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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) WHOLESALE 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 denominations
Music, Charts, Log Books, Playing Cards
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Albums, Initial Note Paper & Envelopes
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A large selection of Dime & Half Dime

MUSIC, &c., &c.,
Lately appointed Agent for the OTTAWA PRINTING & LITHOGRAPH COMPANY
Also, Agent for J. LINDBERG, Manufacturing 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 DENTISTRY, 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 Method.

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, such as received the highest Premiums at the world's Fair 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.

Blacksmith & Farrier,

BEGET respectfully to acquaint his numerous patrons and the public generally, 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
Parsons' Purgative Pills.

BANNERMAN & LYON'S
Photographic Rooms,

Corner of Bannerman and Water 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.
ALEX. BANNERMAN,
E. WILKS LYON.
Nov 5 tff.

W. H. THOMPSON,

AGENT FOR
Felows' Compound Syrup
OF
HYPOPHOSPHITES.

POETRY.

Too Late.

Flitting amid the shadows,
Flaunting amid the glare
Of shimmering jets of gas-light,
Turning with wanton stare,
Up and down and over
The crowded city street,
The Magdalens of misery,
Alas! how oft we meet!—
Muttering, smiling, sobbing,
Ru-ning on to their doom:
Cursing, pleading, drifting
Down to the gates of gloom.

Some in shimmering satin,
Some in tatted garbs,
Some with the wiles of Satan,
Some with prayers and sighs,
Some with their innocent child hood
Pleading at memory's door,
Some with a happy girl hood
Tempting them evermore,
Flitting, flaunting, ceeeping,
Ever in darknessness,
Mocking, scoffing, shrieking,
Loathing their loathsomeness.

Cursing the light of morning,
Shunning its lightsome rays,
Innocent faces scorning,
And innocent women's ways,
Some with a mother's prayers
Haunting their wretched life,
Some with a sister's pleading
Ringing amid the strife,
Haunted, goaded, bitter,
Reckless of heavenly love,
Lured by Satan's glitter,
Lost to the light above.

Some by want and misery
Rush o'er the river's brink;
Some, one false step taking,
The poisoned chalice drink;
Some, with love deceived,
Bring forth this as a plea,
That God should be deserted,
Baal raised on high,
Gibing, scoffing, doubting
At that better life,
Moaning, groaning, sobbing,
Conscience dies in grief,

Pointing with derision
At God's holy word,
Turning with decision
Into Satan's ho-de,
Bought by earthly pleasure,
Lost to angels' sight,
Drifting to the whirlpool—
"Late! too late!" they cry!
Struggling, drowning, gasping,
Within the eddies there,
Shrieking, groaning, gasping,
"Late! too late for prayer!"

Some in homes of plenty,
Some by passion sway,
Forget their woman's duty,
Forget the narrow way,
Lose all the soul's rich treasure,
Temptation comes and goes:
A victim's added quickly—
How many God but knows.
Walking, talking straightly,
With modest outward show,
Living a "whited sepulchre,"
And God alone doth know.

Dear Lord! in pity save them,
And, Christian workers, fly
To point to erring sisters
Salvation, hope, and, by
A gentle word of warning,
Save feet swift rushing down
To dark and endless ruin,
A Saviour's endless frown.
Gently, kindly, tenderly,
He spoke to Magdalene:
Gladly, humbly, believably,
She followed to the tomb.

The last to bow in sorrow
Beside her master's feet;
The first to kneel in waiting,
In prayer humbly meek;
In her strong love, requesting,
With woman's feeble strength,
To bear the precious body
Of Jesus safely thence—
Washed and pure and holy,
Though once near lost as thou,
Gladly, meekly, lowly,
Canst thou not follow too?

It is far easier to detect error than to discover truth: the one lies on the surface, and can easily be discerned; the other lies deeply hidden, and few are able to find it.

THERE are now five ex-Lord Chancellors each in receipt of £5,000 a year as pension—Lord St. Leonards, Lord Chalmersford, Lord Westbury, Lord Cairns, and Lord Hatherley.

In France it has been ascertained that when illuminating gas finds its way into tree-covered ground, the rootlets are destroyed and the growth of the timber is seriously interfered with.

EXTRACTS.

An American Poet on Scott.

At the unveiling of the memorial statue of Sir Walter Scott in Central Park, New York, on the 2nd of November, Mr. William Cullen Bryant, who wore a sprig of heather on the breast of his coat, addressed the assemblage and concluded his speech as follows:—"I have seen a design by some artist in which Scott is shown surrounded by the personages whom, in his poems and romances, he called into being. They formed a vast crowd, face beyond face, each with its characteristic expression—a multitude so great that it reminded me of the throng, the cloud, I may call it, of cherubim which, in certain pictures on the walls of European churches, surround the Virgin Mother. For 40 years has Scott lain in his grave, and now his countrymen place in this park an image of the noble brow, so fortunately copied by the artist, beneath which the personages of his imagination grew into being. Shall we say grew, as if they sprung up spontaneously in his mind, like plants from a fruitful soil, while his fingers guided the pen that noted down their words and recorded their acts? Or should we imagine the faculties of his mind to have busied themselves at his bidding in the chambers of that active brain, and gradually to have moulded the characters of his wonderful fictions to their perfect form? At all events, let us say that He who breathed the breath of life into the frame of which a copy is before us, imparted with that breath a portion of His own creative power. And now as the statue of Scott is set up in this beautiful park, which, a few years since, possessed no human associations, historical or poetic, connected with its shades, its rocks, and its waters, these grounds become peopled with new memories. Henceforth the silent earth at this spot will be eloquent of old traditions; the airs that stir the branches of the old trees will whisper of feats of chivalry to the visitor. All that vast crowd of ideal personages created by the imagination of Scott will enter with his sculptured effigy, and remain—Fergus and Flora McIvor, Meg Merrilies and Dirk Hatter- aik, the Antiquary and his sister, and Edie Ochiltree, Rob Roy and Helen Macgregor, and Baillie Jarvie and Dandie Dinmont, and Diana Vernon and Old Mortality—but the night would be upon us before I could go through the muster-roll of this great army. They will pass in endless procession around the statue of him in whose prolific brain they had their birth, until the language which we speak shall perish and the spot on which we stand shall be again a woodland wilderness.

Ice-Bound.

Our Copenhagen Correspondent reports, under date November 26:—"Of the Nordenskjold expedition some news has been received of a nature to alleviate the fears entertained of its fate, if not to dispel them altogether. A Norwegian whaler, the Pepita, has arrived at Tromsø some hours after the steamer Albert, which had been chartered by the Government to take assistance to Spitzbergen, had left the port. The captain of the Pepita reports that another Norwegian whaler, with a crew of 20 men, left Spitzbergen on the same day as he himself, but was separated from him by snow, and that the remaining four whalers, all with good captures on board, lay frozen in at Grey Point, on the northern coast of Spitzbergen. Of the men belonging to these vessels some 20 had ventured in boats to the Swedish shores, on the western coast of Spitzbergen, supposed to be still open. Professor Nordenskjold, with his three vessels, was, according to the reports of the Pepita, enclosed by the ice in Mossel Bay (by some supposed to be Mofsen Bay or Mofsen Island). He is said to be rather short of provisions for the large number of men with him, and, what is worse still, he will, in all probability, be unable to carry out his project of approaching the pole over the ice, the reindeer that were to draw his sledges having taken to flight and disappeared. As soon as the news reached Tromsø a steamer was sent out after the Albert to communicate the information to its chief, and was fortunate enough to overtake it a short distance from the shore. As the Pepita reports the western waters of Spitzbergen to be still open, there may be some hope of the Albert penetrating that way, and assisting all the vessels retained there—not only Professor Nordenskjold's expedition, but also the still missing four Norwegian whalers.—London Times.

Another Waterloo Veteran.

Among the tenants on the Marquis of Downshire's estate at Easthampstead, is William Willis, who fought in the 52nd Regiment of Foot at Waterloo.

Piecework.

Lord Nelson, in an address which his lordship has recently circulated among his tenantry of Whiteparish, in Wilts, says:—"I press you to give piecework for everything, winter and summer. Turning, spreading and casting dung will all come into piecework. You will not pay a farthing more for the quality of the work done. You will be enabling the best men to earn what they are really worth, and you will be educating and bringing up a better style of labour. What can be worse policy than to keep an active young man, under 20, at a lower wage than his elders simply because they are older or may be married men? Piecework at once cures this evil, and enables the young man to hold his own when he has the ability and desire to lay by. I know it can be done so as to raise the wages to a clear 14s. throughout the year, without counting the wife's or children's earnings, and if it can be made to pay in one case why can't it in all? But if piecework is to educate the labourer he must be kept continuously on one farm, and I must plead for the same hands being kept on, both winter and summer, if you would really wish to improve the character and value of the labour of your district." Piecework has also been strongly recommended in similar terms to the farmers of Dorset.

The Franco-German War.

The "German Correspondent" says:—"The historical department of the general staff having ascertained beyond doubt that the first French eagle was captured in the campaign of 1870-71, by the 3rd Battalion of the Fusilier Guards at the battle of Sedan, the patriotic prize offered for the conquest of this trophy and deposited in the Ministry of War, has been adjudged to ex-Lance Corporal Goldacker, of the 11th company, and Under Officer Busch, of the 10th company. Of the entire sum—670 thalers—the former received 256 and the latter 214 thalers. The remaining 200 thalers were, according to the intention of the donor, in case of rival claims being advanced, to be awarded by lot. Fusilier Goldacker was so lucky as to win these 200 thalers, but in the true spirit of comradeship, he immediately presented one-half to Under Officer Busch.

Religious Denominations in New York.

At a private meeting held on Thursday at the National Club, Mr. James Bateman, F. R. S., in the chair. The Rev. E. Cowley, of New York, made the following statement in regard to the religious state of New York, especially in reference to the orphan and destitute children of English parents:—"According to the last official report there were some 250,000, in a population of 800,000, who are British-born in New York. Of these 250,000, some 60,000 are Protestants, and the Protestants of the city are, it is supposed, only slightly in the majority—say about four-sevenths of the whole—while the foreign born population, including German and other Europeans, is nearly equal to that of the native-born. By the manipulations of politicians, the foreign has become the governing and controlling element in that city. The election just held shows that the candidate for the foreign and opposition party for the Presidency got a majority of 23,000 votes. During the taking of the last census the United States officials went to the Vicar General of the Roman Church, asking for a report or schedule of the property owned by his Church in the city. This had been readily furnished by the other denominations, but the Vicar General could not be induced to accord it. He would neither give a list of the items nor an aggregated estimate of the value of Church property. So, to save time and prevent any legal entanglement, the United States authorities appointed an officer who should make particular inquiry as to all property owned by the Roman Church in the city, and appraise its value. The report afterwards rendered showed that, while the denomination was, in its membership, among the poorest, yet it had succeeded in accumulating about \$60,000,000 worth of real and personal estate, or considerably more than any other religious body. This was a surprising fact. The property could not have been acquired in the usual way of gifts and bequests, but had been obtained, very largely, by grants from the State and city Governments. Thus, although in theory there is no State Church, yet, practically, by the votes and influence of the foreign population, the Roman Catholics get the lion's share (say about nine tenths) of all donations to charitable institutions, whether made by the State Legislature or by grants of land from the city. Hence the vast property they have secured both within and beyond the city's limits. This has been obtained, for the most part, under cover of support of orphanages, reformatories, schools, &c.; yet, notwithstanding these agencies, three-fourths of all the criminals, paupers, and vagrants in New