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THE COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE,		TO DAVID W. JACK, TREASURER, &c.	
1840.	April 14	To Balance in hand per Account rendered,	£ 0 0 3d
	15	" Paid A. J. Wetmore, Esq. for Services,	1 10 0
	May 5	" Josephus Moore, Esq. do	5 1 0
	July 10	" Stephen Munson, per account,	3 3 6
	15	" P. Clinch, Esq. for Services,	3 14 0
	Aug. 6	" W. Smith per account,	2 12 6
	28	" Hon. H. Hatch, account, as Clerk, &c.	44 16 11
	"	" James Price, as Constable,	6 15 0
	"	" Edward Stentford, sundry accounts,	6 3 6
	29	" Maxwell Rankin, Constable,	4 18 6
	Sept. 9	" Robert Shaw, do,	2 7 6
	11	" John Pike, do,	6 12 0
	12	" James McNall, do,	3 0 6
	"	" J. J. Califf, as a witness,	0 15 0
	"	" Richardson Haddock, Constable,	5 1 0
	14	" Robert Sutherland, do,	1 10 0
	"	" James Boyd, Esquire, for Bread,	7 0 0
	15	" James Rait, Esquire, per account,	1 10 0
	"	" David Blakely, sundry accounts for ringing Bell,	4 15 6
	18	" William Boyd, per account,	0 19 0
	"	" Joshua Knight, Esquire, for Services,	1 10 0
	"	" Owen Bogue, per account,	1 2 6
	19	" Felix Smith, per account,	1 2 6
	"	" W. R. Law, Gaoler, account passed September, 1839,	69 15 0
	21	" P. Clinch, Esquire, Services as Coroner,	7 6 6
	26	" Dr. Frye, per account,	2 17 6
	28	" David Blakely per account,	2 7 6
	"	" George N. Smith, Do,	1 15 0
	29	" Hannah Ames, Do,	3 14 6
	30	" Colin Campbell, Esquire, Services as Sheriff,	38 2 11
	"	" David Mowatt, Esquire, Services as Coroner,	20 1 6
	"	" James Brennan, Expenses of Jurors, per Order,	4 17 6
	"	" C. C. Bank, Interest on £40 borrowed for Mr. Law,	1 10 8
	"	" James Rait, Esquire, for Bread, per Order,	9 19 0
	Oct. 2	" C. C. Bank, Balance of Gaol Debt, with Interest,	619 11 4
	"	" Edward, Walsh, his Note, with Interest,	68 9 7
	"	" C. R. Hatheway, Esq., Commissioner for repairing Gaol,	10 0 0
	"	" W. R. Law, Gaoler, Account, passed April 1840,	114 10 0
	6	" Amount transferred to Court House Account,	311 16 8
	"	" John Rodgers, for Painting,	1 15 0
	9	" Mark Young, per Account,	1 17 0
	10	" William Cookson, per account,	2 0 0
	12	" Thomas Sampson, for Stove-pipe,	1 6 0
	15	" Do, per account,	1 16 0
	21	" A. J. Wetmore, Esquire, for Services,	2 0 0
	24	" Owen Bogue, Constable,	2 11 9
	29	" Thomas Jones, Esquire, Fine returned to R. Brockway,	1 10 0
	Nov. 3	" Robert Kelly, Constable,	2 7 0
	"	" Assessors of Rates, Saint Patrick, per Order,	4 4 6
	5	" John Stewart, per account,	0 16 0
	6	" Malcolm Mealey, Constable,	1 0 0
	"	" Christopher Cross, as a Witness,	1 7 0
	"	" John Pike, Crier of Court,	5 5 0
	Dec. 2	" Do, do, and for Services as Constable,	6 1 3
	"	" Thomas Berry, per account,	3 3 0
	21	" Colin Campbell, Esquire, Services as Sheriff,	46 1 0
	30	" James W. Street, for Stationary,	5 2 11
	31	" Hugh McGrath, for Painting,	3 9 0
1841.	Jan'y 5	" A. W. Smith, per account,	1 14 8
	"	" James Allanshaw, & Co. per account,	1 13 0
	6	" Thomas Berry, per account,	5 19 0
	"	" John Miller, per account,	0 9 0
	9	" John Bailey, for Board of Jurors, per Order,	11 18 0
	15	" P. Clinch, Esquire, Services as Coroner,	6 5 0
	16	" Robert Thompson, as Constable,	4 2 0
	18	" Colin Campbell, Esquire, Sheriff,	37 11 1
	20	" Maxwell Rankin, Constable,	4 6 0
	Feb'y 2	" A. W. Smith, per account,	1 11 0
	3	" Do, do,	3 0 0
	"	" Robert Shaw, Constable,	4 13 6
	"	" Richardson Haddock, Constable,	5 10 0
	"	" Peter Dorin, Constable,	4 16 0
	"	" David Blakely, for ringing Bell,	2 10 0
	9	" W. R. Law, Gaoler, Account passed September, 1840,	43 10 0
	19	" Thomas Jones, Esq. Sheriff, acc't do. do,	57 2 0
March 1	"	" Wilford Fisher, Esquire, per Order,	1 16 0
"	6	" Robert Peacock, Constable,	0 8 0
"	12	" Do, do,	7 5 0
"	"	" James McNall, do,	7 4 9
"	"	" Jacob Paul, Interest on £120 19 5 for two years, per order,	14 10 4
"	"	" David W. Jack, do on £101 9 2 do do,	12 3 6
"	April 1	" William Bookwood, for Bread, per Order,	10 8 9
"	"	" William Ker, Esquire, account, passed April, 1839,	2 11 0
"	"	" Do, do, April, 1840,	9 7 1
"	8	" C. C. Bank, Note of 10th Nov. 1839 for £40, & Int. 7s 1d	40 7 1
"	13	" All'ce for keeping acc'ts of assm't with the Pres's severally &c	15 0 0
"	"	" Salary for the past year,	15 0 0
April 13	"	" Balance in hand,	78 11 6d

£1898 18 1

D. W. JACK, COUNTY TREASURER.

Saint Andrews, 13th April, 1841.

### THE COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE IN ACCOUNT WITH DAVID W. JACK, TREASURER, &c.

1840.	April 15	By amount received from A. J. Wetmore, Esquire, for a Fine,	£ 2 0 0
	May 13	" Ditto from Josephus Moore, Esquire, for Fines,	4 0 0
	June 28	" do from C. R. Hatheway, Esquire, for Fines,	26 9 8
	Aug. 28	" do from W. Hatch, Esquire, for Licenses,	31 5 6
	"	" do from C. on acc't of rent from Edward Stentford,	2 0 0
	Sept. 8	" do from C. R. Hatheway, Esquire, for a Fine,	2 0 0
	" 10	" do from do for do	2 0 0
	" 11	" do from do for do	2 0 0
	" 12	" do from do for do	2 0 0
	" 14	" do from James Boyd, Esquire, Auction Tax for 1840,	12 10 0
	" 15	" do from Thomas Jones, Esquire, Sheriff, Jurors fines	1 2 6
	" 18	" do from C. R. Hatheway, Esquire, for a Fine,	1 3 9
	" 30	" do from do for do	1 0 0
	Oct. 2	" do from Thomas Jones, Esq. balance of Juror's fines,	123 6 11
	"	" do from Wellington Hatch, Esquire, for Licenses	£600 0 0
	"	" do of Legislative Grant for	1 10 0
	"	Loss—1-4 per cent.	598 10 0
	"	Interest per Bank Account,	1 7 7
	"	By amount rec'd for Justices Note of 29th Sep. from C. C. Bank,	599 17 7
	"	from George McKay, Esquire, for a Fine	490 0 0
	Dec. 11	" do do	1 0 0
1841.	Feb'y 6	" do from C. R. Hatheway, Esq. for do	0 18 0
	Mar. 18	" do from John McKean, Auction Tax for 1841,	5 0 0
	" 31	" do from W. Hatch, balance of rent from E. Stentford	11 4 7
	April 6	" do from James W. Street, Auction Tax for 1840	5 0 0
	" 8	" do from William McLean, do for 1840	5 0 0
	" 12	" do from Wm. Ker, Esq., account audited April 1840	15 8 7
	" 13	" do Balance transferred from Court House Account,	3 3 11
	"	" Amount received from the Parish Collectors, as follows, Viz:—	
	"	Saint Andrews, £179 9 4	
	"	Saint Stephen, 148 15 0	
	"	Saint James, 32 0 0	
	"	Saint David, 45 0 0	
	"	Saint Patrick, 68 10 2 1/2	
	"	Saint George, 37 10 0	
	"	Pennfield, 35 19 10 1/2	
	"	West Isles, 35 2 8	
	"	Campobello, 20 0 0	
	"	Grandmann, 31 10 0	
	"	633 17 1	

### ARRIVAL of the CALEDONIA.

The steamer *Caledonia* arrived at Halifax on Sunday the 16th inst. at 4 o'clock, in 12 days passage from Liverpool. She brings London dates to the 3d and Liverpool to the 4th inst. The President had not arrived, and there is no longer any doubts to the melancholy fate which must have befallen her. Much indignation appears to be expressed by the leading English papers, on account of the proposed alterations in the timber duties. There are in favour of the Colonies; and, according to the view we take of the excitement occasioned, we have serious doubts whether a measure fraught with the dire consequences that must inevitably follow, can possibly be carried in the teeth of so much opposition. Sir JOHN HARVEY has received the appointment of Governor of Newfoundland. The *Caledonia* brought out 45 passengers. The following is a summary of the most important news:—

**THE WEATHER.**—We have had, during the past week, the most charming spring, which might say mid-summer weather. Vegetation is making a very rapid progress. The corn-crops look remarkably well; and the fruit-trees of all sorts, is abundant. Last Saturday morning, in the metropolis, the thermometer registered at the lowest point 34 degrees of Fahrenheit, and on Tuesday morning the lowest was 54 degrees; the highest in the shade 74 degrees and in the sun 106 degrees; making a difference in the extreme of 74 degrees. According to the Frankfort papers, the northern courts are negotiating for a grant of 250,000R per year to Don Carlos from the Spanish government. On Wednesday, Prince Albert inspected the 16th Regt. of Rifles, in the Home Park at Windsor. It is said that the new census will cost the country about £300,000. Several servants in post-offices in London

have recently been committed for purloining letters containing money.

In answer to a question put by the Rev. Dr. Blake to Mr. O'Connell, as to when he would bring the question of repeal before parliament that gentleman said he would do so when he had 2,000,000 of repealers enrolled; and when he had 4,000,000, he said, the repeal would be carried.

The British fleet was at Mamorice and Malta, and the Austrian squadron at Smyrna. The insurrection in Candia was not over in the 31st ult.

Rear-Admiral Sheppard died at Malta on the 4th.

The plague still exists in Egypt.

The letters from Alexandria on the 7th, state that the pasha's armaments continued. Ibrahim's health is better.

Accounts from Corfu to the 30th, state that the senate had voted an address of thanks to Sir Howard Douglas, who made a suitable reply. His bust, in marble, is to be placed in the senate.

The Marseilles state that disturbances had broken out in Thessaly.

A numerous and highly respectable meeting of American merchants, shipmasters, &c. was held in Liverpool, on Friday evening, to adopt resolutions expressive of their regret for the death of General Harrison. F. B. Ogden, Esq. of New York, presided.

Mr. Luke Hansard, printer to the House of Commons, breathed his last on Wednesday evening, at about a quarter after 7 o'clock, at his country residence. Mr. Hansard was in his 61st year.

Parliament re-assembled after Easter recess on the 21st ult., and Ministers have since met with one continued series of defeats. On the 23rd the were beaten in the House of Commons, in a division on the administration of Justice Bill.

The renewed defeat of Ministers has given another clerk to the stock market, as people now begin to talk in earnest of a dissolution, when money would of course become in demand for electioneering purposes. I do not at all incline to the opinion that there will be an early dissolution. Ministers will endeavour to carry through the business of the session, and then appeal to the country.

The most prodigious excitement has been created all over England, by an announcement of Lord John Russell that, soon after the Whitsun holidays, he intends to move for a committee of the whole House, to consider the acts relating to the trade in corn—so that the corn law question is at length to be taken under the protection of the Cabinet, with what hope of success Ministers only know.

A memorial to his Highness Mehemet Ali, Pasha of Egypt, is in progress of signature by the leading bankers and merchants in London connected with the China, India, and Egyptian trade, thanking him for his kindness and support of our countrymen and for his great liberality in giving full effect to the overland communication with India, while his possessions were threatened with bombardment.

We understand that, in acknowledgement of the eminent public services rendered by Major-Gen. Sir George Arthur, during his administration of the government of U. Canada he is about to be raised to the dignity of a baronet. The gallant officer's return to this country was the inevitable consequence of the act which united the Canadian Provinces and which therefore, brought to a close his separate command, both civil and military.—*Sun.*

The average price of brown or muscovado sugar, computed from the returns made in the week ending April 27, 1841, is 27s. 7 1/2d per cwt. exclusive of the duties of customs paid or payable thereon on the importation thereof into Great Britain.

The Earl of Belmore died on Sunday at Leamington Spa. His lordship, who was 67th year, was an Irish peer, and one of the representatives of the Irish peerage in the house of lords. He was also Custos Rotulorum of the county of Tyrone, for which place his second son, the Hon. H. Corry, sits in Parliament.

A dreadful explosion took place in a coal pit at Wellington, near Newcastle and North Shields, on Tuesday. Thirty-one persons lost their lives, and 3 only escaped.

Prince Metternich, prime minister of Austria, has written a letter of thanks, by direction of the emperor, to Sir Robert Stopford, on the close of operations in Syria.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Edward Dyer Sanderson, Esq., to be the Chief Justice of the Island of Tobago.

The hereditary prince of Saxe Weimar, is affianced to the Princess Mary, 2d daughter of Prince Wm. of Prussia.

Meetings respecting the import duties have been numerous in town and country.

The Glasgow Herald quotes from the Edinburgh Post, a report of the disappearance of a government official, a defaulter of the amount of £19,000. His income was £1000 a year.

By the usual official return published by the customs, the export of the precious metals from the port of London to foreign and colonial parts for the week ending Thursday last, was as under—Silver coin to Rotterdam

**IRON STEAMSHIP.**—The great iron steamship now being built at Bristol will probably combine a greater number and variety of united principles than were ever before united in any one enterprise of the same magnitude and importance. The vessel herself—her enormous magnitude—(about 3000 tons, it is said)—her material—(plate iron)—her engines, nearly 1200 horse nominal power—cylinders 100 and 20 inches in diameter!—no piston rods! no beam! the connecting rod have hold immediately on the piston and a moveable hollow casing playing through a stuffing box in the top of the piston, to give play to the said connecting rod!—an unlimited application of the expansive principle! and to crown all, no paddle boxes projecting from her vast sides!—no apparent propelling power, but an unseen agent revolving under her keel and enabling her to move with required velocity by the aid of this mighty agent!

A pail, a tumbler, or decanter may be rinsed, and you may satisfy yourself by optical proof that the thing is clean; but a jug has a little hole in the top, and the interior is all darkness. No eye penetrates it, no hand moves over the surface. You can clean it only by putting in water, shaking it up and pouring it out. If the water comes out clean, you judge that you have succeeded in purifying the interior of the jug, and vice versa. Hence a jug is like the human heart. No mortal eye can look into its recesses, but you can judge of its purity or impurity only by what comes out of it.—*N. Y. Atlas.*

A man with a large family was complaining of the difficulty of maintaining them all. "But you have sons big enough to earn something, and help you, now," said a friend.—"The difficulty is, they are too big to work," was the answer. Think twice before you speak once.

Jugs.—The Jug is a most singular utensil.

Jan, 35,000 oz. Silver coin to Hamburg 62, 400 oz.; Silver coin to Genoa and Leghorn, 2,597 oz.; Silver bars to Hamburg, 1,300 ounces.

From the Liverpool Advertiser, May 2.  
The Proceedings in Parliament have been interesting and important. The Irish Registration Bill of Ministers engaged the attention of the House of Commons during three out of the five days of the parliamentary week. The debates to which it gave rise in committee were extremely long and extremely dull. The subject in dispute, if it were understood by the combatants inside, was scarcely intelligible to the spectators outside the walls of the House. Not one in a score would understand what all the talk about rents, and values, and leases meant; all could, however, understand "the silent eloquence of votes." Accordingly, when they saw, that, on Monday night, on Lord Howick's amendment, which received the hearty and unanimous support of the Tories, who seized it as an instrument for whipping the Ministers with, the Government was left in a minority of 21; and that, on Thursday evening, on the second clause, which embodied the principle of the Bill, it was again defeated, having been left in a minority of eleven;—when they saw these things, they saw that the ministerial measure was in jeopardy, and that, whatever might be the fate of Lord Stanley's bill, the rival bill of Lord Morpeth was doomed. It was, in fact, withdrawn, as soon as the numbers on the division had been ascertained.— Their bill having been defeated, the next question was, will Ministers resign? Many of their staunchest friends thought it extremely probable that they would, though the more judicious among them avowed, that they could not see any necessity why even two defeats in one week, on a measure which was not vitally important, should force them out of office. The Tories did not, it is evident, expect that Ministers would resign; their only object in siding with Lord Howick was to defeat the ministerial bill and to humiliate the Ministers. In both objects they have succeeded. But, had the Government, chagrined and mortified, actually resigned, would its opponents have stepped into the vacant places? There is no saying what they might have done under the pressure of circumstances: it is quite clear, however, from their own avowals, that, much as they long for the power, the patronage, and, above all, the emoluments of office, the more shrewd members of the party are of opinion, that the time is not yet come when they can take office with a reasonable prospect of permanently keeping it. In short, "the pear," which has been five years in ripening, is "not ripe yet." Like Tullius, the cup is continually in their view, but never within their grasp. The lucky Whigs are still in office, and the poor Tories still batten on the barren moors of opposition.

The Ministers, having, notwithstanding the double defeat which they have sustained, determined to remain in office, seem determined to signalize their ministry by several bold financial and economical measures. Lord John Russell announced, on Friday night, that they had made an alteration in the Corn Law a Cabinet question, and that they had resolved to substitute in the place of the present fluctuating scale a moderate duty on the importation of foreign corn. This change will not satisfy extreme men on either side: it is, however, the only change which there is a rational hope of carrying, and it will, therefore, receive the support of moderate men. On the same occasion the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in bringing forward his anxiously expected Budget, announced two most important changes which he intended to propose.— The first is, an alteration in the duties on foreign and colonial timber; and the second, an alteration in the impost on colonial sugar. From these alterations, coupled with the alteration in the duties on corn, he expects to raise the amount of revenue which he wants to make the national income adequate to the national expenditure. He told the House, very plainly, that the money he must and would have, and that, if they would not allow him to raise it from corn, timber, and sugar, he might, perchance, be forced to try a property or some equally obnoxious tax. He is, no doubt, prepared for a fierce and formidable opposition from the "class interests." Let him be firm, however, and backed by the country, he will carry his alterations in spite of opposition from interested parties.

Royal Artillery.—Captains Cator, Story, Hill, Dupuis, Walsh, 70 non-commissioned officers and men, 61 to Canada, and 9 to Halifax, N. S., embarked at Woolwich, on Wednesday—the detachments for Canada in the St. Ann's freight-ship, and the detachment for Halifax in the England. A number of the guards, Major Robe, of the R. Engineers, and one sergeant, and six Marines proceed in the same vessel to North America.

New Colonial Bishops.—There was a meeting at Willis's Rooms, London, on the 27th ult., convened by the Primate of all England, to take steps for establishing new Bishops, and extending the jurisdiction of the established church in several of our distant colonies. The meeting was very numerously attended, and subscriptions to a large amount forthwith entered into, to effect the objects of the meeting.

TIMBER MARKET.  
Liverpool, May 4.  
Timber.—Several cargoes of St. John's Pine have been sold since our last, one averaging 62 feet, at 21s 6d per ft. and two of 42 feet average, at 18s and 19s per ft. One yarded cargo has been sold by auction, the large sized wood at 39s 6d per ft. and the small at 18s per ft. St. John's Red Pine is scarce, and would bring 19s to 20s per ft. We have no sales of consequence to report either in Quebec or New Brunswick since our last. Prices remain as before, but rather dull.—Halifax planks may now be quoted at 2s 6d per ft. of 2 inches. A parcel of good sized mast would bring a very good price in this market.

A quantity of poles from St. Andrew's latterly brought 2s per ft. Pitch Pine has received in price, 3 parcels imported via St. John's, have been sold from the quay, one by auction at 2s 1d to 2s 6d per ft. and two by private sale at 2s 1d to 2s 2d per foot.

### PROVINCIAL. HEAD QUARTERS, FREDERICTON, 17th May, 1841. MILITARY GENERAL ORDERS.

The Lieut. Governor and Commander in Chief has been pleased to direct the Staff Adjutant of Militia, assisted by the usual number of Non-Commissioned Officers of the Line, to drill the undermentioned Battalions at the times and places specified; at which drills, all Persons liable to serve in the Militia are required to attend with the Company to which they belong, on one of the appointed drill days; and Commanding Officers of Battalions are required to give their Adjutants the requisite orders to furnish the Staff Adjutant with a correct field State of each Company, signed by the Captain or Officer Commanding it, which are to be delivered to Major Priestley, previous to the drill being dismissed, in order that he may be enabled to prepare a General State, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

His Excellency confidently relies upon the presence of one of the Field Officers at each day's Drill. Adjutants and Sergeant Majors are required to attend for the whole period appointed for their Battalions respectively. Those Battalions not mentioned to be visited by the Staff Adjutant, will be Drilled and Inspected by their respective Commanding Officers at their usual places of rendezvous, at such periods as they may consider best adapted for general convenience.

3d Battalion Charlotte, (in 3 Divisions.)  
At such times and places between the 15th and 20th days of August, as shall be hereafter notified in Regimental Orders by the Lt. Colonel commanding the Battalion.

4th Batt. Charlotte, (in 3 Divisions.)  
1st Division at St. Stephen's on the 1st and 2d days of September.  
2d ditto at St. James, on the 3d and 4th September.

3d ditto at Connaught's, on the 6th and 7th September.  
2d Batt. Charlotte, (in 2 Divisions.)  
1st Division at Magaguadavic, on the 10th and 11th September.

2d ditto at Digdeguash, on the 13th and 14th September.

### COMMUNICATIONS. TO THE FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE.

Gentlemen— Summoned by a requisition very respectfully signed by two Magistrates, one Clergyman, and one hundred and fourteen others, and the call of the High Sheriff. I had great pleasure in hastening to present myself before the constituency of the County, for the ostensible purpose as I understood, of being called on for an account of my public acts as one of your Representatives.—It is due both to you and to myself that I declare as I did on my election, that I not only consider such a demand on your part perfectly legitimate and proper, and that I shall at all times rejoice to have opportunities afforded me for appearing before you, not only to render an account of my stewardship but to receive your opinions and suggestions on any subject affecting the public weal, and the particular interests of the County, and also to concert with you, the proper and legitimate measures which may appear, after due deliberation, to be required, by any public emergency or by your general or particular interests, without, however, presuming to erect ourselves into a tribunal, to pass any thing like censure on the Govt. of the Province or the Legislative bodies, who can acknowledge no such right in us with respect to the conduct of your own Representatives, and to them, only can local meetings have any right to express any opinions, as it appears to me, so long as we confine ourselves to the consideration of our own rights, privileges and interests, and do not meddle with any, not properly within our legitimate sphere of action, I should for myself rejoice to meet you (and if it were possible, every one of you) so assembled, as often as it could without inconvenience be effected, and especially after every session of the Legislature. Thus far I have deemed explanation of my own views regarding my own acknowledged responsibility due to you.

I was therefore greatly disappointed when I found myself before a respectable, but very small portion indeed of your body, that is a about one-fifth of the number of Freeholders and only about half the number of those who were said to have signed, and not one of the persons whose names only appeared in the requisition as printed in the Standard were present, nor one Magistrate that I saw except myself, and altho' the very few assembled were very respectable persons, there were none to whose opinions we could refer, as a fair index to those of the constituency of this important County.

Thus constituted, Mr. Richard Andrews, read and proposed a very long, and as I thought a very objectionably worded Resolution, directed, not immediately to your own Representatives (two of whom were present) but to Government and to the whole House of Assembly. The subject of the Resolution, was the possible undue influence of the Executive Government over the Representatives of the people, by profitable appointments paid out of the public money, and by calling the most influential members of that body to the Executive Council.

The subjects chosen did appear to me such as were fairly open to you as a body for proper and temperate observations, and indeed

your Representatives in the House, had used all their influence and exertions in the Assembly to provide a remedy for the evils complained of. But it was impossible to consider such a Resolution as that offered by Mr. Andrews, as a deliberate opinion of your body, concocted as it appeared to be by a single individual and proposed to be passed as the deliberate opinion and resolve of a County meeting, even without discussion; an amendment was proposed by one gentleman, that so very scanty a meeting, not exceeding seventy-five could not be considered as capable of expressing the sense of the County, which, however, was not passed, and Mr. Andrews' resolution was passed by about forty or fifty hands out of about sixty present at this time.

At this period of the proceedings the real character and object of the requisition to call you together, was completely unmasked and sufficiently accounted for, the absence of almost your entire body, better acquainted it seems than either of your Representatives then present with the real object of the party concerned, and that this meeting, said to be a County Meeting, was merely a cat's paw, a mere mask to bear your name, to cover an intrigue for Election purposes, for now there appeared as the mover of the second Resolution, the learned Dr. Robert Thomson, whose feeling against the present House of Assembly, may very easily be accounted for, because those gentlemen declined his company, nor of course would they now allow him a seat among them, and thus he stood forth as the champion of purity to accuse that house of corruption and malpractices which had convicted him of no small misdemeanor. I will not comment upon the motley of the scene, but it is really gratifying to record the effect of this modest assurance of the learned Doctor on the meeting—the majority of even the small number met, even whilst the learned gentleman was attempting to speak, quitted the Court in disgust, my colleague, Mr. Brown, and self were necessarily obliged to it, from the respect due to your name, even when usurped by the mere skeleton of a shadow of a meeting. We were reduced by the said extraordinary phenomenon to some less than twenty, I believe.

One other resolution was moved by myself as an amendment to the learned gentleman's very long resolution, that as there was not twenty-five persons present, their acts could not be imagined to express the sense of the County, the majority of the twenty or twenty-five, however, negatived the amendment, and of course voted themselves (not twenty persons) to be a meeting which could express the sense of the County. I urged on the consideration of the learned mover whether it would not be more credible and respectful to the County, to withdraw his resolution and abstain from further proceedings since it was manifestly absurd to call themselves a County meeting, or to imagine themselves a County (so few) authorized to express the opinion of the County on such grave subjects—he was deaf to all remonstrance, and seeing that the movers were determined to proceed, altho' none but themselves should be present, and the Chairman, Colin Campbell, Esq., did not feel himself competent to dismiss them so long as one person was in the Court House. It was evident they meant to pass all the resolutions prepared by the Gentlemen who were recognized as the very same who had been implicated with the learned gentleman, in the proceeding for which he was expelled from the House of Assembly, thus marking the character of the whole proceedings as being a mere Electioneering-trick.

The express object of this party was to use the name of the County to authorize three of themselves to draw up a Petition to the Lieut. Governor to dissolve the house, as if it were the sense of the whole County, with a population of near twenty thousand, and when such a petition is drawn up, altho' it cannot now have the sanction, or be proposed to even that skeleton of a shadow of a meeting, it will no doubt go forth as the Act of the County meeting, having, as I understand, expunged from their proceedings to be printed the two motions which were not carried, which had for their object to point out how small the number actually was that presumed to arrogate to itself the name of a County meeting.—Such, it is meant to go forth to the world, to England and to the Province, that the only men in our important County capable, by their patriotism and purity, to reform the Government and Legislature, are the learned doctor and his sworn allies, and not forgetting past days of petitioning notoriety there is much reason to suppose that even if their petition should not contain one word of truth they will find it, or manufacture names to be appended thereto, to give it the appearance of a character which it does not merit.

I understand the learned gentleman has announced his intention to offer himself to you again as a Candidate for your representation, whether this be true I know not, but the character of these transactions fully authorizes such a conclusion. I was in hopes that I might be allowed to retire from business for which my years make it a great sacrifice, but I gave him my pledge the very last time we met on your Hustings, that as often as he should appear on the Arena of Politics in this County, he should find me, if the Lord pleased, his opponent, for I then held and still hold his political conduct and principles as then manifested in such abhorrence and detestation, that I believe the greatest negative good I can render the County and the Province, is to prevent, by all lawful means, such a man from ever obtaining any public influence or power. It cannot be, my friends, that you ever could permit the said gentleman to appear before you, as a petitioner for your suffrages, on any public occasion, abstracted from his professional ability, which I believe by all acknowledged.

And I most solemnly protest, on your behalf, against the proceedings of the meeting

in the Court House on the 22nd inst. as to the Resolutions then passed and Petition authorized, being the act of a County meeting, for it was no such thing—they are the acts of not a dozen people, or more properly, of not more than four or five.

I remain, Gentlemen,  
Your Humble Servant,  
W. E. W. OWEN, M.P.P.  
for Charlotte.

To the Editor of the Standard.  
Sir— You will oblige a number of those who were present at the Public meeting in this place on the 27th April, by allowing me through your columns to correct the wilful mis-statements of your correspondent Dagald McDhu, respecting the objects and proceedings of that meeting. Instead of endeavoring to cast censure upon the late Lieut. Governor, "as he was now powerless and about to leave the Province," the whole scope of the statements made and resolutions passed, was to shew the extravagant expenditure of the Provincial Funds by the House of Assembly, and it was expressly understood, that no amendments should be made upon his Excellency, for the reasons, so insidiously stated by your correspondent. The meeting naturally noticed some of the most prominent mis-applications of the Public money made by the House—with respect to Mr. Baillie's salary; a few words will suffice to correct the singularly false statement of the mode in which that subject was bro't forward. Mr. Brown said, that as the meeting had been called to express their opinion upon the conduct of the House in their care of the public chest, wherever matter of praise could be found the meeting should be as ready to approve as they were in other cases to censure; and called for a vote of thanks to the House for refusing to sanction the grant of a Salary to Mr. Baillie; by which refusal according to Mr. Brown's statement a probable saving of £30,000 had been made by the Province, and he called upon Mr. Hill to corroborate his assertions. Mr. Hill gave a different complexion to the subject. He said that Mr. Baillie had offered to resign his situation upon a condition of receiving a returned allowance of £600 per annum. That the resignation had been accepted by His Excellency and the allowance paid upon his own responsibility; and that it still continued to be paid without any authority, and even after the expressed vote of refusal of the House. Finding therefore that the House had done no more than their duty in this isolated case, and that any resolution approving of their conduct must necessarily involve a severe censure upon Sir J. Harvey, no further notice was taken of the matter and Mr. Brown's suggestion fell to the ground; his defence of the vote of £4500 stg. to His Excellency, Mr. Brown could not have touched upon—a more unfortunate topic than a vote of thanks to the house for refusing to grant this Salary.

It is shrewdly hinted here that Dagald McDhu has sent this communication for the purpose of replying to his own Production, and thereby gaining an opportunity of indulging a little in a newspaper display of his well known rancorous feelings towards individuals.

Yours, &c.  
A.  
St Stephens, May 22, 1841.  
P.S.—The writers opinion is that Mr. Baillie is entitled to claim his situation the moment his salary is stopped when the question would properly arise as to the right to accept the resignation upon the proposed condition without consulting the House.

### THE STANDARD.

SAINT ANDREWS, FRIDAY, MAY 28, 1841

Charlotte County Bank.  
HON. HARRIS HATCH, President.  
Director next week—Hon. J. Allenshaw.  
DISCOUNT DAY, TUESDAY.  
Hours of business, from 10 to 2.  
BILLS and NOTES for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before Monday, otherwise they must be over until next week.

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Commissioner next week—John Lockary.

Marine Assurance Association.  
Director next week—P. Smith.  
Office hours from 10 till 3 o'clock, every day, Sunday excepted.

Saint Stephens Bank.  
WILLIAM PORTER, Esq., President.  
Director next week—Robert Lindsay.  
DISCOUNT DAY, SATURDAY.  
Hours of business, from 10 to 1.  
BILLS and NOTES for Discount must be lodged with the Cashier, on or before Friday, otherwise they must remain in his hands until the following discount day.

LATEST DATES.  
London, —May 3  
Liverpool, —May 4  
Paris, —May 1  
Edinburgh, —May 1  
Toronto, —May 18  
Montreal, —May 18  
Quebec, —May 18  
Halifax, —May 23  
New-York, May 21  
Boston, —May 24

ARRIVAL OF THE COLUMBIA.  
On our first page will be found a variety of extracts from English papers brought by the steamer Columbia, which arrived at Halifax on the 16th inst. in 12 days from Liverpool. There were no tidings of the President when she sailed.

We regret to notice that the Steamship Britannia, Capt. Cleland, from Boston, when near Halifax on the 18th inst., struck on the Sisters near Sambro Lighthouse, in a fog. She was backed off the reef immediately and

proceeded to Halifax—after an examination little injury could be discovered and the leak had stopped, but it was not deemed prudent to continue her voyage to Liverpool, and she was ordered to Saint John for repairs, where she arrived on Friday last.

TIMBER TRADE.—A Public Meeting took place here on Tuesday last, at the Court House, by requisition, to take into consideration the contemplated changes in the Timber Duties and West India Trade. The hon. James Allan Shaw was called to the chair, and John McKean appointed Secretary. A copy of a Petition against the alteration in these duties was submitted to the meeting, which was adopted. We shall give particulars in our next.

A General Meeting of the Saint Andrew's Branch Bible Society, took place at Paul's Hall, on Tuesday evening last. The Rev. James Thomson, the accredited Agent of the British and Foreign Bible Society, addressed the meeting; we cannot insert a full notice of the meeting in this day's paper, we shall, however, give the whole proceedings in our next.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—On Wednesday morning last a person named ARTHUR FOX, employed on Messrs. Wm Babcock & Son's Wharf, framing, while rolling a stick of timber, with a number of men, lost his balance and fell from the wharf into the dock among some sticks of timber on the back of his head, he was picked up immediately and medical assistance procured, the skull was not fractured, but a concussion of the brain had been produced; the poor man lingered for a few hours, when he died. He bore a good character for honesty, sobriety, and industry, but we regret to add that his family are really destitute. A subscription was immediately opened by Messrs. Babcock & Son among their workmen and vessels crews at the wharf, and the sum of Fifty Dollars subscribed.—We trust that something further will be done for this helpless family who have been deprived of a kind husband and affectionate parent.

PUBLIC MEETING.  
Pursuant to two requisitions addressed to the Sheriff, a public meeting for the purpose of giving the public generally an opportunity of expressing their sentiments with regard to the conduct of their Representatives, in the General Assembly of the Province during the last Session of the Legislature, and also as to other matters of public interest, was held in the Court House at St. Andrews, on Saturday, the 22nd instant, at 3 o'clock, P. M.—Messrs. Jones, Esq., Sheriff, having stated the object of the meeting; Colin Campbell, Esq., was called to the Chair, and Thomas Sims, Esq., appointed Secretary.

The following Resolutions were then offered to the meeting, moved by R. M. Andrews, and seconded by Robt. Thomson, Esq.—  
"Whereas there are in the present House of Assembly of this Province, a majority of members who virtually may be said to be rather Representatives of the Governor, than Representatives of the People—Four of this number are members of the Executive Council, and the remainder are either Supervisors of Roads, or hold some lucrative appointment from the Government, and whereas this party with the influence it cannot have failed to exercise over other members of Assembly, has, as its proceedings for the last four years have plainly testified, been enabled to carry any measure it desired, however contrary to the true interests of the country, and to misapply and squander the public at its pleasure, therefore,  
Resolved, That we cannot but reprobate the present alarming state of the public affairs, the continued lavish appropriations of the Public money, the rapid increase of taxation, and the lamentable situation of the Province, burthened, notwithstanding, with a heavy debt, to this iniquitous system, being in our minds, nothing less in its operation than an exercise of undue influence on the part of the Government, over the Representatives of the people." To which the following amendment was offered by H. H. Hatch, Esq., seconded by John Robinson, Esq.:

"Resolved, That this present meeting consisting of seventy-five persons, cannot be considered a fair representation of the population of this County, amounting to about Eighteen Thousand, upon so important occasion, and therefore resolved that it be deferred to a future day." To which the following amendment was offered by Mr. Peter Smith, seconded by Geo. F. Campbell, Esq.:

"Resolved, That from recent acts of the Legislature of Canada, Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and lately of this Province, that it is the opinion of this meeting, that the interests of this Colony would be better served, and very great expenses saved, by the suspension of the Local Legislature, and that the Governor, for the time being, with Council selected from the several Counties in the Province, be empowered to levy taxes and make appropriations, and all other matters connected with the Government of the Colony, and that a Petition be forwarded on the foregoing Resolution, and that His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, be requested to forward the same to the laid out of the Throne." Which being put to the meeting was negatived. The first amendment was then put to the meeting and also decided in the negative.

The question being then put on the original resolution it was adopted by the meeting. Moved by Doct. R. Thomson, seconded by S. G. Andrews.  
Resolved, That we view the Grant made by the House of Assembly, in their session of 1840, of the sum of £2000 Sterling to Sir John Harvey (voted as an increase of £500 per annum to the income determined upon as the salary of the Lieut. Governor of this Pro-

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