

I have now the pleasure to release you from further attendance in Assembly, and have no doubt, you will return to your homes, deeply impressed with the blessings you enjoy in this quiet and improving Colony, and with every disposition to keep it in its present happy state.

MICHAEL WALLACE.

After which the President of the Council by his Honour's command, declared the General Assembly to be prorogued until the 7th of July next.

East India Trade.—A small Company associated to trade with the East Indies has been undertaken in Halifax. It is to consist of 150 shares, of 100*l.* currency each. It is intended to send one vessel only as an experiment. The undertaking is highly creditable to the spirit of this mercantile community. We awaken by degrees from the long protracted torpor. The following gentlemen are appointed a committee of management, viz :—

James Bain, M. G. Black, Frs. Allison, Jas. Tobin, L. E. Piers, S. N. Binney, J. Clarke, S. W. Deblois, J. H. Tidmarsh.

It is proposed to dispatch as soon as possible, a vessel of 240 tons, to call with a cargo of fish in South America, and to proceed with dollars to the East Indies, for her return cargo of silks, crapes, nankeens, and East India goods generally. It is needless to state that in this manner these articles will be obtained for the same prices that they are received in the United States. We apprehend that even if the Colonies have a right to trade to the East Indies, its exercise can be so shackled, as to make the intercourse worth very little, by the interference of the East India Company.

The Halifax merchants in the Liverpool trade, have united in a Company, to build a staunch ship of 280 tons, to be commanded by a Captain having a share in the concern, and to sail on fixed days from both ports, with the best accommodations for passengers. The shares were all taken up, amounting to about 7000*l.*

We are happy to learn that a good vessel of about 50 tons burthen, is now employed as a Packet between Prince Edward Island and Pictou. She will sail from the latter every Thursday, at 6 o'clock P. M. wind and weather permitting.

The public examination of the Halifax Grammar School took place on the 2d, and was numerously and very respectfully attended. His Honor the President and the Trustees were pleased to express themselves highly gratified at the proficiency of the pupils. The school has increased considerably in numbers since the preceding examination.

NEW-BRUNSWICK.

Extract of a letter from St. John's N. B. April 7.

Our Governor, Sir H. Douglas, is able and zealous, he is cordially supported by the country in his plans for promoting its advancement, and we are I think, on the full tide of prosperity. For the population of the Province, its revenue and commerce are astonishing. Our population is about 75,000 souls. The last year's revenue near 45,000*l.* currency, the imports upwards of 500,000*l.* sterling, and the exports full as much, including upwards of 16,000 tons of new shipping, built principally for sale, or for merchants in England, and to be fairly considered as exported manufactures: the value of the new shipping may be reckoned at 10*l.* sterling per ton.

The following Circular dated from Frederickton (N. B.) has been published by order of his Excellency Lieutenant Governor Sir Howard Douglas.

(Circular) Sir,—His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor desirous of making a collection of all the Mineral productions of this Country, with a view to investigate their qualities and to ascertain in what way any such as are valuable may be made subjects of advantageous working, has commanded me to prepare this Circular for general distribution in the Province, and to request you will be observant of any specimens you may find, of a nature which you may conceive indicative of metallic or other minerals of value and to forward the same to me, in small quantities, with a memorandum of the Soil and Site in which they may have been found; and should you know of any persons who may have stated themselves to have heard of any such matters, you will be pleased to call upon them to give further information upon the subject, and to send specimens and reports of the same, so soon as you may have ascertained the existence and qualities of such productions.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

C. DOUGLAS, Private Secretary.