the Governor on the subject, to make the least provision for defraying the necessary expenses attending this most essential duty—the conse-

quence of which virtual abrogation of an existing law will be that there will be no Registration, and of course no election can take place after the dissolution of the present House—which if not sooner extinguished by the authority of the executive, will die a natural death in May next.

We have not time at present to offer any further remarks; but as the effect of the proceedings of the House of Assembly to which we have alluded will be to disfranchise the entire constituency of the colony, we think the subject calls for the most serious consideration.—*Ibid*

The new Barque ATLANTIC, of Perth, (284 tons) George Morton, Master, from Dundee, bound to Quebec, with a general cargo, ran on shore near Cape St. Francis, at half past 11 o'clock, on the night of Tuesday last. The Passengers (27 in number) and the crew had a miraculous escape, but all succeeded in getting on shore with the exception of a boy named Hog, who, was unfortunately drowned.

We feel persuaded that it will be only necessary to apprise the public of the destitute condition of these poor strangers, to secure for them that assistance of which they now stand in need. Scarcely an article of clothing was saved from the wreck,—the loss of the ship having been almost the work of an instant, and the circumstances superseding every consideration but the preservation of life,—many got on shore as they rushed from their beds on being aroused by the shock. His Excellency the Governor, we understand, promptly and humanely sent to their assistance, on being informed of their situation; and we are requested to state that the President of the Chamber of Commerce—the Hon. W. Thomas—will receive clothing or any other contribution for the benefit of the sufferers.—*Newfoundlander, May 7.*

(For the Star.)

SAD NEWS FOR THE GROG SHOPS.

Within the past week no less than One Hundred and Twenty-three emigrants, wearing the honorable and sacred insignia of *Temperance*, have arrived in this Colony. Their appearance just at this moment, coming as they do from the immediate presence of the Apostle Mathew, cannot but spread terror and confusion among "the lovers of drink." The intelligenc they bring relative to the all but miraculous diffusion of their principles throughout the length and breadth of Ireland, exceeds every thing that could have been imagined. To such an extent has sobriety prevailed, that, in some counties, a *drunken Irishman* would be regarded by the mass of the people with greater detestation and abhorrence than even Satan himself. Publicans have universally "shut shop," and have returned to their former and more honorable avocations of carpenters, shoemakers, tailors and the like. Indeed, a man who has now any thing to do with the sale of spirituous liquors in Ireland is obliged to sneak through the "lanes and by-ways of the city," more like a culprit just escaped from the gallows, than one in the pursuit of his ordinary calling. Happy Ireland! When shall we resemble thee! Oh that the great—the illustrious *Mathew* would hasten to visit us; for truly the harvest is plentiful but the labourers are FEW.

PEREGRINUS.

[We heartily concur with the writer of the foregoing, in hailing the arrival of such adventurers to the shores of Newfoundland. The only thing we lament is, that we have already in the Colony, more hands than work—more mouths than bread to fill them. Yet, on the other hand, we are free to admit that the evil has a remedy: turn off the tipplers, and give employment to the men of the pledge.

Thus, in a very little while, the industry of the country could with propriety, boast of five times the physical strength, without any addition to the number of its bones and muscles.—ED. STAR.]

(To the Editor of the Star.)

"The toasts were closed, and as the mountain dew began to fall, the Boys enjoyed it heartily. They bore the wetting with the happiest feeling; and became fully resolved that in HONOR OF OLD IRELAND they would not go home till morning, to which resolution they most faithfully adhered."—*Official Report of the last St. Patrick's Festival in the town of Harbor Grace.*

"What! Honor Old Ireland by getting drunk."—*Son of the True Church*

SIR,

I am much mistaken if there are not a considerable number of your readers to whom it is perfectly unnecessary to introduce the foregoing Quotations. Their features are so strongly marked, and there is, withal, something so exceedingly impressive in their "make and manner," that having once had the pleasure of their acquaintance, the most oblivious I should imagine, could scarcely forget them. I shall not detain the reader therefore with the superfluous formalities of an introduction, taking it, as I do, for granted, not only that he knows them by sight, but also that he has some vivid recollections as to their birth, parentage, and education.

On St. Patrick's day last, there moved through the streets of *Kilkenny*, one of the grandest and most interesting processions that Ireland has ever witnessed. And of whom, think you, Mr. Editor was this procession composed? Was it made up of individuals reeling under the influence of drink? Was it composed of such as were anxious for a Bacchanalian "wetting"? Of those who had resolved to evince the depth of their veneration by debauchery and riot—their love for *old Ireland* by getting "gloriously" drunk? No; the Bacchanal was not there; the glutton was not there, the rioter was not there: neither the "drops of brandy" nor the "cruiskeen lawn" were tolerated there. But I will tell you who constituted that magnificent procession;—THE FOLLOWERS OF FATHER MATHEW—THE TEE-TOTALLERS OF ERIN, headed by their Priests. Men who respect themselves—who venerate St. Patrick and who fear and worship their God. I am credibly informed, Mr. Editor, that throughout the whole city, Temperance was triumphant; and that the day closed in solemnity and peace. What a delightful example for us to follow. Oh that we may henceforward follow it in sincerity and truth. As a full account of the whole proceeding will be shortly published, I shall say no more on the subject, but subscribe myself

Your obedient Servant,  
PHILO-MATHEW.

DEPARTURES.—In the Ann for Buctush, WM. STIRLING, Esq. and Lady.

Ship News.

Port of Harbor Grace.

ENTERED

May 8.—Norval, Wills, Copenhagen, 1303 bags bread, 250 bls flour, 100 bls pork, 250 firkins butter, 20 bls beef, 2 bales hosiery, 5000 bricks.

CLEARED

May 9.—Brigantine, Elizabeth, Neagle, Liverpool, 13456 galls. pale seal oil, 10,500 seal skins, 20 cwt old junk, 7 cow hides.

May 5.—Ann, Tardrew, Buctush, sundries.

Lady Ann, Pynn, St. Andrews, ballast.

Port of St. John's.

ENTERED

April 30.—American Schooner Norfolk, Matthews, Philadelphia, flour, butter, bread, corn.

May 1.—Otter, Dill, Porto Rico, molasses, sugar.

4.—Christiana, Lawson, Barbados, ballast.

American Schooner Sarah, Smith, New York, rum, cheese, tobacco, flour, bread, pork, vinegar.

Active, Willcox, Teignmouth, general cargo.

5.—Scotch Lass, Kearney, Hamburg, pork, butter, flour, bread, bricks, and sundries.

Diana, Greig, Hamburg, butter, flour, catmeal, bread.

Jenny, Boorach, Liverpool, general cargo.

6.—Brig Mercury, Humphreys, Matanzas molasses, coffee, sugar.

American Schooner Texas, Reed, New York, flour, pork.

Schr Endeavour, M'Donald, Novascotia cattle, sheep, hay.

CLEARED

April 30.—Amanda, Poland, Oporto fish.

American Schooner North Carolina, Poole, Cape Breton, Oil.

Sarah, M'Donald, P. E. Island, salt, herring.

May 1.—Planet, Doane Halifax, fish.

Prickie Campbell, Halifax, fish.

2.—Anastasia, Reddy, P. E. Island, herring.

Topaz, Furneaux, P. E. Island, herring.

American Schr Attention, Plummer, Boston, ballast.

5.—American Brig Echo, Stevens, Sydney, ballast.

American Schr Norfolk, Matthews, Sydney, ballast.

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