attempt to ride rough-shod over responsible government. We look, in the event of Sir John Jemurring, to his receiving a premptory intimation to govern with and through the House of Assembly, or otherwise resign his appointment.

Nothing short of this, we are satisfied, will content the people of Nova Scotia. If they are thus left to regulate their internal affairs according to their own notions, their attachment to the British connection will know no bounds. The bad effects of any course of policy adopted by the home government that would shake the loyalty of Nova Scotia, by infringing upon the constitutional rights of the colonists, would not be confined to that province. Canada is still in a doubtful temper, the effects of the unlucky misunderstanding between Lord Metcalfe and the leaders of the responsible government party have not yet entirely subsided. A deputation is at present on its way, or about to be sent from Prince Edward's Island, with the speaker of the House of Assembly at its head, to complain of the conduct of the governor. With new or scarcely appeased discontents lurking in all the neighbouring colonies, it would be the height of folly to trifle with the public feeling of Nova Scotia.

Great Britain has much staked upon the loyalty and love of these North American colonies. The possession of Halifax and Bermuda gives us in the time of war the command of the whole North American coast. With these two stations in her possession, and with a constant communication maintained by steamers from this country to each and between them, our fleets might keep the northern Atlantic as easily as ever our ancestors kept the northern Seas. Losing Halifax, there is no other harbour in America that would serve as a substitute for it, and separated from it, Bermuda would lose almost all its value. But Halifax is no Gibraltar, to be held in defiance of the people which possesses the main land. The only condition upon which we can retain it is the maintenance of the colonial *nexus* which binds the colonies behind it to the mother country. And the only condition upon which this *nexus* can be maintained is by keeping the colonists loyal. To make and keep them so there is no other *recipe* than that of leaving their local government in their own hands. Self government in all local affairs, will soon render them as prosperous as their neighbours of the United States, and prosperity will keep them loyal.

To Correspondents.

"The Hermit in St. John's" does not possess sufficient interest for our readers in general, to warrant its insertion, to the exclusion of a great variety of other useful matter on hand. "A Clerk," has been received too late for insertion, but will appear next week.

Errata.

In the Account of the Board of Foreign Missions, Aug. 26, from Mr. Bayne £1 5s. should be by Mr. Bayne from a gentleman in Halifax, £1 5s. Sept. 1, from Rev. W. McCulloch 10d., should be by Rev. W. McCulloch from a member of his congregation, 10d.

☞ The members of the Board of Foreign Missions are requested to meet on Monday next, 27th inst., at the West River Church.

J. W. DAWSON, *Rec. Secretary.*

Burglars Abroad.

On Tuesday night last, the workshop of Mr. Campbell McPherson, Turner, was broken open, and an auger and brace and bit taken therefrom. The rogue then proceeded by means of these, to effect an entrance into the shop of Mr. Thomas G. Taylor; this he accomplished by boring a number of holes near together, in a back cellar door, thus making a hole large enough to admit his hand. By this means opened the door, and ascended by a trap door to the shop. Nothing has as yet been missed but a quantity of copper coin amounting to about $6. Mr. Robert Gass's shop was also forcibly entered the same night, but only a few articles of small value were taken. It is said that the Infant School Room was also broken into a few nights ago, and all that was worth taking there carried off. He must be a pitiful scoundrel who could do this.

YOUNG MEN'S TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.—The following persons have been appointed Office Bearers of the Halifax Young Men's Total Abstinence Society:—Mr. J. McCulloch, President; Mr. J. L. Whytal, 1st Vice ditto; Mr. Adam C. Fife, 2nd Vice ditto; Mr. Archibald Patterson, Rec. Secretary; Mr. J. T. Wylde, Cor. Secretary; Mr. Luther Sterns, Treasurer; Messrs James Thompson, J. H. Starr, T. Keefler, W. A. Smith, J. A. Johnston, W. G. Anderson, W. Williams, W. Drake, J. Hall, and R. Philip, Committee.—[Hx. Rec.

United States.

LATER FROM MEXICO!—Advices have been received from Vera Cruz to August 27, covering later accounts from the interior, and representing that General Scott was *in the* Capital, after having lost 1500 men—the loss on the part of the Mexicans being 6000!

The New York Sun issues an extra containing the above news more in detail; but it should be recollected that the dates are no later from Vera Cruz than were received by the Fashion. The Sun states that Gen. Scott fought the enemy two days, and although the Mexicans were reinforced twice during the engagement with fresh troops, and rallied, they were completely routed at every point, and at last fled into the city and begged for quarter. The Tacubaya road was literally filled with Mexicans. Their ranks being decimated by the sure aim of the U. S. troops, they left hundreds of their dead and dying on the road. A bridge of the dead could literally have been made at Tacubaya to the city of Mexico, three miles distant. The Mexicans skulked behind the arches of the aqueduct, and after the battle thousands of the dead and dying were found there. Gen. Scott ordered an immediate surrender of arms, and gave the soldiers permission to retire form the city.—The roads leading from the city of Guadaloupe and other towns were crowded with men, women and children, retiring to the mountains. The greatest confusion and distress prevailed among them.—Gen. Scott in taking possession of the city is said to have placed guards round the Cathedral and other churches, to protect them from robbery.—The Mexicans began robbing and plundering each other and all the dwellings supposed to contain valuable property in the city, as soon as the battles commenced, and although Santa Anna boasted of having 30,000 men to preserve order, yet the greatest disorder prevailed.—A remnant of the Mexican army fled to the mountains, and was supposed would be organized into guerilla bands.

New Brunswick.

The Hon. Robert L. Hazen, a member of the Executive Council of the Legislature of this Province, left town on Wednesday last, in the Steamer *Admiral* for Boston, on his way to Montreal. It is rumoured that Mr. Hazen visits Canada as a Commissioner for New Brunswick, to meet gentlemen similarly commissioned from the other Provinces, who are to confer with the Governor General on the subject of the proposed alteration in the management of the Post Office Department in the Colonies.—[St. John Courier.

CONVICTION UNDER THE PASSENGER ACT.—On Tuesday, Michael Brown, Master of the Schooner "Lady Dumbrain" from Killybegs, was committed before B. L. Peters and Daniel Ansley, Esquires, in the penalty of £10 sterling and costs, on the complaint of H. M. Perley, Esq., for bringing passengers to this Port in the "Lady Dumbrain," that vessel having no beams for a lower deck. The penalty was mitigated to £10, in consequence of its appearing to the satisfaction of the Magistrates that this vessel had been inspected by an Emigration Officer from Sligo before starting, who had given the requisite certificate to enable the vessel to clear the Custom House.—The Emigration Officer will be called upon for an explanation of his conduct. The "Lady Dumbrain" is a small vessel, and the passengers were brought out on a platform resting on the ballast.—[Ib.

SERIOUS CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT.—On Friday night, 10th instant, the Post Office Surveyor from Canada arrived in town and gave such information relative to the embezzlement of money out of letters sent from Canada some months since, through the Post Office at Dalhousie, in this Province, as being strengthened by other suspicious circumstances, led to the issuing of a warrant for apprehension of John Cunningham, the late Postmaster at that place, who resigned office in July last. On enquiry it was found that he had left this City a day or two before with his wife and child, for Fredricton, en route to the United States; but Mr James Stockford, High Constable, having been sent in pursuit, he was overtaken in bed some forty miles this side of Bangor, and brought back to this city on Tuesday morning and lodged in jail.—We understand he will be taken to the County of Northumberland to day for trial.—[Ib.

THE LATE MURDER.—The proceedings at the Inquest on the late Mr. Briggs, was closed yesterday, when the Jury, after having sat for nearly a fortnight and examined between forty and fifty witnesses, brought in a verdict of *Wilful Murder* against Dennis McGovern, the person who was taken into custody on the day after the murder. He is stated to be a married man, and a pedlar.—We are not aware whether his trial will take place at the adjourned sitting of the Circuit Court in November, or at the regular term in January next.—[Ib.

SUSPICIOUS.—An Inquest was held at Napan Bay, on the 9th instant, before Martin Cranney Esquire, Coroner, on view of the body of a sea-faring man, named John Breecon, a native of Stockholm, aged 31 years, who it was stated, had been a seaman on board the ship "Warren Hastings," but deserted and joined the Barque "Avon," of Windsor, (N. S.) which sailed from Miramichi about a fortnight since for Liverpool. He was found drowned, with his hands and feet tied with spunyarn. It is stated that letters have been sent to the authorities at Liverpool, requesting them to institute an enquiry into the affair on the Avon's arrival.—[Ib.

The Fredrieton Reporter states that seventy persons have been *indicted* by the Grand Jury as concerned in the late riots, and thirty others have been *presented*. Two men, Kingel and De Courcey, who was charged with separate acts of Burglary, have been found guilty and sentenced to two years hard labour in the Provincial Penitentiary.—[Ib.

MIRAMICHI.—We learn from the Gleaner of Tuesday last, that the Chatham Steam Ferry Boat was launched on the 5th instant.—The of her machinery had been obtained from Fredrieton, and the remainder was expected in a few days. It was expected that the boat would be in full operation in the course of a month.

WARNING.—A son of Mr. William Curry, aged eight years, came to a most distressing and untimely death in consequence of having partaken of some spirits, foolishly given to him by a grown lad, at the launch of the Steam Ferry Boat on Thursday. Medical aid was called for, but proved unavailing, and he expired on Friday afternoon.—[Ib.

On Thursday last, at River John, by the Rev. Charles Elliott, Mr. Malcolm McLean of Merigomish, to Mary, only daughter of Kenneth McLean Esq., of River John.

At St. John, N. F., on the 1st inst., by the Rev. J. Forristal, George Hatton, Esq., of Pictou, to Ann Augusta, third daughter of Mr. P. McCarthy, of St. John.

DIED,

On Sabbath morning last, Ann, wife of Mr. Robert McLellan, Rogers Hill, in the 43rd year of her age.

Shipping Intelligence.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, PICTOU.

ARRIVED:

Sep 16. Ship Macedonia, (am) Jack, Boston; Barque Florence, (am) Woodworth, New York schrs. Eagle, Sprague Tidnish—lumber; " Columbia, Greene, Quebec; " Ploughboy, Chappell, Bay Verte—lumber; " Conqueror, (s) Powell, Charlottetown. 17.—Barque Martha, (am) Adams, Boston; brigs Clarissa, (am) Watts, do; " Demerara, (am) Blanchard, do; " Hebron, Skaling, Pembroke; schrs. Oregon, Churchhill, Yarmouth; " Jas. Parker, Gerrior, Arichat; " La Belle Catherine, Murray, Chemogue; " Odessa, Anthony, Boston.

18.—Ship Louisa, (am) Deming, Boston; brig Brilliant, Currie, Miramichi; schrs. Father Matthew, Boudrot, Boston; " Elizabeth, Gosbee, Guysboro—ish; " Fowler, Cox, Halifax; " Conqueror, (s) Powell, Charlottetown.

19.—Barque Scentar, McKay, Liverpool, 20 days—gen cargo; schr. Mary, Vigneau, Magdalens—deals; " Angelique, LeBlanc, Margaree—fish.

20.—Brig Susan and Abigail, (am) Beardsley, Boston; schr. Champion, Atwator, Antigonishe.

21.—Ship Charlemagne, (am) Davis, New York barque Hunter, (am) Ewing, Fall River; brigs Irving, (am) Hewitt, Boston; " Nelson, Hall, Boston—gen cargo; " Jane, Marmaud, Arichat; " Mary Salter, Salter, Halifax—flour; " Sirius, Cochrane, Eastport; " Galleo, (am) Mahony, Fall River; " Rio, (am) Cottrell, Boston; schrs. Loculius, (am) Lufkin, do; " Eglantine, Hausen, Portsmouth; Schr. Mary, Swift, Portsmouth " Leander, Jones, Labrador—fish & oil.

22.—Brigs Garland, Morris, Boston; " Penelope, Nason, Providence; " McLellan, (am) Hardie, Boston; schr. Vine, Campbell, P. E. Island.

CLEARED.

Sept. 16.—Schr. Glenroy, (am.) Perry, Wareham—coal;

Brig Jesse, (am) Baker, New Bedford—do; Schr. Joseph Howe, Sadler, Boston—do; " Lady, LaVache, Halifax—coal; " Lucy, O'Brien, do—coal and stones; " Conqueror, (s) Powel, Charlottetown;

17.—Dongola, Crosscup, Halifax—coal Brig Chesapeake Polly, Weymouth—do; Bark Isabella, (am) Kelly, Boston—do; Brig Emily, (am) Kenny, New York—do; Schr. Esperance, LeBlanc, Halifax—do

18.—Schr. Greyhound, Terrio, Boston—do; " Iris, Adam, Pembroke—do; brig St. John Lass, Egan, Boston—do; Schr. Providence, Brenton, do—do; Brig Clipper, Geran, New York—do; " J.D. Pottell, Newfoundland—stone; Schr. Queen of the Isles, Fougere, Miramichi—coal and fruit; Brig Walpole, (am) Brown, Providence—coal " Charles Hammond (am) McChune, Fall River—coal.

" Susan Currier (am) Parker, Providence. " Leghorn, (am) Pembleton, Fall River; Conqueror, (s) Powell, Charlottetown; schr. Ploughboy, Chappell, Bay Verte—lat.

19.—Brig Gen. Taylor, Libley, Dighton,—coal

20.—Ship Nathaniel Hooper, (am) Girdle, New York—coal schr. Pheasant, Muscles, Boston—coal; " Fique, Fougere, do—do; brig Ghaledeeby, Lockhart, do—do; schr. Catherine, McLeod, P. E. Island—do. La Belle Catherine, Murray, Chemogue.

21.—Schr. William, McVanish, P. E. Island; barque Cumberland, (am) Blanchard, Fall River—coal brig George Shattuck, (am) Bragdon, Boston; barque London, McDonald, Glasgow, timber. schr. Eagle, Sprague, Tidnish—lat.

22.—Schrs. Mary, Pitman, P. E. Island; " Robert and Sarah, Price, do do; " Nightingle, Woodin, Nfld—stone; brig Mayflower, Graham, Dighton—coal; " Pulaski, Bunker, New York—do schr Mary, Vigneau, Magdalens—lat.

New Advertisements.

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Pursuant to a Licence granted by the Judge of Probate for the County of Pictou

At the office of the Subscriber, in the Town of Pictou, on Monday, the 25th day of October next, at 2 o'clock, p. m.,

The following REAL ESTATE of JOHN PATTERSON, late of Pictou, deceased.

1st. A Water Lot, Wharf, and Store, in the Town of Pictou, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging, at present in the occupation of Messrs. John & James Yorston.

2nd. A Lot of Land at Carribou, in the 3rd division of lots from the Harbour of Pictou, containing 54 acres, more or less.

3rd. A Lot of Land at Carribou, in the 2nd division of Lots from the Harbour of Pictou, adjoining Sutherland's and Carr's Lands, containing 29 acres, more or less.

4th. A Lot of Land in the said second division, in the rear of Henry Sterns' land, containing 18 acres, more or less.

—ALSO:—

Immediately after the above, at half past two o'clock on the same day, at the latter residence of the said JOHN PATTERSON, deceased,

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