

MISCELLANEOUS SELECTIONS.

HATE-LETTERS.

Hate-letters—These, whether expressed in reproaches or threats, contempt or indignation, are wonderfully energetic. Of all passions, anger is the most eloquent. It is easier to say a cruel thing than to do one. Milton's devils talk better than his angels. It is more difficult for love to express itself in words, because it has so much to say; while hate can utter its heart-full in a breath, and afterwards expand on the strength of its own inspiration. An angry man, and a good one at the same time, always writes more bitterly than he would have spoken; it is, at this sight, seems unaccountable, as the comparatively slow motions of the pen must give more time for reflection; but I am convinced the cause of this excess arises from having a blank piece of paper before him instead of a human countenance, which letter must be very bad indeed not to awaken some remorse. The greatest proof of an to write a hate-letter is in answer to a treacherous friend, who still addresses you throughout in the kindest manner, with a "My dear sir," at the beginning, and ends with a "Yours most sincerely." In this case, it may be excusable to dip your pen in gall; but will that do any good? On the contrary, it is more noble, more manly, to pay respect even to the ashes of friendship.

MERCHANTS' LETTERS.

To make short work, I divide merchants into two classes—the trade and the flummery. Here is a specimen of the first—
 "Gentlemen. Yours 9th received." Contents noted. Arrived, Jenny Saunders. She cleared the custom-house yesterday. Her hams not yet landed. Hope they are in good condition. Enclosed last price-current. Since which a spirit in the ran market. Wines, best, run off quickly. Lead heavy. Copper very dull. Tin plates look lively. Much done in tallow. Wax sick on hand. Feathers, goose, are down. Skins do not get off. Great demand for hemp by the government. Coffee, very good, this morning, with sundry parcels of sugar, eagerly sought after. Our exchange, one half, has fallen. Money scarce, and therefore great difficulty with bills. Bristles rising. We are, gentlemen," &c.

The other style is "Tollous as a king," and I cannot find in my heart to bestow it all on your worship. It generally contains advice of a bill being drawn, and rags a non-major, this—"Honour to acknowledge your esteemed favour—have the honour to transmit—valued on your respected house in favour of our esteemed and valued friend—in doubting of your respected house will favour us by duly honouring—and, with the most perfect esteem and respect, we have the honour to be," &c.

What a blessed invention is the post, whether twopenny, general, or foreign! It carries off, by a thousand invisible channels, like the system of underground drainage, half the disorders of the human heart. Let every one write down his worst, instead of putting it into practice. A spiteful scrawl cannot well do much harm in the world; while on the other hand, a sheet of paper full of kindness does infinite good to all parties. One of this last description lately fell into my hands, from a cook at Canterbury to her old uncle. She enclosed, kind soul! a two pound note, saved from her quarter's wages; said a thousand affectionate things, and, after wishing him many happy days, she—"What think you?—she quoted Shakespeare!—"May you guess and you feel up our monument." Thompson's Seasons, lying on the window-seat of a cottage has been pronounced a sufficient evidence of the poet's fame; but what is that compared to being quoted by a Canterbury cook?

DISADVANTAGES OF LIVING IN A COLONY.—The worst of a colony is, sir, there is no field for ambition, no room for talents, no reward for distinguished exertions. It is a rich country for a poor man, and a poor country for a rich one. There is no prominent upper class of society here, or anywhere else in America.—There are rich men, headstrong men, agreeable men, liberal men, and good men, but very few gentlemen. The breed isn't pure; it is not kept long enough distinct to refine, to obtain the distinctive marks, to become generic says Sam Slick, who in more places than one has spoken a true word in jest.

THE MILLER AND THE FOOL.—A miller, who attempted to be witty at the expense of a non compos mentis, accosted him with, "John, people say that you are a fool." To this John replied, "I don't know that I am, sir. I know some things, sir, and some things I don't know,

sir.—"Well, John, what do you know?"—"I know that millers always have fat pigs, sir."—"And what don't you know?"—"I don't know whose corn they eat, sir."

We hurry through life, fearful, as it would seem, of looking back, lest we should be turned like Let's wife, into pillars of salt. And alas! if we did look back, very often we should see nothing but the blackened and smouldering ruins of our sires, the smoking Sodom and Gomorrah of the heart.

THE MIND.—A mind, even if not naturally vigorous, may receive from the aid of good principles the strength which nature has denied to it, and may be enabled to act with judgment and decision on every point which can be balanced in the scales of virtue and wrong.

Were a being of perfect virtue to walk the earth, it is doubtful whether he would be of the same practical use as one who possessed the usual alloy of good and evil. Without vanity, how little would be attempted! Without pride, how few would resist temptation!

SADDLERY.

THE Subscriber begs to inform his Friends and the public generally that he has received per Joseph, a large assortment of goods in his line, among which are—
 Whips of all sorts and patterns Janned Steel, Portable Box, and other Spurs, Harness Mountings of the latest patterns, Husar and Hunting Saddles, Horse Clothing, Blanket Rugs, Patent and Harness Leather, &c., &c. All of which he offers for sale on very moderate terms. Also, Portmanteaus, Valises, Carpet Bags, &c.

J. E. OLIVER,
2, Fabrique Street.

13th October.

SUPERIOR INDIA RUBBER SHOES.

A LARGE SUPPLY OF THE ABOVE, A just received, and for sale
 BUSSON & SAVAGE,
Chevists
 Quebec, 6th Oct. 1838.

POTATOES.

FOR SALE IN LOTS TO SUIT PURCHASERS,
 3000 BUSHELS excellent Montreal Potatoes, just arrived on board the barge "Favorite," at Hunt's Wharf.
 Apply on board or to
 CREELMAN & LEPPER.
 10th November.

TURNIPS.

FROM 1 to 3000 Bushels Superior TURNIPS, Red, White, and Yellow, for Sale at 1s. 3d. per Bushel, delivered in any part of the town. Apply to
 SAMUEL TOZER,
No. 1, Upper Town Market.
 Quebec, 15th November.

FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBERS

Per Brig "Robert," from Jamaica,
 81 PUNCHEONS Jamaica Rum, super-
 41 Casks, 109 flavour and good
 5 Hds. Fair Sugar, 109 strengths.
 258 Quarter Boxes very superior "Cuba"
 Cigars.
 WM. PRICE & CO.
 Quebec, 17th Oct. 1838.

W. LECHEMINANT,

No. 1, FABRIQUE STREET,
 HAS JUST RECEIVED, and offers for Sale,
 20 hampers Double Gloucester Cheese,
 2 cases Brick do. do.
 1 ton American do.
 85 tinnets Kainouraska Butter,
 50 do. Sardines, (very fine,)
 12 barrels fresh Hickory Tins,
 —ALSO—
 Blackburn's superior Madeira Wine, in Wood and Bottle, with his usual assortment of Liquors & Groceries. Any article bought at his establishment, returnable, (within a reasonable time,) if not approved of.
 12th Nov.

MADEIRA WINE.

A FEW CASKS Howard, March & Co.'s MADEIRA WINE—price £70 per pipe of 110 gallons—for sale by
 JOHN GORDON & CO.
 St. Paul Street.
 Quebec, May, 1838.

GROCERY STORE.

THE Subscriber, in returning thanks to his friends and the public, for the liberal support he has received since he commenced business, most respectfully intimates that he has constantly on hand a choice assortment of Wines, Spirituous Liquors, Groceries, &c. all of the best quality.

JOHN JOHNSTON,
 Corner of the Upper Town Market Place
 Opposite the Gate of the "Lion's" Barracks.

THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE JUST RECEIVED, AND OFFER FOR SALE,

THEIR supply of Stationery, consisting of superior Writing Papers of various sizes, Quills, Steel Pens, Sealing Wax, Wafers, Lead Pencils, Ink, Ink Powder, Inkstands, Blank Books, Memorandum Books, Paper Cases, with and without locks, Water Colours and Hair Pencils, superior Drawing Pencils, Drawing Paper and Card Paper, Stumps, Chalk, Indian Rubber, Paste-Crayons, embossed Music Paper, Music Pens, Visiting Cards, plain, gilt and enamelled, Pink Suncres, Thermometers, Chinese Japanned Tea Caddies, Screen Handles, Slates, Inkwells, Patent India Rubber, Office Lead Pencils, Bond and Reeves & Co.'s Marking Ink, Screw Top Inks, Red Tapes, Coloured Scraps for Albums, large and small Paper, Inkstands, rough Drawing Paper, Westwood Inkstands, Bookbinders Gold Leaf Chinese Men and Backgammon Boards of different sizes, carved Wood Snobs, Metallic Memorandum Books, Playing Cards, Pencil Rulers, Superior India Ink, fine Hair Pencils for Artists, do. for Writing, Card Boards, embossed Cards of all sizes—Brass Letter Files, Memorandum Books, with and without clasps, Blank Account Books of various sizes, printed Receipt Books, Bills of Exchange, single and in books, Sketch Books, Magnum Bonum Steel Pens, Album Titles col'd, Letter Paper, &c., &c.

The Sacred Sacrament, being a new edition of the Testament, folio size, illustrated, elegant; bound in Turkey morocco.

The Book of Common Prayer, with lessons and Testament, in 1 vol.—illuminated edition, elegantly bound.

The Book of Common Prayer, with plates, neatly bound.

Dr. Do. with lessons and Testament, small edition, with lock.

Pocket Bibles, Companion to the Altar, &c. The Album of Flowers, &c. very elegant.

Scrap Books and Albums of various sizes. A few fine Engravings.

—ALSO—

Bibles and Prayer Books, School Books, French, English, Hebrew and Latin, Woodbridge and Olney's Atlas and Geography, Hunt's London's Geography and Atlas, and Davenport's Gazetteer.

W. COWAN & SON,
 13, John's Street.

13th October.

RECENTLY RECEIVED AND FOR SALE

SALMON, in hardwood Tierces and Barrels.
 Dry Codfish; and Cod and Seal Oil, in Barrels.

EBENEZER BAIRD.

Quebec, 6th Oct. 1838.

MORISON'S UNIVERSAL MEDICINE.

NOTICE.

THE Subscribers, general agents for Morison's Pills, have appointed William Whittaker, Sub-Agent for the Upper Town, No. 27, St. John Street.

LEGGE & CO.

That the public may be able to form some idea of Morison's Pills by their great consumption, the following calculation was made by Mr. Wing, Clerk to the Stamp Office, Somerset House, in a period of six years, part only of the time that Morison's Pills have been before the public; the number of stamps delivered for that medicine amounted to three million, nine hundred and one thousand.

The object in placing the foregoing powerful argument in favour of Mr. Morison's system, and to which the public attention is directed, namely, that it was only by trying an innocuous purgative medicine to such an extent that the truth of the Hygeian system could possibly have been established. It is clear that all the medical men in England, or the world, put together, have not tried a system of vegetable purgation to the extent and in manner prescribed by the Hygeists. How, therefore, can they (much less individually) know any thing about the extent of its properties.

FOR SALE.

THIRTEEN Hogheads superior U.C. Leaf Tobacco,
 100 Catty Boxes Young Hyson
 10 Chests Souchong
 10 Half Chests do.
 2 Boxes Pouchong
 } Tea.
 . . . ALSO . . .
 Pack—Mess, Prime Mess and Prime.
 And daily expected,
 16 Hhds. Gallipoli Oil.

HENDERSONS & CO.
 27th October. St. Peter Street.

J. HOBROUGH, MERCHANT TAILOR,

BEGS leave to announce to his friends that he has received his
 FALL SUPPLY OF GOODS,
 consisting of 400s and Vestings of the finest descriptions and newest fashions.

—ALSO—
 Pilot and Buckskin Cloth, for Winter Top Coats, which he will make up according to order, on the shortest notice and most reasonable terms.

General Wolfe, corner of Palace and St. John Streets, Sept. 20th.

NEW CONFECTIONARY STORE

No. 62, ST. JOHN STREET.

THE Subscribers most respectfully intimate to their friends and the public at large, that they have always on hand a choice assortment of Fresh Cakes and Confectionary, as usual.

SCOTT & M'CONKEY,
 Quebec, 1st May, 1838.

NEW GROCERY STORE,

CORNER OF PALACE & JOHN STREETS.

H. J. JAMESON,

RESPECTFULLY announces that he has commenced business in the above house, where he has on hand a choice selection of WINES and other LIQUORS, TEAS, SUGAR, COFFEE, and all other articles usually connected in his line, and will dispose of them for the lowest possible profit, and by a strict attention to all orders which he may be favoured with, he trusts to merit a share of public patronage.

N. B.—For Sale, at very reduced prices, 38 dozen of superior London Particular O.L.P. and O. L. P. T., warranted eleven years in bottle.

Quebec, Sept. 1838.

FURS.

W. ASHTON & Co.

3, MOUNTAIN STREET, NEXT DOOR TO PRESCOTT GATE.

HAVE MANUFACTURED throughout the summer, and now offer for sale a stock of

LADIES' & GENTLEMEN'S FURS,

which for neatness of style and quality of materials they feel proud to offer for competition.

Their having for some years past secured, during the summer season, probably the best Hat Trade in the Province, enables them to undersell any house depending on the winter trade for twelve months' support; this, together with the advantages they have over every other furriers in this city by importing their own materials direct, are the only hints they think necessary to drop.

All description of Furs made to order, and returnable if not approved of.

In repaying any article, or altering it to the present fashion, W. A. & Co. pledge themselves that their charges will be on the most moderate scale, and will forfeit the value of any article when promised to be done at a certain time, in which there may be a single hour's want of punctuality.

NO SECOND PRICE.
 Quebec, 20th Sept. 1838.

CHAMPAGNE, CHABLIS, AND BURGUNDY WINES.

THE Subscriber having been appointed by Messrs. DAWDOTT & CHEVALER, of Tonnerre, Agent for the sale of their WINES in this City, invites the attention of the public to a consignment just received.

JOHN YOUNG,
 St. Peter Street.

Quebec, 2nd Oct. 1838.