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### Notices

In the NORTHERN CIRCUIT COURT, Harbour Grace, MAY and JUNE Term, 7th Wm., 4th

IN THE MATTER OF SIMON LEVI LATE OF CARBONEAR IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICT MERCHANT INSOLVENT.

WHEREAS the said SIMON LEVI was, on the First Day of JUNE Inst., in due form of Law DECLARED Insolvent by this said COURT of Our Lord the King; And Whereas ROBERT PACK, Esquire, and WILLIAM W. BEMISTER, Esquire, of Carbonear aforesaid, Merchants and Creditors, of the said INSOLVENT, have, by the major part in Value of the Creditors of the said INSOLVENT, been in due form chosen and appointed TRUSTEES of the ESTATE of the said INSOLVENT;

### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That the said ROBERT PACK, and WILLIAM W. BEMISTER, as such TRUSTEES, are duly authorised, under such Orders as the said NORTHERN CIRCUIT COURT shall from time to time deem proper to make therein, to Discover, Collect, and Realise the DEBTS and EFFECTS of the said INSOLVENT: And all Persons indebted to the said INSOLVENT, or having in their Possession any GOODS or EFFECTS belonging to him, are hereby Required to Pay and Deliver the same forthwith to the said TRUSTEES

By the Court,  
JOHN STARK,  
CHIEF CLERK & REGISTRAR.

WE Hereby appoint Mr SIMON LEVI, Agent for the said Estate.  
ROBERT PACK, } Trustees to the  
W. W. BEMISTER. } said Estate.

THE Subscriber would notify the Inhabitants of CARBONEAR and its Vicinity generally, that he has accommodations in his SCHOOL for several additional PUPILS. He also would inform them that he has commenced the erection of a School Room for the FEMALE part of his young friends, which will be ready for their reception after the Midsummer Vacation: in both which Schools the instruction will comprise all the branches of a useful and respectable

ability, all he asks

PETERS.

### POST-OFFICE

THE following is a List of the LETTERS remaining in the POST-OFFICE at St. John's, which will not be forwarded until the POSTAGE IS PAID.

#### CARBONEAR.

Captain Tewkesberry, *rig Mary Barry.*  
John Barfoot Edwards, *to be forwarded to Mr Ayles.*  
John Snook, *with Mr. Richard H. Taylor*  
Captain William Hutchings, *on board brigantine Elizabeth.*  
Mr William Collings, *3 papers.*  
Mr Thomas Gamble.  
Stephen Halfpenny, *Ochre pit Cove.*  
Mr John McCarthy.  
Martin Fleming, *do. care of John Keilly, Carbonear.*

#### HARBOUR GRACE.

Joseph Soper, Esq.,  
Mr Witting, T. Ridley, and James Bayley, Esquires, *Commissioners of the Island Light House.*  
M Thomas Barlett, *Bears Cove.*  
Mr John Sullivan.

S. SOLOMAN,  
POSTMASTER.

St. John's, June 28, 1837.

### On Sale

BY THORNE, HOOPER, & CO

BREAD, 1st., 2d. & 3d Quality.  
FLOUR } HAMBURG.  
PORK }  
PEAS }  
BUTTER. }  
SALT and COALS, *Afloat.*

BOHEA } TEAS,  
Souchong } in qr. chests & boxes.  
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With a GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF BRITISH MANUFACTURED SHOP and STORE GOODS.

### ALSO

#### ON CONSIGNMENT

320 Bags fine Bran  
60 Do. Pollard  
100 Do. Bread  
80 Firkins Butter, of superior quality made up for the BRISTOL Market.  
Harbor Grace, June 14, 1837.

### BY

THOMAS RIDLEY & Co  
JUST IMPORTED

BY THE BRIG Johns, FROM Hamburg,

100 Bags Bread, No. 1, 2 & 3  
250 Barrels Superfine Flour  
150 Barrels Prime Pork  
200 Firkins Butter  
10 Barrels Peas  
68 Coils Cordage, Marline & Housing

By the NATIVE, from Liverpool,  
A LARGE SUPPLY OF MANUFACTURED GOODS,

Bar and Bolt Iron Nails, Grapnels  
Tinware &c., Pitch, Tar  
Paints, Linseed Oil, Spirits Turpentine  
Soap, Candles, Loaf Sugar  
Mast Hoops, Oakum  
And 40 Coils "Harris's" Patent Rope

By the FISHER, from Liverpool,  
Salt, Coals, Nails, &c. &c. &c.  
Harbor Grace, May 31, 1837

### AN IDEA OF A PATRIOT.

Heroic virtue, in its most exalted and comprehensive degree, though often talked of, is not often found. It must indeed, like all other prodigies, appear but seldom. To produce it, it is necessary that, besides a union of the finest qualities of the heart and understanding, many favourable contingencies, which no abilities can command, should at once concur in the same individual. A Cæsar and an Alexander, if they had been born in a cottage, and had lived in a village, would have died in obscurity. And, indeed, after all the eulogia passed upon them, it may be fairly asked, whether, if such had been their lot, mankind would have had cause to lament?

None but a barbarous age can admire the bloody triumphs of the mere conqueror; but every age must agree in extolling the true patriot. True patriotism, which is a species of heroic virtue, and indeed the best species of it, does not often occur. The name is daily assumed, and in our country has lost its dignity by prostitution. It has been wantonly lavished on those who, from the worst motives, have fomented faction, and kindled the flames of rebellion. It has been denied to the preservers of their country, and given to the destroyers of it; to those who have spent their lives, and exercised the abilities they possessed, in producing all those evils which the institution of civil society was intended to extirpate. They evidently had little else in view, but to render themselves of consequence enough to be bought by an administration. Selfishness and spite, pride and leveling principle, are qualities very unfavourable to the existence of civil liberty. Yet these qualities have appeared very clearly in those who have laboured to be forced into power by the efforts of a fascinated populace.

For the sake then of those orders among us whose hearts are good and truly English, but who, from the want of education or leisure, are not apt to think coolly when they select a favourite leader, and who are often cruelly and infamously deluded to their own destruction, and to the detriment of that liberty which they love, I will endeavour to describe those characters which appear to me truly patriotic.

In the first place, I would lay it down as an axiom, That a bad man cannot be a patriot. Even the badness of his heart may lead him to assume all the deceitful appearances of patriotism. His envy, and his disappointed avarice and ambition, will induce him to revile those who are in possession of lucrative or powerful employments, and this will appear like a noble opposition to the strides of power. To serve his purposes, he will declaim on liberty, and this will soon collect a party. Fools and wicked men abound. These soon herd together, and even render themselves of some consequence by their numbers. Honest men are drawn in by the violence of the vortex, and the wicked leader at last gains his selfish views, or at least obtains the satisfaction of mortifying those whom he envies. At all events, he is sure of one pleasure, which is congenial to his heart, that of spreading mischief and confusion. I repeat, therefore, that it will be necessary to convince ourselves, that a bad husband, a bad father, a profligate and unprincipled man, cannot deserve the name of a patriot, unless it is given him, as it may indeed in the present age, by way of derision. A man of no private virtue must want principle; and a man who wants principle cannot be actuated by pure motives. He cannot entertain so liberal and exalted an affection as a rational and disinterested love of his country. He may accidentally be right in his opposition to a court: but he is a bad man, and it is not safe to trust him. He may be the wicked instrument of gratifying my spleen or his own; but yet, I will think before I lift up my hand to

vote for him, lest his turbulence, united with the power which I may assist in delegating to him, may involve my country in war, riot, and rebellion. I will remember what is past, and be cautious.

Much has been said by the declamatory on the subject of a Patriot King. I believe it happy for a nation when the King has not the qualities of a declaimer's patriot, of an active warrior, or a contentious orator. When a King possesses or arrogates the character of a hero, his reign usually terminates in despotism or in blood, or in both. Moderation, justice, lenity, and a pacific disposition, are the most valuable, if not the most glittering, jewels in a crown. I almost fear to apply the remark to the King of England, lest I should be suspected of that adulation which my heart abhors. But truth must prevail over every consideration. And when I see the chief magistrate, a good son, a good husband, a good father, I think it a favourable presage of all that is amiable and useful to society. When I see him also possessing fortitude enough to turn a deaf ear to the continued and importunate petitions and remonstrances of a deluded faction; when I see him rendering the judges independent; when I see him anxious to preserve the liberties of the meanest of his subjects, delighted with benevolent actions, seeking and ensuring peace from motives of philanthropy, yet prosecuting war with all the spirit of a righteous cause; encouraging arts, and promoting discoveries; when I see all his amiable dispositions, and his many laudable acts, I venture to pronounce George the Third a Patriot King. The characters of kings are indeed but uncertainly known while they live; and I am ready to confess, that I derive my ideas of the King of Britain from no other sources but public acts and popular reports.

If a peer of the realm is found to be in constant opposition to the measures of a ministry, it is easy to know the causes and the extent of his patriotism; for a minister cannot always be wrong. He is conceited, turbulent, yet unemployed by his King. He lusts after power, and hopes to acquire it by force, since it cannot be obtained by gentler means. He will even patronize rebellion, and diffuse discontent throughout a kingdom, to injure a few individuals, whose riches he covets, and whose glory he envies. Though he should sign a hundred protests in a session, and daily enunciate his invectives against the most respectable men in the nation, we will not be misled; for his patriotism is passion, his perseverance avarice; and the same tongue which is ready to revile his King and embroil his country, is usually as prone to blaspheme his God. When they whom the constitution has appointed hereditary guardians of their country, liberties, and religion of their country, become the patrons of lawless licentiousness, and the scoffers at every thing held sacred, why hesitate their countrymen to strip the coronet from their heads, and trample their honour in the dust? Tear off their ermine, and their star which belies their breast; for the meanest of their menials; who performs his humble duties in his humble station, is far nobler than they.

With respect to the noisy declaimers, and the quiescent instruments of power in the lower order of senators, let expressive silence speak their praise. Their patriotism is well understood. The one side resembles Cerberus barking for a sop, the other resembles him when, after he has received it, he wraps himself up in his own warm skin, and enjoys a comfortable doze. The public has been too long deluded to be again deceived. They see the faults, and no longer admire, but look for a palliation of them in the common weakness of human nature. Of all appositions, scarcely any have been more violent and active, and scarcely any less successful, than

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