

but as I happen to be operated upon by very different feelings and principles, his resolutions shall not have my support. If I am doomed to stand alone in opposition to him I shall nevertheless oppose that measure. I will not lend myself to a mere subterfuge, a low and partial evasion, upon this or any other occasion. I feel myself under no kind of embarrassment or difficulty in securing my course. Having opposed the obvious resolution that has offended the Council, when it was before this House, I am perfectly free to say that I disapprove of it now. Instead of voting for the resolution of the hon. genl. and avowing with him that I do so with avowed design, and because coerced to such a step—instead of practising a mere trick to get the Revenue Bill passed, with a determination of not doing after that event new resolutions embodying more aggravated insult to the other Branch, I will meet the difficulty where it presents itself. I will turn my eyes to the Messages of the Council; and, finding that they point out a particular resolution passed by us that has given them offence, against which resolution I have already recorded my protest, I will move by way of amendment, as I do now, that that resolution, and that alone, be rescinded. In doing even this, however, I must confess that I experience feelings of painfulness more nearly allied to self-reproach than any I have ever felt in the course of my parliamentary career. Those feelings are induced by a reflection upon the necessity which now exists to compel the House to revive an error committed by it and to annul one of its own acts, at the instance of another legislative body which it has offended. But being constrained to admit that we have unhappily made that false step, I think that we shall best consult our own honor by acknowledging it in the manner that I have proposed.

The question being taken upon Mr Wilkins amendment, there were for it 7, against it 28.
[The further debates on this subject will be given in our next.]

From the Halifax Acadian Telegraph.

SATURDAY March 4.

The Colonial Bank Bill came on a former day from H. M. Council, amended. The amendments were taken up. They were described as destructive to the Bill. Mr Stewart moved that they be not agreed to. Resolution passed unanimously.

WEDNESDAY, March 8.

Mr G. Smith presented a petition from trustees of Pictou Academy, praying remedy for differences which had arisen among the trustees, and for an additional grant of £100 per annum, to enable the Academy to go into successful operation.

Petition received 19 to 16.

From the Novascotian

The Revenue laws have been passed and sent to the Council. With the exception of Barilla and Soda, that are consumed in some domestic manufactures, and are to be admitted free, the Provincial duties remain the same as last year. In Committee of Supply some retrenchments have been made. It was generally understood in the House, that the Militia system is to be abandoned; so that, in addition to the relief afforded to the people, in an entire exemption from drill, a saving equal to many thousands of pounds, the whole expense, with the exception of a trifling sum for cleaning arms, and making up returns, will be saved. So far as we can judge, we think that, in one way or other at least £2500 will be struck off this session, from the amount annually borne upon the Civil List.

GREAT BRITAIN.

HORRID DEPRAVITY IN A MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL.

The Parish Church of Logie, in the County of Ross, has again become vacant, and under circumstances of the most painful and awful description. On the 5th of November last, Miss K., sister of the minister of the Parish, who resided in the manse and superintended the domestic establishment, was suddenly taken ill while playing on the piano-forte. Her brother was absent, assisting to dispense the Sacrament in another place, but aid was immediately procured. The young lady's illness continued to increase, and at length (to the grief and astonishment of those present, who never once suspected her condition) she was delivered of a child. She had made no preparation for the event, and she refused to give any information as to the paternity of the infant. About ten days passed over, when the minister disappeared, leaving his church and flock. No person knew whither he had gone; but in a short time the moderator of the Presbytery received a letter from him from Aberdeen, acknowledging an incestuous connection, and resigning his living. The effect of such intelligence on the virtuous and religious inhabitants of that district we shall not attempt to describe. The female has also escaped.—*Inverness paper.*

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UNITED STATES.

LAW OF COPYRIGHT.—The proceedings in Congress relative to the projected law for an international Copyright will attract attention. For our own parts, we have never entertained much expectation that such a law would pass, and therefore have given the matter but little attention. But since it is advocated by such distinguished individuals as Mr Clay, Mr Preston, and Mr Calhoun, and we shall give it our attention accordingly. We insert to-day a sketch of the discussion, which recently took place in the Senate, by which it will appear that the petition of the British authors was referred to a Select Committee.—*New York Albion, February 11.*

Messrs. Clay, Webster, Calhoun, Preston, and the other distinguished members of the Senate, to whom the subject of the Copyright question was referred, have reported in favor of the measure. This fortunate circumstance leads us to hope that a measure so liberal and desirable will be ultimately carried into effect.—*New York Albion, Feb. 25.*

T H E B E E .

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 22, 1837

GLEANINGS FROM THE LATE PAPERS.

ON the 3th instant, a house in Quebec, formerly known as the Emigrant's Hospital, and lately used as a house of refuge for destitute individuals, was destroyed by fire. The inmates, 190 in number, are thus thrown on private charity; but the most melancholy circumstance is, that three individuals perished in the flames, and four others were so severely burned that their lives were despaired of.

It is now confidently asserted in many of the papers that the British ministry are to bring forward a scheme for the union of Upper and Lower Canada. If this be Lord Glenelg's ultimatum, we think a little time will show him how futile such measures are. Nothing short of a full concession of their demands will pacify the vast body of reformers in these Provinces.

No less than twelve hundred persons are said to be in a state of starvation about Trois, and other places on the St. Lawrence, below Quebec. Can there be nothing done to relieve so much human suffering?

THE Parliament of Upper Canada which was to have been prorogued on the 28th ult., was to remain in Session a few days longer, owing to the unfinished state of the public business. We do not think the result of their labors will tend much to the improvement of that fine Colony.

A petition was being signed, to be laid before the United States Congress, praying the removal of the duty on the Agricultural productions of Upper Canada.

THE Lieutenant Governor of P. E. Island, Sir J. HARVEY, has been promoted to the rank of Major General. He has recommended to the Island Legislature, to provide a Salary for an Assistant Judge. We think they will demur a little about this.

THE St. John Observer announces the death of Lord Dalhousie, at Dalhousie Castle, on the 20th Jan. but we presume it must be incorrect, as we have seen no notice of it in the Scotch papers.

We are happy to observe, that the price of Flour and Pork have fallen back a little in New York.

A Law has passed the Senate of the United States, raising the standing army from 6,000 to 12,000 men.

LADY HEAD has arrived at New York, on her way to join her husband in Upper Canada.

THE Queen of Portugal has abolished slavery in her dominions.

MR PIERCE, Editor of the Miramichi Gleaner, has been invited to a public dinner, as a testimonial of sympathy for him in the persecution he has lately undergone by the House of Assembly, and an approval of his manly and independent conduct. This honor he declined accepting, when his friends immediately raised a subscription to purchase a new Press, to present him with. This of course, will be a free press.

PUBLIC MEETING.—At a Public Meeting which was held in the Court House of this place on Friday last, to divide the Township into Sections or Parishes, for the purpose of each supporting its own poor; some Resolutions were passed, expressive of the propriety of the measure; but some difficulties present themselves to its accomplishment. One is, that the people in Town will not consent to a dissolution, until the partnership debts are liquidated.

WE have been requested to correct a slight mistake which occurred in our paper of the 15th ultimo, in a piece headed, "The Magistracy again;" having since then seen all the parties referred to in that article, we are now enabled to state that the story of the debt of 10 1-2d was not exactly as at first represented to us. Judgment, it appears, was given some time ago against the man for a balance, acc'd of 18s 10 1-2d. This sum, with the costs, he requested a friend to pay for him, which was complied with to the extent of 18s. and the debtor, as we formerly stated, did not know that any part of it remained due, till about a month ago, when the constable came with an execution and took him prisoner for the small balance and the costs, which he says then amounted to 14s, and he is now desirous of knowing how so much costs could have accumulated on so small a debt.

LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.—Last Wednesday evening, Mr Roderick McDonald read a very entertaining Paper, "On Climate." Mr J. W. Dawson lectures this evening, "On Volcanic Action."

MARRIED,

On the 23d ultimo, by the Rev. K. J. McKenzie, Mr Roderick Cameron, McLellan's Mount, to Miss Susannah McDonald, Fisher's Grant.

On the 25th ultimo, at Tatamagouche, by the Rev. Hugh Ross, Mr Donald McLeod, of Earl Town, to Miss Barbara Green, of Kempt Town.

On the 16th inst., at Mt Dalhousie, by the Rev. Mr Sutherland, Mr Alex. Ross, to Miss Elizabeth Bailhe.

St. Andrews Church Sabbath School.—A Sermon will be preached in aid of the funds of this Institution, on Sunday next, 26th inst. by the Rev. Donald McIntosh. Service will commence at half past six o'clock, P.M.

Postponement.—The Meeting of the Pictou Agricultural Society notified in our last, to be held this day, is postponed until to-morrow evening, at 7 o'clock, in the Royal Oak. Members, and all others desirous of receiving such, are requested to attend, as the Officers for the present year will then be chosen.

Pictou Temperance Society.—The Annual Meeting of this Society will be held in the Court House, on Friday evening next, at 7 o'clock. A full attendance of Members and others is expected. Mr Marcus Gunn will address the Meeting.