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Our Country, with its United Interests.

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EDITORS & PROPRIETORS.

WHOLE No. 702.

## WAVERLY HOTEL.

NEWCASTLE, N. B. — MIRAMICHI, N. B.  
This House has lately been refurnished, and every possible arrangement made to ensure the comfort of travellers.  
LIVERY STABLES, WITH GOOD OUTFIT, ON THE PREMISES.  
ALEX. STEWART,  
Late of Waverly House, St. John's. Proprietor.  
Newcastle, Dec. 2, 1878.

## UNITED STATES HOTEL,

NEWCASTLE, N. B. — MIRAMICHI, N. B.  
THIS HOTEL is very pleasantly situated, has recently been fitted up in first class style, is in close proximity to the C. Railway Station, and the wants of travellers will be attended to promptly.  
Meals prepared at any hour. Oysters served up in every style at short notice.  
JOHN FAY, PROPRIETOR.  
Newcastle, Oct. 8, 1877.

## CANADA HOUSE,

CHATHAM, N. B. — NEW BRUNSWICK.  
WM. JOHNSTON, Proprietor.  
CONSIDERABLE outlay has been made on this house to make it a first class hotel, and travellers will find it a desirable temporary residence both as regards location and comfort. It is situated within two minutes walk of steamboat landing. The proprietor returns thanks to the public for the encouragement given him in the past, and will endeavor by courtesy and attention to merit the same in the future.  
Good Stabling on the Premises.  
May 18th, 1878.

## ROYAL HOTEL,

KING SQUARE.  
I HAVE much pleasure in informing my numerous friends and the public generally, that I have leased the Hotel formerly known as the "CONTINENTAL," and thoroughly renovated the same, making it as the "ROYAL" always had the reputation of being, one of the best Hotels in the Province.  
Excellent Bill of Fare, First-class Wines, Liquors and Cigars, and superior accommodation. Blackhall's Livery Stable attached.  
THOS. F. RAYMOND.  
St. John, July 9, 1877.

## MIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS,

WATER ST. — CHATHAM.  
WILLIAM LAWLER,  
Importer of MARBLE & Manufacturer of MONUMENTS, TABLES, HEADSTONES, MANTELS, TABLE TOPS, &c.  
A GOOD STOCK ALWAYS ON HAND.  
GRANITE MONUMENTS made to order. CAPS and SILLS for windows supplied at short notice. FREESTONE WORK in all its branches attended to, and satisfaction given.  
January 24, 1878.

## Leather & Shoe Findings.

THE Subscriber returns thanks to his numerous customers for past favors, and would say to all that he keeps constantly on hand a full supply of the best quality of goods to be had and at lowest rates for cash. Also, S. B. Foster & Son's Nails and Tacks of all sizes, and Clarke & Son's Boot Trees, Lasts, &c. English Tops as well as home made. Toys to order of the best material. Wholesale and Retail.  
J. J. CHRISTIE,  
No. 65 King St., St. John, N. B.  
April 20, 1878.

## D. B. DUNHAM,

ARCHITECT.  
OFFICE—MARSHALL'S BUILDING, CORNER OF MARKET SQUARE AND PRINCE WILLIAM ST., ST. JOHN, N. B.  
REFERENCES:—  
D. J. McLAUGHLIN, J. W. WITTAKER, J. S. E. WILKINSON, S. K. FOSTER, Owners of Commercial Block, King St., J. G. WILSON, SIMON JONES, J. A. TAYLOR, DR. A. C. TUTT, JOHN V. ELLIS, DR. TRAVIS, DR. MACLAREN, HENRY VAUGHAN, S. B. FOSTER, ETC., ETC., ETC.  
May 6, 1878.

## SAMUEL THOMSON,

Barrister and Attorney-at-Law,  
Solicitor in Bankruptcy,  
NOTARY PUBLIC &c.  
LOANS Negotiated, Claims Promptly Collected, and Profoundly BUNTS made to branches, executed with accuracy and despatch.  
OFFICE—PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND CASTLE STREET.  
NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI, N. B.  
July 17, 1878.

## JAMES P. MITCHELL,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
Notary Public, Conveyancer, &c.  
OFFICE ADJOINING TELEGRAPH OFFICE, HAYS BUILDING,  
NEWCASTLE, N. B.  
February, 17, 1880.

## TO LOBSTER PACKERS.

THE Subscriber is prepared to enter into contracts for making up cases in any quantity, at any season of the year. Parties will find it greatly to their advantage to have the cases made in the early spring and summer, thus saving the interest on money expended on the same when made up in the winter season. Full information given as to prices, terms, &c., on application.  
On hand at my shop, Cunard Street, Chatham, a full supply of STOVES, TINWARE, &c. JOBBING of all kinds done with despatch.  
R. H. MARQUIS.

## Law and Collection Offices.

ADAMS & LAWLOR,  
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Bankruptcy, Conveyancers, Notaries Public, &c., Real Estate, & Fire Insurance Agents.  
CLAIMS Collected in all parts of the Dominion.  
OFFICES:—  
NEWCASTLE AND BATHURST, N. B. ADAMS. R. A. LAWLOR.  
July 18th, 1878.

## JOHN R. MALTBY,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
NOTARY PUBLIC,  
CONVEYANCER, &c. &c.  
OFFICE—Over the store of James Fish, Esq., Commercial Wharf.  
NEWCASTLE, N. B.  
February 24, 1880.

## L. J. TWEEDIE,

ATTORNEY & BARRISTER  
AT LAW,  
NOTARY PUBLIC,  
CONVEYANCER, &c.  
CHATHAM, N. B.  
OFFICE—Snowball's Building.  
May 12, 1874.

## A. H. JOHNSON,

BARRISTER AT LAW,  
SOLICITOR, NOTARY PUBLIC,  
CHATHAM, N. B.  
July 10, 1877.

## JOHN McALISTER,

Barrister & Attorney-at-Law,  
NOTARY PUBLIC,  
CONVEYANCER, &c.,  
CAMPBELLTON, N. B.  
May 5, 1879.

## R. B. ADAMS,

Attorney-at-Law,  
Notary Public, &c.  
OFFICE UP STAIRS, NOONAN'S BUILDING, Water Street, Chatham.  
July 21, 1878.

## Professional Partnership.

The Subscribers have entered into partnership as Solicitors, Attorneys, Notaries, &c., under the style of Davidson & Davidson, in the old Post Office, and Newcastle over the store of J. W. Davidson.  
ALLAN A. DAVIDSON, Q. C.  
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March, 1881.

## Pugsley, Crawford, Pugsley & Treman,

Barristers & Attorneys-at-Law,  
CHATHAM, N. B.  
OFFICES:—Cor. Prince Wm. & Church Sts. G. R. PUGSLEY, J. HERBERT CRAWFORD, WM. PUGSLEY, JR., ARTHUR I. TREMAN.  
August 5, 1880.

## W. WATSON ALLEN,

Barrister-at-Law, Etc.,  
NOTARY PUBLIC, ETC., ETC.,  
SANDS' BUILDING,  
71 PRINCE WILLIAM STREET,  
ST. JOHN, N. B.  
Collections made in all parts of Canada and the United States.

## SEELY & McMILLAN,

BARRISTERS, &c.,  
71 PRINCE WILLIAM STREET,  
ST. JOHN, N. B.  
GEO. B. SEELY. T. H. McMILLAN.  
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## DR. McDONALD,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.  
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE  
AT  
MESSRS. SUTHERLAND'S  
CREAGHAN'S BUILDING,  
next to Mr. Jas. Davidson's, and directly opposite Mr. Jos. Hays' Store.  
Newcastle, March 26, 1871. april16-1y

## PETER LOGGIE,

Wood Moulding & Planing  
MILL,  
Near the Ferry Landing,  
CHATHAM.  
EVERY DESCRIPTION OF  
FINISHING  
for House or Ship Work, manufactured to order.  
Venetian Blinds, Doors and Sashes, Pine and Walnut Mouldings, Jig Sawing and Planing, a Specialty.  
Estimates and Specifications furnished on application.  
Orders attended to with despatch.  
P. LOGGIE.

## GEORGE RAMAGE,

Manufacturer and Dealer in all kinds of LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S  
BOOTS AND SHOES UPPERS.  
A GOOD SUPPLY OF  
ENGLISH UPPERS  
ALWAYS ON HAND.  
Orders from all parts of the Province will receive the very best attention.  
All work warranted and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. Price list furnished on application.  
78 GERMAIN STREET,  
ST. JOHN, N. B.

## FOSTER, JONES & CO.

Flour and Commission Merchants, Millers and Shippers Agents,  
MONCTON, N. B.  
Orders taken for direct shipments of flour from Mills in our local ports, and drafts made direct on consignees. Flour a specialty.  
Importers of and Wholesale Dealers in Flour, Meal, Pork, Beans and Provisions, Paints, Oils, Glass, Nails and General Hardware, Groceries, Crockeryware, &c.  
Wholesale & Retail.  
Samples of all kinds of goods sent on application. Every description of country produce taken in exchange.  
Aug. 3, 1880.

## A. G. SKINNER'S

CARPET WAREHOUSE  
BRUSSELS and TAPESTRY CARPETS; WOOL and DUTCH CARPETS; UNION and HEMP CARPETS; OILCLOTHS and LINOLEUMS; MATS and HEARTH RUGS; MATTINGS, &c., &c.  
PARLOR CURTAINS and CORNICES; FURNISHING GOODS.  
Orders from the Country promptly attended to.  
68 King Street, St. John.  
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## FITTS & CROCKETT,

PRINTERS, PUBLISHERS, BOOK-BINDERS AND BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURERS.  
FREDERICTON, N. B.  
Old Books rebound and made as strong as new; Music bound in first class style; all kinds of blank books made at reasonable rates. Send for our list of prices. Particular attention given to the manufacture of Ledgers, Journals and Day Books. Orders sent to Advertisers Office promptly attended to. We have just out a new copy of the CANADIAN FAMILY COOK BOOK, price 10 cts. Every Family should have one.  
Aug. 5, 1880.

## WILLIAM WYSE,

GENERAL DEALER,  
Auctioneer & Commission Merchant,  
CHATHAM, MIRAMICHI, N. B.  
Merchandise and Produce received on Commission.  
Liberal Advances made on Consignments.  
NO GRADE FOR STORAGE.  
AUCTION SALES, and all Business in connection with the same, attended to promptly.  
July 15, 1879.

## LUBRICATING OILS.

Now landing and in Warehouse:—  
EXTRA LARD OIL;  
REFINED TALLOW OIL;  
SUPERIOR CYLINDER OIL;  
GLOBE A. OIL;  
WEST VIRGINIA OIL;  
EXTRA WOOD OIL;  
SPINDLE OIL.  
Our Stock includes Oils for Mills, Railroads, Steamboats, Factories, &c., and can supply reasonable rates by single barrel or car-load.  
ESTY, ALLWOOD & CO.,  
St. John, June 30, 1880.

## PROPERTIES FOR SALE.

THE following Properties belonging to the Estate of the late William Masson, of Newcastle, are offered for Sale:—  
THE LOT AND HOUSE  
thereon on the corner of Castle and Henry Street, near the Ferry.  
THE WATER LOT,  
with buildings thereon, on Castle Street, adjoining the Ferry Slip.  
THE LOT,  
with House, Barn and Out-buildings thereon, situated on Henry Street, now occupied by Mr. John G. Keith.  
Ten desirable and pleasantly situated BUILDING LOTS  
situated between the residence of A. E. Davidson, Esq., and T. W. Crocker, Esq.  
A LOT OF LAND  
in rear of the Railway Buildings, consisting of about six and seven acres, in a good state of cultivation.  
The above properties are offered for sale on liberal terms.  
WILLIAM MASSON,  
Executor of the Estate.  
Newcastle, August 10, 1880.

## Job Printing, plain and in

colors, in first class style  
at this establishment.

## CUSTOM TAILORING.

THE Subscriber has opened a FIRST CLASS TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT in the Shop formerly occupied by Mr. P. H. Ansley, and owned by the Hon. William Mulholland, near Letson's Scales, Water Street Chatham.  
Gentlemen wanting clothes made to order for  
SPRING AND SUMMER  
will do well to examine his splendid assortment of  
ENGLISH & CANADIAN CLOTHS  
to select from.  
GENTLEMEN'S GARMENTS made up under the general supervision of a First Class Cutter.  
Cloth Purchased elsewhere will be made up on the premises.  
W. S. MORRIS  
Chatham, April 20, 1877.

## CAMPBELLTON

TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT.  
NEW GOODS.  
Just received, a first class stock of Well Selected Cloths,  
suitable for Spring and Summer wear, which will be made up in,  
STYLE and WORKMANSHIP  
which cannot be excelled, and at reasonable prices.  
"Ladies'-Boys' Fawn, Melton, and Blue Serge Suits, at exceedingly low prices. Satisfaction guaranteed to all who may favor my establishment.  
Parties ordering from a distance will receive prompt attention.  
W. B. NICHOLSON,  
Campbellton, Feb. 24, 1881.

## FREDERICTON

Custom Tailoring & Clothing  
ESTABLISHMENT.  
James R. Howie,  
MARBLE HALL, QUEEN ST.  
DESIRES to return his thanks to his many patrons in the North and elsewhere, for the generous patronage extended to him, and would assure them that no pains will be spared to retain their custom, as it is his duty to have all work performed in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner. Particular attention is given to all orders from the Country.  
Now in hand  
FINE STOCK OF CLOTHS  
SUITABLE FOR  
Spring & Summer Wear,  
which will be made up in the latest styles. Orders respectfully solicited.  
A Good Fit guaranteed in every case.  
I keep on hand a full Stock of READY MADE CLOTHING and GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, which will be sold at "Hard Times" prices.  
JAMES R. HOWIE,  
Fredericton, May 12, 1879.

## Parties in Need of

SLEIGHS AND PUNGS  
FOR THE COMING WINTER,  
WILL DO WELL to leave their orders early with the Subscriber, who is prepared with  
GOOD STOCK  
—AND—  
EXPERT WORKMEN,  
To make up sleighs, &c., second to no other establishment for general finish and durability.  
All information as to styles and prices can be obtained by calling at the Factory, opposite the "Willow Brook Farm."

## A. C. ATKINSON.

95 to \$20 per doz at home. Samples to be sent to the Subscriber, Address: ST. JOHN, N. B., Portland, Maine.  
GRAY'S SPECIFIC MEDICINE.  
TRADE MARK The Great English Remedy. An unfailing cure for Seminal Weakness, Spinal Disease, and all Disorders that follow as a consequence of Self-Abuse; as loss of Memory, Universal Lassitude, Pain in the Back, Diseases of Vision, Premature Old Age, and many other ailments.  
BEFORE TAKING, Diseases that lead to Insanity, Trade Mark on Consumption and premature Grave. Full particulars in our pamphlet, which we send to send free of charge to every one. The Specific Medicine is sold by all druggists at \$1 per package or six packages for \$5, or will be sent free by mail on receipt of the money by addressing  
THE Gray Medicine Co.,  
Feb. 16-1y Toronto, Ont., Canada.

## Flour, Pork, Molasses, &c.

Following brands Flour in Stock: Bada, Ocean, Household Crown, Crown of Gold, Golden Star, Home Mills, Golden Best, White Pigeon, Gilt Edge, White Cloud, Empress, Pillsbury, Graham Flour, Corn Meal, Oatmeal, Beans, 300 bbls, Heavy Meal, Pork; 1 carload Granulated Sugar and Paris Lumps.  
MOLASSES: 40 Hbls Choice New Demerara, 30 Hbls Choice New Canebrandy, arrive, a cargo Barbadoes.  
TEAS: 300 half chests good Congo, 90 chests do. Extra good value in the above. Pratt's Astral Oil, Canadian Oil, Rice, Lard, Tobacco, &c., &c.  
For sale at low rates by  
HALL & FAIRWEATHER,  
Carleton's lot Flour and Corn Meal delivered at most favorable rates.  
St. John, April, 1881.

## VEGETINE.

J. Bentley, M. D. says,  
It has done more good than all medical treatment.  
NEWMARKET, ONT., Feb. 9, 1880.  
MR. H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.:  
Sir—I have sold during the past year a considerable quantity of your VEGETINE, and I believe, in all cases it has given satisfaction. In one case, a delicate young lady of about 17 years was much benefited by its use. Her parents informed me that it had done her more good than all the medical treatment to which she had previously been subjected.  
Yours respectfully,  
J. BENTLEY, M. D.

## Vegetine.

GOOD FOR THE AGED.  
WILL YOU READ THIS?  
CLIFTON, ONT., Jan. 16, 1880.  
H. R. STEVENS:  
Dear Sir—I advise you of the good results of your VEGETINE. My wife's father, now nearly eighty five years old, was attacked with dropsical swellings in his feet, and one of his limbs was badly swollen and discolored. I took two bottles of VEGETINE; it cured me, and I am satisfied it is the best tonic and blood purifier in the market, and an only too happy to make known these facts to the world.  
Yours very truly,  
A. MENZIE.

## Vegetine.

I have Much Pleasure in Testifying to its Efficacy.  
TORONTO, ONT., Feb. 23, 1880.  
MR. H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.:  
Dear Sir—I have much pleasure in testifying to the efficacy of your VEGETINE in the case of my mother-in-law, who is afflicted with Dropsical Swellings. Having been persuaded by a friend to try it, I took four bottles, and would assure you that it has cured her of her ailment, and is a most valuable remedy for all suffering from this afflicting malady to try a course of VEGETINE.  
Yours truly,  
JOSIAH GREEN, Chemist,  
604 Queen St. and Cookville, Ont.

## Vegetine.

It Has No Equal.  
MONTREAL, JAN. 29, 1880.  
MR. H. R. STEVENS, Esq.—Dear Sir: I do not like to write testimonials for advertised medicines, but the great benefit that so many of my customers have obtained from the use of your VEGETINE has induced me to say that with an experience of over 25 years, both in Great Britain and the United States, I have never known such a useful remedy placed before the public.  
J. D. L. AMBROSE,  
Assistant of the Apothecaries Company of London, Member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, and Lecturer in Pharmacy of the College of Physicians and Surgeons,  
Corner Notre Dame and McGill Streets.  
ST. JOHN, N. B., April 11, 1880.

## Vegetine.

I have sold your VEGETINE ever since its introduction in this city, and from personal observation can safely say that it now takes the lead as a blood purifier and general tonic.  
RICHARD N. KNIGHT,  
Corner King and Lindlaw Streets,  
ST. JEAN BAPTISTE VILLAGE, P. Q.,  
Jan. 8, 1880.

## Vegetine is Sold by all Druggists.

March 20-4y.  
A year passed by and there was no improvement in the reckless woman. Fortunately for him, his salary was raised to two thousand, but it was scarcely done before Maria demanded a fifty-dollar bill.  
"You spend more money than you used to spend, Maria."  
"What is the use for me to pinch myself if you spend all you can get?" said Maria. "I want to have the good of the money while it is going as well as you."  
Edward had some doubts as to the consequences, but what puzzled him most was to know what became of the money. Another year passed by, and the danger of running in debt stared him in the face.  
"Maria, we are living too fast, I am afraid," he observed in a melancholy tone.  
"I am afraid we are, for yesterday you brought home a pair of chickens for which you paid twenty cents a pound," replied Maria, with her usual smile.  
"Poh, Maria, I don't mean these little things. We must have some things to eat and while my salary is two thousand dollars a year I mean to live well."  
"Great trees from little acorns grow."  
"What is the use of the bun hole first?" continued Edward warmly. "Would you believe me my dear, that I have given you six hundred dollars a year for the last two years?"  
"What six hundred dollars a year for a lady? You were reading the other day that a great many ladies in New York spend two thousand dollars a year for dress alone. You certainly cannot complain of six hundred."  
"Oh, no, by no means. I do not mean to complain," replied Edward. "I knew you didn't. I don't see I spend goes to a good cause."  
"I suppose so; but I don't care anything about it, only that I am getting a little short. There is Dr. Smith's bill of sixty dollars. I don't see how I can pay it."  
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And he did go and see him. The doctor was a rich old man and offered to "take Edward's note payable any time he pleased which offer the latter, eagerly accepted, promising to take it up in six months.  
No change for the better appeared in the affairs of the young couple. Maria kept asking for money, and she was so pretty, so sweet tempered, and so gentle, that Edward could never refuse. If he demurred she coaxed it out of him.  
At the end of six months the doctor's note was due, and Edward could not pay it. He had borrowed money until he was ashamed to do so any more. But he had a nice sense of honor and instead of letting his creditor wait for his pay, he went to see him to procure a further extension.  
"Doctor I am hard up."  
"Sorry to hear it."  
"My family is getting to be expensive."  
"Be prudent then."  
"I can't, my wife."  
He checked himself. He was impulsive and did not mean to say anything about Maria.  
"What of her? Is she extravagant?"  
"Well, yes."  
"Put that bit in her mouth then," laughed the doctor.  
"Don't like to do that."  
"Mustn't let her ruin you."  
"She will not."  
"There is only one way to do with an extravagant woman, shut down on her before she ruins you."  
"I haven't courage to deny her."  
"I'm sorry for you, what can I do for you?" asked the doctor, who seemed to be in the best humor.  
"The little note of mine—"  
"What note?"  
"Why, the one I owe."  
"But you paid that."  
"Come, doctor, you are quizzing me."  
"Pon my soul, I'm not. Didn't you pay it a few days after you gave the note?"  
"No, surely," replied Edward, confounded by the statement.  
"But I am sure you did. Here," continued the doctor, pulling an account book from his pocket, "here is where I entered the cash. You have got the note."  
"Not I."  
"Look over your papers and you will find it. I will go home with you. They repaired to the cottage, and Edward all the time protesting that he had not paid the money, ransacked the papers for the receipt of his husband.  
"There it is," exclaimed the doctor, pointing to a paper.  
To Edward's astonishment he read the note with the signature torn off.  
"Edward," said the doctor at the discovery. He had no recollection of having paid it, and Maria declared she had seen him pay it.  
He was mystified, but satisfied with the result, though he could hardly believe it. If any one had paid it, it must have been his guardian angel, and he hoped to see the House of Representatives despatch it was said that "a family of three had perished."  
Three years from the time of Edward's introduction to the readers has passed away, and his finances were in the best of health. By a great deal of retrenchment in his own expenses, he has contrived to keep out of debt. Instead of dining at Parker's on an expensive of five or six dollars a week, he made a quarter of that sum suffice. His tailor bill had been reduced one-half, and all other bills in like proportion. Only when he had been cured of grumbling at Maria for her complaint of anything she was sure to ask him for a fifty dollar bill on the same day. In fact he was afraid of her.  
Maria in her demand for money, had been even more remorseless during the last year than before; and had actually taken eight hundred dollars of the two thousand. And there was not much show of it in the house or upon her person. If he had hinted at an explanation, she always turned it off so sweetly and adroitly that he could not resist.  
"Maria, we must turn over a new leaf," he remarked. "Here I am without a dollar in the world—without never shall have while things go on this way. I have given you eight hundred dollars this last year."  
"That is what I have given you," said Maria. "Only a hundred dollars. What is eight hundred dollars?" chuckled she. "There is Raymond's house opposite for sale. It is a beautiful place, and can be bought for four thousand dollars, by paying fifteen hundred down. I was thinking that if I had saved my money I might have been able to buy that place."  
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To Edward's astonishment he read the note with the signature torn off.  
"Edward," said the doctor at the discovery. He had no recollection of having paid it, and Maria declared she had seen him pay it.  
He was mystified, but satisfied with the result, though he could hardly believe it. If any one had paid it, it must have been his guardian angel, and he hoped to see the House of Representatives despatch it was said that "a family of three had perished."  
Three years from the time of Edward's introduction to the readers has passed away, and his finances were in the best of health. By a great deal of retrenchment in his own expenses, he has contrived to keep out of debt. Instead of dining at Parker's on an expensive of five or six dollars a week, he made a quarter of that sum suffice. His tailor bill had been reduced one-half, and all other bills in like proportion. Only when he had been cured of grumbling at Maria for her complaint of anything she was sure to ask him for a fifty dollar bill on the same day. In fact he was afraid of her.  
Maria in her demand for money, had been even more remorseless during the last year than before; and had actually taken eight hundred dollars of the two thousand. And there was not much show of it in the house or upon her person. If he had hinted at an explanation, she always turned it off so sweetly and adroitly that he could not resist.  
"Maria, we must turn over a new leaf," he remarked. "Here I am without a dollar in the world—without never shall have while things go on this way. I have given you eight hundred dollars this last year."  
"That is what I have given you," said Maria. "Only a hundred dollars. What is eight hundred dollars?" chuckled she. "There is Raymond's house opposite for sale. It is a beautiful place, and can be bought for four thousand dollars, by paying fifteen hundred down. I was thinking that if I had saved my money I might have been able to buy that place."  
"What is the use for me to pinch myself if you spend all you can get?" said Maria. "I want to have the good of the money while it is going as well as you."  
Edward had some doubts as to the consequences, but what puzzled him most was to know what became of the money. Another year passed by, and the danger of running in debt stared him in the face.  
"Maria, we are living too fast, I am afraid," he observed in a melancholy tone.  
"I am afraid we are, for yesterday you brought home a pair of chickens for which you paid twenty cents a pound," replied Maria, with her usual smile.  
"Poh, Maria, I don't mean these little things. We must have some things to eat and while my salary is two thousand dollars a year I mean to live well."  
"Great trees from little acorns grow."  
"What is the use of the bun hole first?" continued Edward warmly. "Would you believe me my dear, that I have given you six hundred dollars a year for the last two years?"  
"What six hundred dollars a year for a lady? You were reading the other day that a great many ladies in New York spend two thousand dollars a year for dress alone. You certainly cannot complain of six hundred."  
"Oh, no, by no means. I do not mean to complain," replied Edward. "I knew you didn't. I don't see I spend goes to a good cause."  
"I suppose so; but I don't care anything about it, only that I am getting a little short. There is Dr. Smith's bill of sixty dollars. I don't see how I can pay it."  
"Let it rest then. He will never ask you for it."  
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things. I don't like to get in debt. I will go and see him."  
And he did go and see him. The doctor was a rich old man and offered to "take Edward's note payable any time he pleased which offer the latter, eagerly accepted, promising to take it up in six months.  
No change for the better appeared in the affairs of the young couple. Maria kept asking for money, and she was so pretty, so sweet tempered, and so gentle, that Edward could never refuse. If he demurred she coaxed it out of him.  
At the end of six months the doctor's note was due, and Edward could not pay it. He had borrowed money until he was ashamed to do so any more. But he had a nice sense of honor and instead of letting his creditor wait for his pay, he went to see him to procure a further extension.  
"Doctor I am hard up."  
"Sorry to hear it."  
"My family is getting to be expensive."  
"Be prudent then."  
"I can't, my wife."  
He checked himself. He was impulsive and did not mean to say anything about Maria.  
"What of her? Is she extravagant?"  
"Well, yes."  
"Put that bit in her mouth then," laughed the doctor.  
"Don't like to do that."  
"Mustn't let her ruin you."  
"She will not."  
"There is only one way to do with an extravagant woman, shut down on her before she ruins you."  
"I haven't courage to deny her."  
"I'm sorry for you, what can I do for you?" asked the doctor, who seemed to be in the best humor.  
"The little note of mine—"  
"What note?"  
"Why, the one I owe."  
"But you paid that."  
"Come, doctor, you are quizzing me."  
"Pon my soul, I'm not. Didn't you pay it a few days after you gave the note?"  
"No, surely," replied Edward, confounded by the statement.  
"But I am sure you did. Here," continued the doctor, pulling an account book from his pocket, "here is where I entered the cash. You have got the note."  
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