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jan 29

The Daily Tribune.
J. L. STEWART,.....EDITOR.
FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 14, 1873.

Mr. Caie's Successor.

No one has yet been named as the successor of Hon. Mr. Caie in the Government, and it is not at all probable that the vacant chair will be filled until after the assembling of the Legislature. The policy of delay has generally been pursued, and it will not, probably, be abandoned now. Rumor is busy suggesting different gentlemen. Some profess to believe that Mr. Willis would accept the prefix of Honorable with a little urging. We hardly think he is free to deprive Messrs. Gough, Hibbard & Co. of his leadership; but confess that the ways of politicians are past finding out. Mr. Willis has resisted all the efforts of interviewers who have endeavored to discover his position. There is no denying the fact that his able journal has ceased its powerful attacks on the Government, but the supposition that this indicates his readiness to enter the present Executive may be false. A patriotic desire to aid in the success of the Free School Law may have induced Mr. Willis to spare the Government for a little season. Who can tell? And then his refusal to deny that he is willing to enter the Government may be the result of a politic intention to fool the Government into offering him a seat at the Council Board so that he may hurl the offer at their heads with a torrent of indignant rhetoric. Who can tell? Mr. Willis smiles serenely amid the shower of printing contracts, custom house vacancies, and Government positions, and no one will know his thoughts or intentions till he grasps the real prize at which he aims.

Announcing Betrothals.

The English custom of announcing marriage engagements is incomprehensible to the average American. On this continent there is a sort of sacred secrecy preserved in regard to approaching weddings that is rarely practiced in England. The American custom is much more favorable to indulgence in flirtations up to the last moment of single uneasiness, and we presume the girls will never consent to the adoption of the European custom, thus curtailing one of woman's rights. The Washington correspondent of the Boston *Post*, a lady, seems to think the English custom very strange. She says:

I wrote a week or two since about how a young Englishman announced his marriage engagement himself. A member of the British Legation had his engagement announced for him after a different style. Mr. William Oswald Charlton, attache of the British Legation, has captured the heart of one of the loveliest girls in Washington—Miss Mary Campbell, daughter of a retired officer, residing in this city. The day after the engagement began Lady Thornton invited all the diplomatic corps and a few of the relatives and most intimate friends of Miss Campbell to meet the young couple. After the company assembled the engagement was formally announced, and all the diplomats were presented to the young lady, who was, as you may readily believe, much embarrassed by the unexpected and most conspicuous position in which she found herself. A lunch was eaten and toasts to the betrothed pair drunk by the guests.

Should one of the diplomatic Englishmen fall in love with the sprightly letter writer (if she didn't write sprightly letters she couldn't write for the *Post*) and propose she would doubtless refuse unless he promised to keep the engagement secret.

A California City.

Among the wonders of California is the city of San Diego, and among its institutions is *The Daily Union*. A copy of this paper received from Dr. T. C. Stockton gives much interesting information in regard to San Diego. We are assured that the population of the city is now 3,000, and that the climate is a perpetual spring, the greatest range shown by the official table of temperature between the monthly means being 15 degrees. Dr. Stockton's annual monthly report, in his capacity of County Physician, shows that the death rate is only thirteen to the thousand—about half the usual rate. An examination, however, shows that the deceased had gone to San Diego too far gone with consumption to be cured, or had been shot. Indeed, if incurable consumptives would keep away, and people would cease killing each other, Dr. Stockton would have no further business in San Diego, and might return to his old home in King's County or his former practice in Portland and Saint John. But a wise Providence has ordained that man shall die, and the assassin prevents the climate of San Diego from preserving him whole.

The Halifax *Reporter* seems to consider the youth of Mr. Fielding, of the *Chronicle*, a crime or a misfortune. That young gentleman will steadily reform in this respect,—will, we are confident, live down the disgrace of youthfulness. How he must wince though when he is taunted with his crime! The writer of this would get his hair dyed gray if his brethren of the press should charge him with the same offence. We wonder if the editor of the *Reporter* really thanks God that he is not as Fielding, young.

The escape of Tweed by the disagreement of the jury, the white-washing of Simmons by the Coroner's jury that sat on the murdered Duryea, and other examples of the same nature, convince the New York *Tribune* that "any criminal with plenty of money or a little political influence can have summoned a whole panel and select an entire jury to suit himself."

Another Reformer Among us—Close the Livery Stables on Sunday and Men will be Saintly.

To the Editor of the Tribune.

Sir: To any one living as I happen to do near one of the outlets of the city, a fine Sunday, such as last Sunday was, must appear more like a grand gala day than a Sabbath which we are commanded to keep holy, judging from the number of young men, and middle aged men, too, who dash past with their fast horses and fancy turnouts. This is an evil which leads to more wickedness than all the gift enterprises which are likely to start amongst us for many years to come. Drunkenness and robbery are among its frequent results. How many young men who have at last been detected purloining from their employers and been turned off in disgrace have been led to this through their desire to appear on the road with a fast horse on Sunday? Let our merchants answer the question. I suppose many will say it is easier to complain of an evil than to propose a remedy; but I think in this case the remedy is plain. Let those societies and individuals who are anxious to exert themselves for the suppression of evil, and have done so much good in the restriction of Sunday liquor selling, exert themselves as strenously to close the livery stables on Sunday, and they will strike at the root of this rapidly growing evil and be entitled to the thanks of the community more than by the suppression of a dozen gift enterprises. It has always been a sort of mystery to me why the dry goods merchant, the grocer, or the liquor dealer, should be compelled by law to close their places of business on Sunday and the livery stable keeper allowed to pursue his vocation the same as on any other day of the week.

Yours, Argus.

Cheering News.

[From the Religious Intelligencer.]

Fredericton Church is being blessed with some refreshing. Five believers in the Lord Jesus Christ have followed him in baptism. We hope that many more may be converted. Pray for us, brethren.

North Branch, Oromocto.—Rev. Wm. Brown writes under date February 11th: "About two weeks ago I came here on a visit. Commenced a series of meetings, which have been continued every evening since. The Lord has blessed us. The church has been much revived, and sinners have been converted. Last Sabbath I baptized seven happy converts. Many others are anxiously seeking the way of life. I purpose remaining here this week, after which I shall return to my regular field of labor. Pray for us."

Lower Queensbury. — Good news from this church, of which Rev. S. E. Currie is pastor. Assisted by Father McMullin, he is holding a series of meetings, which are being attended with much blessing. On Sabbath last five converts were baptized.

On the sunny side.—Rev. Aaron Kinney wishes to express his thanks to his friends in Wakefield and vicinity for a donation of $103, received on the 29th ult.

The Canadian Farrier, or Diseases of the Horse, Cattle and sheep, published by Hovey & Co., Toronto, Ont. "The reader will find this book throughout to be truthful, concise and clear—free from any literary nicety or colored effort—frowning upon the destructive and injurious system of bleeding, blistering, physicking and firing, opposed to the low feeding and starving of animals suffering from disease or accident. The diseases and treatment of each animal are considered under their simplest and best known names, and in alphabetical order, theerby affording to every one a work of practical usefulness and convenient form." A considerable attention is paid to the treatment of epizootic and epizootic-influenza and such other diseases as have recently prevailed to an alarming extent among horses. This book is got up in good substantial styles and should be obtained by every owner of horse flesh. The Agent, Mr. Given, is now canvassing for subscriptions in this Province.

An ingenious lady of Iowa discovered during the late cold snap that a good place to keep eggs from freezing was underneath her feather bed. The value of this discovery depends on the discretion with which it is used, for when the lady went to bed without thinking of the eggs, the effect on them was worse than freezing.

ST. VALENTINE AND HIS DAY.

THE AGE OF VALENTINE,

Sometime between the tenth and twelfth century there lived a monk in the convent at Erfut, known to fame as an alchemist and deep student. It was even hinted that he, living like a hermit, and carrying on his studies by himself, had discovered the philosopher's stone. The idea that lead, iron and other base metals could be changed to gold caused many men before and after that age to devote their time to endeavoring to divine the secret. Many secrets valuable in chemistry were discovered by these students, which were not used, and if used frequently brought destruction on their heads. An ignorant age could not see or hear anything different or new but witchcraft was at the bottom of it, and speedy punishment was visited on the offending head.

THE MAN VALENTINE.

In such an age lived Valentine, not yet arrived at the dignity of a Saint, keeping to himself, studying and writing, but hiding all his works from the vulgar gaze and from his brother monks, so that his life was a mystery to all who knew him. There was no enterprising newspaper to send a special reporter to interview him and publish his ideas to the world. He died at a ripe old age, a mystery to everyone, and his great secret still hid from the world. Search was made for his works, but no earthly power could find them until the lightning from heaven came to their aid and shattered a large pillar in the convent, where all his manuscripts were found as he had left them. But instead of alchemy and the philosopher's stone were found works on religion that raised him at once to the dignity of a Saint, and the 14th of February was set apart to be kept in memory of him. This much of Valentine and his life; he has been dead some years, but still

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

is honored over nearly the whole world with some sort of rites. There are several theories on the custom of honoring St. Valentine's day, and the application of the name to the festivities of the day seems to have been purely accidental. For we can hardly imagine the old monk in his cell at Erfut being taken for any fair lady's valentine.

A GOOD OLD CUSTOM.

It seems probable that the custom was taken from the ancient Romans, who, during the *Lupercalia*, were in the habit of putting the names of young marriageable men and women in different boxes, drawing them out simultaneously, and making them husband and wife. This, to our idea, was rather unceremonious, and we think there must have been considerable of swapping going on among the boys before they would show their tickets. We imagine that the names of some women, who had neither good looks nor good temper to recommend them, would be shoved off "unsight and unseen" as far as they could be got to go. Another ancient writer says the customs of St. Valentine's day arose from natural causes. "The birds," says he, "at this season of the year pair off, and man and woman naturally do the same."

THE GOLDEN AGE OF VALENTINES.

However, whenever, wherever the custom arose, in the fifteenth century we find it at its height. From the palace of the king to the cottage of the peasant, the custom of choosing a valentine was universal. During the fifteenth and sixteenth century, on the eve of the day, each gentleman by lot chose a valentine, and he was in duty bound for one year to be her true and trusty knight. From these engagements, no doubt, real and lasting ones followed. It was a strange custom, more like being betrothed for a little while on speculation than anything else. Those were days of chivalry, but they have departed, and the old customs have degenerated. The 14th of February has been modernized and become a sort of free letter day—a day on which, under the patronage of St. Valentine, deceased, you can send letters to friends or foes. Love-sick swains address their lady loves in rhyme, generally more expressive than correct; clerks seize the opportunity to send an employer some horrible caricature, that touches a fancy, or foible of his; servant maids favor their mistresses in the same way; in fact nearly every one indulges in the extravagance of a postage stamp on this day.

VALENTINES IN SCHOOL.

The young folks look forward to the day, and send and expect their valentines. Who does not remember his first Valentine's day at school? For days before busy making rhymes, all alone in some cold corner of the house, or while pretending to study very diligently at school, scratching, writing and rewriting dozens to be used when the day should come, and on the 14th at the school house a full hour before the time, slipping round, sticking valentines in the girls' desks. But the girls were there too, looking, oh, so innocent. When the school opened the teacher looked surprised to see almost every seat filled, and commenced his morning prayer, while the pupils regretted so much that he could and would pray with his eyes open, as it gave them no chance to open their desks and get the precious documents that must be there. At last they open the desks and find envelopes with their names, yes, their names, with Esq. at the end, or Miss at the beginning. One is opened, and a lock of golden hair falls out. Written on pink paper are the never-to-be-forgotten words:

The rose is red, the violet's blue,
Sugar is sweet and so are you,
You really look so very fine
I'll take you for my Valentine.

The joy of the moment was only dampened on reading another, in much the same strain, but telling that his Satanic Majesty was black and the reader likewise. This is everybody's first experience. The older ones who write valentines, write about as sensibly as the young ones did. Doggerel writers have to answer for many offences committed on St. Valentine's Day, and, if it was not for destroying the sale of printed valentines, we should give some original models to guide the youthful poets. But we retire in favor of the dealers.

MODERN VALENTINES.

Business men long since saw a source of income in issuing valentines to the public, and the trade has grown to mammoth proportions. Valentines are published at all prices, from the "little one for a cent" to elaborate ones that reach almost any price, with novelties every season.

It is an interesting study to look over the different styles of valentines sold in St. John. Every shop window is now dressed with cheap and gaudy prints, and the trade is still brisk.

Murder as Mania.

For the epidemics of disease modern observation has discovered causes and conditions, against which preventive measures may be and now commonly are taken. The sphere of morals is one in which it is more difficult to conduct observation and we are as yet certain scarcely of more than that there are epidemics of crime no less than of physical disease. Curiously enough, the cases folfow a strict analogy. As we have at one time cholera sweeping fatally across the world, again an outbreak of small-pox, this year a prevalence of scarlet fever and of a virulent type of erysipelas, so crime develops itself at one season in a long list of burglaries, at another in a prevalence of street robberies, now in a proneness to murder which seems to have assumed almost the character of a social mania. Why this is we do not know; it is not improbable that there are conditions which may be discovered in the future.

Yet one thing is certain, that though we may not know so much as we shall about preventing crime, we do know that swiftness and severity of punishment tend to repress it. That much repeated phrase of the ruffian Reynolds, "hanging for murder's played out in New York," seems almost to have acted as a germ for the small-pox in developing a characteristic epidemic. For months New York and its vicinity have been the scene of most brutal and unprovoked murders, such as are in their frequency absolutely without precedent.

The Law's Delay.

A case was recently considered by the United States Supreme Court which is perhaps the most extraordinary instance of the law's delay that has ever occurred. The case was one involving the ownership of immense landed estates in Prince George's county, Maryland. Not only the parties who originally brought the suit are all dead, but also the defendants, the counsel on both sides and nearly all the witnesses. The property was admitted to have been once owned by two brothers named Crawford, one of whom was alleged to have been secretly married to Betsy Taylor. Both brothers died after a time, and Betsey claimed the property. The claim was disputed by the only relatives of the deceased brothers—a family by the name of Blackburn. Before the case came to be decided, however, Betsy died, and her children brought the suit. The Blackburns claimed that Betsy was not the lawful wife of Thomas Crawford, that therefore the children were illegitimate and not entitled to a share in the property. The records, testimony and rulings fill several volumes. The case was before several courts and the judges were always divided. At last it reached the supreme court, and the lower Court having decided that there was a marriage, the Supreme Court affirmed the decision about a month ago, and the Blackburns were defeated. Since the case was first opened, Betsey and her four children have died, also the priest who married her to Crawford, her sister, mother and brother and all the original attorneys. The last contestants for the property were Betsey's grandchildren, who by marriage have become the distant relatives of the Blackburns.

LOCALS.

For a list of Agents for the sale of the Daily Tribune see first page.

For advertisements of Wanted, Lost, Found, For Sale, Removed, or To Let, see Auction column.

New Advertisements.

Advertisers must send in their favors before 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure their appearance in this list.

Amusements—
Academy of Music Gift Concerts
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Government House Notice— W A Himsworth
Coal— T McCarthy & Son
Pastry Flour— R E Puddington
Bloaters— do
Refined Sugar— Logan & Lindsay
Railway and Sleigh Robes— Thos Bennett
Anchor Line— Scammell Brothers
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AUCTIONS.
Superior Oil Paintings— Lockhart & Chipman
Auction Sale of Stocks— E McLeod

Special Notice.

If the Manager of the St. John Gas Light Company will call at this office and pay a small bill for advertising done in June last he will oblige the Business Manager. tf

Down Town Subscribers

to the Daily Tribune should now receive their papers early, as the carriers are sent out immediately after we get to press. We will thank subscribers to notify us at once of any delays or omissions that may occur.

St. Andrews Lodge Entertainment.

Owing to the death of one of the members of St. Andrews Lodge, B. T., of Carleton, the Dolly Varden Hop, which was to have been held in the City Hall, this evening, has been postponed until Friday evening next.

Customs Appointment.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Joseph Millar, for many years a porter in the employ of Messrs. Jardine & Co., has been appointed Janitor to the Custom House Building. He is a worthy man. His many friends will be glad to hear of his appointment.

Wesleyan Mission Meeting.

The annual Foreign Mission of Exmouth street Church was held last evening. The house was well filled, and a collection was taken up on behalf of the Mission. Rev. Messrs. Deinstadt, Hemmeon, Temple, Gaetz and Pope delivered addresses.

Brevities.

Skip White's score of 14 won the subscription Points Medal yesterday. Skip M. Lindsay came next, he making 12 points. The play was much better than in any of the previous contests.

The young men of Calvin Church give another of their entertainments this evening in the Vestry of the Church at eight o'clock. The programme is one of a very entertaining description, and comprises vocal and instrumental music, readings and recitations. We anticipate a crowded audience. A collection will be taken up to defray expenses.

The Directors of the E. & N. A. R. Co. have decided that they have a right to ride in the Pullman cars attached to their trains, without passes from the Pullman Car Company, which they have been obliged to have before.

The train from Halifax was last heard off at Folleigh Lake in a snow drift

Notice is given of application to Parliament for an Act to incorporate a company to construct and maintain an Ocean Cable from Great Britain to Canada.

The officers and members of Portland Battery intend holding a social re-union in the Temperance Hall, Tuesday evening. Ladies are to be admitted to the entertainment.

Baptist Missionary Sociable.

The regular monthly missionary sociable was held in the Carleton Baptist meeting house yesterday afternoon. A large number of visitors from the city were present. The report for the month was read after which tea, coffee and other refreshments were indulged in. The remainder of the time, until 9 o'clock, was spent very pleasantly. The last ferry load of city visitors had a lively time to themselves, racing around the boat, the ladies proving themselves the swiftest runners.

Life like and more durable than Oil.—J. Hinch, Prince William street, is now producing enlarged photographs, finished in India Ink, that are marvels of beauty and finish. Portraits by this process are exhibited in the window of Messrs. Barnes & Co., Stationers. tf

The Moncton Ball.

The ball given by some of the railway employes last night at Moncton seems to have been as successful as—the railway management this winter. The correspondents of the morning papers could find nothing to telegraph but an inventory of the decorations and the names of the committees. We are informed that one man was "a member of every committee," and are anxious for fear he over-exerted himself; that "the wines were from Halifax," and are fearful that they were too fiery for St. John men; that "the costumes of the ladies were all that fashion could dictate or fancy suggest," and are startled into whistling long and low; that "the appearance of the ladies and others is first rate," and are glad of it; that "a number of participants leave by train to-day after having enjoyed themselves hugely," and commend their good sense in leaving without delay. We are also told that "the ball was given by the officers and gentlemen connected with the Intercolonial Railway, engineers included," and have wondered much what the Intercolonial does with "officers *and* gentlemen." It is not clear which class, if either, the engineers are included in. Perhaps we are now in possession of the secret of the frequent delays of trains—there are gentlemen *and* officers connected with the road. It was feared by some that the firemen would be admitted, but the dispatch sets all doubts of the select character of the ball at rest by assuring us that "engineers" only were included.

It is too bad that the Halifax trains got stuck in the snow. But it would be unreasonable to blame the "officers *and* gentlemen." How unreasonable it is to expect men to do everything. If arrangements had been made for extra engines and snow-ploughs to keep the track clear the decoration of the ball-room would have been neglected. It was very mean in St. John and other gentlemen to attend without ladies. Did they expect the country girls in and dround Moncton to be invited to a Grand Railway Officers' and Gentlemen's Ball? Vain expectation. It was expected that the fairest of St. John and Halifax would hasten, as fast as Intercolonial trains would let them, to dance with the railway clerks. But, alas! how few hastened! Amherst came to the rescue with a few "recruits," says the special correspondent. Blessed henceforth be Amherst among the stations along the line.

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Small Pox—Two New Cases.

Two new cases of small-pox have been reported at the Board of Health office. William Bendon Stewart, who came from Boston and took lodgings at Mr. Williams's boarding house, in Britain street, was reported last night, and this morning removed to the Military Hospital. Bridget Healey, living in a house on the long wharf, was also reported this morning, by Dr. Smith of Portland. The Sheas, having entirely recovered, this morning their house was thoroughly fumigated and taken out of quarantine.

The Coming Carnival.

The Directors of the Victoria Skating Club have fixed the price of admission to spectators at the Carnival to be held on the 19th inst. at 25 cents for subscribers and 50 cents for non-subscribers. They are desirous that no one will appear on the ice in volunteer or fireman's uniform of the present day. There is every prospect of this being the most successful carnival that has yet taken place at the Rink. Mr. Notman intends making a photograph of the Carnival. All persons holding promenade or skating tickets are privileged to appear on the ice in costume.

Free Sample Bottle of Adamson's Botanic Balsom, at all Druggists. Pleasant and unfailing Remedy for Asthma, Coughs, Colds, Lung Complaints, &c. Large Bottles, 35 cents. H. L. Spencer, agent, 20 Nelson Street, St. John. d12

Shipping Notes.

The brig Bonito, of this port, Robison, master, which arrived at New York on the 11th inst. from Cardenas, 14 days passage, reports: having had strong N. and N. W. gales. Split sails, &c. They were 6 days north of Hatteras.

The brig Hattie Eaton, which arrived at New York on the same date, 26 days from St. Thomas, reports fine weather up to Hatteras, from thence, 9 days, had strong N. E. and N. W. gales. On the 7th inst., lat. 38, lon. 72, they passed a vessel's spar, bright, with masthead painted white; on the 9th, lat. 39 30, lon. 72, passed a vessel's boat about 20 feet long scraped bright.

The schooner William, of this port, with a cargo of scrap-iron, for Baltimore, went ashore on Chickamiconsica Island, 25 miles north of Hatteras, on the 6th inst., during a gale. The crew were saved. The vessel will probably be a total loss.

The bark Kate Crosby, Hibbert, master, from Antwerp, which stranded off Redcar on the 26th ult. and was towed off and proceeded, arrived at Middlesborough on the 29th, making no water, and apparently not having received any damage.

The Henrietta, Wishart, master, from Bull River, S. C., for London, with phosphate rock, put into Fayal on the 14th ult., leaky, having thrown overboard about 40 tons of her cargo. She would require to have her upper works caulked, and undergo other slight repairs.

The ship George H. Oulton, from this port for Liverpool, which put into Fayal on the 3rd ult. with loss of spars, sails, etc., was repairing on the 16th ult., and would be ready to sail in a few days.

Messrs. Hall & Fairweather's new ship Lilian, now lying at Pettingill's wharf, is to be placed on Lloyd's blocks to be yellow metal sheathed, rigged and fitted for sea. She has been chartered to take a cargo of lumber to Montevideo.

The new bark Lottie Stewart, launched at Black River yesterday, was towed into the harbor last evening. She was hauled alongside Robertson's wharf to-day where she will take in her spars.

Advices from Rangoon dated the 25th ult., state that the stern of a boat and some portions of a wreck, supposed to be belonging to the ship Asteriana, were picked up off the Andaman Islands in October last. The Asteriana registered 1,245 tons, was built at Indiantown in 1869, and was owned by D. V. Roberts, Esq. Captain Campbell was her commander.

The bark Tidal Wave, Hatfield, master, from Antwerp for Philadelphia, which passed the Isle of Wight on the 27th ult., when anchored off Deal came into collision with the bark Helen Campbell. The injury to her hull was slight. She repaired and proceeded on the 6th inst. for her destination. The T. W. is owned by F. Tufts, Esq., of this city.

The ship Montezuma, Leavitt, master from this port on the 28th December, arrived at Penarth Roads on the 17th ult. No word has yet been received concerning pilot Haviland who took the vessel to sea and was supposed to have been carried across. Geo. Leavitt, Esq., has telegraphed home for information concerning him. His family are very anxious as to his safety. The M. has been ordered to Sharpness Point.

Later.—In answer to the telegram of Geo. Leavitt, Esq., as to "where, when and how Haviland left the Montezuma,' the following reply has been received from Captain Leavitt: Pilot left ship at Little River Head, midnight 27th December in his own boat.

There is little doubt but that the unfortunate fellow has been drowned. This will make the second pilot drowned, belonging to this port, inside of four months. The information was conved to his family as soon as received, it was a sad blow to them as they had hoped he was safe in England. We sympathize with them in their sad bereavement.

The bark Maud Scammell was floated from her mud bed at high water to-day and hauled into Lloyd's blocks, where she will be yellow metal sheathed and fitted for sea. She has been chartered to carry a cargo of dry lumber to Valparaiso. Messrs. Jewett & Co. furnish the cargo. The M. S. was not in any way injured by her accident, she having a perfectly level and soft bottom where she lay.

Assault at Union Point.

Mr. Miles, constable of Portland, a few evenings since was over at Union Point. Coming up the hill from Goddard's mill he met three men, one of whom struck him a blow on the forehead which stunned him. The blow was so sudden and unexpected that Mr. Miles was unable to identify any one of the party. He fell and cannot say whether he was struck after falling or not. When able to get up he saw the three men, at some distance away, running as fast as possible. The blow must have been given with some harder substance than the fist, as the forehead was terribly cut and bruised, Mr. Miles thinks it must have been done with steel knuckles, and cannot give any reason why any one should assault him over there.

An Old Lady's Joke.

An elderly lady, enjoying the familiar name of Smith, in one of the rural districts of King's County, on returning from a visit to a neighbor, slipped and fell on the ice, and was somewhat injured. In relating the circumstance to a friend, she remarked: "My gracious, I thought I should never get up until I went for Smith to come and help me."

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Trees on Telegraph Wires.

A King's County lumberman bunglingly felled a large tree across the telegraph wires this week, breaking them down. He then had a streak of common sense and ran to the nearest station to report. There was some delay in getting an engine, and some trouble in getting over the road after it was got, and the pulse beats of two continents were forced to cease for two or three hours. Lumbermen must be more careful in felling trees or they will get into trouble.