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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, J. WOODWARD, St. John, Nov. 11, 1846. Secretary.

Paris Fashions.

Messrs. LOCKHART & CO. have pleasure to announce to their patrons, that part of their

NEW SPRING STOCK

has arrived per Steamer 'NIGARA,' direct from PARIS, personally selected by Mr. Lockhart. Gents' Parisian Satin Velvet HATS; best French KID GLOVES; STOCKS; Muslin, Satin, and Silk OPERA TIES; Silk Pocket & Neck Hdkfs.; SHIRTS and COLLARS; BRACES; Ladies' French, Leghorn and Straw BONNETS; Bonnet and plain Ribbons; Colored Kid GLOVES; Dress Silks and Taffetas; Children's HATS—with a variety of other articles of Parisian manufacture.

THIS DAY OPEN, and ready for Inspection and Sale. LOCKHART & CO., No. 17, King-street. April 9.—8i.

GILCHRIST & INCHES ARE NOW OPENING AT THE GOLDEN FLEECE, Prince William Street, PART OF THEIR Spring and Summer Stock, Received per Packet Ship Liberia. St. John, April 19, 1853.

VICTORIA HOUSE, PRINCE WILLIAM STREET, AND BRITISH HOUSE, KING STREET. Saint John, 5th March, 1853.

First Spring Importations! PER SHIP "MIDDLETON," 5,000 Straw Bonnets! Newest Spring Shapes!! J. DOHERTY & CO. N. B.—Further Supply per Steamer "Cambria," at Boston, together with RIBBONS, SLAWLS, PRINTS, and FANCY DRESS GOODS, to arrive per "Admiral" next trip. J. D. & CO.

LONDON HOUSE, Market Square, April 9, 1853.

Per Steamer "Niagara."

A FEW cases of SCOTCH GOODS containing Paisley, Cashmere, and French Barege LONG AND SQUARE SLAWLS. Persian and Embroidered ROBES; French Printed CAMBRICS; Fancy Printed OUBLEANS; HABITS, Chemisettes, Collars, Sleeves, &c. &c. T. W. DANIEL. APRIL 9, 1853.

NEW GOODS.

Per Steamer "Niagara," from Liverpool.— FURTHER supply of BONNETS; Bonnet RIBBONS; Plain and Figured Rich SILKS; SATINETTES, SATINS, SARSONNETS; Rich Black SHL LACES; Cambria HANDBURCHES; COLLARS and HAITT SHIRTS; SILK TRIMMINGS, BRAIDS, BUTTONS, TASSELS, &c. &c. W. G. LAWTON.

MORRISON & CO.

Per Steamer "Cambria," from New York. HAVE now ready for inspection, suited for the season, the LARGEST, MOST VARIED and MOST MAGNIFICENT STOCK of SILKS, SATINS and RIBBONS Ever exhibited in this Province.

MORRISON & CO., PRINCE WM. STREET.

THE SHEFFIELD HOUSE, Market Square, April 23, 1853.

WHOLESALE & RETAIL. Just opened, ex Steamer Niagara and America, RICH assortment of Jewellery, in great variety—English Silver Spoons, Forks, &c.; Silver Fancy Articles, Silver Brooches, Shawl Pins, Bracelets, Card Cases, Bouquet Holders, Paper Knives, Cake ditto; Knife, Fork and Spoon, in Cases, &c. &c.

Ex Liberia—20 packages Hardware, consisting of Ivory Handle Table Cutlery, in complete sets, and in dozens; Knives only, and Carvers to match; Buck Horn ditto, ditto; Pocket Cutlery, Combs, Razor Straps, Hair Brushes, &c. &c. Shortly expected, ex Belcarraig, Speed and Imperial—100 packages assorted Fancy Goods, Sawes, Tools, Glass, Fine Gettings, Electro and Albata Plait, rich Plated Goods, with a large supply of English Lever Watches, &c. &c. Particulars in future advertisements. Purchasers will find it to their advantage to select from our stock, the assortment being large and varied, and the prices exceedingly low. ROBINSON & THOMPSON, April 26, Proprietors.

First Spring Importations.

J. & J. HEGAN

Have received per Packet Ship "MIDDLETON," CARPETINGS & HEARTH RUGS, PRINTED DRUGGETS, Moreens and Damasks, SHEETINGS, White and Striped SHIRTINGS, CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, Tailors' Trimmings, &c. Prince William Street, 8th March, 1853.

NEW SPRING GOODS.

JAMES BURRELL, Corner of King and Germain Streets.

Has received per St. John, from Glasgow, part of his Spring supply of DRY GOODS, viz:—Shawls, Delaines, Cashmeres, Fancy Printed Muslin Dresses, Gingham, Handkerchiefs, Harness Filled Bordered Book Shirtings, Linens, Towellings, Sewing Muslin Habit Shirts and Chemisettes, White and Striped Varn, &c. &c. Remainder daily expected.

LONDON GOODS,

Landing, ex "MIRAMICHI," from London, DAY & MARTIN'S Blacking; Boiled and Raw Linseed Oil; Poland Starch; Mustard; Window SOAP; Scaled Oil; Currants; Crushed SUGAR; Lazenby's Pickles; Cloves, Ginger, Nutmeg, Indigo, Sago, Isinglass, &c. &c.—For sale by JARDINE & CO.

Carpet, Carpets, Carpets! RUGS, RUGS.

JUST received per ship St. John, a large and varied assortment of Brussels CARPETS; and three-ply splendid patterns, with RUGS to match. GOLDEN FLEECE, Prince William Street, May 3.

London White Lead, Wine, &c.

Received ex Ship Miramichi, Wyles, master, from London, 5 TONS best London White LEAD; 25 boxes Belmont and Patent Spinn CANDLES, 25 lbs. each; 3 quarter casks Gold and Pale SIERRY, (very superior)—Landing, for sale by CUDLIP & SNIDER. May 17.

NEW SPRING GOODS!

Per Steamer Niagara, from Liverpool: DAVID PATERSON begs to announce to his Customers and the Public, that he has received part of his Spring Supply of BOOTS & SHOES consisting of the following description:—Ladies' Cashmere, Satin, and Frenelia BOOTS; Ladies' Patent Prunella, Leather, Web, and fancy SLIPPERS; Ladies' Kid and Calf-Village TIES and Walking SHOES; Misses and Children's Prunella BOOTS; Do. do. Kid, Satin, and Calf-Village SHOES; Infant Kid BOOTS; Patent Back Straps, &c.; Knives' Patent OXFORD TIES, and BOOTES of various kinds; also, Gent's Patent Ties, Carpet and Leather SLIPPERS, &c. &c.—Together with a lot of French CALF SKINS, a beautiful article for Gait's BOOTS, which will be made up to order in his usual style, without any extra charge.

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J. C. HATHEWAY, M. D., DENTIST.

OFFICE in Sydney Street, first shop above Queen's Square, and opposite the residence of Beverly Robinson, Esq. Dr. H. is prepared to insert ARTIFICIAL TEETH of his own manufacture, and attend to all other branches of Dentistry; he also prepares a superior article of TOOTH POWDER, warranted free from all substances that would have an injurious effect upon the teeth, for sale only at his office. Black Teeth carved for Dentists. April 26, 1853.

Adams' Hardware Store,

Market Square, corner of Dock Street. JUST RECEIVED—1 CASE Hoole, Stanforth & Co's GANG SAWS; 1 case Rowlands' Mill Saws; 8 cases Sanderson's Cast Steel; 1 case German Steel, for Horse Corks; 39 bundles Blister and Spring Steel; 2 cases Japanned and Tinned Ware. May 10. W. H. ADAMS.

JARDINE & CO.

Are now receiving ex Schr. "Linnett," from Boston, ONE barrel Caraway SEED; 10 brls. Dried Apples; 10 dozen Wool Cards; 50 chests fine Congo and Souchong TEA; 12 boxes E. I. Company's fine do.; one case fine Cut Chewing Tobacco; 27 boxes Tobacco; one case Sardines, and a select assortment of Pot Herb and FLOWER SEEDS. Now landing, ex "IMPERIAL," from Liverpool: 150 BUSHELS Potato and Hopeton OATS, Chavelier BARLEY, PEAS, BEANS, VETCHES, &c. A large assortment of SEEDS, comprising Turnip, Carrot, Mangold Wurzel, Radish, Celery and Cabbage Seed, &c. A select assortment of Pot Herb and FLOWER SEEDS. Ex Schr. May Flower, from Prince Ed. Island: 1,000 bushels heavy Black Seed OATS; 3,000 ditto mixed Feeding OATS. From Woodstock: 230 barrels Early Blue & Christie POTATOES. For sale by JARDINE & CO. May 10, 1853.

Canvass, Oakum, &c.

Landing, ex "IMPERIAL," 12 BALES Bleached Gunrock CANVASS. Ex "Miramichi," from London—10 tons first quality OAKUM. An Invoice of White, Black, Green, Yellow and Red PAINT, from BRANFORD BROTHERS. Boiled and Raw LINED OIL.—For sale by JOHN WALKER, Corner Peters' Wharf & Ward-Street, May 17.

MESS FISH.

Landing ex Schr. Gilmore, from Boston—20 brls. St. Louis MESS FISH; 6 brls. LARD and Sea Elephant OIL; 3 bags Soft Shell ALMONDS. May 24. JAMES MACFARLANE.

Black's Hardware Store,

No. 6, North Market Wharf. Landing ex Ship Imperial—8 CASES and 7 bundles HARDWARE, &c. containing—Long Handled Fry Pans, Wire Riddles and Sieves, Brass and Iron Wire, Kettle Ears, Shoe Presses, Carpenters' Compasses, Jack Chain, Shovel Pans; Horns' HIL, T. Chest, Table, and 2 cases of Brass Buttons and Buttons, Knitting Pins, Gun Nipples, Table and Tea Spoons, Pins, Chain and Brass Dog Collars, Brass and Iron Candlesticks, Mouse Traps, Wire Dish Covers; Smoothing, Jack and Tying Planes; Curtain Pins, Percussion Caps, Glass Paper, Shaving Boxes, Brass and Steel Snauffers and Trays, Counter Balances, Shot Pouches, Ships' Compasses, Pump Tacks, Barn Door Hinges, Sledge, Shoe, and other Hammers; Coffee Mills, Fire and Hand Irons, Paint Brushes, Whip Whangs, Garden Rakes, Cash Boxes, Shoe Hairs, Looking Glasses; Chest, Plate, Cupboard, and Trunk LOCKS; Iron Squares, Latches, Gun Locks, Hat and Coat Hooks, Staples for Locks, Water O'Yr Stones, &c. &c. May 10.—Im. JAS. N. C. BLACK.

Pepper, Loaf Sugar, Mustard.

Landing, per Miramichi, from London, 20 BAGS Black PEPPER; 25 kegs Coleman's SF MUSTARD; 10 cases Coleman's BEST MARCH; 1 case NUTMEGS; 2 cases CASSIA; 2 cases LICORICE; 3 cases PICKLES, assorted; 1 case CREAM TARTAR; 1 case SALTPEPER; 1 case Blue VITRIOL. Per Radius and Lavinia, from Boston, Cheese, Dried Apples, Ground Rock Salt, Wool Cards, Wheel Heads, Wickling, Clothes Pins, Wash Boards, Wood Measures, Nuts, Tubes, &c. May 17. FLEWELLING & READING.

Per "Mecca," from New York.

30 BOXES TOBACCO—5's and 8's; 2 cases 10 small boxes, 30 lbs. each "Lacko's" Chewing Tobacco; 25 half chests fine Oolong Souchong TEA. JAMES MACFARLANE, Market Square. March 29.

Seeds and Oatmeal.

Received per steamer Admiral, from Boston, 1 BAG White Belgian CARROT SEED; 10 bags Western Clover Seed. Ex Imperial, from Liverpool—33 barrels Scotch OATMEAL.—For sale by JARDINE & CO. May 3.

Muscovado Molasses.

Ex Brissolona Jupiter, from Cienfuegos, 84 HUSKLESS, now landing.—For sale by FLEWELLING & READING. May 3.

No. 4, Water-street.

W. TISDALE & SON

Are receiving ex "Belcarraig," from Liverpool: 110 RINGS from WIRE, from No. 4 to 19; 10 bundles Fry Pans; 4 cases "Ten Kettles, Sauce Pans, &c.;" 2 cases Sad Irons; 1 case Wire Grating; 2 cases round top SHOVELS, 1 case Victor's hand, turn, mill and other Files, 40 cases Ox and Horse NAILS, 120 bags SPIKES, 4 to 10 inch; 57 do. WROUGHT NAILS, 4 to 60 lb; 2 tons PUTTY; 4 cases WHITING, 2 cases, each, Red and Yellow OCHRE, 1 case White CHALK. For sale by JARDINE & CO. May 10.

New and Cheap Room PAPERS.

JUST OPENED—A LARGE and handsome assortment of very Cheap ROOM PAPERS; for sale from 5d. a piece upwards. A beautiful variety of Stain Glazed PAPERS. April 12, 1853. S. K. FOSTER.

Ex "Miramichi, from London:

1 CASE containing CHARTS for all parts of the World; 1 case containing NORRIS's EPITOME; Griffin's do.; Declination Tables; Thomson's Table; Sumner's Method for finding a Ship's position at Sea; Chronometer's Companion; Great Circle Sailing; Lee's Laws; Lee's Manual; Nautical Almanac for 1853 and 1854. QUADRANTS, BAROMETERS, Telescopes, Dividers, Parallel Rulers, &c. &c.—For sale by JOHN WALKER. May 17, 1853.

Cordage, Oakum, Canvas.

Landing, ex "IMPERIAL," 10 TONS No. 1 CORDAGE, assorted, from Glasgow; 14 brls. 6 LBS. 44's; 4 to 6 inches; 2 tons best Oakum; 3 bales Navy Canvas. Also—50 boxes Turkey RAISINS. May 17. GEORGE THOMAS.

TOBACCO.

PER Pearl and Village Belle, from New York: 81 boxes TOBACCO, in 8's and 10's; 5 boxes 1 lb. lump Tobacco; 40 boxes Myers' Jromatic Tobacco, 4 lb. lump; 2 barrels Scotch SNUFF, in small bladders. To ARRIVE—Per Schr. Ori—200 barrels Super-fine FLOUR. May 17. FLEWELLING & READING.

Fresh Garden and Field SEEDS.

OATS and POTATOES. Now landing, ex "IMPERIAL," from Liverpool: 150 BUSHELS Potato and Hopeton OATS, Chavelier BARLEY, PEAS, BEANS, VETCHES, &c. A large assortment of SEEDS, comprising Turnip, Carrot, Mangold Wurzel, Radish, Celery and Cabbage Seed, &c. A select assortment of Pot Herb and FLOWER SEEDS. Ex Schr. May Flower, from Prince Ed. Island: 1,000 bushels heavy Black Seed OATS; 3,000 ditto mixed Feeding OATS. From Woodstock: 230 barrels Early Blue & Christie POTATOES. For sale by JARDINE & CO. May 10, 1853.

IV STORE.

2 TONS Manila ROPE, "Gourock" manufacture, used from 1 1/2 inch to 8 inch; 5 tons No. 1 Liverpool CORDAGE, and 5 tons No. 1 Russia do, assorted, from Ghirland to 1 1/2 inch. April 19. GEORGE THOMAS.

The Subscribers have on hand: OATS, CORN, and Cracked Corn, BRAN and HORSE FEED; for sale by JARDINE & CO. Feb. 1, 1853.

Poetry, &c.

THE STREAM OF TIME.

By JOHN SWAN. It is a silent stream; Calm as a quiet sleep; To a strange repose, The still stream flows, Where the mourners cease to weep.

It is a wide spread stream, And every valley fills; It covers the plains, And the high domains Of the everlasting hills.

It is a ceaseless stream; Forever flowing fast, Like a solemn tide To the ocean wide Of the far, unfathomed past.

It is a mighty stream; Resistless in its way; To the loftiest things, The strongest kings, It carries with ease away.

It is a precious stream; For pearls of price untold Toward the care of the soul, And its sands are sands of gold.

Through silent realms of night; Through every glorious clime; By night and day, it flows, On its wide spread way, Past flows the stream of time.

The Maid's Soliloquy.

A maiden alone—a copy of Milton in her hand. She opens at the passage, "Hail, Medusa! hie! mysterious law!" &c. She then soliloquizes: It must be so! Milton, thou reasonest well; But who, when thou dost thus, dost thou desire, This longing after matrimony? Or when this secret dread, this inward horror Of dying unpossessed? why shirks the heart Back on itself and starts at celibacy? 'Tis reason, faithful reason stirs within us; 'Tis nature's self that points out an alliance. And intimates a husband to the sex.

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and if mahogany, she longs after walnut. Cane seats are vulgar in her eyes, hair cloth is only tolerable, but damask is "divine." She has a great notion of "the best society," which she thinks consists in more antique dresses, and parties with extravagant expense, forgetting that "the best society" is that where sound and good sense prevail, and that her excellent husband sees more really good society in a fortnight, than "opportunity" does in a year.

Mrs. C. is wasteful in another manner. She never squanders money, but she does time, and that in the most extravagant and thoughtless way. She has seven children at home, but is never there, for she is always walking Chesnut street, or shopping among the cheap stores, or hearing and repeating gossip from house to house of her acquaintance.

Mrs. D. has quite as numerous a progeny, but some think is less censurable for leaving them. She is one of the women who "have gifts." Her peculiar gift is to do good to the world in general, at the expense, we fear, of her family in particular. She has a philanthropic meeting to attend every day in the week, besides various Dorcas societies, soup societies, and the great "World-out-of-joint Society." She is President of the "Aristocratic Century Society for Mending Everybody's Business," and Secretary of that invaluable moral institution, the "Association for Reforming Men Wholesale—by following them everywhere." She is not a cruel or negligent mother, however. She never whips her children, for example, and is invariably kind to them—that is when she is at home.

Mrs. D. does not waste either her own time, or her husband's money, but she does what is almost as bad, she wastes away his temper. She likes the "high pressure system" of managing husbands; thinks "a little scolding," which with her means a great deal, "does the men good?" and puts on a sour face as part of this system, as regularly as she changes the bed clothes, or gives the girls "high-bosoms," but she has a large family, and being often vexed, makes no effort to amend when her husband comes home. He "must take her as he finds her," she says shrewishly. If either Mrs. E. or Mrs. F. were told they wasted anything, they would rise in indignation, yet their husbands' temper and their own happiness are being wasted, never to be regained. Verily—a man's wealth does depend more on his wife than on himself; and that in more ways than one.

AN ENGLISHWOMAN'S EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA.—The following is an extract from a work with the above title, written by Marianne Finch, and just published in London: "In one of the last sermons I heard in Boston, the preacher told us that to ascertain the religious life of a country we need not count the churches, ministers, and religious publications, but examine the commercial, political and private life of the people. In estimating their Christianity he seemed to think their every-day life a better criterion than their Sunday worship. In the latter he did not find the Bostonians wanting; for their numerous churches and Sabbath schools are well supported and filled to overflowing. In their every-day life he considered them very deficient, castigating them severely for their short-comings. However, he qualified his bad opinion of Boston considerably by saying it was probably better in this respect than any other large town. Whether he is right or wrong I cannot say; but the Christianity of this city, as it is embodied in many of its institutions, I like exceedingly. I admire the cleanliness and comfort that pervade all of them, and the respect and self-reliance that are inculcated, and the constant appeal to the better instead of the worst feelings—even of prisoners. But they do not expend their energy in punishing the criminal, or even in trying to restore the criminal to a broken flower, but rather seek to prevent such a catastrophe by preserving from contamination the young and tender blossom."

CHINA.—The rebellion.—The present Tartar dynasty of China, after ruling the empire for 235 years, and from the time of our unwarlike James, seems at length tottering to its fall. It has already lasted nearly three times as long as the Mogul dynasty. It seems indeed surprising how long, considering its feebleness, it has endured. It has for a considerable time, however, been in a state of decay.

The Tartar militia, except in mere panoply, had become no better than Chinese; they were ready to fight, but not to fight for their emperor, but to fight for their emperor. The present rebellion of Chinese against Tartar nationality, and hitherto the Chinese mob have proved better soldiers than the Tartar army. The rebellion, which originated in the province of Honan, in about the 27th degree of North latitude, has now extended to Kiangnan, in the 32nd degree; and there seems to be little doubt, from the latest accounts, but that the rebels are in possession of Nankin, the capital of the last native dynasty of emperors, and the first spot in which we ourselves destroyed the prestige of Tartar invincibility.

If this be, then, really true, the overthrow of the Tartars must follow, for the position commands the migration, not only of the greatest of the navigable rivers of China, but also of the grand canal, which leads from it to Peking, both together forming the highway by which the seat of government is supplied, not only with corn and salt, but also with the tributes of the Southern provinces. The rebellion, therefore, if it is not put down, will get its next winter. She wants to leave the quiet respectable street where they have lived so long, and move into the West End, among what she calls "the tip-top fashion." She has always ready to hand, "come down to me," says she, "in the summer, with a trip to Saratoga or Niagara, for a month at Cape May; but as business has been unusually flourishing this year, she contemplates something on a still grander scale for the coming season, a cottage at Newport, or perhaps even a country house. She made Mr. A. set up a carriage, when he made that in real estate two years ago, and the party she gave this winter, when Count Swindledoff was here, is said to have cost a "cool" hundred thousand. With all these advantages, it would be a miracle indeed if she was not still blooming, even at forty. But what she shines on seems slow poison to her husband. It may be fun to her, as the frogs said in the fable when the boys were pelting them, but it is death to him. He is already as thin as the ghost in Hamlet, and if he keeps on, or rather if his wife does, he will be a second Calvin Edson.

Then there's Mr. B. the mechanic. He cannot make a tenth of the money Mr. B. does, but if he only had a proper wife, he would be rich in spite of that. Mrs. B., however, is extravagant also. She has none of Mrs. A's "tip-top" notions, it is true, but money always makes her fingers itch till it is gone, just in the same way. There's no end to what she spends in giving tea-parties, "and never cost anything, you know," as she says, "only a few cakes and such like, nobody will miss the cost of them." If she wants a carpet made, she invites all her female acquaintances, and when she fits and stitching are over, the guests sit down to coffee, and to gossip. If anybody else knows gets a new dozen of spoons, she must have a new dozen also, or at least have her old ones melted down and made over in the latest pattern. Her appetite for silk dresses is enormous. She sports a shawl on Sundays whose price we would be ashamed to tell. Her children, in their best clothes, look like the models in fashion plate. If she has maple chairs she wants mahogany ones,

and if mahogany, she longs after walnut. Cane seats are vulgar in her eyes, hair cloth is only tolerable, but damask is "divine." She has a great notion of "the best society," which she thinks consists in more antique dresses, and parties with extravagant expense, forgetting that "the best society" is that where sound and good sense prevail, and that her excellent husband sees more really good society in a fortnight, than "opportunity" does in a year.</