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FRIDAY, 12TH JULY, 1839.

[PRICE ONE PENNY.]

subscribers have received, per *Eleutheria & Royal Tar*, their usual supply of  
**LONDON STATIONARY,**  
 Comprising a very general assortment;  
 ALSO,  
**A FEW BOOKS,**

Among which are the following:  
 THE Cabinet of Paintings, very elegant,  
 Fisher's Drawing-Room Scrap Book,  
 Books and Albums, various bindings,  
 Nature Classical Library, 62 vols. bound in  
 silk, in a case,  
 Bibles, Prayer Books, Testaments, and Church  
 Services, in great variety.

W. COWAN & SON,  
 St. Peter Street, Lower Town,  
 St. John Street, Upper Town.

MISS HILL,

Organist of the Saint Patrick's Church in this city,  
 DESires to intimate to her friends and the  
 public, that she is prepared to receive  
 pupils on the

PIANO, HARP, GUITAR,  
 THOROUGH BASS,  
 and Italian and English Singing.

It is the intention of Miss Hill to become  
 permanent resident in Quebec, those pupils  
 consented to her will be afforded an opportunity  
 being thorough instructed in either or all  
 of the above branches; and from having re-  
 ceived instruction under the first masters in  
 profession, she feels confident in being able  
 to give entire satisfaction.—Terms known by  
 application at her residence, No. 14, Saint  
 John's Street, Grand Battery.  
 Quebec, 17th June, 1839.

R. C. TODD,  
 HERALD PAINTER.

PAINTING  
 In Water Colours.

DELCOUR, No. 3, St. John Street,  
 Upper Town, will take a few pupils for  
 instruction in Painting Landscape in Water  
 Colours.  
 Quebec, 20th May, 1839.

J. JONES,  
 Engraver and Copper-Plate Printer,  
 REMOVED to No. 2, PALACE STREET,  
 next door to the Albion Hotel.  
 Quebec, 20th May, 1839.

NEW  
 FUR AND CAP STORE.

FISCHBLATT, (from Prussia,) respec-  
 tfully announces to the inhabi-  
 tants of Quebec, that he has opened a Store at  
 No. 40, Beaubien Street, Upper Town,  
 where he will constantly have on hand a  
 large and extensive assortment of Furs and  
 Military Caps, made up to the latest  
 London and Parisian fashions.  
 He also has on hand a variety of  
 Fur and Cloth Caps altered to fashion-  
 able shapes at short notice.  
 Quebec, 3rd July.

NEW  
 DRY GOODS STORE.

The undersigned respectfully announce  
 to their friends and the public, that they  
 have commenced business on the premises  
 occupied by Mr. Hobbs, No. 12, St.  
 John Street—where they have just received  
 a large and extensive assortment of  
 Goods, and are prepared to receive  
 orders for a choice and fashionable assortment,  
 by one of the partners from the best  
 sources in England and Scotland.  
 L. BALLINGALL & CO.  
 N. B.—NO SECOND FLOOR.  
 Quebec, 27th May, 1839.

**FRESH SEEDS.**  
 Just received per late arrivals, a supply of  
**RED AND WHITE CLOVER SEEDS,**  
 —Also, Turnips, Pease, Beans, &c. &c.  
 of various kinds, and warranted of last year's  
 growth.

BEGG & URQUHART,  
 13 St. John Street, and  
 8 Notre Dame Street,  
 Lower Town.  
 Quebec, 1st June.

**TURNIPI SEEDS.**  
 THE Subscribers have received their usual  
 supply of  
**YELLOW ABERDEEN,  
 WHITE GLOBE,  
 RED NORFOLK,  
 EARLY STONE,  
 MALTA, DUTCH, POMERANIAN,  
 and other kinds of Turnip Seed.**

ALSO,  
**RED AND WHITE CLOVER.  
 MUSSON & SAVAGE.**  
 Quebec, 19th June, 1839.

**SUPERIOR Arrow Root** received di-  
 rect from BERMUDA;

ALSO—  
**A case of genuine  
 COLOGNE WATER,**  
 Direct from the house of JEAN MARIA  
 FARINA, Cologne; for sale by  
 BEGG & URQUHART,  
 St. John's Street.  
 14th June, 1839.

**COLOGNE WATER.**  
 A CASE of the above direct from the Manu-  
 factory of JEAN-MARIE FARINA, Cologne,  
 just received and for sale by  
 MUSSON & SAVAGE,  
 Chemists, &c.  
 21st June.

**DRUGS AND MEDICINES.**  
 THE SUBSCRIBERS have received per  
*Eleutheria and Emmanuel* their usual  
 supplies of ENGLISH and other DRUGS,  
 CHEMICALS, &c., comprising every article  
 generally required, either in Medical Prac-  
 tice, or family use.

ALSO—AN ASSORTMENT OF  
**SURGEONS' INSTRUMENTS AND MATE-  
 RIALS, MAW'S IMPROVED DOMESTIC  
 INSTRUMENT, FAMILY MEDICINE  
 CHESTS, &c.**  
 With numerous other Articles.  
 MUSSON & SAVAGE,  
 CHEMISTS, &c.  
 Quebec, 14th June.

**FRESH LEECHES.**  
 A LARGE supply of the GERMAN MEDI-  
 CINAL LEECH, of large size and superi-  
 or quality, just received, and for sale low, by  
 MUSSON & SAVAGE,  
 Chemists & Druggists.  
 Quebec, 10th June, 1839.

**PARTNERSHIP.**  
 THE Subscribers respectfully beg leave to  
 acquaint their friends and the public in ge-  
 neral, that the business heretofore conducted by  
 J. J. SIMS, will, from this date, be carried on  
 under the style and firm of

**SIMS & BOWLES.**  
 They are now moving into those spacious new  
 premises, corner of Hope Street.  
 J. J. SIMS,  
 J. BOWLES, JUNIOR.  
 Apothecaries & Druggists, Upper Town Market  
 Place.—1st May.

**SPLENDID  
 FRENCH SILKS, VEILS, &c.**  
 FOR BONNETS AND DRESSES.  
 ALSO,  
 THE NEW SHAPES in TUSCAN BON-  
 NETS, imported by the way of New-York.  
 And, just opened,  
 SEVEN CASES of LONDON MADE BEA-  
 VER HATS, to be sold cheap for cash.  
 BROWN'S CLOTHING STORE,  
 Corner of Rue du Fort and Buade Streets,  
 Upper Town.  
 Quebec, 17th April, 1839.

### EXAMINATION OF A MIDSHIPMAN.

The following humorous account of the ex-  
 amination of a midshipman in the English  
 naval service, is extracted from an article in  
 a late British Magazine:—

I remember at Malta one unfortunate youth  
 named Richards, the day of whose trial was  
 fixed, and who from his known character  
 of his judges, he had good reason to be anxious  
 about the result. On the morning previous  
 to his examination, I found him in a dread-  
 fully agitated state; and in order to encourage  
 and re-assure him as much as I could, I took  
 him out with me, and endeavored during a  
 long walk to explain to him any difficulties  
 that occurred. After a good deal of question-  
 ing and cross-questioning, finding himself an  
 fait, he began to take courage, and to look  
 forward with confidence to the result of the  
 morrow.

We had been perambulating about in this  
 manner for a couple of hours, and I was just  
 about to accompany him on board, when whom  
 should we meet, plump in the face, but one of  
 the passing captains.

"Well, youngster!" said the skipper, ad-  
 dressing my companion; "so you are going to  
 pass to-morrow, eh!—to try at least, eh!  
 Very well, see you are prepared, for it shall  
 be no child's play. I'll work you, I promise  
 you I will."

"It will never do, Ned!" said the poor  
 fellow to me, as soon as the captain was gone.  
 "It will never do—I'm sure to be rejected!"  
 "Nonsense," I replied, "Keep your spirits  
 up, and never say die, every body knows  
 that fellow does not always bite when he  
 snarls."

"Well," said the desponding youth, "it  
 may be, but you'll see I'll be rejected."  
 The eventual hour at length arrived, and  
 poor Richards approached his fate with a  
 quivering heart. As there were six others for  
 trial at the same time, they were apportioned  
 among the different captains; each taking  
 upon himself the examination of one.

"If you will allow me," said our friend of  
 the previous day to the senior officer; "if you  
 will allow me, I should like to examine Mr.  
 Richards."

"Certainly," replied the senior captain,  
 and the poor fellow, as white as a sheet, was  
 immediately called forward.

"Now, sir," said the captain, addressing  
 him, and assuming a very grave and severe  
 expression of countenance; now, sir, let us  
 see what sort of an officer of the watch, sir,  
 the *Dido* frigate—don't forget her name, sir,  
 —there's a heavy gale of wind from the south-  
 west—do you hear, sir? Pay attention to  
 what I'm saying to you, sir!—I'll lay my life  
 you have forgotten what point the wind was  
 in,—mark me, sir, for its important,—the gale  
 is from the southwest, sir, remember the  
 southwest. Plenty of sea-room, sir: vessel  
 made all snug for night, lying under try-  
 sails, do you mark that, sir, under try-sails?

Well, sir, the captain comes on deck, and  
 says—to you—observe what the captain says,  
 sir: he says to you, "Mr. Richards, how's  
 her head?" You of course make the proper  
 response; after which, the captain, putting  
 his hand in his pocket, takes out a small leath-  
 er case—mark, sir, a leathern case!—and  
 presenting it to you in an easy sort of way, he  
 offers you a segar. Now, sir, answer me im-  
 mediately, sir,—which end of the segar would  
 you put in your mouth?"

The poor middy, who, as the captain was  
 proceeding with this address, was looking  
 forward to some awfully formidable question,  
 was so thunderstruck by this unexpected ter-  
 mination of the harangue, that not knowing  
 whether it was meant in joke or in earnest,  
 he stood for a moment without opening his  
 lips.

"Come sir," cried the captain—"quick—  
 which end?"

The twisted one, replied the youngster,  
 who was fortunately well practised in the  
 use of segars.

"The twisted one, sir, if an Havanna, and  
 either end the same if a Cheroot!"

"Excellent!" replied the captain, throwing  
 himself back in his seat in a roar of laughter.

"Capital, sir!—very well answered indeed  
 sir. Gentlemen, I have no hesitation in say-  
 ing that Mr. Richards is extremely well qual-  
 ified to make an excellent officer."

The youth was accordingly duly passed, and  
 all his evil forebodings ended. This was one  
 of the lucky turns, and we all congratulated  
 him heartily on having drawn a prize.

### Miscellaneous.

**Chances of Marriage.**—The following cu-  
 rious statement, by Dr. Granville, is taken from  
 an English paper. It is drawn from the regis-  
 tered cases of 876 women, and is derived  
 from their answers to the age at which they  
 respectively married. It is the first ever  
 constructed to exhibit to females their chances  
 of marriage at various ages. Of the 876 fe-  
 males, there were married,

Years of age.	Years of age.	Years of age.
3 at 13	59 at 23	5 at 32
11	14	53
16	11	36
43	16	24
64	17	28
65	18	22
115	19	17
118	20	9
86	21	7
85	22	

From this statistical table, our fair Readers  
 may form a pretty accurate judgment of the  
 chances which they have of entering into  
 the state of matrimony, and of enjoying the  
 sweets (we say nothing of the bitters) of wed-  
 ded love.

**LACHABLE INCIDENTS.**—The candidates  
 for Congress in the Tennessee second district  
 are Mr. McKenny and Mr. McClellan, the  
 late member. They recently met and address-  
 ed a meeting at Jacksborough. Mr. McKenny  
 first addressed the meeting, and in the course  
 of his remarks read from a list of appropriations  
 made by the last Congress, a pretty large sum  
 for sending a minister to Muscat, to form com-  
 mercial relations with that government, and  
 then inquired of Mr. McClellan where Muscat  
 was, and what was the extent of its commerce,  
 and said he would sit down to give his oppo-  
 nent an opportunity of imparting the desired  
 information. McClellan finding his geogra-  
 phy at fault, scratched his head, and looked  
 wise—but it would not do—he could not tell  
 where Muscat was, though, as Mr. McKenny  
 said, he had voted for the bill making an ap-  
 propriation for sending a minister to that place.  
 Since this event Mr. McClellan has taken to  
 the study of geography.

"'Tis a devil of a scrape I'm in now," as  
 the fish said to the woman who was rubbing  
 down his back with a knife.

A distinguished gentleman of Pennsylvania,  
 whose nose and chin were both very long, and  
 who had lost his teeth, whereby the nose and  
 chin were brought near together, was told, "I  
 am afraid your nose and chin will fight before  
 long; they approach each other very menac-  
 ingly." "I am afraid of it myself," said the  
 gentleman, "for a great many words have  
 passed between them."

It is bad enough when men agree to cheat  
 each other; but to call in the lawyers to  
 cheat both parties, is a great deal badder.

When Mr. Alexander Gwa was dismissed  
 from the customs of Edinburgh, the entry  
 made against him in the books, was, "A Gwa  
 discharged for making a false report."

Murders, thefts, duels, street-fights, nose-  
 pulling, tarring and feathering, cow-hiding  
 judges, and spitting upon the governor, seem  
 to be the order of the day in Mississippi.

Honor among lawyers, friendship without  
 interest, love without deceit, charity with-  
 out ostentation, fairplay among gamblers and  
 female beauty without pride, are very scarce  
 articles.

When you hear a young lady express aver-  
 sion for little children—infer that her heart  
 has been ossified by tight lacing.

What is harder than earning money? Col-  
 lecting it.