(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "PUBLIC LEDGER.")

SIR,

I have noticed in the Canadian News, of August 10th, some extracts from a communication by a gentleman of St. John's to a New York paper, on explorations in Newfoundland, in which reference is made to "one Cormack," in connection with the early exploration of the interior of the Island. Having enjoyed the privilege of Mr. Cormack's intimate friendship for many years I have thought it due to his memory to forward to you, herewith, for publication in your columns, if you deem it proper, a biographical sketch of his life, which appeared in the British Columbian of May 9th, 1868,—a paper then published at New Westminster, the closing scene of Mr. Cormack's life and labors. If the publication of the sketch should tend to render the name and history of my dear old friend more familiar to the people of the place of his nativity than it would appear to be, my purpose shall have been gained.

I am Sir,

Yours obediently,

EDWARD GRAHAM.

Victoria, British Columbia, Sept. 20th, 1871.

DEATH OF W. E. CORMACK.

It was our very melancholy duty to announce in our obituary this day week a name intimately associated with almost every social and political movement, that has taken place in this Colony, ever since its birth, ten years ago—the name of William Eppes Cormack.

Mr. Cormack was born at St. John's, Newfoundland, on the 5th of May, 1796. About seven years thereatter, on the