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ST. JOHN, N. B.
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Wm. M. Wright, Editor & Proprietor.

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Cooking Stoves, Tin Ware, &c.
JAMES T. MAGEE & Co., 2 PRINCE WILLIAM STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B., have just received per Steamer from Boston the latest and most approved patterns of Cooking Stoves, of the following varieties, viz.: The "Institution Range," the "Cynosure," the "Voyager," the "Victoria," the "Eastern Farm," &c., &c.
These Stoves are pronounced by competent judges to be the most economical, durable, and highly finished, ever imported into this market. They are imported for sale and can consequently be sold at a low price.
Messrs. MAGEE & Co. keep constantly on hand a general assortment of TINWARE, STOVEPIPE and GAS, SCREWS, WOODS and IRON, and all orders executed with neatness and despatch.

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THE subscribers have just received per Mail Steamer, via Halifax—
CASK FIRES!
Consisting—
MILL FIRES, assorted, 4 to 12 inches;
FLAT BASTARD, " 4 to 14 "
HALF ROUND, " 4 to 14 "
CABINET RASPS, " 6 to 8 "
Also, Stubb's TAPER, " 3 to 6 "
Handsaw FILES, " 3 to 6 "
All of which will be sold low.
No. 1, KING STREET,
W. L. OLIVE & Co.

TOBACCO!
Cheaper than the Cheapest at the "Lester House."
10 BOXES Superior Honey Dew TOBACCO, 10's and 12's;
8 boxes unequalled Cheating Tobacco, Grape Brand; 4 boxes Extra Fine (2-pounds) Cheating Tobacco, Jesse Brown;
5 boxes very choice Cheating Tobacco, Golden Leaf; 5 boxes do do do Magnum Bonum; 2 boxes Extra do do do Estramadura, light pressed;
500 real Havana CIGARS—a choice article. On sale cheaper than any in the City, at Lester House, 66 Charlotte Street. **LESTER BROS.,**

Per Steamer "Arabia."
The following London Goods are respectfully offered:—
STEDMAN'S POWDERS: Bleached Almond Oil Tube Colors from Windsor and Newton; a variety of Tooth Brushes, 22 doz.; Dressing Combs; varieties: Elastic Knee Caps; Elastic Cotton Stockings; Patent Trusses; Pink Saucers; Feeding Bottles; India Rubber TONGS; India Rubber Shields; Fine Tooth Combs; Celebrated French Soap, 50 cents per cake, a great luxury; Keating's Cough Lozenges; Pill Boxes; Cosmetic Black; Camel's Hair Pencils; India Ink; Price's Glycerine Plasters, spread on Leather; Pessic Acid; Oil Bergamot, superior; Acetate Potash; Sannic Acid.
J. CHALONER, Apothecary, corner King and Germain-sts.

Molasses Sugar.
A QUANTITY of Molasses Sugar for sale at 130 Prince William street, march 4. **W. M. DUFFELL.**

THE KNICKERBOCKER MAGAZINE.
OF
Literature, Art, Politics, and Society.
ANNOUNCEMENT.—With the October number of this time honored and popular Magazine was commenced a new series, issued in a new and enlarged form, under entirely new editorial and proprietary management.
It will be the aim of its present conductor not only to sustain its former prestige, but to extend its circle of readers and make it a welcome guest in every American household. With this view, no labor or expense will be spared in securing the highest order of talent, not alone on this side of the Atlantic, but in both hemispheres.
Although a literary Magazine, it will not shrink from boldly discussing the vital topics of the day, free from all party or sectarian bias. It will embrace among its miscellaneous contents notes on current events, foreign and domestic; reviews of new books, and art and dramatic gossip; while the Editor's Table, with which the readers of "OLD KNICK" have been so long familiar, will be monthly spread with the choicest literary vignettes which the market can supply.
It is thus hoped, that even under the depressing influences of a protracted war, the veteran Magazine of the United States will reap, in its new and improved character, a plentiful harvest of subscriptions—and maintain with added lustre, that position as a first-class monthly, which it has held for more than thirty years.

TERMS.—Three Dollars a year in advance, postage paid. To the Army and Navy, half price. Two copies, four Dollars and Fifty Cents. Three copies for Six Dollars. Subscriptions must be sent direct to the office. No collectors are employed. Single copies will be sent to any part of the United States or Canada, post paid, on receipt of twenty-five cents in postage stamps. Back numbers may be obtained on application. New subscribers will be supplied with the back numbers of the new series gratuitously.
The **NEW YORK ECHO** & **THE** and any other **THREE DOLLAR MAGAZINE** will be sent one year for **FOUR DOLLARS.**
A discount of 10 per cent. from these prices will be allowed to persons sending clubs of ten or more subscribers.
CHARLES READE, author of the **CLOISTER** and **THE HEARTH**, and other eminent authors, will be among the regular contributors to the Magazine.
All communications should be addressed to
THE EDITOR,
dec. 3. 37 Park Row, New York.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY.
BEGINNING OF A NEW VOLUME.
THE number for JANUARY, 1863, begins the fifth volume of the **ATLANTIC MONTHLY.** From the commencement in 1857, the "Atlantic" has rapidly increased in circulation, and it now has the largest class of readers since its beginning. Every year, its prosperity steadily augments, and it continues, amid all the fluctuations and dangers incident to our national crisis, to gain ground in the estimation of the public. At a time so pregnant with events which touch the future destinies of America in every vital particular, the Publishers and Editors do not deem it necessary to promise that its pages will never sweep the broad paths of loyal patriotism and universal freedom. Its opinions have always been on the side of Liberty, Progress, and Right, and the course it first adopted in its early career, will ever be faithfully maintained.
The Staff of Writers, regularly contributing to the **ATLANTIC MONTHLY**, embraces all the best known authors in American literature, and warrants the Publishers in promising to its readers

THE BEST ESSAYS,
THE BEST STORIES,
THE BEST POEMS,
which American talent can furnish.

LIST OF REGULAR CONTRIBUTORS.
In PROSE and POETRY the "Atlantic" Staff of Writers is unequalled. The following authors are still among the regular contributors:—
James Russell Lowell, Henry W. Longfellow, Louis Agassiz, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Nathaniel Hawthorne, C. C. Hasewell, T. W. Higginson, Author Margaret Howth, Mrs. Julia W. Howe, Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney, Oliver W. Holmes, John G. Whittier, E. P. Whipple, Bayard Taylor, Charles E. Norton, George S. Hillard, Henry Giles, Walter Mitchell, Henry T. Tuckerman, John Weiss, Mrs. H. B. Stowe, Harriet Martineau, Charles Reade, "The Country Parson," Rose Terry, Harriet E. Prescott, Robert T. S. Lowell, J. T. Trowbridge, Edward Everett, Professor A. D. White.
The foregoing list of contributors includes "The leading Writers of America."
TERMS.—The **ATLANTIC** is for sale by all Book and Periodical Dealers. Price 25 cents a number. Subscriptions for the year, \$3.00, postage paid. Yearly subscriptions received, or single numbers supplied by any dealer, or by the Publishers. Specimen numbers sent GRATIS on application to the Publishers.
Inducements for Subscribing. List of premiums, &c., furnished on application to the Publishers.
TICKNOR & FIELDS,
135 Washington St., Boston, Mass.

Earthenware, China, Glass.
EARTHENWARE, CHINA AND GLASS.—The subscriber has received from Liverpool—75 crates Common Ware, (new patterns, assorted expressly for the Country Trade); 10 casks of Glass Ware; 5 casks Cut Glass; 2 casks Plain Hot Water Tumblers; 25 crates containing Stone Dinner sets, White and Gold; Stone Dinner sets, Colored and Gilt; Stone Dinner sets, Lustre, &c.; China Breakfast sets, White and Gold; Stone Breakfast sets, Colored, &c.; Toilet sets, China, Colored and Gilt; Toilet sets, Stone China, and Gilt; Stone Water Pitchers, various colors; China Tea Sets, the best assortment ever imported in the Province; Stone Tea sets, Gilt, (all new patterns); Glass Ware, cut and pressed, (new patterns).
A great quantity of other articles too numerous to enumerate, will be sold low. Wholesale and Retail by
F. CLEMENSON,
29 Dock-st.

Brown's Bronchial Troches.
FOR SALE BY P. R. INCHES, Druggist,
No. 80 Prince Wm-st.

THE NATIONAL ALMANAC.
JUST RECEIVED—The **NATIONAL ALMANAC AND ANNUAL RECORD, FOR 1863.**
The above is the most valuable book of reference upon American affairs ever published, containing complete Statistics of the different States, the latest Tariffs and Census, abstract of Public Laws, &c., &c. Price \$1.25. For sale by
J. & A. McMILLAN,
78 Prince Wm. street,
march 25.

The Exploration of the Niger.
Lieutenant Lefroy, commanding Her Majesty's ship *Investigator*, in his ascent of the River Niger, an enterprise undertaken with a view to communicate with Dr. Baikie, the African explorer, has succeeded in reaching a higher point of that river than had hitherto been attained by a ship of war. On the 2d of September he commenced the ascent. The current was strong, and some of the inhabitants of the banks were unfriendly; but the progress made was considerable, being about fifty miles a day. On the seventh day the expedition passed the large town of Iddah, supposed to contain upwards of 10,000 inhabitants, situated on a pretty hill 127 ft. in height. There is a large plain on the south side. The houses are round, and the natives dressed in the blue cloth of the country. This place, in the opinion of Mr. Lefroy, might be made the key of the Niger, as the deep-water channel is very narrow, so that the town entirely commands it. Igara is the name of the country, and the King of Iddah's territory reaches so far as the confluence. The scenery about Shooter's Sound is of a fine, picturesque description; hills, thickly-wooded valleys, and mountains steep and rocky. "The country," says Mr. Lefroy, "might be turned to good account, and from what I have heard the natives would be glad to work the ground, only they are prevented by fear of King Massaba, who sends down his horsemen in the dry season and takes them for slaves. The land opposite Beauford Sound grows Guinea corn, and the island itself has several farms on it." On the eleventh day they came to the last of Lieut. Glover's charts that are printed; but still pushed forward. Fourteen days later, Mr. Lefroy arrived at the camp called Eddo, where he was to see the King Massaba. There "Mr. Southwick and myself, accompanied by a guard of five kroomen, together with the head chief and others the King had sent to escort me to his presence, proceeded to the King's house, where we found him sitting on a mat, and another spread with cushions for Mr. Southwick and myself. He is a fine-looking man, and, from the great name he bears, just the man I expected to see. We had a little palaver and exchanged of compliments, after which I presented him with the presents I brought. He seemed much pleased with the coat of mail, and said it showed him he was not forgotten in England. He then requested

me to go and see his sons, whom I found in great numbers with the second King, ready to receive me. Some of them were remarkably fine men. I was then presented with some cola-nuts, in accordance with the custom of the country, which broke up the palaver, and I returned to King Massaba, with whom I had a long palaver about Dr. Baikie. He informed me that he had gone to Kano after the papers and effects of a Dr. Vogel, who had been murdered there, and that he had recovered the papers; and the King had given him horses and men, but did not seem pleased at his going. The camp here is on a very large scale, and I have been informed he has upwards of 5000 horsemen. His reason for being encamped is on account of an order from the Sultan of Socatoo to open the road between Bida and Socatoo, as the messengers were frequently robbed and murdered passing between those places; so that Massaba has taken the whole country, dethroning the Kings, and placing guards of his own men in their towns. The King spoke a good deal about Dr. Baikie, and again expressed his dissatisfaction at his going away and not returning in time for the ship, as he had promised. Called on the King in the afternoon, and he told me he felt sure I would neither hear nor see Dr. Baikie this year, but promised to send his letters to Lagos whenever he received an answer." Mr. Lefroy returned by the road he had come. When he had proceeded some way a messenger from King Massaba arrived, informing him that the King had heard from Dr. Baikie, and that he was on his way back to the camp, and requested Mr. Lefroy to wait a few days longer; but Mr. Lefroy resolved not to wait, and dropped down the river, leaving us still in doubt as to Dr. Baikie's safety.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND.—We have dates from Australia to the 24th of January, 1863. But little business had been transacted during the month. The migration to New Zealand, which had continued during the preceding year, had had an injurious effect upon the colony, as indicated by a decrease in the revenue.
The remains of Robert O'Hara Burke and William John Wills, who lost their lives in the Victorian exploring expedition, after lying in state for 15 days, were buried on the 21st January. The funeral was a public one, the two Houses of Legislature adjourned to mark their sense of the occasion, and it is estimated that 40,000 persons witnessed the spectacle.
The official returns of the produce of the gold-fields, show a larger falling-off in the yield of the Victorian mines than was at first looked for. The shipments for the year amounted to 2,019,839 oz., including 308,331 oz. transhipped from New Zealand vessels; the total for Victoria standing at 1,711,508 oz. During 1861 the shipments amounted to 2,072,359 oz. of which 133,270 oz. were transhipped from New Zealand, and 2,072,369 oz. the produce of this colony. But in order to draw a fair comparison between the two years, it must be borne in mind that during the last month of 1862 but little gold was shipped. The bulk was held over until after the 1st of January, on which day the reduction in the export duty to 1s. 6d. per ounce came into operation. Large parcels, the produce of 1862, have since been shipped, and will swell the returns of the current year.
From New Zealand there is very little news of interest. Reports from the Lachlan gold field show that gold is being struck in large quantities upon nearly all the leads now at work. Recent rains have been very general throughout the colony and have materially facilitated mining operations.—*Halfway Journal.*