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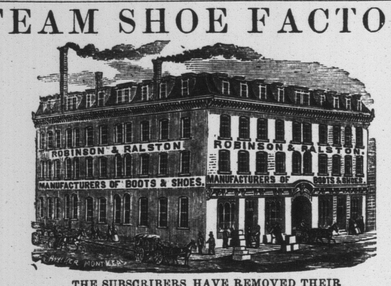
STEAM SHOE FACTORY.



THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE REMOVED THEIR

MANUFACTORY, WAREROOM, &c.,

TO THE

Corner of Union and Carmarthen Streets,

Where they would solicit a continuance of the patronage heretofore received by them.

feb 6 6m *ROBINSON & RALSTON.*

VICTORIA HOTEL,

ST. JOHN, N. B.

THIS HOTEL is built in modern style. It is finished and furnished with every regard to Comfort and Luxury, and is also provided with a passenger elevator.

B. T. CREGAN, Proprietor.

Jan 6 tf

WELDON HOUSE,

SHEDIAC,

(OPPOSITE THE RAILWAY STATION.)

THE subscriber would inform his friends and the public generally, that he has newly furnished the above Hotel throughout in first-class style, and it is now open for the accommodation of the travelling public.

WM. J. WELDON, Proprietor.

☞ Coaches leave daily for North Shore on arrival of trains.

Shediac, Dec. 29, 1871. dec 29 3m

WILLIAM JONES,

Merchant Tailor,

BEGS to state that after the first of January next he will adopt the *cash principle* in his business, in order to enable him to fill orders as promptly as he would wish.

☞ Orders, on these conditions, will be attended to at the lowest prices.

GERMAIN STREET, Near "Victoria Hotel."

dec 29 tf

Model Livery Stable.

THE Subscriber begs to return thanks to all who have patronized him during the past twelve years, and to inform his friends and the public generally that he has opened his new Model BOARDING, SALE AND LIVERY STABLES, in the rear of Mr. Thos. Furlong's Brick Building, Charlotte Street, where, with increased facilities, he will be happy to accommodate all his patrons.

Coaches always on hand.

Horses Boarded on reasonable terms.

dec 31— y J. B. HAMM.

Notice to Non-Residents.

THE undermentioned persons, assessed for Road Work in the Parish of Lancaster, in the County of Saint John, are required to pay to the subscribers [or their successors] their respective assessments, with the costs of advertising: otherwise, legal proceedings will be taken against their real estate, situate in said Parish, for payment of the same, at the end of three months.

Dated the 18th January, 1872.	
George V. Newlin	$1 00
Mrs. Amelia Robertson	1 50
George F. Irweather	1 00
John Early	2 50

JOHN SHIVES,
THOMAS DEANS,
Commissioners Roads, Lancaster.

jan 18 3m

Insolvent Act of 1869.

Canada,
Province of New Brunswick.
In the County Court, for the County of Saint John.

IN THE MATTER OF
GEORGE N. ROBINSON, JR., and JAMES H. ROBINSON, Insolvents.

THE undersigned have filed, in the office of this Court, a consent by their creditors to their discharge; and on Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of February next, they will apply to the Judge of the said Court for a confirmation of the discharge thereby effected.

Dated at the City of Saint John, this twentieth day of January, A. D. 1872.

GEO. N. ROBINSON, JR.,
JAS. H. ROBINSON.

MILLIDGE & BAIRD, Attorneys *at litem.* jan 26 1m*

Notice of Removal.

The undersigned purposes, in a few weeks, to

REMOVE HIS STOCK

OF

Boots and Shoes, &c.,

From his present place of business, on Prince William street, to the commodious and well-known stand,

No. 15 King Street,

Recently occupied by Messrs. C. & E. EVERETT as a Hat, Cap and Fur Store, and next door to their present place of business.

J. SAUNDERS,

(Retail Successor to Messrs. Valpey & Bro.,)

68, Prince William Street.

jan 25

Congou Tea, Coffee, &c.

Received per late arrivals:

34 CHESTS FINE CONGOU TEA;
15 sacks Java COFFEE;
20 cases Colman's No. 1 STARCH;
45 gross Dorne BLACK LEAD;
2 cases Rickett's Diamond do.;
41 dozen SCRUBBING BRUSHES;
25 " Black Lead do.

For sale by JOHN CHRISTY,
feb 7 75 King street.

Druggists' Sundries,

CHERRY TOOTH PASTE, Chest Protectors, Lip Salve, Huile Philocome, Dog Soap, Vinaigrettes, Prout's Court Plaster, Respirators, Catarrh Snuff, Transparent Soap, Lubin's Violet Powder, Euxesis, Plate Brushes, Mustard Leaves, Alcock's Plasters, Castile Soap.

Wholesale and Retail at
HANINGTON BROS.

feb 9

45 Germain Street.

A. & T. GILMOUR.

Brown, Blue and Black

BEAVER, CHINCHILLAS,

MOSCOWS,

AND

HEAVY PILOTS.

45 Germain Street.

Potatoes and Turnips.

50 BUSHELS POTATOES;
20 bushels TURNIPS. For sale by
jan 9 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

NOTICES OF

'THE WISDOM OF THE KING'

BY

Rev. James Bennet,

ST. JOHN, N. B.

"EVIDENCES of deep and serious thought throughout the volume."—*Belfast News Letter, Jan. 24, 1871.*

"Succeeds well in seizing on the salient points of the words of the Royal Preacher, and in bringing them home to present duty."—*Glasgow Daily Review, Feb 6, 1871.*

"Characterized by directness of aim, sound sense, and right appreciation of the sacred writer's meaning."—*The Preachers' Lantern, (London), Feb. 1871.*

"It is a good book of sterling value."—*The British and Foreign Ecclesiastical Review, April 1871.*

"His Book may be recommended as worthy to take a place in the Homiletical Literature of Ecclesiastes."—*British Quarterly Review, April 1871.*

"The production of a highly cultivated mind. . . . We have read several works on Ecclesiastes, and well remember the pleasure with which years ago we perused the 'Royal Preacher,' but for fine criticism, comprehensiveness of thought, striking illustration and unostentatious, yet eloquent and forcible style, THE WISDOM OF THE KING, we think, surpasses them all."—*St. Croix Courier, March 6, 1871.*

"The volume is not an unworthy companion of Dr. Buchanan on the same book."—*The Homilist (London), April 1871.*

"A series of charming Essays. . . Each chapter branches out into innumerable topics of a secondary and collateral nature, giving to the work a boundless diversity, enriched with stores of ethical as well as of spiritual wisdom, evincing at once acute observation of social life and of human character, and containing the noblest lessons for practical guidance. Our author's style is remarkable for its free, uncon strained flow, almost colloquial at times, but invariably signalized by elegance, force, adaptation to the subject, and not seldom by originality of thought in combination with tenderness and beauty of expression. . . . There is about it a freshness, as well as a fullness of practical teaching, rarely to be met with in ordinary Biblical commentaries."—*Londonderry Standard, Feb. 15, 1871.*

"This is a bright, breezy book, both interesting and instructive. We can most conscientiously commend this book generally, as one of the most sprightly, attractive and instructive works of its kind that has fallen under our observation."—*Boston Evening Traveller, May 6th, 1871.*

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"So plain yet so suggestive, so practical yet so profound are these Lectures that while you read them you feel their deep truth and reality; that you are in contact with realities both visible and invisible; that you are in close contact with the beating heart of nature and humanity, and that all their life and hope flow full and free from God alone."—*Fredericton Head Quarters, March 1st, 1871.*

"The writer is evidently well acquainted with the literature of his subject, and that acquaintance reveals itself almost unconsciously in every page. There is no ostentation of reading or learning, but there is everywhere the gleaming forth of light which cannot be hid. . . . The style is simple, intelligible, graceful. It shows at once that Mr. Bennet is a man of literary culture, who can express his thoughts with scholarly chasteness and good taste. We could not open a page without meeting some thought vigorously expressed. The work is eminently fresh and readable."—*Pres. Witness, Halifax.*

"He reveals in the treatment of his themes strong common sense, a firm grasp of thought, a logical acumen and a clear insight into human character. Even when dealing with trite ideas he imparts to them a novelty and interest by which they are lifted into an importance they scarcely deserve. The style throughout is lucid, pure, compact, forcible,—and it is his own—the garb of his own thinking. We have met in our perusal of the book with numerous paragraphs of finished and brilliant rhetoric—fine specimens of pulpit oratory. He is never tame nor tiresome. We have not found one slip shod sentence in the volume."—*Christian Visitor, (Baptist) March 6th, 1871.*

"We were not prepared to find him writing in such a finished style and issuing such a volume as the result of certain preparations made for an evening lecture to his congregation. If all his pulpit performances are equal to these, his people have reason to rejoice in the Providence which guided his steps to them."—*Evangelical Witness, May 1st. 1871.*

"This is a remarkably thoughtful, solid book Mr. Bennet is evidently at home in Metaphysics and Ethics, and he is a shrewd observer of human nature in its ordinary manifestations; consequently he ranges over the lessons of the Preacher with a power of illustration which shews his mastery of the subject. The style is close and direct, and yet so lucid, that any reader may understand every sentence in the volume. . . . It will, we doubt not, take its place, as it ought to do, among our household expositions of this treatise of observation and Jewish wisdom."—*The Presbyterian (Philadelphia), May 20, 1871.*

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"We will be much disappointed if the book do not command a wide circulation. Wherever a sound literature is felt to be a desideratum, THE WISDOM OF THE KING has but to be known to be prized as a work that the world will not willingly let die."—*Saint John Telegraph and Journal.*

"THE WISDOM OF THE KING is well worth careful reading. Indeed you cannot read much of it at once. There is a constant play of fancy about the thoughts, and often the very words, that is admirably suited to the Scripture book, of which this is an exposition, but which demands such constant attention on the reader's part that he gets tired, for he does not know where it is to end. The style is compact, lucid, often sparkling and epigrammatic, the sentences cut sharply, but with a poetic fullness of original illustration that redeems them from all hardness."—*Halifax Monthly Record, (Church of Scotland).*

"Each chapter is so well done, so lucid, yet concise in its exposition, that it is sometimes difficult to determine which is the best and most interesting.—*Stewart's Quarterly, St. John.*

☞ A few copies of the above work may be had at Messrs. McMillan's, Chubb's, Barnes's, and Colonial Bookstore. jan. 5

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ASTHMA, SORE THROAT, &c.,

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Brown's Bronchial Troches;
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Allen's Lung Balsam;
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Flagg's Instant Relief;
Fellows' Compound Syrup of the Hypophosphites, &c., &c.

For sale by GEO. STEWART, JR.,
jan 8 PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST, 24 King street.

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*B*ear and Forbear—Optic;
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*O*ur Old Uncle's Home;
*K*ing's Highway—Newton;
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AT McMILLAN'S.

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*O*mens and Superstitions;
*Y*oung America Abroad—Optic;
*S*tars in a Stormy Night.

jan 10 At 78 PRINCE WM. STREET.

Flour. Flour.

200 BARRELS Howland's Flour; 100 do Tea Rose; 50 do Snow Flake Extra, now landing.

GEO. S. DEFOREST.

feb 9 1w

Colonial Book Store.

WILFORD CUMBERMEDE, an Autobiographical Story—by George Macdonald; author of Robert Falconer, *&c. &c.*

The Southern States since the War, 1870 71—by Robert Somers.

These new and immensely popular Books have just been received from the publishers. Also have received—A LEAF IN THE STORM, and other Stories—by Ouida, author of Folle Farine, *&c., &c.*

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feb 2 Cor. King and Germain streets.

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feb 8 Cor. King and Germain streets.

TO ARRIVE.

Daily expected per bark "Morning Star," from Cienfuegos:—

500 hhds. New Crop Molasses,

FOR SALE BY

feb 5 3i L. McMANN & SON.

CANNED FRUITS.—A great variety of Canned Fruits. For sale by

dec 21 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

FRUIT, &c.

6 BOXES ORANGES;
5 boxes LEMONS;
10 sacks FILBERTS;
5 sacks CASTANA NUTS;
10 frails DATES;
1 case FIGS;
45 barrels APPLES;
20 " ONIONS.

Received and for sale by

feb 1 JOHN CHRISTY.

Marble and Slate

MANTEL PIECES,

FITTED WITH

REGISTER GRATES,

Can be bought as reasonable as any in the market, at the Showrooms of R. Forsythe's Canada Marble Works.

JOHN E. HUGHES, AGENT,
jan 2 3 2w Smith's Building, Prince Wm. stree

2nd January, 1872.

WE have the following in Store, and offer at market rates, for cash or approved paper:

P. E. ISLAND MESS PORK;
Do. Prime Mess do;
Heads and Feet;
Lard in Tubs;
Butter in Tubs;
Butter in Firkins;
Bran, Fine Feed, Grue. Oats, Oatmeal, Corn meal.

HANFORD BROS.,
jan 2 11 North Wharf.

Cheese. Cheese.

IN STORE:

200 PRIME FACTORY CHEESE.
For sale low.

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New American Hats.

WE have opened six cases NEW STYLES AMERICAN HATS, Medium and Fine qualities.

Wholesale and Retail Hat Warehouse,

51 KING STREET.

jan 25 D. MAGEE & CO.

Roots, Barks, Herbs.

JUST RECEIVED AT THE

Pharmaceutical Pharmacy

OF

GEORGE STEWART, Jr.,

PHARMACOPOLIST.

A LARGE STOCK OF ROOTS, BARKS and HERBS of every description, fresh from the principal Botanical Gardens of Europe and America:—Vervain, Dandelion, Spikenard, Lobelia, Princes Pine, Burdock, Spearmint, Elm S. F., Sarsaparilla, Licorice Root, Bitter Root, Bittersweet, Coltsfoot, Toroughwort, Motherwort, Buchu, Digitalis, Double Tansy, Peppermint, Sage, Thyme, Orris Root, Bayberry, Sumac, Juniper, Coriander, Centaury, Boneset, May Weed, Milk Weed, Stamonium, Mountain Ash, Cassia, Lovage Leaves, Lovage Root, Queen Meadow, Queen Root, Round Wood, Comfrey, Skunk Cabbage, Scull Cap, Yellow Dock, Angostura, Blue Flag Root, White Ch ry Bark, Black Cherry Bark, Wild Cherry Bark, Marsh Mallow, Sweet Marjoram, Hops, Garget, Elecampane, Marigold Flowers, Lavender Leaves, Rose Leaves, Rose Petals, Patchouli Leaves, Mandrake Root, Elder Flowers, Balmony, Butternut Root, Mullen Leaves, Horse radish Root, Buckthorn, Poly-Pody, Dog Root, Box Root, Bog Bean, &c., &c.

GEO. STEWART, JR.,
feb 12 Dispensary, 24 King street.

HAVANA CIGARS.—5000 very fine Havana Cigars: 10,000 German Cigars. For sale by

dec 24 R. E. PUDDINGTON

Portland Kerosene Oil.

BOSTON KEROSENE OIL.

Canadian Kerosene Oil.

J. R. CAMERON & CO.,
jan 25 33 Prince William street.

EXTRA OATMEAL.

Received by Subscribers:

100 BARRELS very extra quality OATMEAL.

HALL & FAIRWEATHER.

feb 6

Pastry Flour.

JUST RECEIVED—A further supply of PASTRY FLOUR—in small bags. For sale by

feb 14 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

A. & T. GILMOUR

HAVE REMOVED TO

TISDALE'S BUILDING,

45

GERMAIN STREET,

NEARLY OPPOSITE

S. K. FOSTER'S.

feb 1

NOTICE.

THE Co-Partnership heretofore existing between the subscribers, under the style of TITUS & McDONALD, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

All persons indebted to the late firm will oblige by settling as soon as convenient with either of the undersigned.

JONATHAN TITUS,
CHARLES McDONALD.

Card of Thanks.

THE subscriber takes this opportunity to sincerely thank his friends and the public generally for their very liberal support during the Twenty years he has been doing business in St. John, and as the business of the firm will be continued by Mr CHARLES McDONALD, he would respectfully ask for him a continuance of their favors.

JONATHAN TITUS.

Card of Thanks.

I BEG to take this method of thanking my patrons and friends for their patronage while in company with Mr. Jonathan Titus and as he has retired from the grocery business, I shall from this date continue the business on my own account at No. 7 North Side King Square, where I shall keep on hand the stock usually found in a first-class grocery and provision store, and hope by strict attention to business to merit a continuance of past favors

CHARLES McDONALD.

feb 9 1w

CHAS. McDONALD,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN

GROCERIES,

AND

PROVISIONS,

No. 7 (North Side) King Square.

☞ All Goods delivered free of charge. ☜

feb 9 1w

SOMETHING NEW

FROM A

POPULAR AUTHOR!

PATTY,

By Katherine S. Macquoid.

Greeley's "What I Know of Farming,"

Being one of the most popular Books on the subject published.

LORD BANTAM,

A new satire by the author of "Ginx's Baby."

feb 8 At J. & A. McMILLAN'S.

Granulated Wheat.

THE subscriber has again received in stock a supply of GRANULATED WHEAT which is very highly approved of by those who use porridge it being decidedly preferable to Oatmeal. For sale by

feb 2 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

Refined Sugar.

70 HHDS. Refined Sugar, for sale low to close consignment.

dec 21 GEO. S. DEFOREST

Family Tea.

20 QR. CHESTS FAMILY TEA. For sale by

dec 29 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

Ridge's Patent Food!

A FRESH LOT AT

jan 4 HANINGTON BROS.

EXTRACT BEEF

For Invalids—highly recommended.

FOR SALE AT

jan 4 HANINGTON BROS.

Fresh Hops.

100 LBS. FRESH HOPS, grown in this Province. For sale by

jan 23 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

Cod Liver Oil and Lime.

WILBOR'S GENUINE. Wholesale and Retail at

jan 10 HANINGTON BROS., Foster's Corner.

Pastry Flour.

PASTRY FLOUR in small bags. For sale by

jan 23 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

RAISINS AND CURRANTS.—150 boxes, qr. and halves New Raisins; 5 barrels Zante Currants. For sale by

dec 21 R. E. PUDDINGTON.

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STONEHENGE'S BRITISH RURAL SPORTS, comprising Shooting, Hunting, Coursing, Fishing, Hawking, Racing Boating, Pedestrianism, Illustrated. By Wells Harvey, &c.

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OUR OCEAN HIGHWAYS, 1871 and 1872—Route Book and Gazetteer, Europe, Asia, Africa, America, Australia, Oceanica, By Dempsey & Hughes.

At McMILLAN'S,
feb 13 78 Prince Wm. street.

Fresh Eggs.

50 DOZEN NEW LAID EGGS, from the Hennery. For sale by

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WHITE OATS.

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5000 BUSHELS

Prime White Canadian Oats.

Ex schr. Geo. V. Richards, from Portland.

FOR SALE BY

feb 9 CUDLIP & SNIDER.

Camphor Ice and Glycerine.

A CERTAIN and safe cure for chapped hands, lips, and all abrasions on the skin. For sale at

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PROFITABLE AND ORNAMENTAL POULTRY. By H. Piper.

BIRDS AND THEIR NESTS. Mary Howitt.

AT

McMILLAN'S.

feb 10

FROM

Saturday's Edition!

[For the benefit of those who were unable to secure copies of Saturday's issue, we reprint on this page a portion of Saturday's contents. All of the reading matter on inside pages, however, has been set up specially for this number.]

SLEIGHING IN ST. JOHN.

Racing Recollections.—Thoughts on the Road.—The Flyers Past and Present—Stockford's Thoroughbreds.

The weather has been quite mild during the present week, and with the exception of the storms of Wednesday and Friday, the Sun shone bright and clear. Already there are signs of the approach of Spring. The powerful mid-day Sun makes great havoc of "the beautiful snow," and in a few weeks hence, at most, sleighing will depart, leaving a crowd of delightful reminiscences of happy days and merry moonlight drives, during which flirtations have been commenced and friendships formed that may be a source of life long happiness or misery to many.

But our object is not to moralize on the good or evil which flows from this healthy winter amusement, but simply to record matters of fact, as they transpire.

THE STATE OF THE ROADS.

Last week it was mentioned that the roads were rough and uneven, but the constant driving in and about the City has improved the sleighing on the principal streets, and the Marsh Road, which is the champion ground for the trotters, is now quite good, in places, for speeding. Advantage was taken of it by owners of fast horses who embraced the opportunity to "shake up" their flyers, and many a loud laugh and cheerful shout was heard from those who were driving their steaming steeds up the stretch towards "Dan's." For standing on the stoop of the Three Mile House on a fine afternoon, a quiet observer will be amazed at the number of fast horses which speed along the snowy horizon and first come clearly in sight at the small bridge classically called "Shanaghan's;"—from thence many of them are allowed to have a neighbourly trot past the Rolling Mill and up to or beyond "Dan's." If the shed is the goal, the boys' rule is frequently applied—last in pays for refreshments.

Many well known teams were out but we have not leisure at this time to describe them.

The trainers gave the different horses in their charge regular exercise on the road. One of them (Mr. Bustin) we regret to say, has been incapacitated for a time. Another, a veteran in racing matters, may be met nearly every fine day on the Marsh exercising some of his high bred stock. George believes in the old adage that "an ounce of blood is worth a pound of bone," and insists that his stock exemplies the truth of it. Be that as it may, Mr. Stockford is to be congratulated on the possession of two thorough-bred stallions from the best running strains of blood in the United States. We refer to

"SOUTHERNER" AND "RECTIFIER."

The former is a handsome golden chestnut, of good size and perfectly proportioned. In courage, elegance, style, and disposition he is not to be surpassed, while for stoutness and endurance his blood can not be excelled, being by "Oliver," he by the celebrated long distance horse "Wagner," which beat the famous "Grey Eagle." Southerner's dam was by "Trustee," and his pedigree on this side shows the blood of American "Eclipse," in which there was a dash of "Messenger" blood. We give this notice of "Southerner" for the benefit of stock raisers who possess high bred mares. "Southerner" has produced some first class colts from good mares, while the weedy and inferior ones, we dare say, were chargeable to defects in the dams. "Rectifier" is a powerful chestnut stallion of great bone and muscle. Strong loin, quarters and stifle, and altogether a good type of the American thoroughbred. His sire "Lexington" has, perhaps, got more fast running horses than any other stallion in America. His four mile time of 7.20 stands unparalleled, and a colt by him called "Harry Bassett" is looked upon as the best yet raised on this side the Atlantic, and his owner has offered to match him for $10,000 a side, to run the best horse which England can produce.

AS TO THE OLD TIME RACERS,

we can find no authentic record of their performances, but some incidents and reminiscences from personal recollection will no doubt prove interesting. Time, space and memory would fail us to give a consecutive and complete account of all the races which took place years ago—a rapid glance must therefore suffice.

On taking a retrospect of the St. John Trotters, our notes carry us back to about the year 1835, when a local champion called "Nabob" flourished; he was owned by Mr. Robinson, who kept the five-mile house, and was a fast horse for those days. It is said he trotted 2 miles in 6 minutes on the ice, at Loch Lomond, as timed by the late Peter Bunting; and he beat an American horse a five-mile dash, on the Marsh Road to his owner's house, in good time. A year or two after he retired, a long-striding bay mare, commonly called "Teapot," maintained the credit of old St. John in the trotting line. She beat the Eddington mare, with case, on the Marsh Road, although the latter was brought from Maine to match her. After beating all competitors brought against her, she trotted against time on the flats, and the Scythe-bearer allowing her three minutes or better to the mile, she accomplished it. Years after she had passed away, "Trotting Childers," "Gun Cotton" and "Telegraph" came to the surface, and had sundry spirited contests on the ice. It is said that "Childers" trotted a mile in 2.38, and if so, this time has never yet been equalled in public here. Mention can only be made of the public trotters which followed, up to the present time, viz., "Jehu," "Moose," "Limber Swingle," "Wolf," "Samson," "Lady Furbush," "General," (formerly "Wild Irishman") "Lady Sayers," "Maid of Honor." Each of these has had his day and been shipped to other scenes and pastures new; and the present representatives are "Crown Prince," "Andy Johnson," and "Bismarck."

AS TO TROTTING—PAST AND PRESENT.

Years ago when no courses existed, nor regular racing meetings were held, we dare say matches were chiefly made to supply a spirit of gambling, and to some extent this may be the practice at present. However, outsiders frequently entertain most unjust opinions of respectable owners. If a favorite horse is beaten, it is immediately surmised that there has been some collusion; he may be "sick" or "off" is all horses are liable to be now and then, but it is at once concluded that he has been "got at" by some nefarious person. When Renforth died many persons declared he had been poisoned, and in order to obviate all suspicion of foul play a thorough post mortem examination and inquest was held which completely disproved the slander. This chronic state of suspicion is generally set a going and fostered by persons who engage in gambling, and raise an outcry in consequence of their losses. Such conduct should be held in abhorrence by all who value honor and fair dealing.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S SLEIGHING.

In closing with a review of the week's sleighing we may say that all classes have been out full of the mirth, gaiety and jollity which reign in the sleighing season. A few of the "soiled doves" appeared on the road with the unblushing effrontery which characterize them and by which they generally advertise themselves, in marked contrast to the behaviour of the truly modest woman. It is astonishing that no serious accidents have occurred by reason of the mixed crowds that have thronged the great trotting ground from time to time during the winter. Drivers sending along their trotters at a high rate of speed often meet others coming in an opposite direction just as fast, and collisions frequently seem inevitable. However, the sleighing so far have been eminently free from accidents, and there is now every prospect that it will continue safe until the end of the season, for the exceedingly fine sleighing of a few weeks ago, which drew hundreds out, has ceased to be, and it is not reasonable to suppose that we shall look upon its like again till another winter brings back the clear, cold weather which is so necessary to the life of the snow.

Fifteen Hundred Millions Claimed.—Seven Millions Expected!

[Washington Despatch to the N. Y. Tribune.]

Gen. Grant has declared that our position must be maintained. The sentiment of Congress strongly supports him. But even among the best friends of the Administration the conviction is gaining ground that the business has been wretchedly managed. We have presented a doubtful bill, of such enormous magnitude that all Europe stands amazed at it. The English journals have reason for exclaiming that total subjugation would not have cost them so much. A Senator who has devoted some time to the study of the "American case," reports that the entire sum claimed in that document amounts to about $1,500,000,000. This is very well, if it is only justified by the treaty. But no politician or statesman or member of the Administration who has intelligently considered the subject believes now, or ever has believed, that the arbitrators will award us a dollar of consequential damages. * * * But what if the President's advisers have overshot the mark? I have learned that what they really expect to receive, after paying the claims of British subjects against the United States, is only $7,000,000—that is to say, just about the sum charged for naval expenditures in chasing the Confederate cruisers—the Alabama claims proper being counterbalanced, and the consequential damages disallowed. Suppose this award to be made in the midst of the campaign? Fifteen hundred millions claimed, seven millions granted. There will be a chorus of denunciation throughout the disappointed country, to which the President may listen with consternation. It is not always wise to ask two hundred times as much as you expect to get.

Official Stealings.—A Partisan View.

(From the Boston Post.)

When one begins to count up the loss to the country by frauds under this administration, he speedily becomes bewildered by an array of figures suggestive of nothing so much as a computation of the distances of the fixed stars. To set aside all of the ring plunderings, which are rarely mentioned by journals in the interest of the Administration except for the purpose of palliation, any one inclined to figuring will find ample occupation in adding up the frauds and peculations acknowledged by the partisans of the perpetrators. For instance, Mr. Garfield puts the amount of pension frauds—Congressman Stokes's exploits as an example—at $8,000,000 a year. This gives a total of $24,000,000 during the incumbency of Grant and his honest and economical Government. The Civil Service Commission represents the loss to the revenue by smuggling and fraud—Murphy and the rest of the White House ring show how—at twenty-five per cent. of the entire income. This gives an annual stealage of $125,000,000, or $375,000,000 since the inauguration of Grant. From these two sources of fraud, then, the nation has been the loser of $399,000,000 since the management has been in the hands of the present Administration. It is of little use to add further, for when figures become so large an increase is little noticed. There is sufficient food for thought in four hundred millions, to put it in round numbers, acknowledged to have been stolen in three years.

BY TELEGRAPH.

From Ontario.

(*Special Telegram to the Daily Tribune.*)

TORONTO, Feb. 17.

The House adopted nearly all the estimates last night.

Prorogation is expected at the end of next week.

The South Grey Election Committee have not yet got any evidence implicating the Government or any member of it.

The *Globe* ridicules the story of the alleged secret treaty between Great Britain and the Dominion.

The papers in the safes escaped injury from the late fire.

Small Pox in the city is entirely confined to two or three cases in Hospital.

From Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.

A deputation of Temperance men waited upon the Police Commissioners yesterday, with a petition 18 feet long, and bearing 773 signatures, praying that the number of

TAVERN LICENSES,

now over 300, be limited to sixty, and shop licenses to thirty, both to be compelled to close at 7 on Saturdays, and that no license be granted for less than the highest sum named by the law.

THE QUEEN'S PLATE

of 50 guineas is awarded to Ottawa this year, the Secretary of the Turf Club having been officially informed from the Governor General

Sandford Fleming has still hope that the

McNAB SURVEYING PARTY

will turn up all right.

From a letter here received from McNab dated 22nd, it is probable the party would reach Fort William or Silver Island before the storm of the 24th, in which they were supposed to be lost.

The Reporters' gallery of the Commons has again been improved in order if possible to facilitate hearing.

The weather is fine.

No political news.

British and Foreign.

(*To the St. John Associated Press.*)

LONDON, Feb 16.

The English case in the matter of the *Alabama* claims submitted to the Geneva tribunal was submitted to the British Parliament to-day.

THE DOCUMENT

concludes as follows:—

"While England regrets the departure "of the rebel cruisers from her ports, she "cannot acknowledge the justice of the "claims against her for pecuniary damages "for their acts. The United States must "solidly establish the fact of England's "negligence. England is ready to accept "the award of tribunal of arbitration, "whether favorable or unfavorable; she "desires only that it shall be just."

In the Commons, in reply to an enquiry of Disraeli, Gladstone said that nothing official had been received, but Schenck thought

THE REPLY

of his Government would reach London on first of March.

The Coolie trade was then discussed, several members denouncing it as a

GREATER EVIL

than the slave trade.

The Right Centre in the French Assembly

REFUSE TO COALESCE

with the moderate Right, and are preparing an independent policy.

The police have information that sixty thousand rifles, thirty cannon and large stores of ammunition are

CONCEALED IN PARIS,

and are actively searching for them.

Napier, Governor of Madras Presidency, success to the Governor Generalship of India *pro tem.* He is expected at Calcutta the 24th.

(*Special Telegrams to the Daily Tribune.*)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.

In the Senate, the resolution to investigate the

SALE OF ARMS TO FRANCE

was debated throughout the session, but no action taken.

In the House, Beck of Kentucky, made a personal explanation in reply to Senator Brownlow, which consumed a great deal of time.

No public business transacted.

Protectionists in the House will endeavor to pass the

FREE TEA COFFEE BILL

on Monday. The attempt will certainly be the signal for the revenue reformers to move Coal and Salt as amendments, and quite likely much more may be precipitated. Whatever the House does with the Tariff or Tax Bills, they are certain to slumber a while with the Senate Finance Committee before enactment.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.

A GENERAL STRIKE

throughout the State is about to be ordered by the Workingmen's Union for an eight hour scheme. All classes of workingmen are to be ordered to join. It is to begin in April.

THE PAY OF STRIKERS

by the Union is to be at the rate $7 per week for single, $12 for married men. Organizations in other States are to be requested to join the movement.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., Feb. 16.

A letter will be published to-morrow from

GENERAL BUTLER,

in which he says: "It seems very clear to "me that if laws should be passed repealing our duties upon Fish, and opening "our ports to Canadian fishermen before "any bounty or any relief to fishermen "shall be enacted, then we are indeed "without remedy. True, Secretary Boutwell has put before the Committee on "Commerce a section in a bill tending to "relieve the general disadvantages under "which our commerce labors, but a proposition for fishermen in such a bill must "take all chances which a great measure "involving very many conflicting interests "will undergo in course of legislation; "whereas the proposition to give relief in "the same bill which established the injury, would have been at once "simple, proper and effective. I regret "that without, as it seems to me, sufficient examination and consideration of "the circumstances of case and impediments in its way, hopes of a relief by a "bounty upon vessels have been raised "which may prove illusory and unsubstantial. I will do all I can to make these hopes "good, although they were raised without "consulting my views and against my "judgment. I have still greater hopes of "relief to fishing interests from different "source and in another way, which will "be developed all in good time."