

vernor, Collector of Excise, in place of Joseph Howe, Esq., resigned. Mr. Howe resumed the editorial charge of the *Novascotian*, after an intermission of thirty months. 23rd.—A new Alarm Bell was presented by the Sun Fire Company to the Mayor of Halifax, for the use of the City. 25th.—The first intelligence was brought to Halifax of the loss (at Country Harbour) of the Ship *Saladin*, from Valparaiso, with a cargo of Guano, Copper, &c. From the suspicious circumstances connected with her wreck, and other causes, H. M. S. Fair Rosamond was despatched to the scene of the disaster. 21st.—A Gold Snuff Box was presented to Jas. B. Uniacke, Esq., by a number of the citizens of the metropolis, as a memento of their esteem, and in consideration of his valuable services to the Liberal party, in the Legislature and elsewhere.

June 3rd.—H. M. S. Fair Rosamond arrived from the wreck of the "*Saladin*," bringing the crew of that vessel, specie, &c. The crew were put in Jail, and the specie in the vaults of the Bank of Nova Scotia. 8th.—An extraordinary degree of excitement was created in the city, from the confession of two of the *Saladin* crew confined in prison, by which it appeared, that the Captain (McKenzie), first and second Mates, and three seamen were murdered. The ship was then taken possession of by the pirates, headed by Captain Fielding, (passenger,) who was the chief instigator of the plot—and after his hellish design was accomplished, the accomplices conceiving they were in danger from his treachery, seized him, tied his neck and heels together, and threw him alive into the sea, and then treated his son, who was with him, (aged 15 years), in the same manner. The object of the Pirates was to get possession of the money on board, take the vessel to some secluded spot, scuttle her, and divide the booty amongst themselves.—But their purpose was frustrated by the wreck of the ship—and the unlawful prize was unexpectedly wrested from their grasp, which disappointed them of the enjoyment of the treasure, after the sacrifice of so many lives to secure it. The names of the Pirates were Jones, Johnston, Anderson, Hazelton, (an assumed name), Carr and Galloway; the two latter were the least implicated in the matter, and they gave the first testimony in the tragical affair. 16th.—Mr. Richard Nugent was liberated from jail, having served five out of twelve months' imprisonment for an alleged Libel. 18th.—A Coroner's Jury summoned in the case of Ellen Murphy, who, it was alleged, had been poisoned returned a verdict of *Felo de se*. Five days were occupied in the investigation. 24.—An extra session of the House of Assembly was called by the Lieutenant Governor and Council, to meet on the 20th July following, for the special purpose of considering how far the interests of Nova Scotia proper had been promoted by—as well as the legality of—the annexation of the Island of Cape Breton to this Province in 1820.

July 18th.—The trial of the *Saladin's* crew for Piracy and Murder took place in the Supreme Court, Halifax, before Vice Admiral Sir Charles Adam, the Chief Justice, and Justices Bliss, Hill, and Halliburton. The Jury who tried the Prisoners—were Joseph Whyte (Foreman), Andrew Downs, Stephen H. Harrington, Charles Naylor, George Bolton, John Nugent, Henry T. Wright, John Uhlman, J. G. Ross, John H. Symons, James Barratt, and William H. Goreham. Counsels for the Prisoners, James B. Uniacke, William Young, and

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