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FOR SALE.

RESERVES & GROCERIES!

Just Received and For Sale by the Subscriber—

Fresh Cove OYSTERS  
Spiced do.

PINE APPLES  
PEACHES  
Strawberries—preserved in Syrup  
Brambleberries do.

—ALWAYS ON HAND—  
A Choice Selection of  
GROCERIES.  
T. M. CAIRNS,  
Opposite the Premises of Messrs. C. W. Ross & Co.  
Sept. 17.

NOTICES.

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Dealer and Importer of

ENGLISH & AMERICAN  
HARDWARE,

Picture Moulding, Glass

Looking Glass, Pictures  
Glassware, &c., &c.

TROUTING GEAR,  
(In great variety and best quality) WHOLE-  
SALE AND RETAIL.

221 WATER STREET,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

One door East of P. HUTCHINS, Esq.  
N. B.—FRAMES, any size  
and material, made to order.  
St. John's, May 10. tff.

HARBOR GRACE

BOOK & STATIONERY DEPOT,  
E. W. LYON, Proprietor,  
Importer of British and American

NEWSPAPERS

—AND—  
PERIODICALS.

Constantly on hand, a varied selection of  
School and Account Books  
Prayer and Hymn Books for different de-  
nominations

Music, Charts, Log Books, Playing Cards  
French Writing Paper, Violins  
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Albums, Initial Note Paper & Envelopes  
Tissue and Drawing Paper  
A large selection of Dime & Half Dime

MUSIC, &c., &c.,  
Lately appointed Agent for the OTTAWA  
PRINTING & LITHOGRAPH COMPANY  
Also, Agent for J. LINDBERG, Manufac-  
turing Jeweler.

A large selection of  
CLOCKS, WATCHES  
MEERCHAUM PIPES,  
PLATED WARE, and  
JEWELRY of every description & style.  
May 14. tff.

BLANK  
FORMS

Executed with NEATNESS  
and DESPATCH at the Office  
of this Paper.

NOTICES.

PAINLESS!  
PAINLESS!!

TEETH

Positively Extracted without  
Pain

BY THE USE OF  
NITROUS OXIDE GAS.

A NEW AND PERFECTLY SAFE  
METHOD.

Dr. LOVEJOY & SON,  
OLD PRACTITIONERS OF DENTIS-  
TRY, would respectfully offer their  
services to the Citizens of St. John's, and  
the outports.

They can be found from 9 a.m. to 5  
p.m., at the old residence of Dr. George  
W. Lovejoy, No. 9, Cathedral Hill, where  
they are prepared to perform all Dental  
Operations in the most  
Scientific and Approved Meth-  
od.

Dr. L. & Son would state that they  
were among the first to introduce the  
Anaesthetic (Nitrous Oxide Gas), and  
have extracted many thousand Teeth by  
its use

Without Producing pain,  
with perfect satisfaction. They are still  
prepared to repeat the same process,  
which is perfectly safe even to Children.  
They are also prepared to insert the best  
Artificial Teeth from one to a whole Set  
in the latest and most approved style,  
using none but the best Prem-  
received the highest pair  
iums at the world's  
in London and Paris.

Teeth filled with great care and in the  
most lasting manner. Especial attention  
given to regulating children's Teeth.  
St. John's, July 9.

W. H. THOMPSON,  
AGENT FOR

Parsons' Purgative Pills.

W. H. THOMPSON,  
AGENT FOR

Johnson's Anodyne Liniment.

BANNERMAN & LYON'S

Photographic Rooms,

Corner of Bannerman and Wa-  
ter Streets.

THE SUBSCRIBERS, having made  
suitable arrangements for taking a  
FIRST-CLASS

PICTURE,

Would respectfully invite the attention  
of the Public to a

CALL AT THEIR ROOMS,  
Which they have gone to a considerable  
expense in fitting up.

Their Prices are the LOWEST  
ever afforded to the Public;

And with the addition of a NEW STOCK  
of INSTRUMENTS, CHEMICALS and  
other Material in connection with the  
art, they hope to give entire satisfaction.

ALEXR. BANNERMAN,  
E. WILKS LYON.  
May 14. tff.

G. R. BARNES

Blacksmith & Farrier,

BEGS respectfully to acquaint his num-  
erous patrons and the public gener-  
ally, that he is EVER READY to give  
entire satisfaction in his line of business.  
All work executed in substantial manner,  
and with despatch.

Off LeMarchant St., North of Gas  
House.  
Sept. 17.

W. H. THOMPSON,  
AGENT FOR

Fellows' Compound Syrup

OF

HYPOPHOSPHITES.

POETRY.

The Seven Ages of Modern Men.

"The world's a stage,"  
Quoth Avon's sage,  
And I at once endorsed the dictum.  
His vivid page  
Paints every age;  
And, more *meo*, I'll depict 'em.

Age one: the child  
Pure, undefiled,  
Makes his *debut* amongst the actors;  
Denied the breast  
That suits him best,  
He takes his food from a contractor's.

No nurse's arms  
Still his alarms—  
Much less the bosom of his *mater*;  
He's strapped and wraped,  
And tied and trapped  
In some abhorred perambulator.

Age two; at school  
'Tis now the rule  
To cram our youth with 'ies and 'ologies;  
At solemn "sessions"  
They learn professions,  
And all the village schools are "colleges."

Age three discovers  
Our maids and lovers  
No more inditing woeful sonnets;  
Those days are gone  
With folks of *ton*,  
Improved away like modest bonnets,

In telegrams  
The stricken lambs  
Will cut their amatory capers;  
Or advertise  
With caution wise  
Their passions in the daily papers.

Age four displays  
In various ways  
The march of modern mind surprising;  
The soldier's fire,  
His jealous ire,  
Shows less alacrity in rising.

'Tis true he seeks  
For days and weeks  
And years the bubble Reputation;  
But 'tis on 'Change,  
Within the range  
Of Capel Court, in speculation.

Some seek their fame,  
And bag their game  
By knavish arts on racing courses;  
The gambling hell  
Will serve as well  
To win a "name" as Bourse or horses.

Age five: Severe,  
Obese, austere,  
Sits Justice with a turtle lining;  
No sapient saws  
Escape his jaws,  
Too weary with the work of dining.

The next age shifts  
Boon Nature's gifts,  
And one by one our organs vanish;  
But yet, despite  
Their certain flight,  
Our elders still appear young-man-ish.

Boon Art supplies  
Some fair disguise  
To hide the havoc of Time's sickle:  
Each vanished tooth,  
Returns, and, sooth,  
The grizzled head is put in pickle;

The drunken shanks  
Fill out, and, thanks  
To Art, expands the pectoralis;  
And, lo, by dint  
Of sublimed tinct,  
Revives the cheek which deadly pale is.

The sixth age past,  
Then comes the Last—  
Art tries her best, but never checks it;  
The debt is paid;  
The play is played;  
The actor bows and makes his exit.

EXTRACTS.

The Prince of Wales and the  
Waterloo Veteran.

The 10th Hussars were inspected by  
the Prince of Wales at Blandford two  
days ago. The *Daily News* records an  
incident that occurred as the Prince rode  
back from the inspection. An old Water-  
loo pensioner, Hiscott by name, who  
formerly served in the 10th Hussars, had  
come to the park to see his old regiment  
and his young Prince. Lord Ashley de-  
termined to introduce the old man to  
the Prince of Wales, and, after the in-  
spection, he stepped forward and asked  
his Royal Highness's leave to introduce  
a faithful subject who had done the State  
some service in his day. The Prince  
readily assented, and the old man totter-  
ed slowly forward. Stooping from his

charger the Prince shook hands heartily  
with the old soldier, and in a few well-  
chosen words expressed his pleasure at  
meeting one who had done his duty so  
well at the last great English victory with  
the regiment the Prince was so proud to  
command. His Royal Highness then  
asked some questions as to length of the  
old man's service, and seemed much  
struck at being told that for thirty-one  
years the brave old fellow had been on  
duty abroad without once returning to  
England. After shaking hands with him  
again the Prince rode on, leaving John  
Hiscott a prouder and a richer man.  
More than one person among the wit-  
nesses of this little incident remarked on  
the pretty picture that was formed  
by the young Prince, in all the glory  
of youth and strength, bending tenderly  
down from his charger to shake hands  
with the faithful old soldier, white with  
the snows of many winters and bowed  
down with age.—*Aberdeen Herald*, Sept. 7.

Fatal Ravages of an Escaped  
Rhinoceros.

The *New York Tribune* contains the  
following intelligence from Chicago:—  
"A letter from Red Bird, a small town in  
Monroe county, Illinois, gives a thrilling  
account of the escape from its keepers of  
the rhinoceros belonging to Warner &  
Co.'s Menagerie and Circus on the oc-  
casion of its being brought into the ring  
for the first time. The showmen had  
prepared the animal for exhibition by at-  
taching to a ring in its nose two strong  
wire-ropes, and 24 men were deemed suf-  
ficiently to control the beast. It submit-  
ted quietly to being led from the cage,  
but on entering the arena suddenly  
threw up its head and, plunging madly  
to the right and left, broke loose from  
the men and dashed forward through the  
tents. Its first victim was John Gillem,  
a canvasser, who was knocked down,  
and the beast trampling upon his breast,  
he was killed instantly. It next ran its  
nose against Martin Ready, another can-  
vasser, striking him in the stomach, rip-  
ping out his bowels, and killing him on  
the spot. It then made a dash in the  
direction of the seats, which by this time  
were cleared by the frightened spectators  
and knocked down nearly all the seats on  
one side of the tent, dislocating the  
shoulder of one of the employees and  
breaking the arm of a spectator. Run-  
ning next into the menagerie tent, it up-  
set Mr. Forepaugh's den of performing  
animals, after which it struck the centre-  
pole with its head, bringing it down with  
a crash upon the cages of the tiger and  
leopard, but not breaking them so as to  
allow the animals to escape. Dashing  
into the museum tent, it broke all the  
curiosities, frightened all the people in  
the neighborhood, and rushed out  
through the canvas into the street, finally  
stopping in a vacant house, the doors of  
which stood open. Here the men suc-  
ceeded in capturing the animal and get-  
ting it into a cage. The damage to the  
show was about \$3000.

A New American Small-Arm.

A new rifle which has recently been  
patented in the United States, is thus  
described in the *New York Evening Tele-  
graph*:—The most diabolically perfect  
means of slaughtering human beings are  
being brought to the notice of Govern-  
ments periodically, either in the way of  
needle-guns, chassepots, or rifled cannon  
and now we have an American invention  
which, in our judgment, and in the opin-  
ion of many eminent military gentlemen  
far surpasses any weapon as yet known  
for its exterminating qualities, and which  
bids fair to be adopted by the chief na-  
tions, if not by all, who are necessarily  
compelled to keep pace with the giant  
strides of science in order to maintain  
their places in the foremost rank of na-  
tionalities. Mr. J. V. Meigs is the par-  
ent of the arm, and is destined to gain a  
world-wide notoriety, with accompanying  
riches, and there is not the least question  
about his gun becoming the standard  
rifle of the age.

The Meigs magazine rifle is so construct-  
ed that a metallic tube takes the place of  
the ordinary neck of the stock. To this  
tube is attached a cheek piece and butt  
plate, making a gun of the usual appear-  
ance.

The magazine, composed of five shot-  
ted tubes, arranged pentagonally, each  
carrying ten metallic cartridges, is in-  
serted into the tube of the stock through a  
hinged opening in the butt plate, which,  
when closed, pivots the magazine and re-  
leases a revolving attachment, so that  
whenever the under one of these tubes  
is emptied of its cartridges, no matter  
what number it contained, it will revolve  
without loss of time, and bring a new  
tube around so as to be acted upon by  
the feed bar. The obvious advantages of  
this arrangement of parts is to give with  
great simplicity the utmost rapidity of  
fire which can ever be obtained with a  
single barrel—i.e., fifty shots without ever  
taking the gun from the shoulder in forty-  
five seconds. The weight of the gun with

its fifty charges is but twelve pounds, and  
without them but eight—the magazine  
weighing a half pound, gives us three and  
a half pounds as the weight of the fifty  
rounds. This weight, being in the stock  
renders it easy to handle, gives steady-  
ness, and causes, when handled under ex-  
citement, a low fire, obviously the best  
possible for army use; and when the sol-  
dier has his gun at rest, he is relieved of  
all weight and confinement.

It can be calculated the terrible effect  
of the fire from a body of men thus arm-  
ed, by the following brief illustration,  
which is no exaggeration:—One thousand  
men, placed in a line at intervals of one  
yard, could throw, without the least exer-  
tion, 30,000 shots in sixty seconds. This  
is astounding, but the inventor claims it  
as a fact, and we do not hesitate to give  
credence to the statement. The particu-  
lar rifle which Mr. Meigs has perfected has  
cost him eight years of labor in the per-  
fection of its plan of construction and  
testing its durability at all points of fric-  
tion. Besides this, the joints of the weap-  
on have been operated one million  
times and twenty thousand shots have  
been fired from it without injury to the  
weapon. The greatest test was the  
discharge of fifty shots, the entire con-  
tents of the magazine, in nineteen sec-  
onds. Of course, this is much faster than  
aim could possibly be taken, but it serves  
to show that as any living man could take  
aim or fire steadily he might discharge  
a shot, adapting the rate to his own abili-  
ty and quickness.

An Artist Disabled in a Duel.

A duel was fought the other day in the  
wood of Buzenval between M. Armand  
Lucy and M. Edgar Rodriguez, of the  
*Figaro*. The origin of this affair was a  
very insulting sketch of M. Lucy which  
appeared in that journal in a series of  
highly spiced articles headed "The De-  
corated Men of the Republic." M. Lucy's  
seconds were Baron Barbier, a cavalry of-  
ficer, and M. Franqueville; his adversary's  
were M. Leon Marx and M. de Beaulieu,  
two lieutenants of De Villemessant, who  
now admit that Rodriguez's portraits  
were offensively coloured. The condi-  
tions of the duel were three discharges  
of a pistol on each side, at the distance  
of twenty paces, with liberty to advance  
five paces. M. Rodriguez fired first, but  
missed; M. Lucy then aimed at his ad-  
versary's chest, but the ball was intercep-  
ted by the left wrist, from which it made  
a ricochet, and lodged in the shoulder  
near the collar bone. The wounds thus  
caused are serious. M. Rodriguez is ly-  
ing at the Grand Hotel, and M. Nalaton  
has been sent for to extract the ball, which  
is embedded in the joint.

Fatal Hanging Experiment.

Frederick Stanton, aged 15 years, son of  
Mr. Stanton, Clerk to the Cherley Board  
of Guardians, was a student at Stoney-  
hurst College, and returned home on his  
holidays a few days ago. A few  
days after he took a book into the gar-  
den to read. As he was absent from the  
house longer than usual search was made  
for him, when his elder brothers found  
him in the closet suspended by a rope  
from a cross beam which he had con-  
structed. He had evidently been dead  
some time. It was stated that the de-  
ceased had been reading a novel in which  
is depicted a "hanging scene." He was  
given to making experiments, and it was  
supposed that he was trying to realise the  
sensations experienced under such circum-  
stances as those described in the book  
when his feet slipped and death resulted.

A Danger Ahead.

We look forward to the coming winter  
with grave apprehension. We may un-  
derstate the Conservative forces at work  
—that is always easy in a country like  
England—but everything seems to us to  
tend towards a social struggle in the  
counties, which must be disastrous, and  
may not be altogether peaceful. The ag-  
ricultural labourers of the country, more  
than 600,000 adult males, just excited by  
a new prospect of improved position, and  
interested in a new activity, will be ex-  
posed to a new hardship, and irritated by  
a new form of pressure from above. Meat  
bread, and potatoes will all alike be dear  
and the farmers, enriched and embolden-  
ed by their dearness, are intending, in  
some countries, at all events, to "try con-  
clusions" with their labourers, and see if  
they cannot "read them a lesson" upon  
the advantages of suffering quietly what-  
ever it may suit employers to inflict. The  
prices demanded for getting in the har-  
vest have irritated the farmers beyond  
measure, the speeches of the itinerant  
lecturers, often imprudent, and some-  
times most reprehensible, excite them  
still further, and the sense that in future  
they will have to deal with strong cor-  
porations, instead of isolated, and there-  
fore powerless, seekers of bread, drives  
them beyond all self-control, a control  
which, indeed with dukes and bishops  
urging them on, they do not feel it ne-