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This Company is prepared to receive applications for Insurance against FIRE upon Buildings and other Property, at the Office of the Secretary, No. 11, Water Street.

NOTICE.

All Persons having any demands against the Estate of the Honorable HUGH JOHNSTON, deceased, are requested to present the same, duly attested, and all those indebted to the same Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

PHOENIX FOUNDRY, FOND STREET.

The Proprietors of the above Establishment, having erected a new Moulding Shop on the premises occupied by the late Firm of THOMAS BARKLOW & Co., are now prepared to Manufacture Steam and Fire ENGINES, Steam Boilers, Force Pumps, MILL MACHINERY, Turning Lathes, Screw Presses, Bark Mills, Patent Purchases and other Ship Castings, and also to Repair and Rebuild Old Engines, Boilers, &c. &c.

LONDON GOODS.

Leading ex Libion, from London: 50 CASKS Lazenby's PICKLES and SAUCES; 1 case Salsol Oil, 30 cases Sperm CANDLES, 10 cases Coleman's MUSTARD; 10 bags BLACK PEPPER; 6 cases Cayenne Pepper and Isinglass, Gelatine, Tapioca, &c. &c. For sale by May 4. JARDINE & CO.

Agricultural Society's Premiums.

The Directors of the St. John County Agricultural Society have agreed upon the following Premiums for the year 1850: As the main object of the Society is to diffuse sound information, the Directors have concluded to give the Premiums in Agricultural Publications, for this year—Successful competitors in each class will have their choice of the following Books, &c.

W. TISDALE & SON, Hardware Store, No. 1, South Market Wharf.

Augers, Steel, Hollow-ware, Files, Gunpowder, &c. Just Received ex Catherine, Sophia, and other arrivals: THOMSON'S Long and Short Screw AUGERS, Bister and Cast STEEL, Iron POTS, Bake PANS and Covers, Cast Iron Spades, Mill, Circular, Cross-cut, Hand Saw and Smiths FILES, and RASPS.

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Notice of Removal.

FLEWELLING & READING. BEG to give notice that they are about to REMOVE their Stock of GROCERIES and LIQUORS, to the premises in Prince William Street, (corner of Cooper's Alley), formerly occupied by Messrs. JARDINE & Co., where they will be prepared to supply customers as usual, with every variety of Goods in their line. St. John, May 4, 1850.

FLEWELLING & READING, Prince William Street, (Corner of Cooper's Alley.)

Have now landing from London, per Libion, a part of their Spring Supply of Groceries and Liquors, COMPRISING

- 20 HIDS. Dark and Pale BRANDY—Martell's—20 do. Holland's GIN, 51 chests Congo TEA, 40 kegs MUSTARD—J. & J. Coleman's, 10 cwt. STARCH, ditto, 12 casks BLACKING, as'd—Day & Martin's, 5 boxes SPERM CANDLES, 2 cases CASSIA, 2 boxes MACE, 1 matt CLOVES, 1 cask Cream Tartar, 5 cwt. SALT PETRE, 5 cwt. Blue Vitriol, 1 ton PUTTY, 6 hhds. Linseed OIL, 1 ton White Lead, No. 1—Brandram Brothers, 1 cwt. BLACK PAINT, do. do. St. John, May 7, 1850.

VICTORIA BOOK STORE, STATIONERY WAREHOUSE, King Street, St. John, N. B.

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PIANO AND ORGAN.

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Spring and Summer Fashions, for 1850.

If you would make a good Bargain in purchasing your Spring and Summer Clothing, you have only to call at GILMOUR'S Fashionable Tailoring Establishment, BRIDGES Building, King Street, and you will be astonished at the GOOD BARGAINS you can obtain at his Store.

FURNISHING GOODS.

In fact every article usually kept in a genteel Clothing Establishment may be found here; which with the low prices, polite and gentlemanly treatment, makes his Store among the most popular in the City. He would respectfully invite you to give him a call and satisfy yourself that this is no humbug.

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The Garland.

THE GALLOPING STEED.

There's a course we've never been to before— He cracks over the mountains, not the west one knows; He's a charger of men, I warrant is he; That will weary his riders wh'er they may be; And we'll all be merrily laughing along, Without hearing our check-words or feeling our throng; No ill does he heed, and no rest does he seek; Oh! a brave from Grey is this galloping steed.

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PARASOLS.

Claremont, Glace, Watered, and Fancy Parasols, Satin do. do. do. do. Printed, Curah, Bandanna, and China Silk Hdkfs.

ROBNETS.

Coburgs, Albion's, Linton, Rice, China, Pearl, Tuscan, White Albion, Willow, Chip, Dunstable, &c.; Fancy Batiste, Ladies' and Girls' Children's Spanish, Albert, Angles, and Hungarian Hats; Lamb's Wool Hoods, &c. French and English Caps, Bonnet Flowers, and Rosettes.

LAGES AND NETTS.

Fancy Blood, Paris and Cambay Netts, Black, Colored, and Fancy do. Egyptian, Valenciennes, and Balmora Laces and Edgings; Thread Insertions, Edgings, Bonnet, Slippers; & Bionds; Liven Collars, Habit Shirts, Muslin and Lace Sleeves.

GLOVES.

Ladies' and Gent's White and Dark French Kid, Fancy self-colored; Embroidered Silk do. A large variety of VESTINGS, Figured and Checked Satin do.; Hosiery, Haberdashery, Smallwares, &c. &c. &c. Gent's Silk, Beaver, and Paris HATS, CLOTH CAPS, &c. &c.

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THE EDGESTONE LIGHT HOUSE.

The following passage is from a late discourse of the Rev. T. L. Cuyler on "True and False Religions." Like the treacherous signal-boats that are sometimes stationed by the wreckers off an iron-bound coast, these shifting systems of false religion are continually changing their places. Like them they attract only to bewilder, and allure only to destroy. The unwary mariner follows them with a trembling uncertainty and only finds out where he is when he feels his ill-fated vessel crushing into a thousand fragments on the beach.

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RETURN OF A SIBERIAN EXILE.

The little town of Montastruc, near Toulouse, has recently been signalled by an event. An old soldier, named Dames, has re-appeared there after an absence of 22 years. The following is a brief sketch of his history, which we are sorry we cannot give in all its details.—Dames entered the service in 1805, and in 1812 took part in the Russian campaign, in which he had the misfortune to be made a prisoner. His family had received no tidings of him from that time, every one believed him dead, when he suddenly presented himself to the astonishment of those who had been his intimates. This venerable relic of the imperial armies, who has been 30 years in Siberia, whence he has returned by order of the emperor, is said to have amassed a considerable fortune during his captivity.

Highly Important from Cuba.

LANDING OF GENERAL LOPEZ—CAPTURE OF CARDENAS. The Steamship Ohio arrived at New York on Saturday last from Havana. General Lopez landed at Cardenas, about 90 miles from Havana, on the 17th inst., with about 500 men, and took possession of the town. The garrison consisted of one company of about sixty men, who made but a slight resistance. They were driven into a church, and after losing 3 killed, surrendered.

EFFECTS OF A VEGETABLE DIET.

An anniversary was held in New York, on Wednesday, of what is called the "American Vegetarian Society," composed of Sylvester Graham, Dr. Alcott, and all others who eschew animal food as poison, whether in the form of flesh or fish. Some very learned dissertations were delivered on the respective constituents of the different kinds of food in use, their nutritive properties and their adaptability to develop the physical, mental and moral powers of man. The virtues of bread, potatoes, turnips, apples and puddings were decried upon, and their superiority to broiled beef and roast duck clearly made manifest to the vegetarians. In the midst of some caustic remarks of Graham upon structures recently published by a beef-eating German named Wieting, up jumps a veritable Welling himself and replied to Graham. It was difficult to determine which system produced the greatest amount of bile, the stomachs of both parties seemed to overflow and it ceased at the end of their tongues in a very friendly phrase, which we should not like to repeat. The effectiveness produced by this vegetable fermentation was however, considered satisfactory (in fact of the common remark, that cannot be drawn from turnips). The turnips displayed decidedly the most bold if not the best argument. The object in organizing this association is to induce the use of abstemious diets of animal and vegetable food, to promote true civilization and universal brotherhood, so that they have cut out for themselves plenty of work for the next half century.

"DOES THE CHEMISTRY HERSSELF."

St. Henry Balwer is very popular at Washington; and, moreover, Lady Balwer, the first lady that has been here with our embassy for years, has won all hearts. She is a pleasant, agreeable, handsome woman, and does the most captivating manner. She has established the good old English style of dinner and tea. In the latter meal she presides at her table, and does all the country larder of the Christian cook. Her dinner parties were more pleasant and easy than anything we have seen for twenty years.—(Washington Correspondent of the Montreal Pilot.)

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY ON THE GRACE OF BAPTISM.

In consequence of the late controversy the Archbishop of Canterbury (late Bishop of Chester) has deemed it necessary to publish in the form of an addendum to a work written by himself thirty-five years ago, an exposition of his views respecting the grace of baptism. In the concluding portion of these explanatory remarks he says:—"All that conscience requires of a clergyman who denies or doubts the universal efficacy of infant baptism is that he address his congregation as partakers of the sacrament of the Christian covenant, and unless their own consciences deprive them of it, or unless the state of their hearts prove that they are not believing in the Saviour whose name they bear, and unless the labors of their lives prove that they have no part or lot in His salvation. They may have been treated as regenerate in the language of the church, and yet may be very far from becoming such new creatures as the true Christian must be, and unless they are not his children 'in deed and in truth' unless they are led by the Spirit of God."

TRUTH—Truth is the foundation of virtue.

An habitual regard for it is absolutely necessary. He who walks by the light of it has the advantage of the mid-day sun; he who would spend it, goes forth amid clouds and darkness. There is no way in which a man can strengthen his own judgment, and acquire respect in society so surely as by a scrupulous regard to truth. The course of such an individual is right and straight. He is no changing, saying one thing to-day and another to-morrow. Truth to him is like a mountain landmark to the pilot; he fixes his eye upon a point that does not move, and he enters the harbour in safety. On the contrary, one who despises truth and is falsehood is like a pilot who takes a piece of driftwood for his landmark, which changes with every wave. On his eye he fixes his attention, and being usually led from his course, strikes upon some hidden reef, and sinks to rise no more. Truth brings success; falsehood results in ruin and contempt.—[Dr. Channing.]

SEE THING AT A TIME.—Step among your neighbours reader, and see whether those among them who get up at an ungodly hour, and accumulate property, and piled a good name, have not been who were themselves to one single branch of business—who brought all their powers to bear upon one point, and built on the spring, when the sun is in the zenith.

THE COUNT OF ALCOY.

SECRETARY OF DEFENCE. DEPARTMENTS OF THE EAST INDIES OFFICE. The Governor, Captain General, and General Chief of the Army of Her Majesty, address you this day, to let you know that some corrupt foreigners, who are in your country, without right feeling, the greater part of them a miserable scum, whom the convulsions of Europe, these few years back, have cast upon the shores of America, the same who, a year ago, pro-