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QUEBEC, MONDAY, 4th NOV. 1823.

With the arrival of a new Governor in this Province, an event of no infrequent occurrence, now a day, it has become, among other and more weighty matters, the signal for the Quebec Mercury and the Montreal Herald to "buckle on armour" and fight, as a Kentuckian would say, "as savage as meat axes."

Resolutions were passed; the first unanimously, and the second with only two dissenting voices. Resolved, That the banks of the city of New York, must and will maintain specie; and that it is with unfeigned satisfaction they have noticed the cheering and sustaining voice of their fellow citizens in reference to this measure.

And, "silently but respectfully," we feel assured, will the loyalists of this Province await the first acts of importance of His Excellency's administration.

By the Eastern mail of yesterday, we received Halifax, Pictou, and St. John papers of the 26th and 23rd ultimo. We are happy to find that the fire in the Pictou coal-pits has been extinguished; the Mechanic & Farmer says:—

It is not improbable that the Great Western has arrived at New York by this time, for if she sailed on the 19th ultimo, this is the 16th day from the date of her departure. The news by her may be confidently expected here in the latter part of the present week.

Joseph Bonaparte, the Comte de Surville, with his suite, has engaged a passage in the pocket ship Philadelphia, the regular day of sailing of which from New York for London is the 1st inst.

New York papers of Monday and Tuesday contain little of importance beyond an account of another meeting of merchants, on financial affairs.

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Water was let into the pits from the river, on Saturday; and we were last evening informed that the fire was completely extinguished. The new pits are unimpaired, and as those burned were soon to be abandoned, the loss will not be so extensive as might be anticipated.

Jamaica dates to the 26th Sept. were received at Halifax on the 26th ult. We extract a few particulars from the Canadian Recorder.

Sir Charles Metcalfe, the new Governor of Jamaica, arrived at Port Royal on the 22nd Sept., in H. M. S. Caracoe, and met with a hearty welcome from all ranks of the community.

We are informed that H. M. S. Serpent is under orders to be in readiness to receive Sir Lionel Smith on board to-morrow evening, and sail from Port Royal on Thursday for New York, from which place His Excellency proposes proceeding by one of the steam-packets for England.

The soldiers and civilians of Spanish-town. We are informed by a gentleman, who left Spanish-town yesterday morning, that a serious quarrel took place in the barrack yard between the soldiers and some of the inhabitants on Sunday evening last. It appears that on the return of the detachment from the public square to their barracks, several of the inhabitants attempted to enter the yard, from which they were repulsed. Not being accustomed to this rough mode of treatment, the inhabitants resented it, and defending themselves with their sticks, a row ensued, which might have terminated fatally for some of the parties, but for the prompt interference of the authorities.—Royal Gazette.

UPPER CANADA.

The papers received from Upper Canada do not contain much of interest. We are extremely gratified to find that an honorable and influential member of the Responsible Government party—Mr. Bristowe—has, in a letter addressed to Mr. Sheriff Jarvis, conclusively shown that the statements of the Toronto Examiner respecting the Sheriff's conduct at the meeting in Yonge street, were nothing more nor less than unmitigated falsehoods—just as sensible people thought they were. The following précis of Mr. Bristowe's letter is copied from the Patriot:—

Three important facts are elicited by this statement, and we trust are in themselves amply sufficient to refute the whole mass of filthy and treasonable lies that have flooded the country from the Durham presses during the past ten days.

1st.—Mr. Bristowe states that "several individuals of both parties in my hearing suggested the propriety of the Sheriff declaring the names proposed and taking the numbers for the appointment of chairman, and that your party had a majority in number, and that you were by in calling Mr. Boyd to the chair. It is however probable that you being on the platform might have seen a clear division and ascertained the numbers, whereas I, being in the crowd, could not have seen or ascertained anything of the kind."

2ndly.—My impression decidedly was that you were by in calling Mr. Boyd to the chair. It is however probable that you being on the platform might have seen a clear division and ascertained the numbers, whereas I, being in the crowd, could not have seen or ascertained anything of the kind."

3rdly.—When the Reform party moved off to attempt the second meeting, Mr. B. stated "I was requested to go to another place for that purpose, but declined doing so because I thought it dangerous and imprudent. I still think it was, and regretted such a course should have been adopted by the Reform party."

The Brantford Sentinel, of the 26th ultimo, contains a requisition for a public meeting of the inhabitants of the township of Brantford, to be held on the 22nd inst. (Saturday last) for the purpose of adopting an address to the Governor General. The requisition states that the meeting is convened by "the friends of the measures recommended in the Earl of Durham's Report."

His Excellency Sir George Arthur and suite left Montreal on Thursday on their return to Upper Canada. It appears to be now pretty certain that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to Upper Canada, this month, and several accounts agree in stating that his stay in the Upper Province will extend to six weeks. Rumours of the retirement of Sir George Arthur from the Administration of the government of Upper Canada have been afloat, but we are unable to learn any thing positive on the subject.

The Kingston, (U. C.) Chronicle of the 30th ult. says.—Nothing certain has transpired regarding the Governor General's visit to this Province: it is believed it will not take place before next season. Lt. Gen. Sir R. D. Jackson may be daily expected. The gallant general is on a tour of inspection throughout his extensive military command.

In our last we copied from the Montreal Herald of Wednesday, a statement respecting the Upper Canada Banks, which we find in some respects, incorrect. The Herald of Thursday contains a communication from the Hon. P. McGill, correcting the statement.

Mr. McGill states that Sir George Arthur's answer to his inquiry was, that the Banks were compelled by law to resume specie payments on the 1st of November; that they had not made any application for a further suspension; and that the government in Upper Canada would not interfere, unless the Bank of New York and this Province should ultimately be obliged to suspend. His Excellency further expressed a wish, that an address which Mr. McGill told him was in preparation by some of the merchants in town, on the subject, should not be presented to him.

TAOTING.—The great trotting match harness between Dutchman and Awful Ice Poney having withdrawn—came off a Monday last on the Seaton course near York, for a purse of \$3000. Awful won easily, making the following time:—

First heat, 2 m. 41 1/2 s. Second do., 2 m. 40 s. Third do., 2 m. 44 1/2 s.

The second heat was a contested one, in consequence of Dutchman running into Awful, and it was done in the shortest time of the three.

THE AMISTAD AFRICANS.—Senors Maza and Ruiz, imprisoned at New York in the suit of two of the Africans who were seized by the Spanish slave Amistad, have been admitted to bail, the former on common bail, the latter on justified bail of \$250.—The distinction being made on the ground that Maza was the owner of the slaves. Fomi, mother of the negroes, has also instituted motion against Ruiz, in the Supreme Court, Judge Edwards has required the latter to post bail in the sum of five hundred dollars.—The proceedings are a prolific source of acrimonious discussion between the Abolitionists and the Abolitionists of the United States.

The Albion, of New York, speaks of a mourn of fresh preparations for border incidents and observes, if they are again undertaken they will be of a more formidable character than any that have occurred. We think they will not be undertaken again. The French and Windsor escapades are fresh in "sympathetic" recollection; but if our neighbors choose to try it again, the road is open. Hence is the parole—"The Buffalo," the custom sign.—Montreal Courier.

His Excellency the Governor in Chief visited the Island of St. Helens yesterday, but dispensed with all compliment or ceremony on his landing.—Montreal Transcript of This We regret to perceive that one of the fortunate sufferers by the fire in St. Phillip has since died of the burns received—and that there is beyond any reasonable hope of recovery.—Ibid.

LET GLASGOW be all the cities of the greatest progress in during the last half century was but 30.6 Forty years since, its only £3000 per annum £400,000.

General Jackson was day. We don't believe of the suspension United States Bank. dead, then Jackson was is dead—now let us —New York Herald.

THE PUMPKIN CRO of Aroostook, has also member, as a day for U —Ibid.

CONTRIBUTION.—A lot Lewis Brown, in Philadelphia notes, and three days of the amount because discount. If he had k lost ten per cent by dep



SHIP INTELLIGENCE

Ship Albion, Smith, 120 Price & Co. Ship Prince George, 1 general cargo, P. Bar's Hope, Small, 1 Pemberton. Sch. George, Lemux, 1 Frazer. Brk. Hibernia, Stevens last, Pemberton's. A schooner from Lab a D. Fraser. Two schooners from L to V. Hansel. Sch. Providence, Bow sugar, for Montreal. Sch. Phoenix, Caldwell Fraser, 5 passengers. C. L. E. No. Bark New Brunswick, Rigny. Bark Malgrave, Edmond Bark Magnet, Morton. Bark James Baile, Sr. Brig Stamper, Seur, 8 Brig British Queen, T. Brig King William, Su Brig British Tar, Hial Brig Salus, Ritchie, Gt Brig Margaret Balfour,

PASSI In the Prince Gen Menie, R. E.; Mr. B. Artillery men, 2 women; In the packet brig St Falmouth, on the 3 Stewart, Miss Griffin Major Wood, Capt. C. Powells, 23d regt., M Griffiths, 37th regt. and

PORT O Arrived, 22d Oct.—Hubert, from Gloucester, west half South, dist the chart, nor mentions ship drawing 12 feet. A few minutes before large bark bound to C out her name.