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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. I. WOODWARD,

St. John, Nov. 11, 1846. *Secretary.*

UNION MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY Of Boston.

No connection with Fire, Marine, or Health Insurance.

PERSONS Insured in this Company on the *Mutual* plan,—"the only plan" says Chamber's Edinburgh Journal, "which the *Public at large* are concerned to support,"—will have returned to them *all the Profits*, instead of a *portion only*, as in the *Stock* or mixed Companies.

The *advantages* offered by this Company are. *Annual Dividends* of 50 per cent., paid during the life of the party, in the order of rotation from the excess of a capital of profits of $200,000.

Parties may insure for 1 year or 7 years, for life, or until they attain the ages of 40, 50 or 60, and *for any sum* from $100 up to $5000, and at *any age* from 14 to 67.

Parties insuring for 1 or 7 years enjoy many advantages of a *mercantile* nature, at a *very small* expense.

Parties insuring for Life, can provide for those *dependent upon them*, notwithstanding *contingencies of trade*, as to which this Company's *Charter offers peculiar facilities*—See Section 9,—and those who insure until they arrive at the age of 40, 50, or 60, make a *sure provision for old age* and their families, in case of death—(the attention of the Public is *earnestly solicited to this*, and this Company's rates therefore.)

Parties may insure for Life *without profits* at a reduction of 30 per cent., from *life rates*.

Parties insuring for Life or until the ages of 40, 50 or 60, when the premiums amount to $40, can have a *credit* for half at interest, *without any increase of premium*—such *credit* for the *whole term* and not merely for the first 5 years. After payment of three premiums on surrender of Life Policy, the holder will receive its *equitable value in cash*.

This Office insures from the *nearest* birth-day, instead of the *next*, as in other offices. The Charter makes it "*unlawful to loan any sum of money to any Director or Officer of said Company upon any security whatever.*" In no case is the person insured liable beyond the amount of premium.

The Board of Finance (who are among the most reliable financiers of the country,) viz.: Franklin Haven, President Merchant's Bank, Boston; Thomas Thacher, Merchant, Boston; and Ruel Williams, President Kennebec Rail Road, *superintend all investments* of the Company; 12 Directors, Hon. David Henshaw, and others.

—LOCAL REFEREES—

Boston.—Hon. Abbot Lawrence, Hon. David Henshaw, Hon. Robert G. Shaw, Hon. William Sturgis, and Hon. Charles Sumner.

Saint John.—Benjamin Smith, Levi H. Waterhouse, Thomas G. Hatheway, Nathan S. DeMill, and Samuel L. Tilley, Esquires.

☞ See Pamphlets and statements of Company's affairs at the subscriber's office, who will receive applications and give further information.

W. H. HATHEWAY, *Barrister at Law*, St. John, AGENT FOR NEW-BRUNSWICK.

9th December, 1851.

LIVERPOOL & LONDON Fire & Life Insurance Company,

(Established in 1836.)

Capital £2,000,000—in Shares of Twenty Pounds.

THE Stockholders of this Company are responsible to the full extent of their property for the ties of the Company.

he undersigned hereby notifies the Public of Brunswick, that the above named Company e empowered him, by a full and ample Power of Attorney, to open an Office in the City of Saint John, for the Insurance of PROPERTY against loss or damage by FIRE, in any part of the Province, and to sign and issue Policies in the name of the Company; and that in virtue of the power vested in him by the said Power of Attorney, he has appointed MR. ADAM JACK to act as Agent for the said Company, in the receiving of proposals for Insurance, and the inspection of premises proposed for Insurance, and all other the usual duties of an Agent; and to collect and receive the amount of premium on any policy issued by the undersigned in the name of the said Company, or for the renewal of the same.

The Deed of settlement, and the supplemental Deed of settlement, lies with Mr. JACK, at the Office of the *New-Brunswick Marine Assurance Company*, also the pamphlets issued by the Office at Liverpool, affording ample details of the mode of transacting business by the Company.

The rates of premium will be as low as any other respectable Company, and the undersigned trusts a fair portion of public patronage will be accorded to the Company.

Losses not exceeding £500, will be settled without referring to the head Office at Liverpool.

EDWARD ALLISON.

Dated at St. John, N. B. 4th August, 1851.

Oakum, Paints, Oils & Putty.

Landing ex *Fuside*, from London—

3 TONS London Best Parish Picked *OAKUM*;
3 casks boiled } Brandram's best Paint Oil;
3 casks raw }
2 casks No 1 } Brandram's best White Lead,
2 casks No 2 } in 56 and 28 lb. kegs;
1 cask Putty, in 14 lb. & 7lb. bladders;
20 half-chests best Congo *TEA*.

GEORGE THOMAS,

May 4. *South Market Wharf.*

SPRING SUPPLY OF NEW AND BEAUTIFUL Paper Hangings and Borders.

The subscriber has received per steamer *Admiral*, the first part of his Spring Supply of NEW and beautiful PAPER HANGINGS, which he will sell cheaper than at any other Store in the City—qualities compared.

As BORDERINGS have come into fashion, I have just opened a very handsome variety, which will be sold cheap. S. K. FOSTER.

St. John, April 3, 1852.

London Goods.

Landing ex "Faside," *from London*:—

20 CHESTS fine Congo TEA,
2 chests fine Old Hyson,
5 casks Day & Martin's Blacking,
30 kegs Colman's MUSTARD,
15 boxes Blue STARCH,
1 chest E. I. INDIGO,
10 bags Black PEPPER,
Cases Cayenne Pepper, Isinglass, Sago, Salad Oil, Pickles and Sauces, &c. For sale by

April 27. JARDINE & CO.

REMOVAL.

Mr. G. BLATCH,

Barrister and Attorney at Law, Notary Public, &c.,

HAS removed to the Office adjoining that of J. M. Robinson, Esq., over Mr. J. Dougherty's store, Prince William-street.

May 11, 1852.

APRRIL 10, 1852

NEW SPRING GOODS.

Just received per Steamer *CANADA*, via Halifax, also per ship *Saint John*, from Glasgow—

43 Packages, containing

PLAIN and Fancy Straw BONNETS;
RIBBONS of every description;
SATINS, in plain and Brocade;
Light Bonnet SILKS;
Black and colored GRO DE NAPS;
Water'd Ducapes and GLACE SILKS;
A variety of MANTLES—(new styles;)
Rich Black Silk LACES;
GLOVES of all kinds;
Fancy Silk Trimmings;
Habit Shirts; Chemizetts; Collars;
SLEEVES, CUFFS, and VAILS;
Fancy Spotted MUSLINS;
SHAWLS; HANDKERCHIEFS;
ORLEANS; LUSTRES; CASHMERES;
Printed CONORES; Printed MUSLINS;
GINGHAMS, ORGANDIES, &c.&c.
LINENS, DIAPER, DAMASK, HOLLANDS;
All-Wool CARPETING, &c.

The whole of which are offered at the lowest market prices. W. G. LAWTON.

Carpets. Carpets.

GILCHRIST & INCHES,

Have received per *Saint John*, from the Clyde—

A LARGE assortment of Brussels, Three-ply, Superfine and Common Scotch CARPETING, with RUGS to match,—all of the latest patterns, which will be sold at the very lowest prices for Cash. April 13.

LONDON HOUSE,

MARKET SQUARE,

APRIL 17th, 1852.

NEW GOODS.

Received per Steamer "*Canada*," from Liverpool, "*St. John*," from Glasgow, and "*Admiral*," from Boston:—

LADIES' VISITES, in newest styles;
DRESS MATERIALS, in great variety;
SHAWLS—Long and Square;
GINGHAMS, Muslins, Prints, Furnitures;
COTTONS, LINENS, Shirtings, TICKS;
Satinetts, Kerseys, Carpetings, Hearth Rugs, &c.

T. W. DANIEL.

SHEFFIELD HOUSE,

Market square, April 17th, 1852.

NEW GOODS,

Per steamer "Canada."

ROBINSON & THOMPSON have just received a large and rich assortment of GOLD JEWELLERY, consisting of new styles of BROOCHES, set with Agua-Marine Carbuncle, Topaz, Amethyst and other settings; Ladies and Gent's. Finger RINGS, set with gems and other fancy and rare stones; new patterns VEST CHAINS, in gold and silver; GOLD CHAINS and GUARDS in variety; Gold, Silver, Scotch Pebble, and Hair BRACELETS; Lockets; Watch Brooches; Watch Keys and Seals; Gold Snaps and Crosses; Gold Spectacles; Gold and Silver Pencil Cases and Tooth Picks; Gold Enamel and Cloudan Stud's, latest patterns.

☞ Silver Brooches and Shawl Pins, in great variety; Silver Butter Knives and Pickle Forks; Silver Thimbles; Ladies' Companions; Fish Carvers and Cake Knives; in cases; Silver Fruit Knives; Silver sugar Spoons and Caddy Shells; Silver Knive, Fork and Spoon, in cases; Silver Rattles with Coral; Silver Bouquet Holders; Silver Card Cases; Silver Filings for Work Boxes, &c.; Silver Taper Stands; best English Side Combs.

GOLD and SILVER WATCHES, &c.

The above Goods having been purchased in the first Markets by one of the firm, they can with confidence recommend them as being of the first quality. They are offered at such prices as will ensure a continuance of the liberal patronage hitherto enjoyed by this Establishment for the last ten years.—Having renewed the lease of their Store, and made extensive enlargements and improvements, purchasers will do well to inspect their Goods, which, when complete, will be found to consist of every variety and price, suitable to the wants and wishes of all classes.

WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

Daily expected per Ships *Devon* and *Alciope*—55 packages, consisting of Cutlery; Plated Electro and Albata Wares; Fancy Goods, &c., &c., &c. Particulars in future advertisements.

Expected per steamer early next week—1 case English Silver Spoons, &c. April 17.—6i.

Books, Stationery, Threads, &c.

Per ship 'Royalist,' Kerr, Master, from Liverpool, Landing for the Subscriber—

6 CASES of well-assorted STATIONERY, containing Superfine and Fine Quality Foolscap; Post and Pott PAPER; Letter and Note Paper; Envelopes; Single and Double Crown Paper; a few Calf-bound Elastic Ledgers, 4 and 7 quires; Long Folio and Day Books, Calf bound, 4 and 10 quires; Gilt and Plain Metallic Books; Sacred Music Books; Songs of Scotland, &c, &c. The above well adapted for Counting-house use.

Also—3 Cases of 3 and 6 cord White Sewing THREADS, numbered from 10 to 90. 100 to 300 Yard Reels, of very best quality and description.

Will be sold low by the Subscriber.

JOHN V. THURGAR,

March 30. North Market Wharf.

New Molasses.

166 HHDS., 17 Tierces, } Early Crop Molasses.

Now landing from Matanzas ex brig Zero, will be sold low while landing.

FLEWWELLING & READING.

March 16.

Brandy and Vinegar.

Per *Oberon*, from Charente—

22 HHDS. Henessey's Dark and Pale BRANDY;
25 cases very old Bottled ditto;
6 casks French White Wine *VINEGAR*.

June 1. FLEWWELLING & READING.

Sheffield House,

Market Square, April 17, 1852.

To Watchmakers, Jewellers, &c.

ROBINSON & THOMPSON have just opened an assortment of WATCH MATERIALS TOOLS, &c., which they offer to the Trade at very low prices, consisting of English and Geneva Gold, Steel, and Metal WATCH HANDS—Butterfly, moon, swell, spade and other patterns; Steel Seconds; Gold and Metal Centres; best Lever Fusee Chains; French do. do.; English and Geneva Hair Springs; Verge do.; Chain Hooks; Lever Staffs; Lever and Verge Screws; Case Springs and Buttons; Jewel Holes, &c.; Ruby Pins; Brass Curbs; Brass Ratchets; Geneva Ratchet Work; Indexes; Silver and G. S. Bows and Pendants; Watch Dials, Watch Glasses, Joints; Catches and Ornaments for repairing Brooches; Brooch Pins in Gold, G. S., Steel and Brass; Ear-ring loops, Cramps, and Claws; Screw Ferrules; French Drills; Drill Stocks, self-acting do.; Pivot Brooches, Watch do.; endless screw Keys; Chamfering Tools; Callipers; Watch Pliers, cutting do.; Sliding Tongs; Hand Vices; Clams; Pinion Gauges; Dividers, Hammers; Main Spring Winders; Joint Pushers, Tweezers, Burnishers, English and French Screw Drivers; drill, bow, and spring Gut, &c, &c. &c.

☞ An inspection is respectfully solicited. ☜

April 17.—6i.

STRYCHNINE.

FOR destroying WOLVES and FOXES, just received and for Sale by

THOMAS M. REED,

W. H. ADAMS

Has just received per ships *Boadicea* and *Themis*

9 CASES *Sanderson Brothers & Co.'s* CAST STEEL; 1 cask BORAX,
2 casks Block Bushes; 5 casks TEA KETTLES,
1 cask Saucepans; 3 crates Coal Scoops,
1 cask Socket SHOVELS,
1 cask Hair Seating and Curled Hair;
2 casks Sad Irons; 1 cask WEIGHTS,
1 cask Wrought Brads and Tacks,
2 casks Bench and Moulding Planes,
11 bales Iron Wire; 1 bale Wire Riddles,
28 dozen riveted eye Shovels; 4 dozen SPADES
108 bags Board, Boat, Horse, and Ox NAILS;
8 rolls Sheet Lead; 2 casks SHOT;
1 cask LEAD PIPE;
10 dozen long handle Frying Pans,
1 case *Hoole, Staniforth & Co.'s* Circular SAWS,
1 case do. Pit Saws;
2 cases Percussion GUNS, &c.
15 casks containing Shelf Goods, viz:—LOCKS, Hinges, Latches, Bolts, Bed Castors, Chair Web, Rules, Fire Irons, Whip Thongs, Shoe Hammers and Bills, Brushes, Dish Covers, Tin Tea and Coffee Pots, Steelyards, Brass Cocks, Fish Hooks, Iron Hooks and Hasps and Staples, Percussion Caps, Tea and Table Spoons, Kettle Ears, Coffin Mounting, Counter Scales, Plated Brass and Iron Candlesticks, Copper Coal Scoops, Powder Flasks, Shot Belts, Wove Wire, Brass Wire, and a variety of Small Wares; which, with Goods recently received, comprises a good assortment. Nov. 4.

Groceries! Groceries!

JAMES MACFARLANE,

MARKET SQUARE

Having completed his Fall Supply of GROCERIES, respectfully calls attention of purchasers to the Stock on hand; comprising in part:

In Store; Bond or Duty paid:—

200 CHESTS and half chests fine Congo, Souchong, Pekoe Souchong, Hyson, Twankay, and Oolong TEAS:
65 hhds. Porto Rico SUGARS;
80 ditto ditto MOLASSES;
50 bags Java and Laguira COFFEE;
50 boxes TOBACCO, (fine brands.)

Per "Montrose" and "John S. DeWolf"—
1 chest INDIGO;
6 hampers fine Cheshire and Truckle CHEESE;
1 cask Golden SYRUP.

Per "Henry Holland"—
3 bales Wrapping and Letter PAPER;
15 cases Blue and Sago STARCH:
5 brls. Scotch OATMEAL, (Ayrshire);
30 boxes PIPES, assorted; Sperm CANDLES; Composite Candles; Tapers, assorted; Mustard; Pickles and Sauces; Day & Martin's Blacking; Hall's Starch; Patent Groats and Barley; Fancy Soap; Pepper; Ginger; Currants; Plums; Candied Peel; Bath Brick; Wrapping Twine; Candle Wick; Split Peas; Barley; Sulphur; Vitriol, &c. &c., with a large and well assorted Stock of all articles in the Trade. *Wholesale and Retail.*

St. John, October 7, 1851.

GOODS

By the 'Gipsey,' 'Charles,' and 'Richmond,' &c. received and for sale:

75 BAGS Shingle and Clapboard fine Cut NAILS, and 25 bags board fine Cut NAILS, at 2¼d per lb.;
35 kegs, 100 lbs. each, 7d'y, 8d'y, 9d'y and 10d'y Horse NAILS,
50 kegs 6d'y, 8d'y and 10d'y Wrought Rose and Clasp-head NAILS,
10 casks 2¼, 2½ and 3 inch Boat Nails;
10 casks 4½ and 5 inch SPIKES,
700 yards Superfine Scotch Wool CARPETING
300 do. Fine do. do.,
25 kegs Yellow PAINT;
5 boxes COCOA PASTE;
A variety of WOODEN WARE.

ALSO—*By the 'Albert' from London*:
A Case containing first-rate CHARTS of the English and Irish CHANNEL, North Atlantic, Nova-Scotia, the St. Lawrence, &c. &c.,
6 Ten-inch Brass COMPASSES,
24 Log GLASSES; 30 Parallel RULERS,
12 Gunter SCALES; Quadrants, Thermometers, Ruled and Plain LOG BOOKS, &c.—For sale by the Case. JOHN KINNEAR.

New-York, June 15th, 1852.

GLASGOW DYE HOUSE,

King-street, St. John, N. B.

THE Subscribers return their sincere thanks to the Ladies and Gentlemen of this City, and vicinity, for the support they have received, and beg to acquaint them that they have taken the above Premises for another year, and hope for a continuance of their patronage.

All kinds of SILKS, WOOLLEN, and COTTON GOODS Dyed.—Also, Cashmere and Plaid *SHAWLS* Cleaned and Pressed, *(colouring renewed;)* Ladies' Dresses, Coburgh and Orleans, Dyed without taking them apart; likewise Gentlemen's GARMENTS.

W. & P. would particularly call attention to MOREEN AND DAMASK CURTAINS, which they are prepared to Dye and Finish equal to new.

WESTERMAN & PERRY.

St. John, March 16, 1852.—3m.

GOODS

From London, Liverpool, &c., now landing—

900 BOXES 7x9, 8x10, 9x12 and 10x12 Sheet Window GLASS,
200 Kegs Brandram's WHITE LEAD,
200 Kegs *Holbeck's* White ZINC PAINT,
100 Bags assorted Cut NAILS,
2000 Pieces London PAPER HANGINGS,
5 Hhds. Crushed SUGAR,
20 Barrels Dried CURRANTS,
15 Bags Black PEPPER,
6 Bales CLOVES,
20 Chests TEA,
1 Chest INDIGO; 1 bbl. NUTMEGS,
1 Case of Bottle INK,
50 Boxes Common SOAP,
20 Boxes Castile, Windsor, and Toilet SOAPS.

For sale by JOHN KINNEAR,

April 27, 1852. *Prince Wm. Street*

India Rubber Machine Belting, Engine Packing and Hose.

MILL OWNERS and Machinists are hereby notified that the subscriber has been appointed by the *Boston Belting Company*, their Agent for the sale of INDIA RUBBER BELTING, PACKING and HOSE, and that a supply of these Goods will be kept constantly on hand.—Eight bales ENGINE PACKING just received.

W. H. ADAMS,

Corner Market Square and Dock-street.

March 23, 1852.

Boots and Shoes.

THE undersigned has just received per the *Admiral*, a further supply of Fashionable *Boots* and *Shoes*; Ladies Gaiter Boots, French style; Do. Cushman Ties ditto; Children's fancy Excelsiors; Do. do. Boots; Gents. *Congress Boots*; do. Opera Ties; do. Patent Leather and Calf Skin *BOOTEES*; Youths and Boys Patent Leather, Morrocco, and Calf Skin Bootees.

DAVID PATERSON,

May 18. Foster's Corner, King street.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Seven Days Later from Europe.

The steamship *Canada* arrived at Halifax on Tuesday morning, with Liverpool dates to the 26th of June, and 83 passengers. The C. exchanged signals with the steamship Asia on the 26th, about five hours sail from Liverpool.

The Cotton market was steady at former rates.

The Corn market was moderately active, but without any material change in prices.

In Manchester the manufacturers were fully employed.

Frights at Liverpool were well maintained for goods, but emigrants were scarce.

TIMBER MARKET.—St. John Pine; sales of 183-8 inch average 18 1-4d; 18 1-2 in. 18 1-4d. A lot of 14 inch at 13d. a 15 1-4d. per foot. Birch, 16 inch at auction 17½d per foot. New Brunswick Fir Planks and Boards, cargo, sold at £9 5s. per standard, another £8 17s 6d and £9 10s. averaging £9 3s. per standard; another a shade higher. Lathwood sold with cargo at £4 and a part at £5 per fathom.

Parliamentary proceedings have been of secondary interest.

In answer to a question, Mr. Hamilton, for the Government stated that negociations between England and France and the United States for the reduction of Atlantic postage, were still pending; no answer having been given by the United States.

Lord Derby has announced that a Treasury order is about to be issued prohibiting the mixture of Chicory with Coffee, but permitting the sale of Chicory separately.

Mr. Scoresby, the Veteran Arctic Navigator, expresses his decided conviction that the wrecks seen in the ice off New Foundland were not the remains of the missing discovery ships.

In a few days the screw schooner Isabel, Capt. Inglefield, will sail on another search for Sir John Franklin throughout Jones' and Smiths' Sounds, and afterwards along the Western shores of Baffins Bay.

On Monday afternoon the new Cunard steamship Arabia was launched from R. Steele & Son's building yard at Greenock. She is 2402 tons burthen, with Engines of the side lever class, 850 horse power, but working up to 1000.

The failure of Dixon, Walne & Co., a Liverpool House in the Baltic trade, is announced—liabilities about £20,000.

The Tories of Edinburgh are bringing forward T. C. Bruce, a younger brother of Lord Elgin, as their Parliamentary Candidate.

Nothing definite yet respecting the dissolution.

Said Pacha of Egypt has arrived in London, and had an interview with the Queen.

The University of Oxford has presented a splendid Gold Salver to the American Bishops now on a visit in England.

We learn from F. N. Gisborne, Esq., Projector of the Newfoundland Telegraph, that the enterprize meets with the best encouragement from English capitalists, and that Newall & Co., have contracted to lay the wires from Newfoundland to P. E. Island.

FRANCE.—The event of the week is a farther exhibition of restiveness on the part of the Corps Legislatif against the dictation of the President. On Tuesday the Assembly had the budget under discussion and refused their assent to some of the terms.

Louis Napoleon, who was watching the proceedings from a private box, thereupon sent a note to the President, stating that the Assembly were overstepping their powers in refusing assent to amendments sanctioned by the Council of State. The Meeting broke up in confusion, but next day re-assembled and again took up the discussion of the budget, acting so far independently as to throw overboard the grant of 1,745,000 franks for dotation of the Senators. The difficulty caused a temporary fall in the funds.

Changarnier, Bedau, LaMoriciere and Leflo, in consequence of their refusal to take the oath, are cashiered, but allowed to retain their half pay.

Two hundred and fifty more political prisoners have arrived at Havre for shipment to the Colonies. The first detachment arrived at Cayenne on 10th May.

The Emperor of Brazil having invited 60 of the sisters of charity to minister in the Brazilian Hospitals, a number of the sisterhood are about to embark for Rio.

ITALY.—The Piedmontese Chamber of Deputies have decided upon modifying certain articles of the Customs tariff. Letters from Rome say that the Pope has agreed to commute the sentence against the Englishman Murray, to hard labour at the galleys.

SPAIN.—According to a Barcelona paper, the French exiles in Spain are ordered to remove.

INDIA.—Additional forces will be sent from Bombay, Bengal and Madras to the seat of war. An extensive organization of the Thugs has been discovered in the Punjaub; 500 have been arrested, and 120 now in prison have confessed their murders. The Nizam is said to have consented to cede part of his dominions to the British in payment of his debt.

A Hat which formerly belonged to the Emperor Napoleon, and which he wore during the Russian Campaign, was sold on Saturday last at Chateau Thierry for the sum of 4,000f. (160l.) The hat belonged to a person of the name of Evrard, who had been one of the Emperor's valets de chambre. Evrard lately died, and on his property being sold for the benefit of his family, the hat was put up to auction, and the widow, rather than part with the relic, gave the price just mentioned.

The Bishop of Jerusalem has arrived in England, and is sojourning with the Chevalier Bunsen.

Jenny Lind, since her return to England, has had several engagements pressed upon her, but declines them all.

Mr. Mayall, of London, has succeeded in producing daguerreotype portraits and pictures of a life size.

Poetry.

From Sartain's Magazine.

HOME HAPPINESS.

"Let not happy children be disturbed and grieved."—[Frederick William III. of Prussia.

"The influence of home happiness on the young, is a protection against sin in future life."

Make bright the hearth where children throng
In innocence and glee,
With smiles of love,—the carolled song,—
The spirit's harmony,—

The healthful sports, the cheeks that flush,
The mother's fond caress,—
Nor let the statelest father blush
His merry boy to bless.

Far, far adown the vale of life,
When he his lot shall bear,
That hallowed gloam shall cheer the strife
And gild the clouds of care.

If midnight storms and breakers roar,
Its treasured spell shall be
A lighthouse 'mid the reeking shore,
The star of memory;—

Shall warn him, when the siren's wiles
His faltering feet entice,
Make bright the hearth where *childhood* smiles
To keep the *man* from vice.

The Observer.

SAINT JOHN, JULY 13, 1852.

ST. JOHN GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The semi-annual examination of this Seminary took place, according to advertisement, on Tuesday 29th ult.—Present: the Hon J. H. Gray, Rev. William Donald, A. M., and William Wright, Esq., Members of the Grammar School Board: Rev. Mr. Brooke, of Fredericton; Rev. Alex. Stewart, A. M.; Rev. Wm. Armstrong; Rev. George Armstrong, A. M.; Rev. Mr. Disbrow; Dr. Le Baron Botsford, M. D., and a few of the parents. The examination in Greek embraced passages in *Homer* and *Anacreon*; in Latin, passages in *Cicero de Senectute, Horace, Virgil, Cornelius Nepos, Eutropius*, and *Stoddart's Delectus*: in French, passages in *Traducteur Parisien*; in Mathematics, the propositions upon which the calculations in plane trigonometry are based; in Geography, questions on the situations of places in the four quarters of the world; and in History, questions on the period of English History included betwee the Saxon Monarchy and the reign of Edward III. The Directors were kindly and ably assisted in the examination by the Rev. Mr. Stewart and the Rev. Mr. Brooke. The behaviour of the pupils during the proceedings was excellent, and the general correctness of their answers in the various branches gave unquestionable evidence of the thoroughness of the system pursued by the Principal. The Hon. Mr. Gray, in the absence of the Rev. the Rector and the Hon. Judge Parker, senior Members of the Board, gave utterance, in eloquent and expressive language, to the feelings of satisfaction which had been imparted by the examination. Especially, he said, it was highly gratifying to witness the readiness and ease with which the questions in geography and history were answered. After congratulating the pupils on their present attainments, and exhorting them to unremitting assiduity in the prosecution of their studies, as the only sure path to success in the business and avocations of life, he announced that prizes would be given, on the following day, to the most meritorious, according to a list, which would be handed to the Principal of the School. The distribution, accordingly, took place, on Wednesday forenoon, in the following order:—

Master Brunswick Peters, of the 1st Greek and 1st Latin classes.
" Robert Boyle, 2d Greek and 1st Latin do.
" George Matthew, 1st Latin and French do.
" William S. Berton, 2d Latin and French do.
" William Jarvis, 3d Greek and 2d Latin do.
" George Lovett, 3d Latin do.
" William Hubbard, } 4th Latin do.
" Frederick P. Robinson, }
" Henry Bowyer, 5th Latin do.
" Frederick Blatch, 6th Latin do.
" Robert Matthew, 7th Latin do.
" Robert Livingstone, 8th Latin do.

In addition to the above, according to a practice which he has invariably followed, to stimulate the youth committed to his charge, the Principal gave prizes, as follows:—

For excelling in the preparation and composition of the Weekly English Themes—Masters William Jarvis, Charles Clinton, and Frederick P. Robinson.

For excellence in the Latin Exercise prepared for the examination—Master George Johnston.

For excelling in the Mathematical Department—Master Brunswick Peters.

For excelling in Geography, (decided by the voice of their fellow-scholars, who are scarcely inferior to themselves in this branch,)—Masters George Matthew, Brunswick Peters, and Henry Bowyer.

For excelling in Arithmetic, (decided by several special examinations,)—Masters William Jarvis, George Johnston, and Charles Clinton.

For excelling in History, (decided by the voice of his fellow-scholars, who are scarcely inferior to himself in this branch,) Master Wm. S. Berton.

For application to their studies and such rapid improvement as led the Principal to promote them to higher classes in the middle of the Term—Master Charles Clinton; promoted from the 5th to the 4th class; Master Henry Sears, promoted from the 7th to the 6th class; and Master Wallace Crear, promoted from the 8th to the 7th class.

For regular attendance at early Morning School, and suitable preparation of their Latin lessons and exercises—Master John M'Kean, of the 5th class; and Master John V. Thurgar, of the 7th class.

For general improvement—Masters James Sheraton and Courtenay Ranney.

During the distribution of the prizes, a small case, with a note, was silently handed by the Head Scholar to the Principal. The case, when opened, was found to contain a handsome gold pencil case, with the name, "JAMES PATERSON, LL.D.," engraven upon it. The card was as follows:—

DR. PATERSON.

DEAR SIR.—We offer you this small token of our regard and esteem, and beg your acceptance of it for our sake. Although trifling, we hope it will prove as acceptable to you as if it were of more value. Wishing you a pleasant vacation, believe us to remain.

Your affectionate Scholars.

In reply, Dr. Paterson thanked them for the gift, which, he said, was quite unexpected. He assured them that though they called it trifling, it was not so in his eyes; that he set a very high value upon it, as a token of their regard. In this sense, he said, it was as precious to him as any article, however valuable intrinsically, could be; and he hoped that he might view the gift, not only as demonstrative of the high sense they entertain of the anxious desire he has for their welfare and literary progress, but also as indicative of their determination to pursue, with unremitting ardour, the studies on which they had entered. In announcing that the vacation would continue to Monday the 2d of August next, he exhorted them not to pass the time altogether in idleness, but to devote a portion of each day to the revisal of their grammar and the preparation of those exercises in English composition which he had prescribed to them. And, reciprocating the kindly feeling they had expressed towards himself, he wished them all a happy enjoyment of the holidays, at the conclusion of which he hoped to meet with them all again in the possession of good health, and animated with increased desire for study and the acquisition of knowledge.

KING'S COLLEGE ENCÆNIA.

The Annual Sermon before the University was preached in the Cathedral on Sunday, June 20, by the Rev. W. Q. Ketchum, A. M.

On Monday, June 21, the Terminal Examination was held; and on Tuesday and Wednesday the Candidates for Degress were examined.

On Thursday, June 24, the Public Academical Act was held in full Convocation, the Chief Justice presiding as Chancellor. The Commemorative Oration was delivered by Professor Robb. Mr. Thomas A. Gregory read his Essay on "The Literary and Scientific Characteristics of the Nineteenth Century compared with those of the Augustan Age."

The following Students were admitted Bachelors of Arts:—

Neville G. D. Parker, G. Goodridge Roberts, Thomas A. Gregory, Charles F. Street, William H. Murray, John Davidson, Geo. E. W. Keator, Beckwith L. Hart.

The Chancellor presented to Mr. G. G. Roberts the Douglas Gold Medal which had been adjudged to him for his Essay read at the last Encænia; and a similar Medal to Mr. T. A. Gregory for the Essay of the present year; also prizes of Books, as follows:—

For general proficiency, entitling to the Honorary Class at the Examination for Degrees in Michaelmas Term, to Mr. G. G. Roberts, Brotier's Tacitus.

For the same, at the Examination for Easter Term, to Mr. T. A. Gregory, Brande's Dictionary.

For the same, at the Examination in Trinity Term, to Mr. G. E. G. Keator, Scholefield's Euripides and Bell on the Hand; and to Mr. S. H. Sinnott, Dindorf's Sophocles, and Cicero de Finibus.

For proficiency in the Mathematical and Physical Departments, to Mr. W. A. Murray, DeMorgan's Differential Calculus; and in the Theological Department, to Mr. J. Davidson, Eusebius' Ecclesiastical History.

The Chancellor proposed as the subject of Essay for the Douglas Gold Medal of the ensuing year, "*Mahomet; his career, and its effects;* and after making an impressive Address to the Students, he adjourned the Convocation.—*Royal Gazette.*

ST. JAMES' PARISH.—A meeting of the parishioners and friends of St. James' Church, in this city, was held on Monday 20th ult. for the purpose of adopting measures to secure the services of the present Incumbent, the Rev. John Armstrong, as Rector of that Parish. Robert W. Crookshank, Sen., Esq., was called to the chair, and W. Wright, Esq., in a very interesting speech, showing how much the welfare and prosperity of the Parish depended on the course they were about to take, proposed a resolution expressive of the fullest confidence in the piety, zeal and efficiency of Mr. Armstrong, and the importance of obtaining his services as its first Rector. F. A. Wiggins, Esq., in seconding the resolution, said he cordially concurred in its terms and spirit—that the interests not only of that Parish, but of the church at large throughout the Province, were concerned in the object which they had met to accomplish, and that he, as a member of the Church of England, would gladly extend his assistance towards it. The motion was unanimously adopted. J. M. Robinson, Esq., then entered into an explanation of the financial affairs of the Parish, and showed the necessity that existed for raising an additional sum of £150 towards completing its endowment, and concluded by proposing a resolution that a subscription list should now be opened for the purpose, which being seconded by John Kinnear, Esq., was also unanimously adopted. The sum of eighty pounds was then forthwith subscribed among the gentlemen present, to be paid annually for the period of five years, and a Committee appointed to solicit further subscriptions from the parishioners to the extent of the sum required, when the meeting separated.—*Chur. Wit.*

HENRY CLAY'S FAMILY.—Mr. Clay's domestic biography is much less known than his political life, with the movements of which his countrymen are generally familiar. When Mr. Clay removed from Virginia, where he was born, to Kentucky, his future residence, he married Lucretia Hart, daughter of Thomas Hart, Esq., a prominent citizen of Lexington. Another daughter of the same gentleman was married to Hon. James Brown, of New Orleans, Minister at Versailles during the administration of Messrs. Monroe and Adams. Mrs. Clay, who is now in her seventy-first year, and in the enjoyment of good health, has been the mother of eleven children, four of whom died in childhood. Eliza, a young lady of unusual promise, died suddenly, in 1824, while on her way to Washington with her father; and almost at the same moment the parents received intelligence of the decease of another daughter, the wife of Mr. Dubalde, of New Orleans. A third daughter, upon whom the father's affections seem to have centered, after the death of the other two, died in 1835. She was married to Mr. James Erwine, of New Orleans; and her loss was a blow from which Mr. Clay never recovered. Of the five sons, the eldest, Theodore Wythe Clay, has been, since boyhood, an inmate of a lunatic asylum. Thomas Hart Clay, born in 1803, resides in Kentucky, and is engaged in the manufacture of hemp. Henry Clay, Jr., lost his life at the battle of Buena Vista. James B. Clay and John M. Clay, the youngest, are now practising the profession of the law in their native State.—*Philadelphia Ledger.*

WHITE DRESSES.—Is it a fact, or is it only a fancy of ours, that the ladies do not dress in white now as much as formerly? We cannot name the time when we have seen a lady in white—unless it may have been of an evening, or some special occasion. If we remember rightly, ladies used to dress in white to go into the streets, but we seldom see anything of the kind now. Our judgment may be entirely at fault, but nevertheless we think there is no style of dress, in the proper season for it, so becoming as pure white. In nothing does the female figure appear to such advantage. Pure white becomes the lady of quality and the poorer in caste. Why has it been left off and the heavy, cumbersome unseasonable silks or other fabrics adopted in its stead? Will some of our lady readers afford us light on the subject?—*Troy Whig.*

AN OPPRESSED MIND.—It is very seldom that hard-working people commit suicide—suicide being one of the accompaniments of soft hands and indolence. The best thing a girl can take for an oppressed mind is a husband. An old maid, with "nothing to worry her," will be as melancholy as dyspepsia—marry her, however, and make her the mother of four romping boys, and she will be as cheerful as sunshine.