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WM. JOHNSTON, - - Proprietor.

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☞ Good Stabling on the Premises.

MAY 13th, 1878. 14 1y

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BERRY'S MILLS, N. B.

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PINE, SPRUCE, HEMLOCK AND HARDWOOD LATHS, PALINGS, SHINGLES—PINE, SPRUCE AND CEDAR, PINE CLAPBOARDS.

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March 10, 1883. 14-1yr

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Consignments sold and prompt returns made.

AUCTION SALES attended to any place n the County.

Newcastle, May 5, 1883.

James C. Fairey,

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NEWCASTLE, - - - - - N. B.

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Sept. 25, 1883.

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Send $5, $10, or $20 for an assortment of Shells at wholesale prices. You will find quick sale for them.

Bazaar Committees!! Send for our "Special terms" Circular for Churches.

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NOTICE.

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JESSIE PARKER, } Executrix and Executor of said Estate.
THOMAS PARKER, }

Derby, Oct. 18th, 1883. 3m.

VOCAL CULTURE.

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Oct. 9, 1883. 3m.

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Manufacturers of

FIRE & BURGLAR PROOF

Safes and Vaults,

Awarded First Prize, Diploma and Three Medals at Montreal and Toronto. First Prize, Silver Medal at Centennial Exhibition, St. John, N. B., 1883.

Warerooms at MONTREAL, 31 St. James Street West, adjoining *Witness* Office.

Terms of payment made easy.

Write for information to

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THE Subscriber returns thanks to his numerous customers for past favors, and would say to all that he keeps constantly on hand a full supply of the best quality of goods to be had and at lowest rates for cash. Also, S. R. Foster & Son's Nails and Tacks of all sizes, and Clarke & Son's Boot Trees, Lasts, &c. English Tops as well as home made Tops to order, of the best material. Wholesale and Retail. W. CHRISTIE & CO., No. 1 King St., St. John, N. B.

April 29, 1879. 30

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July 17, 1878.

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July 18th, 1878.

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NOTARY PUBLIC,

CONVEYANCER, &c.

CHATHAM, - - - - N. B.

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BARRISTER AT LAW.

Solicitor, Notary Public, &c., &c.,

CHATHAM, N. B.

July 10, 1877.

R. B. ADAMS,

Attorney-at Law

Notary Public, &c.

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DESBRISAY & DESBRISAY,

Barristers, Attorneys, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc.

OFFICES:

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CAMPBELLTON, N. B.

May 5, 1879. 7

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Barrister & Attorney-at-Law,

NOTARY PUBLIC,

CAMPBELLTON, N. B.

OFFICE:—MURRAY'S BUILDING, WATER STREET.

May 1, 1882.

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April 2. 1yr.

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St. John, N. B.

GEO. B. SEELY. T. H. McMILLAN.

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We Have Reduced

—THE PRICES OF—

Acme Club Skates,

AND ARE SELLING THEM

At the Lowest Prices in the City.

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Nov. 24, 1883.

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CHANDELIER, HANGING, BRACKET & TABLE LAMPS.

LAMP CHIMNEYS,

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AT LOWEST PRICES.

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St. John, April 2, 1883.

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Now Landing:

1 case LUBIN'S PERFUMES.

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Just Received: One Case

Howard's Sulphate Quinine.

For sale by T. B. BARKER & SONS.

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Newcastle, March 1, 1881

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Newcastle, July 12, 1880

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Newcastle, April 10, 1883.

Circular Saws.

MR. MOODY & SONS]

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for cutting wood into stove lengths by a one or two Horse-Power are the most simple, durable and easily managed of any in the market.

Orders for these machines are respectfully solicited by

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Successors to Chappell & Storer.

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and Shippers of all kinds of

FRESH FISH,

LOBSTERS, TURTLE, ETC.

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Stands 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8 and 9,

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The largest freezing capacity of any one firm in the business, and the only one which has its freezers in direct connection with the stands.

August 1, 1883. 6m

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Having recently added to my business a

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT,

well stocked with all the newest and most fashionable materials, I would respectfully inform the people of Bathurst and surrounding country that I am prepared to receive orders for every description of Millinery, which will receive the very best attention. This department is under the direction of a lady who has had considerable experience in some of the leading establishments in the United States, which is of itself a sufficient guarantee that all work will be done in a creditable and satisfactory manner.

Special attention given to orders from a distance.

A. S. SUTHERLAND.

Bathurst, Oct. 9, 1883. 3m

THE CELEBRATED

B. LAURANCE SPECTACLES.

H. A. Johnson, Dalhousie, N. B.,

Agent for Counties of

Restigouche, Bonaventure and Gaspe.

A LARGE STOCK ON HAND.

Mr. Laurance makes frequent visits to examine and fill up stock, and fit difficult cases

Oct. 23, 1883.

WISDOM & FISH,

IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN

Rubber & Leather Belting,

Wrought Iron Pipes and Steam Fittings, Steam and Hot Water Heating.

Dock Street, St. John, N. B.

Removal Notice.

The subscriber begs to inform his numerous friends and customers that he has removed from the premises lately occupied by him, [near Railway Station] to his large and convenient Store on the Wharf, near Ferry Landing, where he is prepared to attend to all old customers, and as many new ones as will call.

IN STOCK:

200 BARRELS OF

SUPERIOR GRADES OF FLOUR,

25 bbls. Corn Meal, 25 bbls. Oatmeal, 75 bbls. Mess Pork, 200 bbls Herring, 100 quintals Codfish, 1000 sacks Salt, 10 casks Molasses, 1000 bushels OATS, Tea, Tobacco, and a general assortment of

Groceries, Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Harness & Hardware.

Country Produce taken in Exchange.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

J. P. MOWAT.

Campbellton, Dec. 12, 1883. 19-3m

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY,

1883. Winter Arrangement, 1884.

ON and after MONDAY, the 10th December, the trains will run daily, [Sundays excepted,] as follows:

WILL LEAVE NEWCASTLE:

For Quebec,	2.25 a. m
For Moncton and St. John,	11.00 a. m
For Campbellton,	4.25 p. m
For Halifax and St. John,	12.25 p. m

All trains are run by Eastern Standard time.

D. POTTINGER, Chief Supt.

Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., December 6, 1883.

Intercolonial Railway.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

EXCURSION TICKETS

Will be issued from all Booking Stations at ONE FIRST-CLASS FARE from

FRIDAY, THE 21st INST.,

up to and including TUESDAY, the 1s JANUARY good for the double journey and available to return by any passenger train until the 7th January.

D. POTTINGER, Chief Supt.

Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., 15th December, 1883. 19-3w

Rev. Father Wilds' EXPERIENCE.

The Rev. Z. P. Wilds, well-known city missionary in New York, and brother of the late eminent Judge Wilds, of the Massachusetts Supreme Court, writes as follows:

"78 *E. 54th St., New York, May 16, 1883.*

MESSRS. J. C. AYER & CO., Gentlemen:

Last winter I was troubled with a most uncomfortable itching humor affecting more especially my limbs, which itched so intolerably at night, and burned so intensely, that I could scarcely bear any clothing over them. I was also a sufferer from a severe catarrh and catarrhal cough; my appetite was poor, and my system a good deal run down. Knowing the value of AYER'S SARSAPARILLA, by observation of many other cases, and from personal use in former years, I began taking it for the above-named disorders. My appetite improved almost from the first dose. After a short time the fever and itching were allayed, and all signs of irritation of the skin disappeared. My catarrh and cough were also cured by the same means, and my general health greatly improved, in all it is now excellent. I feel a hundred per cent stronger, and I attribute these results to the use of the SARSAPARILLA, which I recommend with all confidence as the best blood medicine ever devised. I took it in small doses three times a day, and used, in all, less than two bottles. I place these facts at your service, hoping their publication may do good.

Yours respectfully, Z. P. WILDS."

The above instance is but one of the many constantly coming to our notice, which prove the perfect adaptability of AYER'S SARSAPARILLA to the cure of all diseases arising from impure or impoverished blood, and a weakened vitality.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

cleanses, enriches, and strengthens the blood, stimulates the action of the stomach and bowels, and thereby enables the system to resist and overcome the attacks of all *Scrofulous Diseases, Eruptions of the Skin, Rheumatism, Catarrh, General Debility*, and all disorders resulting from poor or corrupted blood and a low state of the system.

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Sold by all Druggists; price $1, six bottles for $5.

AYER'S CATHARTIC PILLS.

Best Purgative Medicine

cure Constipation, Indigestion, Headache, and all Bilious Disorders.

Sold everywhere. Always reliable.

New CARPETS.

RECEIVED TO-DAY:

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Tapestry Carpets,

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100 At Depot Ex. Durham City: Bbls. English Portland Cement, J. B. White & Brothers Brand. For sale low by A. J. BABANG & CO.

Moncton, Dec. 5, 1883.

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A. J. BABANG & CO.

Moncton, Dec. 5, 1883.

THIRTY YEARS.

Important trial of THIRTY YEARS decided, and a jury of half a million people have given their verdict that

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KING OF PAIN!

$100 will be paid for a case it will not cure or help of the following Diseases: Diphtheria and Rheumatism, Scalds, Chilblains, Galls, Boils, Sprains, Lumbago, Bronchitis, Burns, Toothache, Broken Breasts, Sore Nipples, Felons, Stings, Frost Bites, Bruises, Old Sores, Wounds, Earache, Pain in the Side or Back, Contraction of the Muscles.

There is nothing like it when taken internally for Cramps, Colic, Croup, Colds, Coughs, Pleurisy, Hoarseness, and Sore Throat. It is perfectly harmless, and can be given according to directions without any injury whatever.

A Positive Cure for Corns and Warts,

And will produce a fine growth of Hair on bald heads in cases where the hair has fallen, from disease, as thousands of testimonials will prove. A trial will convince the most sceptical that the above is true. Send to us for testimonials of distinguished men who have used

MINARD'S LINIMENT,

And now have a beautiful crop of Hair; and hundreds who have used it are willing to swear that by the use of MINARD'S LINIMENT they have obtained a new growth of Hair.

W. J. NELSON & CO., Proprietors, Bridgewater, N. S

Wholesale Agent, Newcastle, E. Lee Street.

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Skating & Curling Rink Company.

AMENDED SCALE OF PRICES FOR SEASON TICKETS:

Gentleman's Ticket, Skating, (all ages above 17,)	$5 00
Boy's Ticket, Skating, (12 to 17 years,)	4 00
Lady's " "	3 00
Child's " " (12 years and under,)	2 50
Subscriber's Ticket, Skating,	5 00
Additional tickets to members of same family, young men under 17 excepted.	1 00
Monthly Ticket, Skating,	2 00
Promenade Ticket,	2 00
Single Admittance, Skating,	15
" " Promenade,	10

No tickets admit their holders to Carnivals. General admission to Carnivals 25 cents, skating or promenade.

The Rink will open for the season on

Thursday Evening, Dec. 20th.

when the RINK BRASS BAND will be in attendance.

A GRAND

Holiday Carnival!

—WILL BE HELD ON—

Thursday Evening, Dec. 27th,

—AT WHICH—

4 Handsome Prizes

will be awarded to the best character representations.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT:

John D. Creaghan, J. Fred. Harley.
James Brown, James C. Fairey.
John Ferguson, Secy.-Treasurer.

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We have just received 60 pairs of the

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IN PLAIN AND NICKLE PLATED.

THE IMPERIAL is of most simple construction, requiring no Wrench, Nut, or Bolt, is easy on the shoe sole and heel; the ACME speaks for itself.

SKATE FITTINGS ON HAND.

Come and secure a pair of either for a Chrismas Present for wife, sister, daughter or son. Our line of

FANCY CUPS, VASES,

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SOOP HER UP!

Brooms Up!

Come, Tam and Tonald, secure a

GOOD CURLER'S BESOM,

The ice is in good condition. Learn to make a

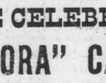
TEE SHOT.

These brooms will outlast four of any other kind. Procure one at the store of

McEWEN & BUCK.

Commercial Wharf.

Newcastle, Dec. 18, 1883.



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International Steamship Co.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

TWO TRIPS A WEEK.

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, DEC. 3rd the steamers of this Line will make two trips a week, leaving St. John every

Monday and Thursday Mornings, at 8 o'clock,

for Eastport, Portland and Boston, connecting at Eastport with Steamer Charles Houghton for St. Andrews, Calais and St. Stephen.

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Freight received Wednesday and Saturday only, up to 5 o'clock p. m.

H. W. CHISHOLM, Agent,

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Harness & Collars.

The Cheapest. The Best.

Having had considerable experience in supplying the lumbermen of this County with all kinds of

Harness Supplies,

I feel confident that I can attend to all orders in the most satisfactory manner. As the prospects for the coming winter are not as bright as usual, I intend to furnish everything in my line at a GREAT REDUCTION on former prices—preferring to have quick sales and small profits. All kinds of

LUMBERING HARNESS

Collars, Halters, Surcingles, Brushes, Curry Combs, Snaps Bells, Sweat-Pads, Horse Blankets, Whips and Thongs, Harness Oil, Neatsfoot Oil, and every thing required about a stable.

Horse Blankets made to Order.

Repairing Promptly Attended to. Charges Moderate.

M. O. THOMPSON.

Newcastle, Oct. 30, 1883.

HARNESS.

The subscriber is prepared to supply promptly, every description of

Heavy Team Harness & Collars,

of which he keeps a good stock on hand. Also Team Whips, Horse Blankets, Sweat Pads, Bells, including the Gong Shaft Bell), Curry Combs, Brushes, McLaughlan Harness Oil, Electric Polish for mountings and the usual variety of

LIGHT DRIVING HARNESS

and other articles usually kept in a Harness Establishment.

Orders respectfully solicited.

JOHN CLARK.

Newcastle, Dec. 1, 1883.

OCTOBER 16, 1883,

DANIEL and BOYD

ARE NOW OPENING

VELVETEENS, Third Repeat,

a complete assortment in Black and all leading colors.

Velvet and Velvet Ribbons,

7 cases Colored Cashmeres to assort, ranges now complete.

FLANNELS,

Unshrinkable Fancy Flannels, Opera Twills leading colors, Blankets, Horse Rugs, Camp Blankets, Mantles and Jackets, latest novelties in Eamasse, Soleil, Diagonal and Beaver Cloth. Ulsters, women's and children's [all sizes,] Plain and Fancy Mixtures. Gloves, [Lisle lined,] Cashmere, Cloth, Lined Kid and Castor Mitts. Mufflers, Cashmere and Silk, 300 doz. Linen Handkerchiefs, new Printed Borders, &c. 1500 dozen

Wool Shirts & Drawers.

Market Square and Chipman's Hill. St. John.

St. John, Oct. 19.

THE CELEBRATED

"ELLORA" CARPETS

Awarded the Silver Medal at the late Dominion Exhibition held in this City.

THE BEST VALUE AND THE FINEST

GOODS IN THE DOMINION,

At the present day for the price.

Will be offered from this time forward at Retail,

AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

T. R. JONES & CO., SOLE AGENTS.

St. John, Nov. 21.

A CURE GUARANTEED IN ALL CASES

MAGNETIC MEDICINE.

Positively cures Night Losses, Spermatorrœa, Impotency, Nervous Debility, and for all Weaknesses of the Generative Organs an **Untailing and Positive Cure.** Tones up the debilitated system, arrests all involuntary discharges, removes mental gloom and despondency, and restores wonderful power to the weakened organs. ☞ With each order for TWELVE packages, accompanied with five dollars, we will send our GUARANTEE to refund the money if the treatment does not effect a cure. It is the **Cheapest and Best** Medicine in the market. Full particulars in Pamphlet, which we mail free to any address. Sold by all Druggists, one package 50 cts; six for $2.50, or sent by mail on receipt of price, by addressing the **MACK'S MAGNETIC MEDICINE CO., WINDSOR, ONT.** Sold with Guarantee of Cure only by E. Lee Street, Newcastle.

Rx No. 66.

Endorsed by the French Academy of Medicine for **Inflammation of the Urinary Organs,** caused by Indiscretion or Exposure, Hotel Dieu Hospital, Paris, Treatment. Positive cure in one to three days. Local treatment only required. No nauseous doses of Cupebs or Copaiba.

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RAW FURS.

I am paying the highest prices in cash for the following Raw Furs:—Otter, Beaver, Bear Mink, Martin, Lynx, Fox, Rat.

JAMES BROWN.

Newcastle, Dec. 11, 1883.

General Intelligence.

Lotteries.

Mr. E. King Dodds, the publisher of the *Canadian Sportsman*, has been fined twenty dollars and costs for promoting a lottery scheme in connection with his newspaper. The evidence adduced at the trial showed that the defendant had published a proposal or scheme by which he promised to dispose of one twenty-dollar gold piece, one set of harness and one five dollar gold piece to the three parties who, having bought copies of the *Canadian Sportsman* for ten cents each, make the nearest guess, respectively, as to the number of beans in a certain sealed bottle exposed in a shop window in Toronto. On Christmas Eve the beans were to be counted and the prizes awarded. The Lottery Act provides that "if any person makes, "prints, advertises, or publishes, or "causes or procures to be made, "printed, advertised, or published, "any proposal, scheme, or plan for "advancing, lending, giving, selling, "or in any other way disposing of "any property, either real or personal, "by lots, cards, tickets, or any other "mode of chance, whatever, &c., shall "forfeit the sum of $20 and costs," and the Magistrate held Mr. Dodds to have violated this enactment, his view being that the Legislature evidently intended to prohibit everything in the nature of a lottery or having the like tendency, and if a scheme such as this is not prohibited by the Act, the Act is a nullity, for lotteries could always be arranged in this way, and would be readily patronized as it the chance were decided by the turn of a wheel and the drawing of a number.

The law is undoubtedly a good one but it is to be feared that its administration is somewhat lax and partial. If so comparatively harmless a scheme for promoting the sale of his newspaper as Mr. Dodds adopted, a scheme moreover that was honestly conducted towards the subscribers, is to come under the ban of the law, and the law is impartially administered, the usefulness of church bazaars is gone. Curiously enough, Mr. Dodds got his idea from a church bazaar, and believing that the law is not operated on the principle that the end justifies the means, he may be excused for not knowing the illegality of the scheme. Since a good and stringent law against all schemes of chance does exist in Ontario, the authorities ought to carry its administration a little further than they have yet done. Bucket shops ply their trade successfully in Toronto and fleece their victims unmercifully, not out of dimes but out of hundreds of dollars, by inducing them to stake their money on a turn of the stock or grain markets. Let the authorities apply the law to these people, and they will earn the gratitude of all right thinking men.

Saved by an Albatross.

A singular story, says the Sidney *Telegraph*, has been related to us by the master of the barque 'Gladstone', which arrived from London last Saturday. On the 22nd of last month, while the vessel was in latitude 42 degrees south and longitude 90 degrees east, a seaman fell overboard, from the starboard gangway. The barque was scudding along with a rough sea and moderate wind, but the alarm of "man overboard" being given she was rounded to, and the starboard life-boat was lowered, manned by the chief officer and four men. A search for the unfortunate man was made, but owing to the roughness of the sea he could not be discovered; but the boat steered to the spot where he was last seen. Here they found him floating, but exhausted, clinging for dear life to the legs and wings of a huge albatross. The bird had swooped down on the man while the latter was struggling with the waves and attempted to peck him with its powerful beak. Twice the bird attacked its prey unsuccessfully, being beaten off by the desperate sailor, battling with two enemies,—the water and the albatross,—both greedy and insatiable. For the third time the huge white form of the bird hovered over the seaman, preparatory to a final swoop. The bird, eager for its meal, fanned its victim with its wide spread wings. Suddenly a thought occurred to him that the huge form so close to his face might become his involuntary rescuer. Quick as thought he reached up and seized the bird, which he proceeded to strangle with all his might. The huge creature struggled with wings and paddles to free itself. In the contest the sailor was beaten black and blue, and cruelly lacerated, but he held his own, and slowly the bird quivered and died. The carcass floated lightly on the waves, its feathers forming a comfortable support for the exhausted man, who had so narrowly escaped a lingering death. But another danger awaited him. He was not much of a swimmer, and the excitement of the extraordinary conflict began to tell upon him. He was faint and grew giddy. But with one arm around the albatross's body, under the wing, and one hand clutching the bird's feet, the sailor awaited his chance of rescue. Presently he heard his comrades shout from the boat, and in a few minutes more was safe on board the barque, though a good deal shaken and exhausted.

A Decline in Oil.

[*Philadelphia Call.*]

"Don't you think," remarked Mrs Bullion, settling herself into a new Eastlake chair, "that after the mint of money we have spent in our viller, there is something lacking?"

"You are right about that," answered Mr. Bullion, "and I think I know what the trouble is. With all your fine furniture and brick-back, and such things, the walls are as bare as a saw mill. Now, maybe, you see where the lack comes in!"

"Goodness gracious! so I do. Why, we've forgot all about the pictures."

"Jes' so. What we want is paintings—oil paintings. I saw some advertised to-day for sale at auction, and it's mighty lucky we thought of it in time, for these artist fellows are mighty high toned about prices, you know."

"But is this a good time to buy?"

"Couldn't be better, my dear. They are all painted in oil, the advertisement says so, and I see by another paper that oil is cheaper than it has been for a year past. I'll rush down and grab the hull lot.

THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA.—An American engineer, being engaged in the construction of a railway in China, who has had unusually favorably opportunities of examining the famous great wall built to obstruct the incursions of the Tartars, gives the following account of this wonderful work; the wall is 1 728 miles long, 18 feet wide, and 15 feet thick at the top. The foundation throughout is of solid granite, the remainder of compact masonry. At intervals of between two hundred and three hundred yards towers rise up twenty-five to forty feet high, and twenty-four feet in diameter. On the top of the wall, on both sides of it are masonry parapets, to enable the defenders to pass unseen from one tower to another. The wall itself is carried from point to point in a perfectly straight line, across valleys and plains and over hills, without the slightest regard to the configuration of the ground; sometimes plunging into abysses a thousand feet deep. Brooks and rivers are bridged over by the wall, while on both banks of larger streams strong flanking towers are placed.—*Scientific American.*

Our Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17, 1883.

The National Capital is now in holiday attire. The streets are gay with merry throngs of shoppers in warm, bright colors that lend an added charm to the clear winter atmosphere which seems to infuse a spirit of felicity into everyone. The air is full of the suppressed murmur of gift secrets that will burst forth into full bloom on Christmas morning. Pennsylvania Avenue is transformed from a homeward channel for Government clerks, and a fashionable promenade, into a live, bustling, crowded thoroughfare down which, at the noon hour of the day, you must almost elbow your way through a bright and busy multitude. But it is a real pleasure, for one fond of the beautiful, to walk on this broad business and political centre these sunny afternoons during shopping hours. If he is not charmed by the beautiful matrons and belles of Washington society, who find recreation from their social duties in this Christmas shopping, he will at least be attracted by the glitter of the shop windows. It is in these windows that the stir in the pulses of trade is most manifest. Art has been spent to supplement the attractions of commerce, until it is hard to tell which it is that exercises the most potent temptation—the artistic design and arrangement, or the flush of colors, the sheen of satin, and the shimmer of silk. The holiday season at the Capital seems to begin earlier every year, and never before in the history of Washington have the stores glowed with such wealth, such delicacy of fabrics, such mingled harmony of beauty and use.

Washington is fast absorbing the best social element of all the leading cities, and all sections of the country send their fair representatives—ladies who are distinguished in society here for their elegant manners, many for their beauty, their entertaining qualifications, their womanly attributes, and their virtues. Since the election of Mr. Carlisle to the speakership, the latest incursion in social circles has been from the Blue Grass region. One would be surprised at the number of Kentucky's daughters now at the Capital. They are of course led by Mrs. Carlisle and Mrs. Beck, the latter a grand-niece of George Washington, and I could recall a long list which would almost consume my space. It is said that Kentucky leads all the other States, excepting New York, in the number of its social representatives. Several much-needed social reforms are promised for this season, and first among these is the pleasant prospect that the rather vulgar profusion of food and general over-display which has characterized dinner parties for some seasons past will shortly give way to more simple bills of fare and severer but more truly elegant style in the manner of serving and decorations, floral and otherwise. There is one condition of society at the Capital in which reform is much needed but for which there is no present prospect of improvement. It is becoming more and more impossible for anybody engaged in steady employment to go much into society, for the hours are becoming later and later until a ball means almost an all night affair. The fault of this lies in the fact that all are afraid of being the first to enter the house that has been swept, garnished, garlanded and lighted for a ball. Usually guests do not begin to arrive until about ten o'clock. It is claimed for Washington that it is the only American city where "society" really exists—that is, the meeting and intermingling of men on true social conditions. Everywhere it is who were your father and mother? what do you do? or how much are you worth? here it is what are you? and what can you contribute toward the enlightenment or the entertainment of others.

I happened in the room of the Board of Appeals of the Patent Office on Saturday, and there the central figure was a large white-haired man gesticulating awkardly with a telephone. It was Roscoe Conkling, and he was making an argument for Edison in the big telephone interference with Bell and others. The ex Senator has grown much stouter since his then corset-like waist and tight fitting clothes were the talk of the Senate and country. But now the fact is Mr. Conkling is under dressed rather than an over dressed man. He had on a loose, ill-fitting business suit, baggy at the knees, and altogether a sawkward as the clothes turned out by the London tailors. His necktie lacked the gorgeous hue of old, and the handkerchief was not as brilliant as in the days when he posed for the pleasure of ladies in the Senate gallery. Mr. Conkling is now making money in his profession at the rate of nearly $100,000 a year, and if he takes good care of his money he will in the course of a few years be a rich man. That has always been his earnest desire, and when he gets half a million in hand he will be able to retire from the law with a good deal more equanimity than he manifested in leaving the Senate.

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