

Saturday evening, Oct. 26th, the Heart-of-Oak also arrived. Mr. Saxby, upon receiving information of what had passed here, instead of coming up to town in the ship, went ashore at Fort Johnson; and it being then certainly known, that Mr. Caleb Lloyd was actually to be DISTRIBUTOR of the stamps for this province, numbers of people again assembled, and seemed very uneasy; but Mr. Saxby being made acquainted at the Fort, of the commotions which had arisen throughout America on account of the STAMP ACT, and that it was as little relished here as any where, he expressed great concern that his acceptance of an office under it (that of inspector of the duties) had proved so odious and disagreeable to the people; and, in order to restore the public peace (which there was too much reason otherwise to fear might be disturbed) made a voluntary offer to suspend the execution of his office (which was all that seemed to be desired) till the determination of the King and Parliament of Great-Britain should be known, upon a united application to be made from his Majesty's Colonies, for a repeal of an act that had created so much confusion: Mr. Lloyd, who was then also at Fort Johnson, made a like voluntary declaration, in regard to his office of distributor; And,

Sunday evening, Oct. 27th, these declarations, in writing, were publickly read on the Bay, to the general joy of the inhabitants, which was shewn by loud and repeated acclamations, and the ringing of St. Michael's bells unmuffled.

Monday morning, Oct. 28th, St. Michael's bells were again rang, the vessels in the harbour displayed their colours, and some gentlemen, friends to the two officers, went from town to Fort Johnson, to bring them up under their protection. At noon they came ashore at Mr. Mott's wharf, from a boat, in the head of which was hoisted an union-flag, with the word "LIBERTY" in the center, and a laurel branch on the top of the staff. Upon their landing, a lane was instantly made, amidst the greatest concourse of people that ever were assembled here upon any occasion (being supposed upwards of seven thousand souls) and a new declaration was publickly read, under the hands and seals of the two gentlemen, which proved satisfactory to the whole assembly.

This was no sooner read, than followed by the most hearty shouts of approbation: Then Mr. Saxby and Mr. Lloyd verbally assured the people, that the declaration then read, was their free and voluntary act, and it was their intention strictly to adhere to the true intent and meaning of it; whereupon the air rang with the music of bells, drums, hautboys, violins, huzza's, firing of cannon, &c. &c. and the flag before-mentioned being carried before them, the music continuing, they were conducted to Mr. Dillon's tavern, and after taking some refreshment there, to their own houses.—By three o'clock every one had retired to his own home, and all was peace and good order; and at night the streets were patrolled, to see that no sort of insult or injury should be offered to the persons or properties of the gentlemen who had suspended the execution of their offices; but the satisfaction of the public was so universal and so compleat, that no such thing seemed even to be thought of, and the town has ever since been remarkably composed. The damage done to Mr. Saxby's windows, (not amounting to 5 l. sterl.) and whatever loss has been sustained, if any, we are told, is, or will be made good. — And thus happily has ended an affair from which the most terrible consequences were apprehended; the people relying upon the wisdom and justice of the parliament, in receiving and hearing their humble remonstrances, representations or petitions, and granting such relief as may be prayed for.

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