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# The Daily Tribune.

J. L. STEWART,..... EDITOR.

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 26, 1874.


## Miss Stanton on Love.

Miss Stanton offended some, last evening, by the toleration she accorded to the doings of the historic women whose names are linked with those of some great men; but she charmed all with her graceful bearing, eloquent discourse, witty thrusts, and arch smile. Miss Stanton is original, not only in her conception of the characters of her heroines, but in the standpoint from which she regards them. The great peculiarity, and one not understood and allowed for by the majority of the audience, was that the lecturer discussed the lives of women in the same spirit as others discuss the lives of men—praising them for their good deeds, celebrating their learning, abilities, virtues, sacrifices, and *passing lightly and tenderly over their failings.* Not having this keynote to the lecture some, including the editor of the *Freeman*, fell into error of supposing that Miss Stanton was holding up the dissipations of Catherine II. of Russia for the imitation of the women in the audience. Miss Stanton feels so strongly that women are in every respect equal to men, and resents so deeply the inferiority imputed to them, that she, evidently, declines to stoop to an assertion of their equality, and simply assumes it. Biographers of great men give one hundred chapters to the virtues and good deeds of their heroes, and to defending them from the attacks of their enemies, and one chapter to an acknowledgement of their failings. Biographers of great women give one hundred chapters to the repetition of all slanders about them, and one chapter to a mere mention of their virtues and great and good deeds. If Miss Stanton should write the biography of Cleopatra, Catherine of Russia, or any other great and tarnished historic woman, she would write it in the spirit in which men write the biographies of great and tarnished historic men. It would not be a labored attempt to prove that all the accusations against the chastity of her heroine were false, nor that her failings were justifiable, but an appreciative description of her goodness, grace, beauty, acts, and a charitable mention of her weakness and sins. Miss Stanton does not seem to understand why the glory of Nelson should be heightened, rather than otherwise, by his love for Lady Hamilton, while Lady Hamilton should be execrated as a vile woman because of her love for Nelson. She does not seem to understand how Cæsar should have the liberty of making love to as many ladies as he pleased, without dishonor, while his wife should be ignominiously divorced for having appeased the hunger at her heart by a stolen interview with the man she loved before Cæsar possessed himself of her unwilling hand. Miss Stanton did not praise the women of whom she treated for their failings, nor did she condemn them, but related those of their acts that illustrated her theme with as much dispassionate calmness as marks the sacred chronicles of the good and bad deeds of the chosen people of God. Her subject was Love, not morality, religion or anything else, and she used the careers of the Queens of Love for the purpose of illustrating her subject, and for that purpose only—blaming nothing, praising little. Love she regards as a primal force, an inspiration from God. Attractiveness, founded on mental qualities, and not mere personal beauty, is its inspirer. The women who have inspired great love in the breasts of great men have been great women—women of intellects rarely inferior, sometimes superior, to those of the men with whom they are associated in history. The highest phase of love, in the opinion of the lecturer, is its sacrifice of itself for the good of its object. She found the finest illustration of this in the consent of Josephine to the divorce from Napoleon, and her constancy in loving him ever afterwards.

Edward Jenkins lectured here, a short time ago, on the wrongs of the agricultural laborers of England, and he was roundly abused because he did not treat also of the other and fairer aspects of English life. Miss Stanton has lectured on love as illustrated in history, and now she is savagely attacked because she did not read a homily on the sacredness of the marriage tie. One thing at a time, critics, especially on the lecture platform. Miss Stanton said nothing about the morality of the acts she mentioned as illustrations of her theme: morality was not the subject of her lecture.

Miss Stanton's ideas of woman's rights are in advance of those of the great majority of the workers for woman's freedom from social and legal barriers to equality with men. But her doctrines are, strange as it may seem to those who deny woman the reasoning faculty, the logical sequence of the arguments for opening the courts, pulpits, civil service, and colleges to women, and giving them all the rights, duties and privileges of citizenship. Society repudiates Miss Stanton's doctrines, while granting the premises from which they are derived, and her words and motives are misconstrued and denounced accordingly. It does not harm good people to be shocked occasionally; and Miss Stanton can, we suppose, philosophically bear the abuse heaped upon her. She feels that she is working in a good cause, and expects to see another generation adopt the views she is condemned for uttering now.

Mr. Forbes repudiates the reported arrangement made at Fredericton for putting him on the City ticket. He will be a candidate for the City and County.

In the *Maritime Monthly* for March Rev. Mr. Harvey gives a minute description of the devil-fish recently captured in Newfoundland waters, and an interesting history of the strange creature. J. N. Wilson, of this city, gives an account of "Travels and Adventures in the South during the Rebellion." John Cameron, in a carefully written paper, takes us on "A Visit to the Grave of Tecumseh." "A Half Hour with a Quack" handles the patent medicine business in a savagely humorous vien, dealing with different nostrums, the advertising dodges of their venders, and other phases of the subject. There are several tales and poems from good authors, and a new editorial department, "Scrapiana," is opened in a promising manner. The following charming little poem, by H. L. Spencer, is the only specimen of the contents of the *Monthly* that we can find room for today:

Under the snow the roses lie,
And violets blue as the summer sky,
They reck not how fiercely the North winds 11 w,
Under the snowdrifts, under the snow.

Under the snow the mountain streams
Babble all day of their nightly dreams,
Whisper and frolic as on they go,
Under the snowdrifts, under the snow.

Under the snow, in bowers of moss,
The Dryads are weaving their robes of floss,
Robes that in summer will sparkle and glow,
Under the snowdrifts, under the snow.

Under the snow are voiceless lips,
And tender eyes in dark eclipse,
And hearts that are pulseless, yet I know,
A spring is coming to melt the snow.

## Skating Carnival.

*To the Editor of The Tribune.*

As the Directors of the Victoria Skating Rink have decided to give prizes for fancy skating don't you think it would also be advisable to offer a prize for the most original character on the ice, the Directors to decide. It has been, I am sorry to say, at all our Carnivals, the custom of many of the skaters to wear a fireman's uniform, or get themselves up in nigger costume. We have had too many niggers, firemen, cricketers, jockeys, &c.. let us have something original, so that persons who have always attended those Carnivals can't say, Oh, I have seen that dress before. Let the Directors of the Rink move in the matter, the institution can afford to give a prize for originality of costume. YOURS, CARNIVALIST.

The pastor of the Baptist Church in La Crosse, Wis., preaches rhymed sermons.

A case of wife desertion is occupying attention in Halifax. It is only a soldier's wife.

The great need of the town of Yellow River, Ark., is "about forty women"—not, let it be understood, women of about forty.

In the play for the Drummond stones, at Halifax, in the curling contest, Dr. Fraser made ten points and won the stones. The Davis stones were won the same day by a score of six points. Poor play.

A Quebec telegram says that private information from London, England, confirms the report that three regiments are to be forwarded to Canada, one of them to be stationed in Quebec.

Maryland workingmen may safely contract debts without danger of having their wages seized. The exemption has been raised from ten to one hundred dollars.

A reporter of an Iowa paper wrote: "Yesterday morning winter and spring kissed each other in the sunrise, and each spread its choicest favors on the pure air." He was married the next day.

A Topeka lady sums up the first three years of her experience in married life as follows: "The first year he called me 'dear,' the second year 'Mrs. A.,' and the third year 'old sorrel top.'"

One of the peculiarities of the colored people down South is said to be the singular alacrity with which they go to law. Suits involving amounts ranging from two dollars downward are numerous, and slander cases based on the most trivial provocation are equally plentiful.

Mrs. Elizabeth Crowlce, wife of a wealthy farmer in Iowa, was brutally murdered by some unknown person in her house Friday evening. She was shot twice. Her youngest child, aged four years, was also fatally shot. There is no clue to the murderer.

Lima, Peru, which has been without a revolution for nearly two years, was aroused about a month ago by rapid and continuous musketry firing, from the soldiers' barracks. Country recruits had been too severely drilled, and were making a desperate attempt to get away. About thirteen were killed and thirty wounded.

The Omaha *Herald* declares that since the peace with the Red Cloud not one white man has been murdered by Indians where ten Indians have been murdered by white men. Quarrels and murders at the agencies have occurred, but they are the acts of individuals and not of the Sioux as a people.

This is the year in which the late Sister Anna Maria Taiga of Rome predicted the Pope would die with attendant convulsions of nature. "For three days and three nights," she said, "Cimmerian darkness will rest over the earth, hiding every object in the world from view; the people who look out of the windows for the purpose of describing what is going on in the firmament will be immediately struck down dead."

## The Temperance Crusade—New York Liquor Sellers Alarmed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.

Alderman Brucks, who has a liquor store in Eighth Avenue near 44th street, yesterday received a letter telling him that a band of women from a neighboring church were to assemble before his saloon on Sunday and pray for his reformation.

The German saloon keepers propose to organize a Protective Union in every ward in the city, to protect their rights as citizens and tax-payers, and guard their interests. They are now considering a preamble and resolutions, that the policy of prohibition by law, in the place of regulation of the traffic in fermented liquors, beer and wines, is as clearly against the bill of rights and the Constitution of the State and the United States as would be any interference with any other trade or licensed business; yet notwithstanding these reasons, fanaticism and riotous proceedings are rampant once more. Addresses were made denouncing the present crusade of women who will not allow liquor dealers like other traders to peacably ply their business.

Lists of the 8000 rum-sellers in New York city are now being prepared by the temperance crusaders with a view to being waited upon. They say they hope to close 4000 of them.

The crusaders began operations on Staten Island yesterday by holding a prayer meeting in Vanderbilt's saloon, at Factoryville, during the absence of the proprietor in New York. The ladies will commence the campaign Monday throughout the entire island.

Some of the most prominent ladies of Brooklyn also met last night to organize. The ladies of Jersey City have organized and will begin operations in Orange Monday.

A Cincinnati despatch states that Dio Lewis leaves for Boston and Worcester, where he intends organizing temperance raids next week.

The injunction against the ladies of Hillsboro, Ohio, was dissolved by Judge Steele yesterday.

## LOCALS

For advertisements of WANTED, LOST, FOUND, FOR SALE, REMOVED, or TO LET see Auction column.

### New Advertisements.

Advertisers must send in their favors before 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure their appearance in this list.

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On First Page: Poetry; Notes and News; The Bridal Tour; Bank Burglars; and Lord Brougham.

On Fourth Page: Yesterday's Second Edition.

### Personal.

B. S. W. will find several communications awaiting him at this office.

### Brevities.

"A Member," who writes to know why the Skating Rink was closed Wednesday afternoon, is referred to the Secretary of the Club for early information.

We have been informed that arrangements are being completed for the meeting of the New Brunswick Temperance and Prohibitory League in this city. Representatives from all the Counties of this Province will be present.

The members of the Music Union intend having a sleigh drive to Rothesay this evening.

A concert and reading in aid of the Kincardinshire Colonists will be given next week, by a number of amateurs of the city.

Mr. John Keatley is to raffle his trotting horse Richard at the Five Mile House on Thursday next. He will give $50 for the horse to the man winning it.

The girls and boys had a coasting carnival yesterday afternoon on Waterloo street. Another will take place this and every afternoon while the snow is on the ground.

A stranger would suppose that the Country Market was situated opposite the stables on King's Square, judging by the number of sleds, and the amount of hawking done there. It is not, though, it is only a privilege granted, by consent, to the stable-keepers to use two-thirds of the street.

The following persons have been elected as officers of No. 7 Fire Engine Company, Carleton: Joseph O. Craft, Engineer; James McLoon, Foreman; J. B. Drake, Ass't Foreman; S. T. Mosher, Secretary; U. Drake, Financial Secretary, and Wm. Brittain, Treasurer.

The case of the Imperial Board of Trade vs. The Owners of the bark Torryburn will come before the Police Court to-morrow.

There will be an entertainment, consisting of an exhibition of dissolving views etc., in the Y. M. C. Hall, Friday evening.

A fresh supply of Hemy's Instruction Book at E. Peiler & Bro's.

### Harmony Division Tea-Meeting.

The tea-meeting in the Orange Hall, Portland, last evening, was a great success. It was a pleasant and appropriate way of celebrating their anniversary. After a bountiful tea the meeting was called to order by the Worthy Patriarch of the Division, and speeches, songs and recitations followed in rapid succession. The audience separated delighted with the way in which they had spent the evening.

The latest waltz by Godfrey, the Marie Alexandrowna, at E. Peiler & Bro's.

Woods' Organs, the best in the market, at E. Peiler & Bro's.

### Revival Notes.

A correspondent informs us that a revival is in progress at Upper Mills, St. Stephen, under the labors of Rev. Mr. Taylor, Methodist. Many are earnestly inquiring what they shall do to be saved, and many others are halting between two opinions. Our correspondent says a revival was needed there.

The following extracts from pastors' letters to the *Wesleyan* show that revivals are in progress in all parts of the Lower Provinces:

SALISBURY, N. B.—Twenty-one have united with us.

LIVERPOOL, N. S.—The work of God with us is still progressing. Last night was one of great power. About twenty-five persons presented themselves for prayer.

PETITE RIVIERE, N. S.—The earnest prayers of God's people in this place have been answered. Many have been saved. About forty persons—young and old—gave in their names last week as candidates for membership.

TRYON, P. E. I.—Our special services at Crapaud still continue. We are having a powerful work. Between forty and fifty have already found peace in believing in Jesus.

HAY AND CORDWOOD for sale wholesale and retail by J. M. Smith, opposite Railway Station, St. John. tf

## St. John Stock Exchange.

BOARD ROOM, Feb. 26th, 1874.

| | Shrs each | ½ yr Div | Asked | Bid |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bank of New Brunswick, | $100 | 5 p.c. | 168 | 167 |
| " " B. N. America, | 250 | 4 | | |
| " " Montreal, | 200 | 8 | | 192 |
| Maritime Bank, | 100 | 4 | 89 | |
| People's Bank, | 100 | 3½ | | |
| St. Stephen Bank, | 100 | 4 | | 100 |
| Stadacona Bank, | 100 | | 100 | |
| Spring Hill C. M. Co., | 50 | | 120 | |
| Joggins C. M. Co., | 3 | 4 | 100 | |
| People's Street Rly. Co., | 20 | | 20 | |
| St. George Red Granite, | 100 | | 50 | |
| Victoria Hotel Co., | 100 | | 20 | |
| Suspension Bridge Co., | 25 | | 66 | |
| St. John Gas Co., | 110 | 4 | | 105 |
| Victoria Skating Rink, | 20 | 3 | 105 | |
| Confederate Life Ins. Co., | 100 | | 100 | |
| Royal Canadian Fire Ins. | 100 | | 90 | |
| N. B. Patent Tanning Co. | 5 | | 50 | 30 |
| Sussex Boot & Shoe M. Co. | 50 | 1¾ | 100 | |
| Ottawa City Bonds, | | 3 | | |
| Academy of Music, | 20 | | 40 | |
| Parrsboro R. and Coal M | 100 | | 60 | |
| St. Stephen Ry. 1st M. B., | | 3 | 96 | |
| Colebrook Rolling Mills, | 100 | 6 | | |
| Moosepath Driving Park, | 100 | | 35 | |
| City School Debentures, | | 3 | | 95 |
| Corporation Bonds, | | 3 | | 100 |
| South Bay Boom Co., | 40 | 5 | 75 | |
| Carleton Branch Ry., | 20 | | 50 | |
| " " 1st M. Bonds, | | 3 | 100 | |
| Western Extension Ry., | | | | |
| Port Philip Free Stone, | 50 | | | |
| M. F. Knitting M. Co., | 50 | | | |
| M. Warehousing & D. Co. | 50 | | | 101 |
| N. B. Electric Tel. Co., | | | | |
| Fredericton Boom Co., | | | | |
| Central Fire Ins. Co., | 40 | 6 | | |
| St. John W. & S. Deben. | | 3 | | 101 |
| Do. do. Carleton, | | 3 | 100 | |
| Do. Reed's Point, Petitioudiac Property, etc., | | 3 | | |
| N. B. Provincial Bonds, | | 3 | 103 | |

Exchange Bank Sterling, 60 days, 9½;
Do. do., sight, 10¼;
Drafts on U. S. currency, 10¼ discount.

NEW DESIGNS of Walnut Frames at Notman's.

### The Milkish Tea-Meeting.

At least one hundred persons went from the city and Portland last evening to attend the tea meeting at Milkish. There were three four-horse sleighs well filled, and many single teams. The spread was laid in the church, and was a very fine one. "Just such a display as they always make in Milkish," was the exclamation of the visitors as they entered the room. The building was crowded, but all were accommodated and did ample justice to the viands—the appetites of those from a distance being sharpened by their drive in the frosty air. The ladies of Milkish were highly complimented by all for their attention to the guests. The Rev. J. N. Parker was called to the chair, and, for two hours, singing, speeches and recitations were the order of the evening. The chairman welcomed the guests and thanked them for their patronage in a happy speech. The Rev. Mr. Price also spoke. J. McCaffery recited "Daniel O'Rourke's Say Voyage," a comic piece, and, in response to loud calls, gave "The Fireman's Dress," both in a most creditable manner. Mr. J. H. Cumberland recited "Paddy and the Butler," a tale of Pat's experience on board a man-of-war. Speeches were made by Messrs. E. Daniel, A. Ellis, H. A. Vradenburgh, Coun. Hilyard, W. A. Moore, T. Burke, McMurtry, Holder, Southers and others. All the speeches were short and to the point. Mr. McMurtry presided at the organ, and accompanied the various singers. Mr. Ruddick acted as auctioneer, and sold the cakes and other dainties that remained after the tea was over. He made a capital auctioneer and got large prices for all he sold. The young men of the party were particularly attentive to the ladies of Milkish, so much so that Mr. Parker offered his services gratis if any permanent unions were to be formed. The party returned to the city about 12 o'clock, making Portland ring with songs, shouts, and tin horn accompaniment. Before leaving a subscription was made to purchase a sleigh for Mr. Parker. The Milkish folks have promised to arrange a strawberry festival during the summer.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT of Velvet Passe Partouts at Notman's.

### To Advertisers.

The circulation of the TRIBUNE is at the present time very large, doubtless exceeding the circulation of any other St. John daily. Advertisers will consult their own interests by patronising the TRIBUNE. Yearly contracts made at favorable rates.

### City Police Court.

The police made no arrests last night, and there was no business before the Court.

### Portland Police Court.

Portland is almost as happy the as city. The police were only called on to arrest one man last night. George Flynn, of Indiantown, was arrested on a peace warrant, charged with threatening to send his wife prematurely to a warm climate by the aid of a pistol. He will go to gaol, as he cannot find good and true men who are willing to be sureties for his keeping the peace.

Rubber-foxed Felt Overs and Rubbers. A fresh stock received at the Rubber Depot. E. FROST & CO.
Feb. 24. 6i

THE DAILY TRIBUNE and all the most popular Canadian, English and American newspapers and magazines can always be obtained at the bookstore of Mr. W. K. Crawford, King street. au 8

### Circuit Court.

The adjourned session of the Circuit Court for St. John will be opened on Tuesday next, Judge Wetmore presiding. If there are no unnecessary delays a large number of cases will probably be cleared off the docket, as the Judge has offered to sit until the day before the Easter Term, which opens on the 14th of April. The first case to be taken up will be Blizzard vs. Cutler.

### Point Lepreaux Weather and Marine Report.

Feb. 26, 9 A. M.—Wind N. N. E., cloudy, strong breeze, with snow squalls; nothing in sight.

CABINET and Card Groups of the Duke of Edinburgh and Duchess Marie at Notman's.

### House Renovating.

Mr. John Harding is having the house lately occupied by him in Queen street repaired and renovated. A mansard roof to correspond with the adjoining house, lately reoulit by him, has been put on, and the windows and cornices will be the same. When finished the two houses will form one of the handsomest blocks in the city. The house now being repaired has been leased by J. Allison, Esq., from the first of May.

# By Telegraph.

## Canadian, British and Foreign.

[*To the Associated Press.*]

LONDON, Feb. 25.

Breadstuffs quiet.

A report has reached here that a battle has been fought at Coomassie between the Ashantees and the force under Gen. Wolseley. The engagement is said to have lasted a whole day, and closed with no decided result. Loss of the British troops nearly 300, including many officers. The Highlanders alone reported to have had 150 men killed and wounded. General Wolseley is said to be in need of reinforcements, which were 15 miles off.

It is expected the Tichborne case will be given to the jury Saturday next.

Rev. Thomas Binney, theologian, died last night.

General Moriones, with 22,000 troops, now confronts the main body of the Carlists. A general engagement is hourly expected.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.

Gold 112¼; sterling exchange 484½ a 488.

A N. E. snow storm is prevailing from Washington, where six inches has fallen, over New York and New England.

A few men and huts are reported yet on the ice in Saginaw Bay, who are in a perilous position.

LONDON, Feb. 25.

THE ASHANTEE WAR—HEAVY BRITISH LOSSES.

The War Office has received no report of a battle, but an unofficial though circumstantial despatch reached the Admiralty Office that a battle was fought at Acroomboo, Jan. 31st, not at Coomassie as reported. Among the killed are Maj. Band and Capt. Buckle.

The *Globe* says if the news be true a great disaster has befallen the British army, and the only course left to Wolseley is to effect a safe retreat to the coast.

A special to the *Standard* says the Ashantees entirely surrounded the British army, but were eventually driven off with great loss. The principal War Chief of the Ashantees was killed. The King has taken command of his army and it was expected he would renew the attack. Feb. 5th was the date decided upon for the storming of Coomassie by General Wolseley's forces.

Further details say that the Ashantees fought desperately from 6 in the morning until 3 in the afternoon. 17 British officers were killed and wounded. The naval brigade, 145 strong, lost 39 men. The Rifle Brigade lost 28, and the Engineers 38 men.

The loss sustained by the native allies is unknown, but is heavy.

The communications of the British forces with the rear are threatened.

It is believed that another large force of Ashantees is approaching Coomasie from the South West.

26th—3 a. m.

In addition to the losses already reported the Fusileers lost 56 men in the battle with the Ashantees.

THE WAR IN SPAIN.

It is reported that Gen. Mariones has been badly defeated before Bilbao, with the loss of a large number of troops, and compelled to retreat to Santander.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.

THE STORM

ended early this morning. Six inches of snow fell. Trains on all roads are delayed.

(*Special to Daily News.*)

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.

In the O'Hanly libel suit against the *Citizen*, newspaper, the Magistrate dismissed the case on the ground that the article contained nothing libelous.

Bunster is returned for Vancouver, and Dewdny for Yale, B. C.

Edgar, defeated in Monck, is to be sent by the Government on a political mission to British Columbia.

Chief Justice Duval and Judges Badgely and Monck have resigned.

At the afternoon session of the Board of Trade the tariff question was discussed. The Western delegates strongly urged a protective tariff of twenty per cent. The Eastern men thought an incidental protection of fifteen per cent sufficient. Any increase in the revenue should be raised upon luxuries.

During the debate Tupper and Mitchell entered and were loudly cheered.

The debate was resumed at 7.30. Mr. Fairweather, St. John, made an able speech against the proposed Protective tariff in the interest of western manufactures, or any imposition of duty on flour or grain.

Most of the Cabinet Ministers were present during the discussion.

Mackenzie visited the meeting of the Board during the evening.

# LEGISLATURE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 25—*Afternoon.*

Mr. Lindsay committed a bill to increase the jurisdiction of the Justices in civil suits—Mr. Montgomery in the chair.

Mr. Crawford said that as the bill gave magistrates jurisdiction in cases of both debt and damages up to forty dollars, it should not be passed.

Mr. Lindsay thought Mr. Crawford was speaking in the interest of lawyers. Those who opposed the bill seemed to desire that the obtaining of justice should be made expensive. Magistrates' juries were generally more intelligent than those of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Nowlan favored the bill on the ground that people required it, but he would keep lawyers out of the Magistrates' Courts.

Mr. Ryan would not exclude lawyers, and thought the bill should pass.

The Attorney General was of opinion that magistrates' jurisdiction was already sufficiently large.

Hon. Mr. Willis was opposed to the bill as it provided increased facilities for litigation.

Hon. Mr. McQueen said he brought a similar bill in last year which failed to pass, and he hoped this would be more successful.

Mr. Hibbard favored the bill, and complimented the Magistrates of his own County on their ability in the conduct of their courts.

The Attorney General said the magistrates in the House are satisfied of their own integrity, but as there are some thousand men in the Province whose powers would be enlarged, it would be dangerous, because such power would surely fall into some improper hands and work evil. If the bill passed it might