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New Advertisements.

ROBERT MARSHALL,
FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE AGENT,
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Lloyd Association of Marine Underwriters,
NOTARY PUBLIC, &c.

Imperial Fire Insurance Company, of London.
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Incorporated 1819. Cash Capital and Assets over $6,000,000

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Phenix Insurance Company, of New York.
Established 1853. Cash Capital and Accumulated Fund, $2,000,000.

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☞ Aggregate of Losses paid by the above leading Insurance Companies in Seventy years, (combined) reaches the enormous sum of nearly NINETY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

Dwelling Houses, whether built or in course of construction, as well as Furniture contained therein, Insured for terms of one or three years, at lowest rates.

Steam Saw Mills, Vessels on the Stocks or in Port, Warehouses, Merchandize and Insurable Property of every description covered on the lowest possible terms.

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ROBERT MARSHALL,
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PIANOFORTE
AND
ORGAN WREROOMS,
No. 75 KING STREET, ST. JOHN.

ORGANS
BY THE
SMITH AMERICAN ORGAN CO.
The leading and best established Manufacturers on the Continent.

This instrument has a World-wide Reputation. The most popular and the ONLY INSTRUMENT that has a EUROPEAN FIRST-CLASS ENDORSEMENT by Musical Doctors and professionals as the *ne plus ultra* for the PARLOR AND CHURCH.

THOUSANDS NOW IN USE!

They are to be found in every Town and Village in Canada and the United States, as well as in every important City and Town in the Old World.

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Also the largest stock of First-class
GRAND SQUARE
PIANOFORTES,
INCLUDING THE
CELEBRATED WM. BOURNE,
—AND—
HALLETT & CUMSTON PIANOFORTES!

☞ Catalogues and every information forwarded on application.

INSTRUMENTS SOLD ON INSTALMENTS,
AND EXCHANGED.

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OYSTERS,
Malaga Grapes, Fresh Lobsters,
ICE CREAM.
AND
ALL THE LUXURIES OF THE SEASON!
SERVED EVERY DAY.
MEALS AT ALL HOURS.
GEO. SPARROW,
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The subscribers have on hand a large stock of

HOMESPUNS!

AT PRICES RANGING FROM
40 to 70 cents per Yard.
THE CHEAPEST AND BEST GOODS IN THE MARKET.
Wholesale Only.
may 15 THOS. R. JONES & CO.

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HORSES, Carriages, &c., of every description, to let. Superior Coaches in attendance at all hours. Boarding Horses kept on reasonable terms. Horses bought and sold.
may 15 J. B. HAMM, Proprietor.

SEASONABLE GOODS.

A. & T. GILMOUR
have now completed by late Importations from
London, West of England and Canada
THEIR STOCK OF
CLOTHS, VESTINGS, &C.,
which upon inspection will be found second to no other establishment in the City as regards
EITHER QUALITY OR PRICE.
May 8

F. S. SHARPE,
Public Accountant and Average Adjuster,
MERRITTS'S BUILDING,
Prince Wm. Street, St. John, N. B.

Orders solicited for Opening, Posting, Balancing, or Auditing Books of Joint Stock Companies, Commission and General Merchants, Manufacturers, Insurance Companies and Agents, Brokers, &c., &c.

Also for Rectifying Deranged Books, Changing from Single to Double Entry, Effecting Partnership Settlements, Settling Estates, Adjusting Interest Accounts, Fire and Marine Claims, &c.

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New Advertisements.

Provincial Building Society.

NOTICE
IS HERERY GIVEN

That a Divident of Five per Cent. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution, for the half year ending 30th June last, has been this day declared, and the same will be payable at the Society's Office, on 1st August next. By order,
THOMAS MAIN,
Sec'y-Treas.
Society's Office, July 14, 1875. July 15 3w

W. TREMAINE CARD,
GOLDSMITH AND JEWELLER,
'Sears' Building,
77 GERMAIN STREET, CORNER PRINCESS.

SOLID GOLD AND SILVER JEWELRY made, and Precious Stones set to order.

Fine Gold Engagement and Wedding Rings,
on short notice.

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WATCHES and JEWELRY REPAIRED.
Satisfaction guaranteed.

A nice selection of FINE GOLD AND JET JEWELRY, DIAMONDS, PEARLS, and other PRECIOUS STONES in Stock, which are warranted just as represented.
june 12 W. T. G.

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A LARGE assortment of Walnut, Ash and Imitation Suits of newest styles, tastefully finished, and of best material and workmanship, including

Dressing Case Suits and Marble Tops,
AT
C. E. BURNHAM & CO'S,
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STOVE WAREROOMS,
Corner of Church and Canterbury Streets.

THE Subscriber has just received a large and well assorted Consignment of COOKING STOVES AND RANGES, HALL STOVES AND FRANKLINS in all the latest and most improved designs.

Also, a large supply of Kitchen Tinware, Coal Scuttles, Coal Shovels, and all kinds of Pantry Furniture of the most improved patterns, all of which he is prepared to sell at a very slight advance on cost.

A liberal discount to cash purchasers.

Housekeepers requiring outfits will receive prompt attention and a good article.
may 29 JOHN ALLEN.

REFINED SUGARS.

We have in store, now landing, and to arrive:
4000 Bbls.
Crushed and Granulated SUGARS,
For sale low, by
JAMES DOMVILLE & CO.,
may 15 No. 9 North Wharf.

CITY OF FREDERICTON, SS.

To all whom it may concern:—

KNOW YE.—That the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the City of Fredericton did, in the year 1873, purchase from **R. FLAHERTY & CO.**, of Saint John, a double door **Fire-Proof Safe**, handsomely painted and well finished in every respect, which Safe was placed in the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, and in which were stored the principal part of the CITY RECORDS. That the said City Hall was destroyed by FIRE on the 30th January, 1875, and that the Safe above mentioned, fell in the ruins, from the City Clerk's Office to the basement, being a height of seventeen feet, **and remained in the ruins among the hot bricks, at a white heat for Forty-Four Hours**, when it was opened, and the papers and records therein contained, found **undamaged, undefaced, and in good order**, and the cabinet lining of the Safe with **even the varnish perfect.**

We, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Fredericton do therefore hereby certify, that the Safe purchased by us from **R. FLAHERTY & CO.**, of St. John, **has fully met every guarantee made to us by the Manufacturers** in regard to superior finish and painting, strength of workmanship, and fire resisting power, and we do most heartly accord to **MESSRS. R. FLAHERTY & CO.** this TESTIMONIAL of our esteem for this wonderful proof of the superiority of provincial manufactures in general, and of **MESSRS. R. FLAHERTY & CO. in particular.**

In testimony whereof the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Fredericton have caused their [L.S.] common seal to be affixed thereto, and signed by the proper hand of the Mayor, of the said City, this Sixteenth day of February, A. D., 1875.
E. L. WETMORE, Mayor.
CHAS. W. BECKWITH, City Clerk.

R FLAHERTY & CO.,
No. 98 PRINCE WM. STREET,
June 5 Factory, City Road.

CHALONER'S
ANILINE DYES!

I CLAIM to be the originator of Aniline Dyes in jackets they never were put up by various parties in the Dominion, until they imitated mine and plagiarized my directions. I went to considerable expense and trouble to test the Dyes and bring them into proper form for domestic use, and even now I have expensive Dyes on hand which can be used only by Professional Dyers. As to the insinuations of imitators that my dyes are not reliable, or that theirs are giving better satisfaction, I leave such statements to be judged as coming from those whose principles are to build up their own business by pulling down their neighbor's.

Roseine, however, is put up of full weight and quality, by the St. John firm of Hanington, Stewart and Barker, who are agents for my dyes of other colors. They may be obtained also from the Travellers for Messrs. Dearborn and Berton Bros., or at their establishments, St. John, and from nearly all city Merchants and Druggists.

J. CHALONER,
June 12 DRUGGIST,
Cor. King and Germain Streets.

SPRING IMPORTATIONS.

H. ROBERTSON has now in STOCK and to arrive the following goods.

CHINAWARE.
Breakfast and Tea Setts of splendid designs, Tea and Coffee Cups and Saucers (by the dozens,) Plates, Side Dishes, Butters, Creams, Pitchers, Muffin Dishes, Bowls, Cake Plates, Egg Cups, etc., etc.

GLASSWARE.
Glass Setts, Pitchers, Creams, Plates, High and Low Dishes, Cheese Baskets, Sweetmeats, Card Baskets, Water Bottles, Goblets, Cut Tumblers, Cruets, Decanters, Salts, etc.

EARTHENWARE.
Breakfast, Dinner and Tea Setts, in White Stone and Common Ware; Toilet Setts, Covered Dishes, Side Dishes, Plates, Spittoons, Bed and Commode Pans, Milk Pans, Cream and Covered Crocks, Flowerpots, with a well selected Stock of other GOODS, to be sold cheap for CASH.

HENRY ROBERTSON,
June 5 3 KING SQUARE.

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UNDERTAKER,
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KEEPS ON HAND:—Mahogany, Walnut and Covered COFFINS. HEARSES and PALLS furnished. GRAVE CLOTHS and COFFIN MOUNTING of all kinds, and every article in the line for sale at the Lowest Prices.

Orders in Town or Country executed with promptness by day or night.

Personal attention given to the Selection of Burial Lots.

☞ Funerals attended. All articles delivered in the City and vicinity without extra charge.

Residence—Over Warerooms. may 29—1y.

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Elixir Valerianate
OF AMMONIA.

REMARKABLE FOR ITS EFFICIENCY IN NEURALGIA, forming a rapid and safe stimulant to the nerves, giving rest to the over-worked brain, and to the system after suffering from headache, toothache and similar diseases. It has proved successful in nearly every instance.

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Sheet Music and Musical Instruments of every description.

CIRCULATING LIBRARY,
Terms,—2 cents per day.

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always on hand.

THE Subscriber respectfully informs the public that he has added to his Business Stock a supply of **Authorised SCHOOL BOOKS**, to which other works will be added as they are prescribed by the Board of Education.

Also,—a full stock of STATIONERY, including LETTER, INITIAL NOTE PAPER, ENVELOPES, &c. &c.

☞ A large supply of SHEET MUSIC SELLING AT HALF PRICE.

☞ Pianofortes Tuned and Repaired. ☜
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WE have received and are now showing a splendid assortment of the following Goods:—

Blk. Beaded GIMPS,
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LADIES AND CHILDREN'S HOSIERY.
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LADIES' SILK SUNSHADES,
LADIES' SILK SCARFS,
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SCOTT & BINNING,
28 King Street,
June 12 A few doors below Hanington's Corner.

CHILDREN'S PERAMBULATORS.

WE have just received direct from the Manufactory, another choice lot of

CANOPY-TOP PERAMBULATORS,

among which are some of a STYLE AND FINISH NOT BEFORE IMPORTED, and which CANNOT BE EQUALLED IN THIS MARKET.
may 51 C. E. BURNHAM & CO., 55 Germain street.

THE COLD BROOK
ROLLING MILLS COMP'Y
MOOSEPATH, N. B.,
Have in store and are manufacturing all the time
MERCHANT BAR IRON,
both Common and Refined, comprising all sizes in ROUNDS, FLATS AND SQUARES,
RAILS FOR MINES,
CUT NAILS, CLINCH RINGS,
CUT SPIKES, WROUGHT SHIP SPIKES, RAILWAY SPIKES
Galvanized Nails and Spikes.
They also manufacture to order
Patent Tampered and Parallel Bars,
for Ship's Knees, with promptness and despatch.
All the above will be sold at lowest market rates, and quality guaranteed. For terms apply to
JAMES DOMVILLE & CO., Agents,
may 15 No. 9 North Wharf, St. John, N. B.

NEW CHEESE.

30 BOXES CHEESE,
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JARDINE & CO.
June 5

W. C. MORRISEY,
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A SUBSTITUTE FOR SOAP.
FOR WASHING and CLEANING CLOTHS,

BLANKETS and Flannels, Windows and Looking Glasses, Greasy Dishes or Kitchen Utensils, Painted Woodwork POLISHING SILVER OR PLATED WARE.

For cleaning Printers' Types it is said to do its work well, and leaves no gumminess. For sale by
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One of the Largest and most Complete Stock of
HUMAN HAIR GOODS
in the Dominion, is to be found at,
CONROY'S HAIR STORE.

☞ The Stock of LADIES' SWITCHES now on hand cannot be surpassed.

BACK, SIDE AND FRAZEE CURLS, FRONTS AND PUFFS of every description. WIGS, TOP-PIECES, WHISKERS, MOUSTACHES, &c.

Bazors, Brushes, Combs, Barber's Mugs, &c.

Orders from the Country attended to with despatch.
CONROY'S HAIR STORE,
Canterbury Street, - - St. John, N. B

JAMES H. PULLEN,
CHARLOTTE STREET,
Has on hand a Splendid Assortment of
PAPER HANGINGS,
IN ALL THE
LATEST STYLES,
selected personally, and workmen
To Hang Them in First-Class Style,
PAINTING, GRAINING, GLAZING, &c.,
DONE AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE.
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GILDER,
AND MANUFACTURER OF
PORTRAIT, PICTURE AND OVAL FRAMES,
AND DEALER IN
ENGRAVINGS, PRINTS, LOOKING-GLASS PLATES AND CLOCKS.
21 GERMAIN STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.

Old Frames Re-Gilt to Look as Good as New.
June 5

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2 MARKET SQUARE.

DOUBLE WARP ALPACAS.
Lustres, Brilliantines,
Sicilians, Marie, Venetian and Albert Cords,
Thibet and D'Ecosse Cloths,
French Merinoes,
Silk Warp Henriettas,
Yarn Dyed Paramattas,
Grenadines, Muslins, Cambrics,
Crape Trimmings,
Yak Laces, plain and beaded,
Jet Buttons,
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W. W. JORDAN.
july 24

New Advertisements.

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ASSURANCE COMPANY,
OF LONDON.

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Subscribed Capital,	$10,000,000
Capital Paid Up,	5,000,000
Gross Assets,	15,109,430
Surplus as regards Policy-Holders,	6,273,580
Gross Income for the Year 1874,	1,115,460
Deposit at Ottawa,	100,000

Stocks, Buildings, Furniture, Lumber, Factories;
VESSELS IN PORT AND ON THE STOCKS,
Insured at Current Rates.
Detached Residences and Contents Insured
for a term of years on Specially Favorable Terms.

General Agent for New Brunswick:
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Sub-Agent. july 24 1m

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BLACK LACE SHAWLS,
Black Lace Half Square,

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BLACK PARAMATTA,
BLACK CRAPES,
BLACK S. F. LUSTRES,
BLACK FRENCH TWILL,
BLACK FLOWERS,
BLACK FRENCH MERINO,
BLACK HENRIETTAS,
BLACK RIBBONS, &c.,

OFFERED AT SUCH
Greatly Reduced Prices as they now are,
AT THE
COMMERCIAL PALACE.
A VISIT SOLICITED.
JAMES MANSON,
July 24 Proprietor.

CONSOLIDATED
E. & N. A. RAILWAY.
SUMMER
Local Excursion Rates!

UNTIL 30th September, **Excursion Return Tickets, at One Fare**, will be issued Daily at St. John, Carleton and Fairville,

To Welsford and Intermediate Stations,
Good only to Return upon the same Day Issued.

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Train leaves Welsford 4.55, Return 5.14, Westfield 5.25, Grand Bay 5.32, Sutton 5.46, South Bay 5.54, and Fairville 6.00 p. m., for St. John.

Fare from St. John to Fairville 15c., South Bay 25c., Sutton 35c., Grand Bay 45c., Westfield 60c., Welsford 90c.

Baskets, &c., for Small Pic-Nic Parties will be taken charge of at Baggage Room at Ferry Landing, (East Side,) and delivered there on return.

THROUGH TICKETS TO CANADA & ALL POINTS WEST.

Return Tickets to Montreal, Niagara, Detroit and Chicago at the lowest rates.

G. A. FREEZE,
july 24 2i TICKET AGENT,
Ferry Landing.

GREAT REDUCTIONS.
BARGHINS. BARGAINS. BARGAINS.

HAVING marked down our Large Stock of BOOTS, SHOES and SLIPPERS, 20 per cent. below our regular selling prices, we now offer the

Largest, Cheapest and Best Assorted
STOCK OF
Boots and Shoes

Ever offered in this city and at prices that defy competition.

Persons intending to purchase Boots and Shoes will find it to their advantage to call and judge for themselves before purchasing elsewhere.

J. R. VAUGHAN,
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NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS, New Designs, from $1.50 per pair and up.
SWISS LISSE, $1 and up.
TAMBOUR and APLIQUE, very rich, at reasonable prices.
NOTTINGHAM NETT, by the yard, from 5c. to 75c.
LAMBREQUINS, Lenо and Nottingham.

20 Dozen more of those
CHEAP WHITE COUNTERPANES,
$1.25 to $2.00 each.
W. W. JORDAN.
july 24

THE "GLOBE"
Safety Kerosene Burner!
SUITS ANY LAMP.
G. H. BURTIS, - - - - - Agent for N. B.
OFFICE—No. 6 NORTH WHARF.

THE "GLOBE" is a Burner fitted to receive a chimney having an oblong base, and we do not hesitate to say to our patrons and all dealers in Coal Oil Lamps, that the Globe is unsurpassed by any other Burner in the market.

1. It has more good qualities than any other Burner.
2. It gives a bright, steady, white flame.
3. The combustion is so perfect no odor can be detected.
4. It is so constructed as to heat the chimney equally in all its parts.
5. The chimney, deflector, and holder are removed together, giving free access to the wick for lighting or trimming.
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7. It is substantially made, and easily kept clean, having no pockets or places for charred wick to accumulate.
8. It combines all the advantages claimed of a gas tube for burning light oils, and at the same time has all the desirable features of any HEAVY OIL Burner now in use, thereby making it the most desirable Burner for all persons needing light.
9. The chimney cannot be put on the Burner wrong.
10. We get all the benefits of a flat chimney without any of its risks of breaking by being misplaced upon the Burner.
11. The chimneys made for this Burner are XX Fire-Proof Flint Glass, and are absolutely Fire-Proof.
12. The "Globe" chimney will not break from heat.
13. No parties will be permitted to make chimneys for the Globe Burner without license, and no lime glass or cheap chimneys will be tolerated.
14. If you would save time, patience, and money, buy a Globe Burner and Chimney. july24 1m

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JOHN LIVINGSTON,
Proprietor and Editor.

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NOTES FROM OTTAWA.

The general topics of interest here just now are Mr. Mackenzie's speech at Dundee and the success of the Canadian riflemen at Wimbledon. The former you, doubtless, will have read; and the latter you will have been advised of by telegram. Of political news I have nothing to tell. The most trivial items are windfalls at present to newspaper correspondents. The ingenuity shown by the various gentlemen of the press in twisting, stretching and padding, and enlarging upon the commonest incident that transpires, and which is of no interest to anyone here, is almost superhuman. Speaking of the dearth of *news* recalls to mind a circumstance that came under my observation not long since. A gentleman from Manitoba, and well known in Winnipeg, was staying in this city on a visit. During his stay he fell short of funds, and through the delay of the mails his remittances did not come to hand with that promptness which he expected. A happy idea occurred to him. Being a man of inventive faculty, he shut himself up and re-wrote and revised a pamphlet, of some 30 pages, upon Winnipeg, printed it and sold copies of it to the Government amounting to $250. However, it should be mentioned, in justice to the writer, that it contained much valuable information not generally known. Another instance of fabricating news, by a correspondent of a Montreal journal,—has not before been published. The journalist deliberately sat down and penned a despatch to the effect that two Post Office clerks had been discharged for voting contrary to the interests of the Government. The appearance of the telegram in print created considerable comment at the time; but upon enquiry, it transpired that the whole affair was a fiction. The bogus news went the rounds of the press and was generally credited as being true, and answered the purpose for which it was probably intended, viz: to cast a stigma upon the Opposition press. The journalist referred to was correspondent for a respectable Montreal daily, the proprietors of which were, of course, unaware but what the circumstances were correct.

Society here consists largely of the diplomatic element, with a sprinkling of manufacturers. Mrs. Grundy is very busy during the season, and one or two good stories have been originated by that lady. One of them is to the following effect: A gentleman, largely interested in the lumber business, was waited upon the other day by a tourist, who was desirous of writing up the lumber trade of Ontario. The merchant had originally started with nothing, and through his shrewdness and business capacity had arrived at his present prominent position in mercantile circles. The man with the note-book was about to take his departure, after thanking the lumber prince for his courtesy, when the latter added with much ostentation:

"You may also state that when I first came to Ottawa, I had only two dollars in my pocket."

"I'm much afraid," remarked the visitor, "that I'm mistaken in the person I wanted to see."

"No, there's no mistake, I can assure you. I'm the individual; you're quite correct."

"Really," continued the other, "then I must have been misinformed, because the gentleman whom I was to meet here commenced life with only *fifty cents!*"

Another story goes that a very homely looking official, who was to be present at a luncheon with Lord Dufferin on the morrow, was woke up in the middle of the night by his spouse observing, "My dear, I want you to wear your lavender tie and stand-up collar to-morrow; you look so much better in lavender than you do in white."

Apropos of His Excellency, it is said that at a party given last winter an illiterate and vulgar person whispered to a friend, as the Governor-General passed: "He's passed a good deal of his life in a balloon; that's where he got his facts, for his 'Letters from High Lattitudes.'" It needed a severe strain upon official etiquette to prevent a roar of laughter from those who overheard the observation.

The story is not more incredulous than that credited to Mrs. Hudson, the wife of the famous railroad king, who, in reply to a question from the Duchess of Devonshire, as to where she purchased her costly articles of *vertu* and *bijouterre*, responded, "I buy my virtue in Oxford street, and my bigotry in Hanway Yard."

Those of your readers who may not have read the cleverly written article in the New York *Graphic* may be pleased to know something of Lord Dufferin's home at Rideau Hall.

Government House is a mile from Sussex street, and approached by means of an oval drive extending about a quarter of a mile from the Lodge Gates. The grounds possess comparatively little artificial cultivation, and the scenery is rugged, bold, and consists principally of wood-land. The house is a long, irregular building, and presents a cosy and home-like appearance. There is no lavish exterior ornamentation, nor does it strike the eye as having any special amount of vice-regal magnificence. As you enter, the reception room is on the left hand side. It is a large and well lighted apartment, and will hold about two hundred persons comfortably. At one end of the room is a raised dais, draped with scarlet, and protected with a circular brass railing. At the other end a small stage is erected, which is used for private concerts and theatricals. The decorations are white and gold, with a blending of delicate tints, well harmonized. The private apartments are *en suite*, richly finished in maroon, green, and other colors. Each room is large, and marked by good taste and combination of color. A wide corridor, thickly carpeted with a small dark red pattern, extends nearly the whole length of the main building. On the walls of the corridor are pictures of eminent men of the day, among them some of the public men of Canada. The rooms are not too much crowded with furniture, which is of durable and excellent material. Her Excellency's *boudoir* is, perhaps, the most luxurious of any; its amber silk hangings and general appointments being indicative of the tastes and refinement of its fair occupant.

It has seldom been the happy experience of any statesman, who has had so many interests to please, to have maintained his popularity with all classes of politicians, to the same extent as the present Governor General. Although fifty-six years of age, he looks fully ten years younger. Thoroughly educated, and possessing a practical knowledge of men and manners, he is eminently fitted for the high office he holds. Inheriting the genius of a Sheridan, his naturally poetic temperament clothes his language with a refinement and finish which fall euphoniously upon the ear. Somewhat impetuous in temper, he is frank, cordial, and full of almost boyish spirits. Whether it be in the Council Chamber or in his home, he has the knack of saying the best things in the happiest way. He puts his guests thoroughly at ease, and looks after their comfort with a pleasing solicitude utterly at variance with condescension or patronage. In matters of art and stock raising he is a liberal supporter, and enters into sports with an enthusiasm utterly devoid of that *ennui* so often seen in the British nobleman. Several small sketches of European scenery and fancy subjects, painted by himself, are pronounced by competent judges to be well expressed, among them being views of different portions of his estate at Clandeboye, Ireland. He is a ready appreciator of merit in others, and attached to his household is a gentleman who not many years since used to fell trees in the back woods of Ontario. His salary as Governor General ($50,000) is spent in Canada. Possessed of an ample fortune, he is ever ready to devote his money right royally upon any object by which art or benevolence may be benefitted. In concluding this hasty sketch of Lord Dufferin I will quote an extract from memory that is significant of the man as an observer of human nature. In expressing his opinion to a friend of the writer upon the educational system of Canada, he remarked: "A thorough independence of character, uncontrolled by mere precedent or routine, and accompanied by the experience of discretion, is the best incentive to education a young man in Canada can receive. The application of this principle to local circumstances is essential to well doing in such a country as this."

BRICK MAKING.

The old-fashioned plan of making bricks by horse and hand-power is a tedious, unclean process. There is about it a large amount of dirty work for man, and an enormous amount of heavy dragging for the poor beast,—all of which is avoided by the steam mill, such as that in operation in the brick yard of the Lee Brothers, Courtenay Bay. Here brick making becomes a rather gentlemanly business,—it certainly does not require just such close quarters in the handling of the raw material as the old plan, while the work is executed with remarkable despatch. The Lees are very favorably situated as regards facilities for their work. The land, which lies near Little River, is owned by Mr. James Davidson, who lives alongside The deposit of brick clay is, probably, inexhaustible. The "bank" from which the clay is at present being taken is eleven or twelve feet deep,—that is to say,

ELEVEN OR TWELVE FEET

is now being worked, but there may be, and probably there is, twenty to thirty feet immediately below this working bank, for eleven feet is as much as the workmen can comfortably handle. Five men are now getting out of this bank the rough clay, which they place in barrows and wheel up to a flat car, drawn by a horse, which carries it by rail to the mill. The barrows are generally wheeled up to the end of the line, and are ready for the horse car by the time the latter returns from the mill. The distance of the clay bank from the mill is only about one hundred yards, and the car is kept going constantly without loss of time. The mill itself is a sort of three-decker. The barrows of clay are dumped on the upper deck, the tramway being nearly on a level with that portion. Here two men are kept busy

FEEDING THE "CRUSHER,"

which breaks up the clay, and sends it below in a very "fine" condition; and so well adjusted and perfect are the revolving wheels which constitute the crusher that it is impossible for any foreign substance to get through and mix with the brick making material without being broken as fine as powder. Following the clay, we descend to the second story, where we find that the crushed clay and clean sand, moistened with some water, are shoveled rapidly into the "mixing" machine, where they are thoroughly combined; then a few feet below, on the "ground floor," as it were, the compound is pressed out of an aperture or "die," in a continuous body, just the length and thickness of a brick, and as it passes along it is received on a table, mounted on wheels, which holds as much of this clay bar as will make, say, six or seven bricks. While resting for a moment on this table, a frame, standing on edge, with wires from top to bottom, is quickly pressed through the clay, —and presto! six or seven bricks lay ready made, as far as the raw material can make them. The steady movement of this lengthy bar of clay over certain wheels presses the wheeled table out from the machine; when the bricks

ARE CUT AND REMOVED,

the table returns to its former position, ready to receive any instalment of the worked clay to be cut into another catch of brick. A car stands waiting to receive a load of these wet bricks for transference to the drying ground, which is effected by horse-power and a railroad, and by the time the horse has unloaded and returned another car is loaded and waiting. Almost everybody has seen the drying yard of a brick-works, and everybody has seen a brick kiln. Messrs. Lee have a very spacious yard, and at the principal steam works they keep three kilns going. They employ, altogether, thirty to forty men and boys,—nearly all men,—during the busy season, and these hands have to work lively. The mill keeps all hands busy. There are the men in the pit,—the men who handle the horses and carts,—the men who attend to the crushing, and those who see to the mixing; the men who attend the die, and the boys who attend the cutting table; the men who see to the drying and who wheel to the kiln, and who attend the kilns after fire is set,—none of these

HAVE ANY IDLE TIME,

if their work is properly laid out and there is proper supervision; and we judge there is no failure in this respect. Four of the six Lee Brothers give their personal attention to the work, one of them devoting himself more particularly to securing orders and attending to the business part of the enterprise, most of his time being spent in the mill. The mill will turn out, on an average, 20,000 bricks per day, and she has been run at the rate of even 50,000 per day. Two millions of bricks do not constitute a very heavy season's work; and the probability is that in the future, with a revival in building operations, the demand for bricks will test the resources of all our local yards, as it is yearly growing more certain that between the greater liability of wooden buildings to take fire, the excess of repairs needed for them, and the extra charges for insurance, bricks will be more and more called for in the future. The enterprise of Messrs. Lee is worthy of commendation and all encouragement.

—You can any day see fashionably-dressed girls on the streets of New York turning and smiling at a tall woman of thirty-five, a six footer, who tramps along with a modest black dress hanging a half-foot from the ground. Her shoes are large and coarse. She is Middy Morgan, and the best live-stock reporter in the country. She earns an honest penny in a sort of masculine way, but she is kind-hearted and fine natured. She was formerly the keeper of Victor Emmanuel's stables. But she is an Irish girl.

IMPORTANT TO GAS CONSUMERS.

A Complicated Gas Question—The Court Divided.

On the 30th ult., a case of considerable interest to gas consumers was tried in the City Court before Judge Peters and Alderman Wilson, in which the St. John Gas Company were plaintiffs and Mr. Edmund E. Kenney, defendant.

The plaintiffs sought to recover from defendant the sum of $65.60 for consumption of gas, ranging from November 1st, 1873 to March 18th, 1875. In November, 1873, the plaintiffs rendered the defendant a bill for $12.90 for the quarter preceding that date. Defendant remonstrated at the high price charged—he only using three burners. The following quarter, ending January 31st, 1874, defendant received another bill for 6,400 feet of gas, for which he was charged $22.70. He at once protested against the item, alleging that he had not used half that amount during any previous quarter, and that something must be wrong with the meter. The Gas Company thought the consumption high, and decided to have the meter tested. This was done, and it was found according to Inspector Smith's report that it was two and a half per cent. fast. During the trial evidence was given that the plaintiff had, during the quarter ending October 31st, 1874, been forced to burn oil about one third of that time, owing to the inferior quality of the gas, and that only one burner had been used during that period. This fact was corroborated by a person in plaintiff's employment. At the end of the first quarter of 1874, a new meter was supplied, which showed a considerable falling off in consumption. The respective items charged by plaintiffs were as follows:

1873.	Nov. 1.—	6,600	cubic	feet gas,	$12.90.
1874.	Feb. 1.—	6400	"	" "	22.70.
	Apr 28.—	2500	"	" "	9.05.
	Aug. 1.—	1000	"	" "	3.80.
	Nov. 1.—	1900	"	" "	6.95.
1875.	Feb. 1.—	2500	"	" "	9.05.
	Mar. 18.—	300	"	" "	1.15.
	Total,				$65.60.

The defendant expressed a willingness to pay for the subsequent quarters to Feb., 1874, and although dissatisfied with the one ending October 31st, 1873, he agreed to pay it; but the amount charged for the three months preceding Feb. 1, 1874 he absolutely refused to pay—hence the action.

It further transpired in evidence that although the gas had been used more freely after February, 1874,—when the meter was changed—yet the index showed to the contrary. Another feature of the case was that since the new meter had been substituted, the gas consumption for one year did not amount to as much in quantity as that alleged to have been used by the plaintiff.

The plaintiffs did not deny any of the facts alleged by defendant; no leakage was proved, and the issue of the case rested wholly upon the index of the meter, which the plaintiffs urged was the true guide, and that they were willing to reduce the amount two and a half per cent. on the February quarter, which was shown to be excessive, as already stated.

In considering the issue the Court was divided: His Honor Judge Peters holding that the meter index was the only true test between the parties and that the Court had no alternative but to accept the index as the best guide in the matter. Alderman Wilson was of the opinion that defendant had not consumed the amount of gas alleged against him by plaintiffs, and that he should not be held responsible for the same.

E. T. C. Knowles, Esq., appeared on behalf of the plaintiffs, and C. A. Stockton, Esq., was counsel for defendant.

In order to decide the case a new trial will be necessary.

THE KENTUCKY LOTTERY.—Says a Western paper—

Mr. Blanton Duncan has temporarily resisted the enticements of politics to engage in a contest with the managers of the Kentucky Library Lottery scheme. He has just taken the legal preliminaries for enforcing full payment of the prizes reduced by the managers, and has in hand cases involving several hundred thousand dollars.

The Kentucky Lottery was extensively advertised in Canada, including St. John, and it is understood that large sums of money "went west," for investment in chances in the scheme. The name of the Governor of the State was used in connexton with it; indeed, he was a leading reference, whose position and opinions in the matter decided all doubters. The Lottery, which was quite a gigantic affair, was not a success, and now the managers are in trouble; the lawyers have taken the case in hand; and between managers and lawyers there will be little left for the ticket holders to receive beyond what the managers have already seen fit to give them. If the managers are wealthy, Mr. Duncan may succeed in holding them to personal responsibility for the promises made by advertisements and circulars as inducements to buy tickets, which would be a good precedent to make; but if they are wealthy, they can retain a formidable array of lawyers and can, no doubt, stave off the settlement of the cases for many years to come.

PERSONALS.

William B. Astor, large round-shouldered, common-looking, dressed in shabby blue, is worth only forty-five millions of dollars.—James Parton is working on his "Life of Voltaire."—Bret Harte wears a Panama hat.—Kate Field still hopes to be a great actress—indeed, has always wanted to be. She studied Latin and modern languages with Mrs. Elizabeth Barrett Browning and Walter Savage Landor.—Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson is living in a country town in New Jersey. She still dresses in black, has a mild, fleshy, soft-skinned face, blonde hair, and eyes that are milky gray and mooney.—William Cullen Bryant is very old, lives on milk and fruits, practices light gymnastics every day, and helps Sidney Howard Gay in the writing of the Popular History of the United States.—Mrs. Tilton lives at Montclair, N. J. Florence Tilton, who is now seventeen, and sticks to her father, is soon to be married.—An Oregon paper says that Joaquin Miller had better keep out of that State, and the paper is backed by Mrs. Miller and a revolver.—August Belmont is a Newporter. He is short, has a chub face, with two bunches of coarse brown whiskers on his chops, and has a game leg got in a duel fought with a man who was married.—Charles A. Dana goes every day to his home at Glen Cove. He leaves the office at 5 p.m.—Old Probabilities has gone to the Yellow Stone with Gen. Belknap. Old Probe, who is thirty-five and has a full beard, came from Buffalo.—The Prince of