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**Professional Cards.**  
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 Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law,  
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**Business Cards.**  
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 Residence, corner of St. John and Brunswick  
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 FINE SAMPLE ROOM IN CONNECTION.  
 ALSO—  
 A FIRST-CLASS LIVERY STABLE.  
 Coaches and trains and boats.  
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 Wagon Work, Sled Shaming, Horse Shoeing, Etc.  
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 Fence Stones and Posts.  
 First Class Material and Workmanship  
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 100 BOXES WINDOW GLASS—all sizes,  
 which will be sold at the lowest rates.  
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 WE HAVE ON HAND A LARGE STOCK  
 of Churns and Butter Tubs, Wash Tubs,  
 Pails, etc.  
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 Saint John, N. B., Aug. 25, 1882.  
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**Billiard Hall!**  
**SHARKEY'S BUILDING,**  
 OPP. OFFICERS' BARRACKS, QUEEN ST.,  
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 The main object in the construction of the Billiard  
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 features that have rendered popular all the other  
 styles of tables. The Billiard Novelty has all the  
 advantages and good points, including the respective  
 merits claimed by the "Congress" and "Lovers"  
 Tables. The "Billiard" is a happy combination  
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 Boys under sixteen not allowed in the Hall.  
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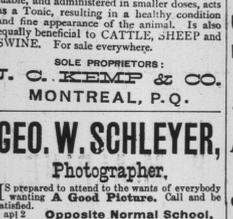
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 ALSO:  
 CODFISH, OATMEAL,  
 RICE, RAISINS,  
 TEA, SUGARS, &c.  
**FOR SALE LOW.**  
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**BY RAIL FROM BOSTON:**  
 5 CASES GENERAL HARDWARE, including  
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 Just Received.  
 20 CASES LE PAGE'S LIQUID GLUE,  
 for construction being in liquid form,  
 No soaking and cooking required. It can be used  
 cold for cabinet work, and manufacturing purposes  
 on fine grained woods. It is the best for daily  
 use and general repairing for Furniture, Glass and  
 China. Use Le Page's Glue, it makes water better  
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 It is put up in 1, 1/2, 2, 3, and 4 lb. tins, also  
 in 1 and 2 oz. bottles. For sale by  
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**ANGUS ULLOCK,**  
 Duke Street, Chatham,  
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 First-Class turnout; stock fresh. Particular at-  
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**A. LEMONT & Co**  
 GAS FITTERS,  
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 Sheet Iron Workers,  
 Dealers in Stoves &c.  
 Gas Fitting, Plumbing and Well-  
 Boring will receive special attention.  
 Hot-Air Furnaces Fitted up.  
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**PREPARED SPICE**  
 For Horses, Cattle, Sheep & Swine.

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 And will be sold at the LOWEST RATES  
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 Remember, these changes do  
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 you must have Good Books.  
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**M. S. HALL,**  
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**SCHOOL BOOKS**  
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 A full supply of College Books.  
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 Greater Bargains Than Ever  
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**HALL'S BOOK STORE.**  
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**Mason & Hamlin**  
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**THESE ORGANS**  
 Are Warranted for Fifteen Years.  
 Not one has ever been returned by  
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 They stand the change of climate,  
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 Don't let yourself be imposed upon  
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 A GOOD STOCK OF  
 VIOLINS,  
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 FIFES, FLAGEOLETS,  
 And MOUTH ORGANS,  
 VIOLIN STRINGS.

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**J. C. KEMP & CO.**  
 MONTREAL, P. Q.  
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 [S] prepared to attend to the wants of everybody  
 in the Province. A Good Picture, and a  
 satisfied customer.  
 Opposite Normal School.  
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 48 BUNDLES SHAPES:  
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 9 Bundles Rives.  
 18 Bundles Spokes.  
 Just received and for sale at  
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 YOU CAN GET  
**THE BEST VALUE**  
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**THOS. W. SMITH**  
 Is now offering greater inducements to  
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 You can buy Ready-Made Clothing, Men's  
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 W. SMITH'S  
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 Than at any other place in the city.  
**Call and see for Yourself.**  
 Hats, Caps, Trunks and Valises,  
 At prices the lowest in the market.  
 Call, See and Examine, so as you will be con-  
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**CUSTOM TAILORING**  
 Done in all its branches and every satisfac-  
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 Always on hand, one of the largest  
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 FASHIONS EVERY MONTH.  
 Call and examine and you will be  
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**WHEELBARROWS.**  
 WHEELBARROWS, Pickaxes, Mattocks,  
 Sledges, Handhammers, Drills, Axes, Pow-  
 der, Steel in round, square and octagon; full stock  
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 long and short handles, both steel and iron, as low  
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**Self-Sealing FRUIT JARS**  
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 Insurance effected on all kinds of  
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 1 CAR LOAD COOK STOVES, RANGES  
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 For sale very low by  
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 JUST RECEIVED—A LARGE STOCK OF  
 Stoneware, Butter Coolers, Creams, Water  
 Coolers, in different sizes, Bean Jars, Spittoons,  
 Butter Pitchers, etc.  
 Cheap at LEMONT'S.

**See Our Prices.**  
**FURNITURE IS FALLING.**  
 100 Lounges, 15 Easy Chairs,  
 37 CHAMBER SUITES,  
 22 CENTRE TABLES.  
 Please Call, and you can be suited.  
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**PARLOR SUITES**  
 Bu it to Order.  
 And finished in any kind of Covering desired.  
 Satisfaction guaranteed.  
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**NEW GOODS AT REDUCED**  
**PRICES.**  
 JUST RECEIVED:—  
 110 DOZ. Milk Pans, 50 doz. Rockingham  
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 Wholesale and Retail. Lower than St. John  
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**Meakin's White Granite.**  
 9 CRATES, just received direct from the Pot-  
 teries.  
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**R. COLWELL,**  
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**Carriages, Wagons,**  
 SLEIGHS and FUNGS  
 Built to Order  
 IN THE LATEST AND MOST  
 DURABLE STYLES.  
 Material and Workmanship  
 of the best.  
 PARTICULAR ATTENTION GIVEN TO  
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**CARRIAGES, &c.**  
 Terms, &c., to give satisfaction.  
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 Fredericton, September 3, 1884.

**HOUSE PAPER**  
 For the remainder of the season, I  
 will sell the balance of my stock of  
 HOUSE PAPER  
 At Greatly Reduced Prices!  
 Now is a favorable time to secure the Best  
 Paper at the Lowest Prices. The like may  
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 Sheet Music. Music Books.  
 Piano Instructors, Organ Instructors,  
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 40 COILS Manila Rope; 4 coils Lath Tie;  
 4 coils Raw Linseed Oil;  
 1 barrel Colloid Oil;  
 1 barrel Neolfoot Oil;  
 1 barrel Spirits of Turpentine.  
 Just received and for sale as usual by  
 Fredericton, May 21.  
**R. CHESTNUT & SONS.**  
**CLASS. CLASS.**  
 IN STOCK AND JUST RECEIVED via  
 Halifax, N. S., and I. C. R. Road.  
 400 BOXES WINDOW GLASS, ranging  
 from 1/2 doz. to 2 doz.  
 1 case Figured Glass, lower than ever.  
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**Itching Piles—Symptoms and Cure.**  
 The symptoms are moisture like perspiration,  
 intense itching, increased by scratching,  
 very distressing, particularly at night,  
 seems as if pin-worms were crawling in and  
 about the rectum; the private parts are some-  
 times affected. If allowed to continue very  
 serious results may follow. "SWAYNE'S  
 OINTMENT" is a pleasant, sure cure. Also  
 for Tetter, Itch, Salt-Rheum, Scald-Head,  
 Erysipelas, Barber's Itch, Blisters, all scaly,  
 crusty Skin diseases. Box, by mail, 50 Cts;  
 3 for \$1.25. Address, DR. SWAYNE & SON  
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**LIVE STOCK.**  
 Stumbling may be due to several causes  
 —a careless habit of bearing too much  
 upon the rein, weakness of the fore limbs,  
 and nervous disorder due to chronic in-  
 digestion, but it is most often due to the  
 shoeing. The treatment should be regu-  
 lated by the cause of the trouble. Some  
 horses have been wholly cured of the  
 habit by removing the shoes and using  
 none at all.  
 We should get out of the notion that  
 clear, dry corn is the only food that will  
 fatten hogs, and make good meat. It is  
 very handy to toss over a few bushels of  
 ears two or three times a day, but it is  
 certainly a very expensive food, and so  
 heating in its nature that it should never  
 form the sole diet of any animal. We  
 would not dare feed our horses and cows  
 with such food, but we have fallen in the  
 habit of feeding our hogs in this way,  
 without reasoning the matter or doubt-  
 ing the efficiency of the method in the  
 least.  
 Horses are shod for two reasons—first,  
 because their feet are liable to wear and  
 receive injury in their labor; second, be-  
 cause we wish to give them a better hold  
 upon the ground or upon the ice. On  
 some roads horses' feet wear faster than  
 they grow. If they grow faster than they  
 wear there is no need of shoeing farm or  
 road horses, and whether or not draught  
 horses should be shod depends upon the  
 kind of work they have to do. If they  
 are used for heavy work, and have to  
 start and back loads as heavy as they can  
 pull, they certainly will need to be well  
 shod.  
 Dr. N. H. Patten very truly says: Hay,  
 for horses especially, needs to be of the  
 very best quality. Nineteen out of every  
 twenty cases of broken wind results from  
 the effects of bad hay. But even if good  
 hay, upon the proper or improper qual-  
 ities almost depends the eventual life or  
 death of the horse. While the effect of  
 feeding oats—being light thick-skinned or  
 taily, provided they are perfectly sweet  
 —the result may be frustrated by in-  
 creased quantity, but if hay is not  
 nutritious, being of much greater bulk,  
 increased quantity is merely filling the  
 animal with what does him no good, and  
 may do a great deal of mischief by its  
 bulk.  
**Quacks and Horses.**  
 The cruel and inhuman treatment of  
 horses and other animals under the pre-  
 valent popular methods of curing disease  
 is amazing and deplorable. In some  
 cases it surpasses the barbarity of savages.  
 Indeed, those uncivilized races who  
 possess horses exhibit far more humanity  
 in their care and treatment of them  
 than the average white man. The Arabs,  
 and even our own native Arabs, the  
 Indians, have an affection for their ani-  
 mals and treat them with a tenderness  
 that is remarkable as compared with the  
 civilized mode. A case in point, related  
 in the columns of the *Country Gentle-  
 man*, is well worthy of notice as a fright-  
 ful example. A man supposed his horse to  
 be troubled with ringbone or navicular  
 disease. He "got a ball of concentrated  
 lye, (caustic potash) shaved the hair from  
 two places on each side of the foot, and  
 bound the wet caustic alkali on the skin  
 for 10 days. He then procured "toad  
 frogs," chopped them finely, and bound  
 these over the sores. The consequence  
 was that the foot was terribly swollen,  
 and had two large sores upon it, and  
 could not be put to the ground for sev-  
 eral weeks." The veterinary surgeon to  
 whom the case was afterward submitted  
 thought "the chances of the horse's re-  
 covery were about 15 per cent." When  
 we consider that concentrated lye will  
 wholly destroy the wood of a rail in which  
 it is kept in solution for 24 hours only,  
 the aggregate torture suffered by this  
 poor beast during 240 hours while this  
 terrible caustic was applied to its skin  
 can hardly be realized. Nothing need be  
 said in regard to the unhappy "toad  
 frogs" further than to remark the utter  
 uselessness of such an application to  
 cure such diseases as ringbone or nav-  
 icular disease.—N. Y. Times.

**NEWS SUMMARY.**  
 A scientific lecturer says—"Some  
 plants have migrated the same as indi-  
 viduals, and it is no more uncommon to  
 see a foreign species of plant growing on  
 our shores than it is to see a Chinaman.  
 Numerous specimens of European plants  
 have taken root in our country that  
 doubtless came through Behring's Strait,  
 their course being unmistakably marked  
 although the cause of their immigration re-  
 mains unknown.  
 One of those summer-school philosph-  
 ers who knew everything says: "There  
 are no classes and no caste distinctions  
 in this country." Oh, there aren't, isn't  
 there? Just let the philosopher put on  
 a last winter's suit and a straw hat, and  
 ask the hotel clerk for a nice room on the  
 parlor floor. He'll learn something about  
 the illimitable infinity of distance to the  
 mansard roof that never occurred to him  
 before.  
 French gentlemen have long abjured  
 their own tails and gone to England or  
 English outters for their clothes. At a  
 meeting a little while ago of the syndi-  
 cate of French tailors in Paris, a member,  
 M. Ducher complained that, while in 1875  
 there were only thirteen English tailors  
 in the French Capital, doing business to  
 the amount of 1,400,000 francs a year,  
 there are at present thirty-nine, whose  
 dealings amount to 13,500,000 francs.  
 An American microscopist who has  
 been investigating the causes of certain  
 frantic movement of the common house-  
 fly under the stimulant of strong light,  
 has discovered that the fly is often the

**THE POTATO ROT.**  
 A disease so little understood as the  
 potato rot never makes its appearance  
 without exciting a deep interest, if not  
 alarm among all those who are likely to  
 be affected by it. During the first part  
 of the season, and up to the middle of  
 July, many fields of potatoes were look-  
 ing very bad, and did not indicate a half  
 crop, but during the last two weeks of  
 July, and the first two or three weeks of  
 August, the weather was all that could  
 be desired to force the most rapid growth,  
 even in the fields that were so badly in-  
 jured by the frost. In a single month  
 the change was such that, instead of a  
 prospect of a small crop, the outlook  
 seemed to be almost a positive certainty  
 of a large crop; but during the third and  
 fourth weeks in August, the peculiar  
 odor that came from the potato fields in-  
 dicated that a blast had struck the foli-  
 age, and in a few days, in many fields,  
 the luxuriant leaves changed from a dark  
 green to a black decaying mass. Those  
 who have watched the potato well know  
 that this meant destruction to the tuber.  
 Many who grow potatoes for the market  
 began to dig and market as rapidly as  
 possible; but so many tried this that  
 prices dropped, and the demand ceased  
 except for immediate use.  
 It appears to be, as yet, a question with  
 many whether it is best to dig potatoes  
 that have been struck with disease at  
 once, or let them be in the ground, until  
 all are rotten that are diseased. Some  
 contend that if dug at once it would save  
 many that would rot if left in the ground,  
 and so they dig them as soon as there are  
 any indications of disease; while others  
 contend that it makes but little differ-  
 ence where the potato is, if it is struck  
 with disease it will rot anyway, or if  
 the rot is stopped, the potato being dis-  
 eased, is unfit to eat.  
 After many trials we have settled down  
 to the practice, when a field of potatoes  
 is struck with disease, of letting them re-  
 main in the ground until cold weather,  
 except what is wanted for immediate use,  
 unless the field is wanted for some other  
 crop. By so doing we get rid of picking  
 over rotten potatoes, a very disagreeable  
 work; for by the time cold weather sets  
 in all have rotted that will rot. Possibly  
 a larger proportion may rot by this prac-  
 tice, but we have our doubts about it; but  
 even if they did, the difference would  
 not be enough to pay for the extra labor  
 of harvesting and picking them over.  
 On careful examination we find that  
 those that are nearest to the surface of  
 the ground, and that those which are  
 at the bottom, if any, are the ones that  
 escape disease.—Massachusetts Plough  
 man.

**NEWS SUMMARY.**  
 A correspondent to the *Montreal Wit-  
 ness* writes:—My plum trees have put on  
 a strange appearance this year, which I  
 would like you to explain. The mass of  
 blossom was all in the centre and the  
 leaves came on the outside of the bran-  
 ches, and now the fruit of course is all  
 in the centre, not a leaf to protect it from  
 the sun, yet the branches some of them  
 as much as two feet long, and over are  
 well leafed and healthy. The fruit is  
 partly diseased. Now what is the cause  
 or cure? Are the trees dying or what  
 is the matter? They are the yellow plum  
 and have been bearing two or three years.  
 Our correspondent does he describe the  
 disease of the fruit. Without seeing the  
 trees we can form no opinion as to the  
 cause or cure. Probably frost destroyed  
 all the blossoms on the exposed parts of  
 the tree leaving only those partially  
 sheltered in the centre. The diseased  
 fruit may be caused by growing on weak  
 branches without leaves to mature it.  
 Prune out at once all those weak branches  
 at the same time if the young shoots of  
 this year are about two feet long, prune  
 them back about a quarter of the length,  
 this will cause them to mature their wood  
 before winter, and throw the sap into the  
 fruit buds for next year's crop.

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