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MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS Company is prepared to receive applications for Insurance against FIRE upon Buildings and other Property, at the Office of the subscriber. I. WOODWARD.

St. John, Nov. 11, 1846. *Secretary.*

UNION MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY Of Boston.

No connection with Fire, Marine, or Health Insurance.

PERSONS Insured in this Company on the *Mutual* plan,—"the only plan" says Chamber's Edinburgh Journal, "which the *Public at large* are concerned to support,"—will have returned to them *all the Profits*, instead of a *portion only*, as in the *Stock* or mixed Companies.

The *advantages* offered by this Company are, *Annual Dividends* of 50 per cent., paid during the life of the party, in the order of rotation from the excess of a capital of profits of $200,000.

Parties may insure for 1 year or 7 years, for life, or until they attain the ages of 40, 50 or 60, and *for any sum* from $100 up to $5000, and at *any age* from 14 to 67.

Parties insuring for 1 or 7 years enjoy many advantages of a *mercantile* nature, at a *very small* expense.

Parties insuring for Life, can provide for those *dependent upon them*, notwithstanding *contingencies of trade*, as to which this Company's *Charter offers peculiar facilities*—See Section 9,—and those who insure until they arrive at the age of 40, 50, or 60, make a *sure provision for old age* and their families, in case of death—(the attention of the Public is *earnestly solicited to this*, and this Company's rates therefore.)

Parties may insure for Life *without profits* at a reduction of 30 per cent., from *life rates*.

Parties insuring for Life or until the ages of 40, 50 or 60, when the premiums amount to $40, can have a *credit* for half at interest, *without any increase of premium*—such *credit* for the *whole term* and not merely for the first 5 years. After payment of three premiums on surrender of Life Policy, the holder will receive its *equitable value in cash*.

This Office insures from the *nearest* birth-day, instead of the *next*, as in other offices. The Charter makes it "*unlawful to loan any sum of money to any Director or Officer of said Company upon any security whatever.*" In no case is the person insured liable beyond the amount of premium.

The Board of Finance (who are among the most reliable financiers of the country,) viz: Franklin Haven, President Merchant's Bank, Boston; Thomas Thacher, Merchant, Boston; and Ruel Williams, President Kennebec Rail Road, *superintend all investments* of the Company; 12 Directors, Hon. David Henshaw, and others.

—LOCAL REFEREES—

Boston.—Hon. Abbot Lawrence, Hon. David Henshaw, Hon. Robert G. Shaw, Hon. William Sturgis, and Hon. Charles Sumner.

Saint John.—Benjamin Smith, Levi H. Waterhouse, Thomas G. Hatheway, Nathan S. DeMill, and Samuel L. Tilley, Esquires.

☞ See Pamphlets and statements of Company's affairs at the subscriber's office, who will receive applications and give further information.

W. H. HATHEWAY, *Barrister at Law* St. John,
AGENT FOR NEW-BRUNSWICK.

9th December, 1851.

LIVERPOOL & LONDON Fire & Life Insurance Company,

(Established in 1836.)

Capital £2,000,000—in Shares of Twenty Pounds.

THE Stockholders of this Company are responsible to the full extent of their property for the liabilities of the Company.

The undersigned hereby notifies the Public of New Brunswick, that the above named Company have empowered him, by a full and ample Power of Attorney, to open an Office in the City of Saint John, for the Insurance of PROPERTY against loss or damage by FIRE, in any part of the Province, and to sign and issue Policies in the name of the Company; and that in virtue of the power vested in him by the said Power of Attorney, he has appointed MR. ADAM JACK to act as Agent for the said Company, in the receiving of proposals for Insurance, and the inspection of premises proposed for Insurance, and all other the usual duties of an Agent; and to collect and receive the amount of premium on any policy issued by the undersigned in the name of the said Company, or for the renewal of the same.

The Deed of settlement, and the supplemental Deed of settlement, lies with Mr. JACK, at the Office of the *New-Brunswick Marine Assurance Company*, also the pamphlets issued by the Office at Liverpool, affording ample details of the mode of transacting business by the Company.

The rates of premium will be as low as any other respectable Company, and the undersigned trusts a fair portion of public patronage will be accorded to the Company.

Losses not exceeding £500, will be settled without referring to the head Office at Liverpool.

EDWARD ALLISON.

Dated at St. John, N. B. 4th August, 1851.

Oakum, Paints, Oils & Putty.

Landing ex *Faside*, from London—

3 TONS London Best Parish Picked *OAKUM*;
3 casks boiled } Brandram's best Paint Oil;
3 casks raw }
2 casks No 1 } Brandram's best White Lead,
2 casks No 2 } in 56 and 28 lb. kegs;
1 cask Putty, in 14 lb. & 7lb. bladders;
20 half-chests best Congo *TEA*.

GEORGE THOMAS,
May 4. *South Market Wharf.*

New Molasses.

166 HHDS., 17 Tierces, } Early Crop Molasses.

Now landing from Matanzas ex brig Zero, will be sold low while landing.

FLEWWELLING & READING.
March 16.

Brandy and Vinegar.

Per *Oberon*, from Charente—

22 HHDS. Henessey's Dark and Pale BRANDY;
25 cases very old Bottled ditto;
6 casks French White Wine *VINEGAR*.

June 1. FLEWWELLING & READING.

FALL SUPPLIES.

Landing ex 'Village Belle,' from Glasgow, and 'Themis,' from Liverpool—

5 BARRELS Split PEAS,
15 do. Pot and Pearl BARLEY,
20 do. Fresh Ayrshire OATMEAL,
5 boxes patent Sago, and Glenfield Powder STARCH,
4 cases patent Chinese STARCH,
1 case Spanish Chocolate; 1 bale Shop TWINE,
1 bale Hemp Bed Cords; 1 cask Scrubbing BRUSHES,
1 barrel Flour of SULPHUR.—For Sale by

Sept. 28. JARDINE & CO.

STOVES! STOVES!

Corner of Dock Street and Market Square.

THE subscriber has just received a good assortment of COOKING STOVES, FRANKLINS, and CLOSE STOVES, including Canada Stores, which he offers for sale at very low prices. W. H. ADAMS.

October 26.

SHEFFIELD HOUSE,

Market square, April 17th, 1852.

NEW GOODS, Per steamer "Canada."

ROBINSON & THOMPSON have just received a large and rich assortment of GOLD JEWELLERY, consisting of new styles of BROOCHES, set with Agua-Marine Carbuncle, Topaz, Amethyst and other settings; Ladies and Gent's. Finger RINGS, set with gems and other fancy and rare stones; new patterns VEST CHAINS, in gold and silver; GOLD CHAINS and GUARDS in variety; Gold, Silver, Scotch Pebble, and Hair BRACKETS; Lockets; Watch Brooches; Watch Keys and Seals; Gold Snaps and Crosses; Gold Spectacles; Gold and Silver Pencil Cases and Tooth Picks; Gold Enamel and Cornelian Studs, latest patterns.

☞ Silver Brooches and Shawl Pins, in great variety; Silver Butter Knives and Pickle Forks; Silver Thimbles; Ladies' Companions; Fish Carvers and Cake Knives; in cases; Silver Fruit Knives; Silver sugar Spoons and Caddy Shells; Silver Knive, Fork and Spoon, in cases; Silver Rattles with Coral; Silver Boquet Holders; Silver Card Cases; Silver Fittings for Work Boxes, &c.; Silver Taper Stands; best English Side Combs.

GOLD and SILVER WATCHES, &c.

The above Goods having been purchased in the first Markets by one of the firm, they can with confidence recommend them as being of the first quality. They are offered at such prices as will ensure a continuance of the liberal patronage hitherto enjoyed by this Establishment for the last ten years.—Having renewed the lease of their Store, and made extensive enlargements and improvements, purchasers will do well to inspect their Goods, which, when complete, will be found to consist of every variety and price, suitable to the wants and wishes of all classes.

WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

Daily expected per Ships *Devon* and *Alciope*—55 packages, consisting of Cutlery; Plated Electro and Albata Wares; Fancy Goods, &c., &c., &c. Particulars in future advertisements.

Expected per steamer early next week—1 case English Silver Spoons, &c. April 17.—6i.

Books, Stationery, Threads, &c.

Per ship 'Royalist,' Kerr, Master, from Liverpool, Landing for the Subscriber—

6 CASES of well-assorted STATIONERY, containing Superfine and Fine Quality Foolscap; Post and Cott PAPER; Letter and Note Paper; Envelopes; Single and Double Crown Paper; a few Calf-bound Elastic Ledgers, 4 and 7 quires; Long Folio and Day Books, Calf bound, 4 and 10 quires; Gilt and Plain Metallic Books; Sacred Music Book; Songs of Scotland, &c, &c. The above well adapted for Counting-house use.

Also—3 Cases of 3 and 6 cord White Sewing THREADS, numbered from 10 to 90. 100 to 300 Yard Reels, of very best quality and description.

Will be sold low by the Subscriber.

JOHN V. THURGAR,
March 30. North Market Wharf

Sheffield House,

Market Square, April 17, 1852.

To Watchmakers, Jewellers, &c.

ROBINSON & THOMPSON have just opened an assortment of WATCH MATERIALS, TOOLS, &c., which they offer to the Trade at very low prices, consisting of English and Geneva Gold, Steel, and Metal WATCH HANDS—Butterfly, moon, swell, spade and other patterns; Steel Seconds; Gold and Metal Centres; best Lever Fusee Chains; French do. do.; English and Geneva Hair Springs; Verge do.; Chain Hooks; Lever Staffs; Lever and Verge Screws; Case Springs and Buttons; Jewel Holes, &c.; Ruby Pins; Brass Curbs; Brass Rouges; Geneva Ratchet Work; Indexes; Silver and G. S. Bows and Pendants; Watch Dials, Watch Glasses, Joints Catches and Ornaments for repairing Brooches: Brooch Pins in Gold, G. S., Steel and Brass; Ear-ring Hoops, Cramps, and Claws; Screw Ferrules; French Drill; Drill Stocks, self-acting do.; Pivot Broaches, Watch do.; endless screw Keys; Chamfering Tools; Calipers; Watch Pliers, cutting do.; Sliding Tongs; Hand Vices; Clams; Pinion Gauges; Dividers, Hammers; Main Spring Winders; Joint Pushers, Tweezers, Burnishers, English and French Screw Drivers; drill, bow, and spring Gut &c. &c. &c.

☞ An inspection is respectfully solicited.

Apr 17—li.

GOODS

From London, Liverpool, &c., now landing—

900 BOXES 7x9, 8x10, 9x12 and 10x12 Sheet Window GLASS,
200 Kegs Brandram's WHITE LEAD,
200 Kegs *Hubbuck's* White ZINC PAINT,
100 Bags assorted CUT NAILS,
2000 Pieces London PAPER HANGINGS,
5 Hhds Crushed SUGAR
20 Barrels Dried CURRANTS,
15 Bags Black PEPPER,
6 Bales CLOVES,
20 Chests TEA,
1 Chest INDIGO; 1 bbl. NUTMEGS,
1 Case of Bottle INK
50 Boxes Common SOAP,
20 Boxes Castile, Windsor, and Toilet SOAPS

For sale by JOHN KINNEAR.
April 27, 1852. *Prince Wm. Street*

Guano, Pickles, &c.

Landing, ex '*Sarah Louisa*,' from Liverpool—

80 BAGS best Peruvian GUANO;
35 dozen SICKLES;
15 dozen Grass HOOKS; 10 doz. Steel Pointed SHOVELS; 10 doz. CATTLE TIES; 8 doz. GARDEN RAKES.

Ex schr. *Martha Greenow*, from Boston—

15 boxes Cummington *SCYTHE STONES*;
5 Spring Teeth Horse Rakes;
5 Revolving Horse Rakes,—with a large assortment of SNEATHS, Cradle Scythes, Rakes, Forks, Shovels, &c. &c.—For sale by

June 22. JARDINE & CO.

SHIP'S PROVISIONS!

Beef, Pork and Bread.

LANDING ex Mary, from Boston:—40 barrels Mess BEEF; 20 barrels extra Prime PORK;
25 barrels Pilot } BREAD;
70 barrels Navy }
In bond, for Ships' Stores.

Sept. 7. GEORGE THOMAS.

Window Glass and Champagne.

Landing this day by schr. 'Charles' from Halifax:

100 BOXES WINDOW GLASS, assorted sizes, 10x8 to 15x11;
20 Baskets Sparkling CHAMPAGNE.

Daily expected from Glasgow:—

200 Boxes TOBACCO PIPES;
3 cases COTTON REELS.

JOHN V. THURGAR,
Sept 7, 1852. North Market Wharf.

London Groceries.

Landing ex Acteon from London:

20 CHESTS fine Congo TEA, of very superior quality, for family use.
2 cases Brown Windsor, and Honey SOAP,
15 kegs S. F. and D. S. F. Mustard,
15 cases Smyrna Cooking RAISINS;
1 chest Pearl SAGO; 20 boxes Maccaroni & Vermicelli,
1 bag White PEPPER;
Cases Isinglass, Candied Citron, Lemon & Orange Peel;
Casks Pickles and Sauces, Orange Marmalade, Patent Groats;
1 tierce Preserved Meats—comprising Roast and Boiled Beef, Mutton, and Veal, Hashed Mutton, Calf's Head, &c. &c.
1 chest Madras INDIGO.—For sale by

Sept 28. JARDINE & CO.

GLENFIELD PATENT DOUBLE REFINED POWDER STARCH.

THE subscribers have been appointed Wholesale Agents in New-Brunswick, for the above celebrated STARCH, to which the *Prize Medal* was awarded at the late Great Exhibition in London, and noticed for its "*general superiority*," by the Royal Commissioners and Jury, from amongst thirty or forty Samples Exhibited.

The manufacturers have also received testimonials from Her Majesty's Laundress, the Countess of Eglinton, and many others of the Nobility of the United Kingdom; and, from its superior and peculiar qualities, it has met with an almost universal acknowledgment.

In the manufacture of "Glenfield Patent Double Refined Powder Starch," it goes through a process so simple and efficient, that it acquires no properties hurtful to either texture or appearance of the goods, but on the contrary, produces a fine, clear, flexible finish; it requires no boiling, is perfectly free from all impurities, and is warranted not to adhere to the Iron.

A consignment has just been received of the above celebrated STARCH, to which the attention of the public is solicited.

☞ *Retailers supplied on favorable terms.*

Sept. 7. JARDINE & CO.

Hibernian Hotel Notice.

THE subscriber wishes to inform his numerous friends and the public; that there always may be had at this Establishment, *OYSTERS* the best quality. Also, *Chicken PIES, Mutton Pies*, and *Roast Fowls* always on hand, with which private families can be supplied at any time. Also, CORDIALS suitable for Temperance advocates or teetotalers, besides, comfortable Rooms for public or private parties always ready at a call, to which the attention of the travelling community is respectfully solicited.

JAMES NETHERY,
St. John, Sept. 28, 1852. *Church Street.*

India Rubber Boots and Shoes,

Of superior quality, on hand, as follows:—

2000 PAIRS Men's Over SHOES;
1600 pairs Women's Over Shoes;
600 pairs Women's BUSKINS;
100 do. Women's GAITERS;
200 do. Jenny Lind BOOTS;
750 do. Misses' Over SHOES;
400 do. Children's Over SHOES;
50 do. Men's India Rubber BOOTS.

For sale by JOHN KINNEAR,
Sept. 11. *Prince William Street.*

Scotch Oats.

300 BUSHELS superior White Oats, for feeding.

Sept. 14. JARDINE & CO.

Spiced Salmon!

SPICED SALMON, in tin packages, Hermetically sealed, warranted to keep in any climate.—For sale by Retail, or in larger quantities for exportation. GEO. THOMAS,
Aug 31. South Wharf.

ADAMS' HARDWARE STORE,

Corner Dock Street and Market Square.

18th September, 1852.

ROWLAND'S MILL SAWS, 6, 6½ and 7 feet long; Hoole, Staniforth & Co's. Gaug and Circular SAWS. And, always on hand—India Rubber Belting, Packing and Hose. W H. ADAMS.

Sheet Lead and Shot.

Ex "Pilgrim," from Liverpool:—

6 ROLLS SHEET LEAD, from 3 to 5 lbs.;
2 tons Patent SHOT; for sale by

Sept. 14. W. TISDALE & SON.

Corner Dock-Street and Market Square 25th SEPTEMBER, 1852.

W. H. ADAMS

Has received per "Themis," and "Village Belle,

15 TONS Hollow Ware, consisting of Pots, Boilers, Frying Pans, Bake Ovens, and extra Covers;
6 casks Teakettles and Frying Pans;
3 each casks and cases (Thompson's) Augers, assorted;
45 bags Rose and Clasp Headed Nails;
4 kegs Copper and Composition Sheathing and Boat ditto;
1 cask Wrought Pump Tacks;
3 casks and cases Hair Cloth and Curled Hair;
2 casks Cutlery;
3 cases Sanderson's best Bar Cast Steel;
4 casks sheet Zinc;
4 do. Borax and Glue;
An assortment of Vices and Anvils;
3 casks shoe Thread;
2 cases Lines and Twines.

☞ Balance of Fall stock daily expected.

Burning Fluid.

Just received by the *Cuba*, from Boston,

2 BARRELS Superior BURNING FLUID. For sale by

THOMAS M. REED,
Sept. 28. North Wharf.

LANDING,

Ex Henry Holland, from Glasgow, direct from the Manufactory:—

36 DOZEN Patent sparkling GELATINE.—For sale by

Oct. 5. JARDINE & CO.

Agricultural Implements.

ON HAND—A large assortment of Fan Mills, Straw Cutters and Vegetable Boilers. For sale by

Oct. 5. JARDINE & CO.

Patent Windlasses on Consignment.

To arrive per ship "Commodore," from Liverpool:

5 PATENT WINDLASSES, 14 inch, 16 inch, 17 inch, 19 inch, and 22 inch, with Patent Boxes, Cross Hands, and Pedestal Handles

Sept. 28. GEORGE THOMAS.

Coffee, Raisins, Hams, &c. &c.

Landing ex "Cuba," from Boston:—

50 BAGS Java and Laguira COFFEE;
1 cask Prime HAMS;
10 boxes SALERATUS; 6 barrels Pea Beans;
6 sacks Filberts and Walnuts,
5 boxes LEMONS; 1 tierce HONEY,
20 jars and bladders Scotch Snuff,
5 barrels Ground LOGWOOD,
1 ton Logwood; 1 half-ton Fustic,
3 barrels QUINCES; 10 brls. APPLES.

Per "*Gazelle*," from Halifax—

200 half and quarter boxes new RAISINS.

JAMES MACFARLANE,
October 26. *Market Square.*

50 Kegs Nails, &c. just received,

consisting of the following:—

FOURPENNY Rose and Clasp wrought Nails,
6d'y and 8d'y do. do. do.
10d'y and 12d'y do. do. do.
4d'y and 6d'y OX NAILS,
8d'y and 9d'y HORSE NAILS.
1¾ and 2 inch BOAT NAILS.

—ALSO—

10 barrels Sea Elephant OIL,
10 barrels Spirits of Turpentine,
18 boxes large size GLASS—up to 32x40,
400 assorted size LOOKING GLASSES,
25 gross Mason's BLACKING,
12 gross Castor Oil BOTTLES,
1 barrel superior American Castor OIL, and one case containing
Hair and Cloth BRUSHES, Shaving Boxes, Shaving Glasses, Dressing Cases, &c.

JOHN KINNEAR,
July 13 *Prince Wm.-street*

LONDON HOUSE,

MARKET SQUARE, May, 1852.

THE Spring Stock of this Establishment comprising the usual extensive assortment, has just been received by the late arrivals from Great Britain and the United States—

IN DRESS MATERIALS; LADIES VISITES SHAWLS; PARASOLS; RIBBONS; GLOVES, &c. &c. &c.

are many new styles and makes.

And in the WHOLESALE DEPARTMENT will be found a very general assortment, carefully selected for that extensive branch of the business of this Establishment.

May 11. T. W. DANIEL.

100 Dozen Hats.

WE have just received per "*Alciope*" and "*Sir Harry Smith*," over 100 dozen Satin, Kossuth, and Rustic Hats. Also a lot of Cloth Caps, all of which will be disposed of wholesale or retail at a small advance on cost.

A large stock of our own manufacture on hand and constantly making up.

C. D. EVERETT & SON,
East side Market Square and
May . *North side King street.*

STOVES & PLOUGHS.

DESIROUS of reducing his very heavy Stock of *STOVES* and *PLOUGH* previously to removing to his New Establishment the subscriber is now selling out his large assortment at lower rates than ever, and respectfully solicits an early call from persons wishing to purchase.

THOMAS C. EVERETT,
St. John, Sept. 7, 1852.—2m.

Window Glass.

757 BOXES German Sheet and Crown WINDOW GLASS, sizes from 9x7 to 18x12.—For sale low by

Sept. 14. W. TISDALE & SON.

Manilla Cordage.

Just received from the Greenock Manufactory, and for sale by the Subscribers:—

5 TONS assorted Manilla CORDAGE, from 1 1-4 to 3 inch, inclusive;
400 bolts Gourock Bleached and Boiled CANVASS;
BOLT ROPE, Twine and Manilla Pentline.

ROBT. ROBERTSON & SON,
Sept. 28. *Paddock's Wharf.*

Liquors, Tobacco, Pipes, &c.

Just received and in course of landing for the Subscriber, per ship "Acteon," from London:—

10 HHDS. Pale and Brown Old Cognac BRANDY,
15 hhds. Pale Hollands GENEVA;
2 hhds. and 8 quarter-casks } Superior Pale SHERRIES;
20 casks London Brown Stout, each 4 dozen.

Ex ship 'Henry Holland' from Glasgow:—

2 puns. fine old Malt *WHISKEY*
150 boxes Tobacco Pipes suitable for the market;
3 cases Sewing COTTONS, on Reels.

For sale low by JOHN V. THURGAR,
Oct. 12, 1852. North Market Wharf

Tobacco Pipes.

Landing for the subscriber ex ship *Henry Holland*, from Glasgow:—

160 BOXES TOBACCO PIPDS, (5 and 10 gross boxes,) put up expressly for this market—will be sold low, by

JOHN V. THURGAR,
Oct. 5. North Market Wharf.

Goods Just Received.

126 BOXES 10x12 GLASS;
20 pieces American Oil Cloth;
2 barrels Cream of Tartar; 5 cases Salad Oil;
20 kegs MUSTARD; 12 dozen Yeast Powder;
5 barrels Lard and Sea Elephant OILS;
New patterns of ROOM PAPERS;
Live Geese and Common FEATHERS;
20 dozen assorted CHAIRS;
500 assorted LOOKING GLASSES.
Assorted Wooden Wares; 30 boxes PIPES.—

For sale by JOHN KINNEAR,
Sept 7. *Prince Wm.-Street.*

270 Canada Stoves.

For sale at low rates, Wholesale or Retail:—

270 CANADA STOVES, assorted sizes; Also—150 Cooking Stoves of St. John and American manufacture, which can be recommended with confidence to those in want of a good and durable article.

Oct 12. E. STEPHEN.

Cheap Room Papers.

THE Best and cheapest ROOM PAPERS to be found in the city is for sale at the store of

S. K. FOSTER,
Oct. 26. *Germain Street, Foster's Corner.*

S. K. FOSTER'S

Ladies' Fashionable Shoe Store,

Foster's Corner, Germain Street.

India Rubber Shoes.

JUST Received—A very large and general variety of RUBBER SHOES, for Ladies, Gentlemen, Youth's and Children. For sale Cheap, Wholesale and Retail.

Codfish, Molasses, and Redwood.

Landing ex "Charles," from Halifax:—

50 PUNS. Muscovado MOLASSES;
150 quintals CODFISH;
10 cwt. REDWOOD for sale by

Oct. 26. JARDINE & CO.

SUGAR.

30 HHDS. Bright SUGAR, landing ex *Oliver Frost*, from Boston. For sale by

FLEWWELLING & READING.
Oct. 9.

Poetry.

[*From the Boston Waverley Magazine.*]

A KINDLY GREETING TO JACK FROST.

BY J. H. A. BONE.

Welcome, old friend, thou art here again
In thy garments of spotless white;
I saw thy face at the window pane
As I greeted the morning light,
And my fingers felt the hearty grasp,
And my face felt thy chilly kiss;
Thou givest thy friends a pinching clasp,
But I would not thy greeting miss.

Welcome, old friend, I saw thou hadst been
Once more on thy nightly round,
For thy fingers had whitened the bushes green,
And thy footsteps had marked the ground;
In the roadside pool thy feet had dipped
And touched in the sluggish stream,
At the dew-laden bud thy lips had sipped
Before the morning gleam.

Thou'rt a sad old fellow, Jack Frost, I fear,
And playest full many a trick,
Thou pullest the nose, and pinchest the ear,
Though defended by comforters thick:
I saw thee but now meet a pretty miss
When thou fanciedst none else was nigh,
And give her fair cheek so close a kiss
That she blushed like a sunset sky.

Jack Frost, thou art sometimes a little too keen,
And too careless of fingers and toes,
And sometimes we'd rather thou hadst not been
So inclined to punish the nose;
Yet whilst we can build up the roaring fire
From thy fiercer moods to defend,
Of such a true comrade we scarcely can tire,
So welcome again, old friend.

Washington's First Meeting with his Future Wife.

In the year 1758, Mrs. Custis was on a visit to a friend residing on an eminence of a branch of the Pamunky River, overlooking the Ferry called William's Ferry, the direct road from Fredericksburg to Williamsburg. Mr. Chamberlayne (of whose house she was then an inmate,) a man of leisure and a Virginian gentleman of the old school, was fond of society. He would frequently watch the ferry with great eagerness, and, as the boat reached the shore, if there were among the passengers gentlemen of respectable exterior, he would address them by an invitation to his house, and offered some refreshment before they proceeded further on their journey.

On one of his peregrinations to the ferry, he espied an officer attired in a military undress, with his servants and horses. Mr. C. addressed him, requesting he would spare time to partake of his hospitality before he proceeded further. The soldier pleaded his haste to Williamsburg, having despatches to the governor (Williamsburg being thirty miles distant;) but Mr. Chamberlayne insisted that he must spare time to dine with him, and remarked that he would introduce him to the beautiful widow, Mrs. Custis, who was then on a visit to his family.

The officer reluctantly consented; the gentlemen exchanged cards, and Mr. Chamberlayne found that his new guest was Colonel Washington. On their arrival at the house, Colonel W. was introduced to the family of his hospitable host, and, among them, the interesting widow before spoken of. It is believed that the first interview proved the source from which sprung so many joys. Before entering the mansion, Colonel W. gave orders to his servant to have the horses ready precisely at four o'clock, that they might arrive at their destination that night. Bishop, true to the orders of his master, waited with the horses in hand long after the appointed hour, wondering at the unusual delay. "Ah, Bishop!" says a fair writer, describing the occurrence, "there was an urchin in the drawing-room more powerful than King George and all his governors. Subtle as a sphynx, he had hidden the important despatches from the soldier's sight, shut up his ears from the tell-tale clock, and was playing such mad pranks with the bravest heart in Christendom, that it fluttered with the excess of a new-found happiness." Colonel Washington found so much difficulty in separating from such fascinating society, that he eventually yielded to the solicitations of his excellent host to pass the night with them. Some hours after breakfast on the following morning the enamored soldier was on his road to Williamsburg.

Having made an early arrangement of his affairs at Williamsburg, he returned the same evening to feast once more on the charms of the captivating widow.

Within a year from this time, Mrs. Custis became the wife of Colonel Washington. They were married at St. Peter's Church, in New Kent County, on the 6th of January, 1759, by the Rev. Mr. Mossom, a clergyman sent from England by the Bishop of London, Virginia being at that time considered a part of that diocese.

ENGAGING MANNERS.—There are a thousand pretty, engaging little ways, which every person may put on, without running the risk of being deemed either affected or foppish. The sweet smile, the quiet, cordial bow, the earnest movement in addressing a friend, or more especially a stranger, whom one may recommend to our good regards, the inquiring glance, the graceful attention which is so captivating when united with self possession—these will insure us the good regards of even a churl. Above all, there is a certain softness of manner which should be cultivated, and which, in either man or woman, adds a charm that almost entirely compensates for lack of beauty. The voice can be modulated so to intonate that it will speak directly to the heart, and from that elicit an answer; and politeness may be made essential to our nature. Neither is time thrown away in attending to such things, insignificant as they may seem to those who engage in weightier matters.

There is nothing which persevering man may not accomplish. Heat and cold, mountains and seas, and sunshine are alike to him, when he is bent upon his object. He pushes ahead, never tiring or fainting, until his proud design is achieved. Whether it be riches or honours, he permits no obstacles to impede his progress. The histories of all distinguished men from Alexander to Napoleon, shows that it was perseverance that made them distinguished above their fellow-men. And you, young man, if determined in your course, whatever end you have in view, shall be respected and honoured. Never permit your energies to slumber, but be ever active in whatever field you may choose to labor. To lag—to sleep—to doubt—to hang your head in fear, will prove disastrous to your best interests.

The art of conversation consists in the exercise of two fine qualities. You must originate and you must sympathise; you must possess at the same time the habit of communicating and listening. The union is rare but irresistible.

Christians resemble travellers in a stage-coach. We are full of our plans and schemes, but the coach is moving rapidly forward: it passess one mile stone, and then another; and no regard is paid to the plots and plans of the passengers.

THE DUBLIN EXHIBITION.—The Industrial Exhibition project in Dublin progresses very favorably. The Exhibition will be on a grand scale; the building is now erecting upon the most desirable site of the Irish Metropolis, in the very centre of the City.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.—At a recent meeting of the Royal Institute of British Architects, Archdeacon Hall spoke very strongly in favour of restoring and beautifying the Cathedral Church of the Metropolis. He objected to the use of painted glass in the windows, as the art of glass staining had not reached that state of perfection which rendered it worthy of admission there. Pictures he would introduce. He would fill the Church with pure historical scripture subjects, that it might be made a great Pictorial Bible. The sculpture now in St. Pauls, he considered, although suitable for a British Walhalla, yet altogether out of place in a Christian temple.

THE NEW CRYSTAL PALACE.—The reconstruction of the Crystal Palace on the Surry Hills, goes on rapidly. Mr. Owen Jones and Mr. Digby Wyatt have set out on an artistic tour through France, Italy and Germany, for the purpose of collecting illustrations of architecture and sculpture, of which arts the histories are to be represented by ancient and modern specimens under the direction of the gentlemen in question. The sum of £10,000 has been assigned for this purpose by the authorities. Lord Malmesbury has furnished Messrs. Jones and Wyatt with letters to the different ambassadors on their route, expressive of the sympathy of the government in their proceedings, and desiring that every aid may be afforded them in the prosecution of their design.

What a meaning and unique expression was that of a young Irish girl, who was rendering testimony against an individual in a New Orleans court, a short time since. "Arrah, sir," said she, "I'm shure he never made his mother smile!" There is a biography of unkindness in that simple sentence.

ARCTIC DISCOVERIES.—The Prince Albert has recently returned to England after a fruitless search for Sir John Franklin and his crews. The principal discovery made on the voyage appears to have been that the large extent of land called North Somerset, which extends from about seventy to seventy-four degrees of latitude, is not a peninsula connected with the continent by a narrow isthmus, as was supposed by Sir John Ross, who passed three winters there about 20 years ago, but an island, thus apparently reducing the latitude of the west northern cape of the continent of America about three degrees, or to about 71.

Death of a British Soldier in the American Revolution.—A late English paper has the following paragraph:—"Died at Bushey, Hertfordshire, on his birthday, August 4, aged 97, John Smith, formerly a soldier in the British army, and as such, present at the battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775."

MRS. PIERCE.—The Portsmouth N. H. Chronicle, in speaking of Gen. Pierce's election, says:

Nevertheless he is elected—and if he lives, he will enter the White House next March, carrying with him one of the best of women to be mistress of the national mansion, and to encounter a double share of the care and toil which usually fall to the lot of a President's wife.

SEVEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE!

The Steamer *Canada* with Liverpool dates to the 30th ult., and 84 passengers, arrived at Halifax at 1 o'clock Thursday morning.

ENGLAND.—Mr. D'Israeli has sent a circular to the members of Parliament, supposed to be friendly to the Government, begging them to be present when Parliament opens. He adds that the House will immediately proceed to elect a Speaker, and to take up business of the highest importance.

In the Lords, the Marquis of Bath and the Earl of Donoughmore are appointed to move and second the Address. Nothing has transpired as to the proposed course of Government.

The position of affairs between the United States and Cuba is viewed with ill-disguised jealousy by the English Press of all shades.—The *Times* has a leading article on the subject, in which it defends the conduct of the Captain General of Cuba—talks of the rashness of Democracy—and predicts that Spain will ruin American Commerce by letters of Marque, and France will side with Spain. The article concludes, however this may be, the firm and collective resolution of the Maritime powers of Europe to oppose the aggressive policy of the United States, when it extends even beyond the North American Continent to Cuba, and to the Sandwich Islands, as the safeguard of peace which might otherwise be sacrificed to the outcry of indignant meeting, &c.

All the other papers hold forth in the same strain.

The Indian Journals are unanimous in demanding the immediate annexation of Burma.

President Roberts of Liberia has satisfactorily completed with the British government all the negotiations which constituted the object of his visit, he sails Saturday, 30th, for Liberia, in the British war-steamer Dee.

The daughter of General Rossa was married to a Spaniard at Southampton on Saturday.

Southampton is selected as the Government Emigration port.

A severe gale in the Channel on Wednesday, 27th, caused several shipwrecks and the loss of several lives.

There has been several arrivals from Australia, but no later dates.

FRANCE.—Prolonged Cabinet Councils are daily held at St. Cloud, doubtless on the subject of the Empire.

Recruiting is already going on among the Cavalry for the Imperial Guards; and is confidently given out that the civil list of the Emperor will be fixed by the Senate at Thirty Millions of francs.

It is generally believed that the Senate will propose in general terms the empire hereditary in Louis Napoleon, with power, failing issue, to name a successor.

It is now understood that the confirmation of the empire, will be submitted to the popular vote.

The repudiation of the Turkish loan, and the recall of the Turkish minister from Paris, had created great excitement among monied men. Government however had made no intimation on the subject, and the panic was subsiding.

The Minister of Marine has notified the Havre Chamber of Commerce, that Rice imported in French vessels, into the French West India Islands, will be admitted free of duty.