

creased force. Between nine and ten the action again commenced, and meeting with no further interruption, the house with all its contents, was speedily destroyed.

The unpardonable impunity with which the crime was allowed to be committed, emboldened the rioters, who it appears from what we have been told, organized in some degree a force, for the purpose of still further continuing the outrage on the succeeding night, and more of the infamous houses which line the Hill were doomed. Throughout the day it was no secret about town that the attack was to be again commenced, and it is somewhat astonishing, that competent preventive measures were not taken. Accordingly, in the evening, a body of soldiers and sailors attacked and gutted the two houses adjoining Cooper's. After whetting their revengeful propensities there, they stormed the new and large receptacle of infamy, on the Hill, at the corner of Duke-street, and making good their entrance, in a remarkably short space of time demolished the inside entirely, leaving only the shell and frame standing, and scattering on the street the contents. The same fate befel the next building on Duke-street. The Sheriff and others of the police force found it impossible to stop the progress of the rioters, who were now assisted by some of the very lowest class of the townpeople—and a picquet of the 23d Regt. were sent for, who came attended by the commandant, and succeeded for a time in dispersing the mob, including the soldiers, who immediately took to their barracks. Nothing however, was done to prevent further disturbance, and about a quarter past nine, the attack was again renewed,—at this time; we are sorry to say, principally by the people of the Town, but of the lowest character. We saw not one respectable person engaged in the destruction, though a great concourse were assembled, many of whom hesitated not to express delight at the riddance of the nuisance, which seemed to be, like its destroyers, beyond the grasp of the law; but most of whom would have exerted themselves to repel the rioters, had the authority been at hand to direct them. The house at the opposite corner was now attacked and served in the same manner as the others, and thus the demolition continued with missiles on the outside, and more effective weapons in-doors, for an hour and a half without the least interruption.

Immediately on hearing of this second unexpected attack, Mr. Liddel, the police magistrate, called out a picquet of the 93d, who proceeded to the scene of action, when the violators of the law immediately desisted.

Several prisoners were taken by Mr. Liddel, at much personal risk, and placed in custody of the highland picquet, but were suffered to escape.

The mob now lined the top of the ascent, opposite the demolished houses, where they continued for some time, alternately cheering "the brave 93d," and taunting the civil police—and no sufficient attempt was made to disperse them, until the arrival of His Excellency with several gentlemen at the scene, who immediately ordered the streets to be cleared, (which was done without any difficulty,) and a guard of soldiers to be posted. We have no hesitation in saying, that a similar decision at the proper time, would have prevented much of the destruction, together with the bad effect which must be produced on the public mind by this occurrence.

On Saturday a number of special constables were sworn in, and other precautions taken to prevent or summarily punish the recurrence of any similar outbreak.

There is not the least compassion manifested either for the owners of the houses, or the inmates, who deserve all the loss they have sustained; but there is, and it must be felt by every individual, desirous of seeing the laws respected, and to live in quietness, a deep indignation at the violators of social order—and an eager desire that the ringleaders and those concerned in the outrage, should be severely punished. No consideration should be allowed to overbalance the fact, that a high crime has been committed, that a wanton destruction of property has taken place; and that what has been so successfully done in one instance, and for a purpose which perhaps the law itself should have executed—might be committed in another, with very little provocation, but what the bad passions of men may supply. We hear that active exertions are making to discover and arrest the ringleaders—and trust they will be attended with good effect. Now is the time, if such disgraceful transactions are to be from henceforth prevented in this community, to show by a proper exercise of justice, that the security of property is not to be violated with impunity.

NEWS BY THE PACKET.

London dates have been received to August 2. We have collected from our file of papers the following summary of the news of most interest to our readers.

LORD BROUGHAM is to be installed Lord Rector in Aberdeen, in the beginning of October, and his Lordship will visit Edinburgh and Glasgow on his way to the North.—*Glasgow Constitutional*.

DEPORTATION OF INDIAN LABOURERS.—Sir JOHN HOBHOUSE, being questioned on the subject by Sir ROBERT PEEL, stated, that an order would be sent to the East India Government absolutely prohibiting the transmission of Hill Coolies to the West Indies for the next three years.

IDOLATRY IN INDIA.—Mr. CHAPMAN, on Wednesday, presented four petitions from Wesleyan Methodists in Whitby, against the practice of allowing Christian servants of the East India Company to join in the idolatrous worship of the Hindoos.

We are enabled to state that Sir Edward Blakeney goes out to Canada in the place of Sir John Colborne; and that Sir Francis Adam is to have the command of the forces in Ireland. These appointments have not been noticed in any of the London or Irish Government journals.—*Dublin Mail*.

THE WORKS OF THE GREAT NORTH OF ENGLAND RAILWAY, near North Allerton, which were in a state of great forwardness, and partly finished on the south side of Castle Hill, were unfortunately stopped on Wednesday evening, by the sudden fall of a massive bridge over the Willow Beck, which was nearly finished, by which three men have been severely injured.

A DISCOVERY has been made at the Dane, Margate, of an extensive grotto, which appears to have been excavated about the time of the Saxon heptarchy, and will probably throw some light on the habits of our Saxon ancestors.

Some of Courtenay's disciples affirm that the ghost of their late leader has appeared in the vicinity of his death-scene. They as-

sert, that having voluntarily relinquished his connexion with the flesh, he cannot, until the lapse of a certain number of moons, again become a sojourner upon earth.

PARIS.—The illustrious Dr. Chalmers, who is now on a brief visit to this capital, preached, on Sunday last, to a crowded congregation at the English chapel in the Rue Taitbout. The subject of Dr. Chalmers' address was, the insensibility of man, while surrounded by mundane pleasures and occupied in worldly duties, to the great debt due to his Creator, and the eternity which awaits him; and it would be difficult to imagine any thing in pulpit eloquence more beautifully impressive than the manner in which the Rev. Orator treated every portion of his subject. No Christian, of whatever church, sect, or denomination, should omit the occasion of hearing this great man, should an opportunity again offer itself; for high as the celebrity of this eminent Divine is throughout England and Scotland, we think it rather under than above his genuine claims.—*Galignani's Messenger*.

SPAIN.—The only intelligence of interest contained in the letter of our Lisbon correspondent is a decree for the commencement of the elections for the next Cortes. It is thought the Cortes will assemble as early as October, which, in the present position of affairs, would be very desirable.

With pleasure we observe that the Government are giving indications of a disposition to repress the slave trade in their colonial possessions. The dismissal of governors, however, is but a very partial remedy. A little time, we have no doubt, will convince even the Portuguese Government that they must conclude a treaty with this country.

AMERICAN BOUNDARY.—August, 1.—Captain Boldero begged to put a question to the noble lord the Secretary for Foreign Affairs with respect to the disputed American boundary. He wished to know whether the American government had recently appointed a commission to re-survey the disputed line of boundary—whether, supposing them to have done so, the British government acquiesced in the proceeding—and whether, if that were not the case, it would not be desirable that Great Britain should also appoint commissioners to make a survey?

Lord Palmerston replied that negotiations, as shown by the papers laid upon the table of the house, had been going on for the last year and a half between the American and the British governments, the object of which was to determine whether they should conjointly appoint a new commission for the purpose of ascertaining whether by a new survey it might not be possible to trace the line of boundary. Those negotiations were not yet brought to a close; and of course the honourable gentleman would not expect him to mention the precise state in which they at present stood. The two countries were now negotiating to see whether they could agree as to the mode in which a commission for that purpose should be composed, and how it should act.

PACKET SERVICE.—August 2nd.—Mr. Wallace inquired whether any proposal had been made for making Plymouth or Portsmouth the Steam Packet station, instead of Falmouth.

Mr. C. Wood said, that undoubtedly such a proposition had been made; but in consequence of the hour when the mails from London arrived at those places, it was not considered advisable to adopt the suggestion.—The hon member also stated, in reply to the questions by the hon member for Greenock, that it was the business of the Post Office department to say whether advantage would be taken of steam communication with New York for carrying mails.

COLONIAL.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Later dates from the Island furnish us with the intelligence, that the House of Assembly passed the two following resolutions with reference to the prorogation of the House by his Excellency for the purpose of liberating Judge Lilly and Sheriff Garrett.—

Resolved.—That the advisers of his Excellency in recommending the exercise of the prerogative of the Crown, so as to interfere with the free deliberation of the House of Assembly and its privileges are participators in the contempt offered to the House.

Resolved.—That an address be prepared and presented by a deputation of two Members of the House of Assembly to lay before Earl Durham the state and condition of this Colony, and that a sum of Two Hundred pounds be inserted in the Bill of Supply to defray the expenses of the same.

The Halifax Regatta is to take place on Tuesday the 18th inst. A central Eclipse of the Sun will take place on the 18th of September next. A similar one will not recur before the 30th May, 1858. It will be nearly total, and will be visible in almost every part of the country.—*Journal*.

HALIFAX MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—The Committee have published a report on Prizes. The subjects of competition are under the following heads:—Geometry, Drawing, Mechanics, History, Local Improvement, and Literature. Full particulars will be given in our next.

NATURAL HISTORY.—A gentleman who is desirous of forming a collection of the animals of Nova Scotia, for the purpose of presenting them to Scientific Institutions in England, offers handsomely to reward all persons who may procure and forward to Halifax, living specimens of Birds and Quadrupeds. Mr. Andrew Downs, Water Street, Halifax, (opposite Tobin's Wharf) is authorized to receive specimens, and to treat with parties for the price. In all cases it is desirable to have specimens of different sexes. The subjoined list contains those which are most desirable.

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| Moose | Star nosed Moles |
| Cariboo | Fox, black, silver, etc. |
| Wolverene | Fisher |
| Lynx | Bear, etc. etc. |
| Weasel | Eagles |
| Martin | Horned Owl |
| Otter | White Owl |
| Beaver | Woodpeckers |
| Mink | Black billed Swan |
| Muskrat | Eider Ducks |
| Musquash | Snow Geese |
| Woodchuck | Brant |
| Raccoon | Partridges |
| Porcupine | Humming Birds |
| Flying Squirrel | Hawks |
| Hare | Cranes |
| Carcajou or Badger | Jays, and birds of all kinds |
| Marmos | large or small, |

Geological and Mineralogical specimens, Organic remains, fossil bones, plants, shells, etc. will also be received.

PROVINCIAL DEPUTATION.—His Excellency, the Governor General, we understand, expressed his desire to consult with some of the leading minds of the province, on Colonial affairs. His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor, accordingly, has named the Hon. J. W. Johnson, Hon. J. B. Uniacke, W. Young, Esq. and M. B. Almon, Esq. to proceed to Quebec, for the purpose. These gentlemen are to sail in the Medea, to-day. In point of ability and intelligence, they are worthy representatives of the community generally; and perhaps, on most subjects, the deputation includes views of most parties in the Province.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—An exhibition of Dahlias and other flowers that may be in season, will take place at Mason's Hall, to-morrow between the hours of eleven and one. Premiums will be awarded for the finest of the following flowers, viz—Dahiles, Coronations, Pinks, Hollyhocks, and Annuals.

A notice of the Union of the Provinces, said to be proposed by Earl of Durham will appear in our next.

A LECTURE will be delivered on next Sabbath morning by Thomas Taylor, on the right of private judgment in the reading of the Sacred Scriptures.

PASSENGERS.—In the Coquette, Messrs. S. Harvey and J. Hewling. In the Douglas from London, 4 Messrs. Robertson. In the Acadian for Boston—Miss Gibbons, Miss Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Tremain, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Bushee and Child, Mrs. Cripps, Hon. Enos Collins, Messrs. Twining, Barry, Ross, Archer and Egbert, and 8 in the steerage. In the Brothers, Messrs. C. Whitham, H. Seely and — Custans. In the Abeona, Mrs. Townsend. In the Transport Numa, Captain Stowe, Lieut. Franklyn, Lady and Child, Lieut. Payne, Lady and Children, Lieuts. Wilmot, Allison, Allen, Assistant Surgeon Mcintosh, 89 Rank and File, 8 Women and 18 Children, Royal Artillery; Capt. Gould, Ensign Wolfe and 40 Rank and File, 65th Regiment; Ensign Jennet and 37 Rank and File, 11th Regiment; Ensign Brown and 30 Rank and File, 73d Regiment.

DIED.

On Sunday Morning, of consumption, in the 17th year of her age, Jane Sophia Aswell, youngest daughter of the late Capt. D. McPherson.

At Dartmouth, in the 74th year of his age, Mr. John Skerry, one of the oldest inhabitants of that Village, whose rapid increase and improvement he has witnessed for the last 40 years. By the pursuit of a successful industry he acquired competence and wealth; and the poor often found from his hospitable house the comforts of a home.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.

Friday August 31st—Mailboat Velocity, Healey, Bermuda, 8 days; brig. Coquette, Trimmingham, Bermuda, 5 days—rum to Saults & Wainwright; Diamond, Ellingwood, Falmouth, Jam. 32 days—rum to J. Strachan; Condor, Lannigan, Quebec, 7 days.

Saturday September 1st—Ship Douglas, Hamilton, London, 50 days—general cargo, to S. Canard & Co. and others; schr True Brothers, Slocomb, Liverpool, N. S.

Sunday 2d—schr Mary, Garret, Miramichi, 12 days—salt, to Fairbanks & Allison; Jane, Donne, St. John's, N. F. 11 days—oil, to Wier & Woodworth; barque Brothers, Poole, Liverpool, G. B. 39 days—salt, to Alexander Murison.

Tuesday 4th—Schr Sarah, Reynolds, Nevis 23 days—rum and molasses, to J. Strachan; Lively, Prospect, fish; Mary, Spinney, Bay Chaleur, 5 days—full fare of fish, bound to Argyle; Snowbird, Pierce, Shelburne—fish & staves; schr Swift, Tangier Harbour, pickled fish; Isabella, Sydney—dry fish; Edward and Samuel, Dolphin, Lark, Susan, Sydney—coal; Transport barque Numa, Lieut. Howe, agent, Cork, 43 days.

Wednesday 5th—Schr Industry, St. Mary's,—lumber; Rosanna Liverpool, N. S.—dry fish; Esperance, St. Anns, do.; Charles, Pughwash, Deals; Angeliqne, Sydney—coal; Thorn, Canso—dry fish; Ben, Bridgeport—coal; Mary, Petipas, Sydney—coal.

Thursday—H. M. Packet Brig Delight, Lt. Laurie, Falmouth, 32 days—passenger Mr. Simms; Brig Albion, Leslie, Aberdeen, 34 days—general cargo, to Deblois & Merkel,—21 passengers; schr Morning Star, Wilkie, Labrador, 18 days—fish to Archbold & Wilkie; schr Beaufort, Gaden, Quebec, 19 days—flour and soap to J. & T. Williamson; Robert, McCallum, Miramichi, 9 days—alewives and lumber, to J. & M. Tobin.

Friday, 7th—schr Seaflower, Arichat, fish, etc.; Trial, Sydney, coal and fish; Lucy, Pictou, Freestone, butter; Mary Gabarus, fish.

CLEARED.

September 1st, Am. packet brig Acadian, Jones, Boston—salmon, seal skins, etc. etc. by D. & E. Starr, & Co. and S. Binney; schr Mahone Bay Packet, J. Cronan, Labrador, flour, oil casks, etc. by D. Cronan; Hope, Ruggles, P. E. Island, Barbara, Gerriar, New York, by the Master; Joseph Howe, Young, Falmouth, Jam. dry fish, lumber, etc. by D. & E. Starr & Co.; Nile, Vaughan, St. John, N. B. sugar, etc. by W. J. Starr, Wm. M. Allan and others. 3d, Queen Adelaide, Martell, P. E. Island; Isabella, Burto, St. Andrews, N.B. brig Abeona, Townsend, B. W. Indies, fish, etc. by Saltus & Wainwright. 4th, packet Schr Industry, Simpson, Boston, old iron, wood, etc. by W. J. Long; brig Heron, Smith, B. W. Indies, fish, flour, etc. by Frith, Smith, & Co. 5th, schr Maria La Pique, Bernier, Quebec, sugar, oil, etc. by W. J. Starr, D. & E. Starr & Co. and others. 6th, —brig Louisa, Walmsley, St. John, N. F. flour, etc. by Fairbanks & Allison; Wm. IV, McDonald, Annapolis Bay, fish, etc. by J. Allison.

MEMORANDA.

Liverpool, N.S. Aug 25th, arrived brigta Auser, Morine, to Morine & Cay; Eliza Palmer, Long, to John Curten & Co., schr Fair Trader, to Wm. Gardiner; Hero, to Nickerson & Cay; Dash, to H. Godfrey, all having full cargoes of fish from the Labrador. 29th, brig Lady Campbell, O'Brien, Demerara, 29 days—molasses and hides, to Kempton, Morton & Co., sold boards at \$25 10 stivers free from duty. Sailed brig Noya Scotia, for Berbice, lumber, by George McLeod & Co.