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"Sworn to no Master, of no Sect am I."

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.—The sons of old England will commemorate the Anniversary of the Patron Saint to-morrow, at the Pulteney Hotel, where a numerous party will dine after the old English fashion, and drink prosperity to "the land of their fathers." Mr. Levien is an active caterer, and will no doubt, in his usual style, make ample provision for his company.

COURTS OF QUARTER SESSIONS.—The business of these Courts, throughout the Colony, is so rapidly increasing, that it has become high time that the government should bethink itself of abolishing that most un-English appointment—a travelling Chairman, and permit the Magistrates of the various districts of the Colony to exercise their common law right of nominating one of their own body to the office of Chairman of the Quarter Sessions for the district in which such Sessions may be held. It is quite impossible that one President of those Courts can get through the daily augmenting business which comes before them. Get rid of the office, therefore, altogether, we say, and there will not only be a saving of public money, but its duties would be more effectually performed ; and if, added to this, our *economical* Botany Bay Whig rulers could only be persuaded to make something of a similar reform in the Courts of Requests, the public would save nearly £2,000 a-year, which, we beg leave to suggest, is no joke now-a-days. At all events, it is high time that the office of

to suggest, is no joke now-a-days. At all events, it is high time that the office of travelling Chairman of Quarter Sessions were abolished. Indeed we are surprised that it should have existed so long under a government which *professes* such a desire to foster an *independent* country magistracy, similar to that from which the Mother Country derives such universally acknowledged advantages.

The intended improvements in the lower part of George-street, by cutting the Brickfield-hill so as to relieve the ascent, have been stopt, in consequence of a Petition from the inhabitants setting forth the injury to property that will accrue from such a deep excavation. The levelling system in different streets, without occasioning any great improvement, has already deteriorated property in some parts of Sydney, where the houses are either perched eight and ten feet above, or sunk the same depth below the level of the streets, forty or fifty per cent. The levelling system does not work well in this Colony.

THE ROADS.—The road between Myrtle Creek and the Stonequarry has long been in so bad a state as to be almost impassable for the market carts and teams from the New Country. Last week Mrs. Harris of Parramatta, who was returning from Argyle, was thrown from a cart which was upset by the wheel passing into a deep rut in the road, and killed on the spot. The report of the Inquest has not reached town, but it is to be hoped that a Jury will make

such a representation to the Government as to cause an enquiry into the case, and repairs of the road. “Look to Governor Bourke’s improvements on the roads through the Colony.”—*Mr. Wentworth’s speech at the Meeting!*

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