

HON. JOHN H. PRICE.

We regret that Mr. Price is about to resign his office as a Crown Lands' Commissioner. This has been taken entirely into private grounds, and without reference to his colleagues. Mr. Williams has sent a memorandum for the South of York.—Mr. Price has had the singular fortune of gaining the respect of all parties, from his connexion with the Government—so far as any subservient—but by a series of removals of his own equanimity and straightforwardness.

Madame Lebon, celebrated for her attractions at the Queen, Maria Antoniette, died two days since at Diane at the age of 70. She has left five nephews, the eldest of whom is 78 years of age.

LAST DAY IN THE STATES.—We observe the arrival at Quebec the ship *Empress* of the Island of Iroquois with a crew of 400 men, C. E. Levy & Co. We have learned that it has been sold in New York. Messrs. Young & Knapp, for the Western States, very evident that when the investigation of water is required, the whole importation of grain to the West must be through the channels of New York, as at present—*Advertiser*.

RITISH WHIG, DAY MORNING, SEPT' 14, 1819

THE PENITENTIARY.

In our paper of the 11th inst, we published an extract from the *Toronto Mirror* respecting the expenses of the late Penitentiary Commission, on which occasion we paid a passing compliment to that journal as being the most diligent of the ministerial prints. We did, however, in justice to the *Mirror*, to be said something more, and we now make our correction by saying that the contents of that paper, considering that they are on the liberal side of politics, and in general supporters of the present Government, did not give the public a better proof of their independence than by exposing, as have done, what we, in common with all, consider "a gross job." In our opinion the *Mirror* has not over-rated the amount expended upon what we have always considered an ill-judged and unnecessary expenditure, as the following statement will

Commissioners, each 300 days, at £2... £2 400
Secretary, do at £3... 900
expenses of two Commissioners to the
United States... 50
expenses, embracing carriage, hire,
Postage, Stationery, Printing, Clerks, Witnesses, Messenger, &c.,
and the Report... 250
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them up at the proper time, and we should not be at all surprised if a few more than shortly follow suit; as it is likely among these fair ladies, we understand they are by no means like angels' visits. We have been informed that in one of the shops, a short time ago, a convict was remonstrated with by one of the officers upon the impropriety of his conduct, when the gentleman by way of amusement, and to show his contempt for his superior, ceased from work, and kicked his tools round the shop in defiance of all order. It would naturally be supposed that to preserve the discipline of the establishment, and to serve as a warning to the other prisoners, a severe punishment would have been administered, but in such things, and in doubt, it would attach to the miserable and contemptible conduct and deserts who govern France. Against the French as a people we have nothing to say, but their rulers, with the grasping, scheming, and mean whom they have made President, and their head, are responsible for his evil—against the French Government. Unknown bold stand against the intervention of Russia in the Hungarian war, the Austrians would have been compelled to render themselves and just terms to Russia, would have acceded to it rather than risk a general European war.

But instead of pursuing such a line of policy, they are right in feeling that their rulers, with the grasping, scheming, and mean whom they have made President, and their head, are responsible for his evil—against the other Hungarian troops. The officers who are sent to the Austrian army, and to the command of his Government, have been sent to the camp of the Emperor, and are to be held responsible for the conduct of their officers, a matter altogether irrespective of discipline, and tending to the most serious results. A few days ago, we are told, a report was made against one of the officers by laughing and talking with them, for which it would reasonably be imagined that punishment would be inflicted on the convicts, and the officer be dismissed from his situation, but fortunately for the latter, he was one of the Commissioners' prime witnesses at the late investigation, and was too valuable a man to be got rid of on such trifling grounds, so he kept his post.

We can assure the Feather-Breasted that we have by no means done with this subject, and that they shall hear from us more anon.

* * * * * *Query.—Was the Commissioners' private postage paid by themselves, or did the Secretary frank their letters to their father, brother, and wife?*

HEALTH OF THE CITY.

Official Report made to the Board of Health of the Internals in the several Burials Gounds of Kingston, on the 13th August, 1819.—

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the God of battles, and their own indomitable courage, might have been averted.

The account which we publish this morning, in the full telegraphic report of the New York papers from Halifax, from what is here written we look upon the struggle of the Hungarians as virtually at an end. The conduct of Georgey certainly looks to say the least, strange. But we will not judge him hastily; we can scarcely believe he has played the traitor. Nothing is said of Domitski. We shall probably be able to give full accounts to-morrow.

For this unfortunate result of the struggle of a brave but oppressed people for liberty, much blame and forever, will attach to the miserable and contemptible conduct and deserts who govern France.