

Ships in the North American trade was a subject well deserving the attention of the Government.

Mr. Hume, referring to the executions which had taken place in Canada, begged to submit whether it was right that those cold blooded exhibitions should be continued after tranquility was restored.

Lord J. Russell replied that the Governors of the two Canadas were not disposed to carry them farther than the exigency demanded.

The following is Her Majesty's reply to the Address of the Commons in answer to Her Majesty's speech at the opening of Parliament :—

"I thank you for your loyal and dutiful Address, I receive with satisfaction the assurances of support of maintaining the authority of my Crown over my Canadian provinces. I rely with confidence on your zealous assistance in upholding the observance of the laws, and on your careful consideration of the weighty matters on which you are engaged."

London, Saturday, Feb. 16—Two o'clock.—The Stock market is looking firm again this morning, and a fair business has been done. Consols for the Account have obtained 92 7-8 to 93 and for money 92 3-4 and 93. Exchequer Bills have realized 68 to 66 premium; and India Bonds 63 premium. Bank Stock is at 206.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

An account of the revival at Greenwich, in the Horton Circuit, was received too late for insertion in this No.; it will be given in our next.

Several articles have been necessarily deferred.

Letters have been received from Rev. W. Crosscombe, with remittance¹; Rev. A. W. McLeod²; E. J. Cunningham, Esq.³; Rev. W. Shenstone⁴; Rev. Peter Sleep⁵; Lewis Marshall, Esq, with remittance; J. W. Wood, Esq.; W. Blois, with remittance; Rev. W. M. Leggett, with do.; Rev. W. Wilson.

¹ The arrangement wished in the two last letters commences with this number. We will write shortly.

² We have written by the hand of a friend.

³ The Magazine will be ordered by return of this Packet. The price of the Watchman we believe is about 27s. 6d. currency. We will order it if required.

⁴ Will oblige by sending us a paragraph noticing both gifts; it will then appear as correspondence. The books have been sent.

⁵ We will write shortly.

NOVA SCOTIA LEGISLATURE.

The Session was closed yesterday by His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell.—*Pearl*.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

The business of the Session being now finished, I have great pleasure in releasing you from your Legislative duties.

You have shewn, by your munificent grant of £100,000 for the service and equipment of the Militia, that you consider the support of Her Majesty's authority and Government, and the defence and prosperity of Her North American Dominions, as inseparably connected, nor can anything in your power be more conducive to either, than your perseverance in making this the great leading principle of your conduct.

To the Bills now enacted, and especially to that which provides for the better regulation of the Militia, I have with pleasure assented, under a full conviction that your zeal alike loyal and patriotic, has in

this instance, omitted nothing within the extent of your ability, and it will be my ambition, on any emergency that may arise, to give the fullest effect to the means of defence which you have provided.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

The very extensive appropriation for Roads and Bridges, cannot fail to be of general benefit to the Province, but demands a more exact attention in the expenditure,—and unless my endeavours to obtain a faithful application of these means are seconded by you, in your respective Counties and Towns, I cannot hope for success. I regret however, to observe, that you have omitted to make an adequate provision for altering and improving the main Post communication between New Brunswick and Canada, as recommended to you.

I have to convey to you my best thanks, for the liberal supplies which you have granted to her Majesty, and for the confidence which you continue to repose in me, by placing considerable sums of money at my disposal, and you may rely upon my continued endeavours to promote regularity and a system of economy, in every branch of the public service.

CANADAS.

Quebec Gazette, March 6.

It affords us much pleasure in being able to lay before our readers the following letter from His Excellency Sir George Arthur, to the Rev. Mr. Harvard, Wesleyan Minister, of this city, and late President of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Upper Canada; relative to the pamphlet lately published by that gentleman on the Clergy Reserves question:

Government House, Toronto,

9th February.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of several copies of your pamphlet on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, and to thank you for this proof of your attention, as well as for the very flattering manner in which you allude to myself.

It has afforded me much gratification to observe the conciliatory spirit that you have evinced in your remarks; and I sincerely trust that it may not be without an effect favourable to the final adjustment of this unfortunate and long-litigated question.

I regret to observe that you are so much disinclined to the transmission of the question to England. When parties have so long and so far differed, it would seem that the removing it altogether from the Province, is the most likely way to put an end to further discord.

From the tenor, however, of your observations, and the mild temper and language in which they are couched, I do not despair of your further sincere and efficient co-operation in aiding me to heal the religious dissensions that have so long distracted Upper Canada, and that an imperious necessity for temporary union, in self-defence has been stifled, but not extinguished. Could I but once see this serious drawback to the peace and prosperity of the Colony, removed, I should feel that much of the difficulty of my onerous situation was taken away, and that external troubles—by shewing the duty of obtaining internal concord, at any price—had not been unattended with benefit.

Had the Christian courtesy and consideration which pervades your pamphlet, characterized all that has been written and spoken on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, so wide a breach would not, at this present moment, have separated the contending parties; but, even as it is, I should hope that there is still enough of good sense and Christian principle in this country, to point out to all, the absolute necessity of a speedy termination being put to a strife, alike pre-

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