

doorway; and as he dashed down the benches to the front of the bar, methought he would have almost strode over the thick file of lawyers, attorneys' clerks, witnesses, &c. who chanced to be in his way.

In walking through the streets he pushes along in the same careless democratic manner; and his stout tall figure enables him to shoulder aside the crowds that might oppose his hurried march. He seems not to recollect that the slow pace is the pace of the gentleman; on he goes, business and emancipation borne mightily on his broad shoulders; and stops not nor stays, till he gets to the Four Courts; from the Four Courts, he is then off to the Association-rooms—from the Association to the Four Courts back again—from the Courts to attend some popular assembly, or keep an appointment—from the assembly to his house to dine—then a hearty dinner and a temperate glass—business, parchments, briefs, attorneys' clerks, and "unfledged lawyers" afterwards—retiring early to bed—and then, next day, behold him going through the same endless, important, and weighty routine of business again.

The setting up for Clare was the most daring, and the boldest step which this man ever took, or ever will take. Were he to live a century, he could do nothing which would show so much of daring and intrepid talent. He has been blamed for it; but the power, and the ambition, and the boldness which he has evinced, makes me admire where I am otherwise obliged to condemn. It was one of those steps that (to use the words of Voltaire) "vulgar men would term rash, but great men would call bold." Let me distinguish it from his mission to England. This last was a foolish step, but the first was an intrepid one. Men of talent forsook him in the last, but they supported and abided by him in the first. In short, the whole of Ireland was thrown into astonishment.

[The above sketch was written before O'Connell became a member of the House of Commons. How ill judged some of the writers remarks are, a full development in that house, of O'Connell's powers of oratory, has clearly demonstrated.]

CARBONAR STAR.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1833.

It is with unspeakable satisfaction we lay before our readers the address from the Inhabitants of Harbor Grace; as also those from the Inhabitants and Fishermen and Shoremen's Society, of St. John's to the late Chief Judge of this Island, previously to his departure for the United States, as well as his answers to them. These addresses are but just tributes to the virtues and abilities of a man whose conduct in his official capacities of Judge and President, with one exception, merits the lasting gratitude of the country. His one error has been severely visited—his unfortunate (if we may so express ourselves) vote on the Revenue Bill, excited the indignation of all ranks of people; and when he departed from our shores to vindicate his conduct, as a punishment for the injury he had inflicted on society, no voice cheered him—"none cried God bless him!" This is a serious, and will, no doubt, operate as a salutary, lesson to those who may incline to act in opposition to public opinion. Here we have a man whose conduct in every respect, but one, was estimable. Yet were all his good qualities forgotten in the indignation felt for one fault. We trust the lesson will not be thrown away. The fault is now forgotten, and public feeling has resumed its channel. The need of praise and gratitude, which is due to the virtuous, has been dealt out lavishly, but deservedly, to the individual who has now left our shores for ever. Mr. Tucker richly merited the encomiums which the public have poured upon him in their addresses; and callous, indeed, must be the feelings of those, who are not touched with sorrow for the departure from amongst us of so excellent a man. So pleasing is the task of extolling the just and good, that we reluctantly quit it, not, however, without wishing the subject of our eulogium and his family a safe and speedy passage to their place of destination.

The Address of the Mechanics' Society of St. John's is omitted for want of room.

LONDON, SEPT. 23.

We (Sun) quote the following from a second edition of the FALMOUTH PACKET, received this morning;

CAPITULATION OF MARSHAL BOURMONT.

We have just learned that the Echo brought intelligence that, on the 11th inst. Marshal Bourmont sent in 15 articles of capitulation, which Don Pedro at once rejected, stating that he would promise nothing more than that Don Miguel's life should be spared. Upon this Lord William Russell was applied to, and on his representations and advice to Don Pedro, it is believed that articles of capitulation were signed, as the Echo was immediately sent to England with despatches for his Majesty's Government. As the Echo left the Tagus flags were flying and other testimonies of public rejoicing were manifest. Should this news prove correct, of which we have no doubt, the arrival

of Donna Maria in Lisbon will consummate the peace of Portugal.

ADDRESS

Of the Inhabitants of HARBOR GRACE to R. A. TUCKER, Esq.

To Richard Alexander Tucker, Esq. late Chief Justice of the Island of Newfoundland.

Sir,—It is with feelings of more than ordinary regret, that we, the under-signed Inhabitants of the town of Harbor Grace, have learned your determination of shortly leaving, for ever, the land which has so long been honoured with your residence—so long the scene of your laborious duties—so highly benefited by your unremitting exertions, and by the parental solicitude displayed for the welfare of its Inhabitants!

At a time, Sir, when the political relations of Newfoundland have begun to assume a more important aspect; and when the internal government of her communities have acquired a new and more complex character; the loss of an individual, so eminently gifted—so thoroughly acquainted with her various interests—cannot fail of being generally felt and deeply deplored. But, while we lament that any circumstance should have arisen to induce your present determination to leave these shores, we cannot but admire the firmness and magnanimity displayed by you, in the sacrifice of your personal interests, in opposing a measure which you conscientiously believed to be inimical to the prosperity of the country.

To the Inhabitants of Harbor Grace, in particular, you must, Sir, ever remain an object of admiration and esteem. The ashes of their town were yet unquenched, when, regardless of personal comfort, and at the risk of life, you promptly visited the scene of calamity; and, both as an individual, and the representative of His Majesty, most generously and liberally administered to their sufferings; evincing a sympathetic nobleness of mind, alike worthy of the man, and of the most exalted of all characters—the Christian.

In conclusion, Sir, permit us to assure you that, both in public and in private life, you have furnished an example, to be admired and imitated by all good men; and which cannot fail to produce those consolatory reflections, which are the certain fruits of unblemished integrity.

That the Omnipotent Disposer of events may grant you future prosperity and unalloyed happiness, are the fervent prayers of, Sir,

With profound respect,
Your most obt. Servants,
Signed by 288 Inhabitants.

Harbor Grace, 26th Oct. 1833.

REPLY.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave to offer, through you, my best and warmest thanks to the numerous Inhabitants of Harbor Grace, who have been pleased to present me with this gratifying address, on the eve of a separation which, there is reason to believe, will be final from most, and, perhaps, all of them.

Connected as I more immediately am with St. John's by a long residence in it, and by the many endearing ties, which that connection gave rise to, I have ever accustomed myself to remember that the appointment I held in this Island imposed on me the most sacred obligations towards the inhabitants of every part of it; and I have accordingly endeavoured, to the utmost extent of my ability and power, to advance the interests, and to promote the happiness of all of them. —But towards HARBOR GRACE, in particular, my feelings have been most powerfully excited by that sympathy for their sufferings, which constitutes one of the strongest links in that chain by which man is bound to his fellow-man. In my efforts, therefore, to relieve their distress, I followed the natural impulses of my heart, as well as the dictates of duty; and in the grateful sense they have before expressed of my services, and now so kindly repeat, at a moment when it is impossible that their sincerity can be doubted, I have been more than rewarded for the little good I have been able to do them.

The assurances I have received of their affectionate attachment to me, together with the belief, I fondly cherish I possess in no common degree, the respect and esteem of nearly the whole population of Newfoundland, have, indeed, proved a healing balm to a spirit which has, sometimes, been deeply wounded by recent events. Supported thus by the approbation of those who have had the best means of knowing my character, and of estimating the motives by which my public conduct has been uniformly guided; and confiding implicitly in the protection of Heaven, I enjoy tranquillity and peace of mind, under circumstances which, without those resources, would fill me with anxiety and solicitude. That the same steady confidence in the mercy and goodness of the Benevolent Ruler of the Universe, by which I have been comforted and sustained under every trial, may be felt by each Inhabitant of Harbor Grace, is the first wish I can offer for them, since it is that alone which can enable us to bear, in this life, all the various ills that "flesh is heir to;" and can, at the

same time, effectually arm us against the "sting of death." In other words, the great source of our consolation here, and the only sure foundation of our hopes hereafter.

R. A. TUCKER.

To Dr. Carson, and to J. Dunscomb and J. Sinclair, Esqrs.
St. John's, 30th Oct. 1833.

ADDRESSES TO RICHARD ALEXANDER TUCKER, ESQ.

From the Inhabitants of St. John's.

To RICHARD ALEXANDER TUCKER, ESQ.

Sir,—We, the Inhabitants of St. John's, and its vicinity, cannot contemplate your approaching departure without being agitated by those feelings which will always excite a grateful community, when they behold talent that delighted, worth that they appreciated, and virtue that they loved, about to be alienated from them. The series of years you have been amongst us, filling the most exalted stations, has only tended to make more manifest the varied excellencies of your character, whether we view that character, in the exercise of the highest executive duties;—discharging the sacred functions of a Judge, or heightening the endearments of social life by your suavity of manners and polished conversation;—all these dignified and amiable traits now rush upon our minds, and feelings of sorrow overpower the grateful language of panegyric.

This expression of feeling, Sir, cannot be the exaggerated language of tasteless adulation: No—for since you came amongst us you have entirely identified yourself with the interests of the country.—Not satisfied with your laborious professional duties, you, by your exertions, have laid the foundation of the judicial history of Newfoundland—reducing into shape the chaos of former legal proceedings, and thereby in some degree securing that great desideratum in Courts of Justice—uniformity of decision;—and in your communications with the parent government, when advocating the interest of the people of Newfoundland, you flung aside the coldness of official forms, and argued their cause with the warmth and devotedness of a friend.

These recollections, Sir, are fresh in our memories, and at this moment press on us with double force. We know the manifestation of them must be gratifying to you; but you have a higher and more lasting cause for gratulation—the fidelity with which you discharged the various trusts committed to your care.—May this consideration brighten the horizon of your future prospects; and when, in another land, amidst the endearments of an adopted home, and surrounded by a virtuous family, when the refreshing recollection of your character in Newfoundland shoots across your mind, may the thought brighten your brow, and add a new charm to the calm and flowing serenity of your life.

(For and on behalf of the Meeting.)
J. BINGLEY GARLAND,
Chairman.

REPLY.

At the close of an official life, commenced under the most painfully distressing apprehensions, that my natural talents, and professional attainments, were not equal to the satisfactory discharge of the arduous and important duties of a situation, which the influence of my friends alone induced me to accept, in direct opposition to my own inclination and wishes, it cannot fail to be most soothing and gratifying to my feelings, to receive from such a numerous and respectable body, as the inhabitants of St. John's and its vicinity, that flattering testimony of their approbation and esteem, which this address so forcibly conveys.

Ascribing, as I certainly do, the far greater portion of the praise you are pleased to bestow on my conduct to your liberality in estimating the motives which have governed it, I do not hesitate to claim for myself every degree of merit to which the best and purest intentions can entitle me.

When my objections to take the appointment of Chief Judge of this Colony—founded exclusively upon a diffidence in the sufficiency of my qualifications for it—were, at length, silenced by the advice of my friends, and, in particular, by that of Mr. Forbes, I determined to try how far industry, zeal, independence, and integrity, could compensate for the absence of the more brilliant advantages of acute perception, persuasive eloquence, and sound learning, in all of which I know myself to be very deficient; and to retire from the Bench, whenever I should have the smallest ground to suspect, that I did not fill it with some credit to myself—with satisfaction to His Majesty's Government,—and with reasonable benefit to the suitors of the Court.

Entering upon office with these sentiments and resolutions, I can now truly affirm, that in the performance of my judicial functions, there was not a thought entertained, a word uttered, or a thing done, by me, which will not, I trust, be approved of by Him who is alone capable of "seeing the motive with the act;" and in retiring from office, after having spent the best years—the very noon-tide of my life, in your service, without de-

ceiving any addition of fortune from it—I hope I have given a convincing proof, that I have been always ready to prefer your interests to my own.

I have, indeed, ever taught myself to consider Public Offices as created, not for the aggrandizement of individuals—but for the good of society; and to believe, that the great end and design of all legitimate Government is, not to enrich and elevate a few persons, but to extend protection, and diffuse happiness, amongst the greatest possible number of them.

By this principle, as by a Polar Star, I have been invariably guided through the whole course of my proceedings, both as Judge and Acting Governor; and the first wish, that the most affectionate regard for you, and every member of this community, can suggest is, that to superior ability and power, my successor may unite as strong a desire to promote your welfare as I have ever felt—a stronger it is, I am convinced, impossible for him to feel.

In thanking you once more for this gratifying Address, I beg leave to assure you, that wherever I may go, or whatever the colour of my future life may be, whether brightened by the cheerful sunbeams of prosperity, or darkened by the black clouds of adversity, I shall carry with me a feeling of sincere attachment to you all; and that no distance of space or time, can sever the ties which indissolubly bind my heart to Newfoundland.

R. A. TUCKER.

St. John's, 28th October, 1833.

From the Fishermen and Shoremen's Society of St. John's.

To RICHARD ALEXANDER TUCKER, Esq. Vice-Patron of the Association of Fishermen and Shoremen, &c. &c. &c.

RESPECTED SIR,—The Members of the Association of Fishermen and Shoremen would be unmindful of their duty to themselves, as well as of the justice they owe to you, Sir, were they to permit you to leave these shores without a public expression of their humble, but heartfelt, gratitude for the eminent and lasting services they have received at your hands.

We bear in fond and grateful recollection that, when our institution was in its infancy, you, Sir, were foremost in offering your invaluable patronage and support; and it has ever since continued an object of your solicitude and care. We are, therefore, sure you will now be rejoiced to learn of the progressive and steady advancement of the Society, in wealth, respectability and numbers.

We cannot, however, Sir, on a painfully interesting occasion like the present, when about to bid you farewell—probably for ever!—be selfish enough to confine your great worth within the limited circle of our institution. No, Sir—for, from whatever point we view your public or private character, we find every thing to excite our veneration and respect.

The anxious desire manifested by you to promote, on every occasion, while administering the government of this Island, the happiness and comfort of our families—the ready disposition you have ever evinced to alleviate the distresses and to protect the interests of the poor—the paternal solicitude which prompted you, when we were threatened with a devastating scourge, to shed a lustre on our humble dwellings, by your respected presence, inspiring by your precept, cheering by your example,—your exemplary conduct in hastening, at great personal risk, at a period of great calamity in a neighbouring town, to comfort our destitute brethren, to soothe them in their afflictions;—these, Sir, are the Heaven-born acts which have endeared you to us, collectively and individually, and which will ever remain deeply engraven on our hearts. Your upright conduct, your unbending integrity, while presiding on the Judgment Bench—your sincere wish to guard the rights and to uphold the moral character of the poor Fishermen and Shoremen of Newfoundland—the lessons of virtue, wisdom, and morality, which you there inculcated, have won for you what kings or princes can neither bestow or take away—the gratitude and affection of a whole people.

Of your private virtues, Sir, it would not become us to speak—they are far beyond our feeble eulogium; but they carry with them their own reward.

Having reason to fear our separation will be a final one, we the more deeply regret the loss that we, in common with the inhabitants of this Island, will sustain, by the departure from amongst us of so great and good a friend, so invaluable a benefactor; and, in giving utterance to these feelings, we feel confident we speak the united sentiments of the humble, but influential, class of the community to which we belong.

Of this, Sir, you may, however, rest assured, that, in whatever land your future lot may be cast, the blessings of the Fishermen and Shoremen of Newfoundland will accompany you—their prayers will ever ascend to the throne of Heaven for your every happiness.

Signed by the Committee of Relief.

[The Reply to the above is unavoidably omitted till next week.]