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**SMUGGLING BOOKS.**

Costs Fifty Dollars to get in Chamber's Encyclopedia and then have it Forfeited.

late the Custom's department at Ottawa has been exceedingly particular, with a view to enforcing the provisions of the act which have regard to the more stringent. Wherever there are customs regulations there are numbers who will and unblushingly, or unwittingly

intentionally offend against their pro-  
posals. Whatever be their offence, how-  
ever culpable the parties are now being  
punished in so far as the law can be brought  
to bear against them, and, in so far as con-  
cerns his own division, Collector Milne has  
announced his intention and by his course  
has evidenced his determination, to make  
the law respected. He is resolved to "baw  
the line, let the chips fall where they  
will," and, in consequence, a vigorous line

policy is being pursued. The victims under the practice now prevails is Mr. John O'Brien, owner of the Sound steamer, Olympian, who yesterday brought before the collector, charged with having brought in, without having paid duty upon them, ten volumes of "Chamber's Cyclopaedia." The party against whom the charges was made admitted the act; but stated that he had not brought the books for sale, but to make a

ment of them to a brother resident in Victoria, with whom it was his intention to place his home, and in that way be expected to make use of the books himself. The collector said that the practice of petty smuggling had come to such a pass that an example had to be set to deter other people. He would, therefore, impose the penalty of the lowest amount provided by the law—the books to be at the same time forfeited. Mr. Milne intimated that it was

for the party to represent his case to the authorities at Ottawa, who might or might not remit the penalty. Meantime there had been no other course for him to take than that which he had followed.

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### ANOTHER SEALER HOME.

C. H. Tupper Returns and Reports Dirty Weather Throughout the Season.

Schooner C. H. Tupper came scudding to harbor under bare poles in the infancy of the gale yesterday. She caught it about 10 miles out and sped in before it at a little over a 12-knot rate. Capt. Kelley has the same story of bad weather which has been told by the other sealers. He entered the sea on July 15 with a coast catch of 500 fish, having had an uneventful cruise. The only event which broke the monotony

the voyage was the finding of a whale  
head and half washed away. From the  
time of entering till leaving the Sea, the  
weather was boisterous and unsatisfactory  
fishing, perhaps, but one fine day in sight  
this made seavoy very uncertain; it was  
impossible to hunt in bad weather, and  
when the vessel struck a good location, a  
whale was not in it very long before the weather  
worked against hunting; then the pluck  
of the whaler was tested, and the whaler

The story of the loss of Capt. Hartman of the Sophie Sutherland, with two men, caused some uneasiness as to the fate of the men. Capt. Hartman had got in among the seals and was killing quite a number. It was a dead calm at the time and he continued the hunt farther and farther away from the schooner till night came on.

bearings and was out all that night and the next day. At midnight the following night the boat was picked up by Capt. Kellogg after having been out forty hours. The three men were almost dead with cold and hunger, their flesh being almost blue. They had thrown out twenty-one seals so as to make their boat lighter and leave room for work here should the weather prove favorable. They were taken aboard the C. H. Tucker.

and brought back to a feeling of what should be. "Good grog did it." Kelley left the rescued and grateful people at Sand Point a week ago, whence he took passage to San Francisco.

The C. H. Tupper left Sand Point Sunday week and had rough weather all way down. On September 30, as the vessel was running under foresail and jib, a heavy sea struck her on the port quarter and flooring the man at the wheel, ca-

away that useful instrument, besides other damage. The man was not injured but it took seventeen hours to repair damage. From this till she reached she had big seas and strong winds to counter, terminating with an accident yesterday about twenty miles out, which nearly proved fatal. One of the men, per Kaine, was knocked overboard by forebeam as it slewed round in the

A life buoy was immediately thrown to him and the vessel brought round. A boat was lowered, and it was the man just as he was sinking for the time.

The Olga, San Diego and Bessie R. left Sand Point about the same time as Tupper.

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**"DIVORCE."**

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**A Good Play Well Interpreted at the Varsity Last Evening.**

Although still suffering from the effects of a very rough trip, the members of the Condray-Wass stock company of Poughkeepsie put on an excellent play at the Varsity last night. They were favored with a large house—for the rough night—and they did their best to please. In this they were eminently successful. The play chosen was "The Merchant of Venice," and the interpretation was of the highest quality. The acting was excellent, and the scenery was well arranged. The play was well received by the audience, and the company was highly praised for their efforts.

the opening of the three nights' engagement was "Divorce," a bill well qualified to show to advantage the full strength of the company. Miss Essie Tittell in her role of Florence Grantly was an exceedingly powerful emotional actress; her Miss Minnie in the character of Sally Waddles, was a bright and enterprising little soubrette, her songs, dances and original business all took immense effect. Mr. R. E. French, as Harry Grantly,

company possesses a good leading man in Mr. George Berry (M. T. Mugger) an original and exceedingly clever comedian whose comicalities are his own. Mr. Ray makes a good old man, and the roles are in capable hands. The company as a whole cannot but please; they well together, and there is no hesitation about their acting which ruins a play. The evening bill will be "Iago and Desdemona."

U. S. Consul Myers and his staff busily engaged upon the reports of the progress of the Consulate transacted during last three months.

