the Cabinet Councils in St. Petersburg as Count Nesselrode, but the son was only known as a clever gamester and an habitue of the fashionable European watering places. The third member of the party was a little fellow (so little that his feet scarcely touched the floor), with dark, piercing eyes, swarthy skin, and vivacity enough for half a dozen ordinary men. At the time of which we speak he was the French Consul at Stuttgart. All of them had been partaking freely of wine, and each in turn shuffled the cards with a vim that the generous grape imparts even to the most phleg-matic temperament. The Frenchman, in the interludes of the play, kept up a running fire of conversation, skipping from topic to topic with a facility which only Frenchmen enjoy, until, warming as he went on, he ventured the declaration that France would one day mark her boundary by the Rhine from Basel to the sea.

"A hundred f edericks to fifty," exclaimed Nesselrode, "that she wont."
"Done," replied the Frenchman, "and let

the game be the fortune-teller."

They shuffled the cards, and the Frenchman lost.

"Another wager!" said Nesselrode, with a glance at Bismarck, who eyed his two com-panions calmly, though never uttering a single word. "Another wager! Two hundred and fifty that within five years France and Prussia measure swords, and that France yields Alsace and the whole disputed border."

"C'est impossible!" excitedly responded the Consul.

Again the cards were shuffled. At the fourth play Bismarck and the Frenchman had each taken two tricks. It was the Russian's lead. He threw the queen of clubs upon the table.

"King!" shouted the Frenchman in triumph as he covered Nesselrode's card, and extended his hand to seize the prize.

"Not so fast," cooly remarked the Prussian Premier. "I believe the game is mine;" and casting the ace, he leaned back in his chair

and laughed heartily.
"Mon Dieu!" shouted the discomfited player, "but cards always were liars;" and unable to conceal the chagrin and excitement that overmastered him, he rose from the table and quitted the room.

Three years have scarcely elapsed since the incident here narrated (an incident which Nesselrode told with hearty satisfaction in the Ems cafes that summer), and, now the big cloud of war that has hovered over Europe has burst, the result may prove that the cards were not such liars after all.

A lawyer called on a Kentucky editor and told him that he must retract some uncomplimentary words or fight. There was no retraction, and when the lawyer left the office his eyes were black and his nose bloody.

A member of the New York Leg slature, in defending mothers-in-law, said:—"I know 'cm, Mr. Speaker. Have had several.—They're a good and useful class, and yet—and yet—with the best of them there may be trouble."

A census taker near Racine, Wisconsin, has found a coloured woman one hundred and seven years old, who complained to him that she had worn herself out taking care of white folks, but hoped to "outgrow" her troubles after a few years of rest.

The editor of the Southern Churchman makes the following extraordinary threat to the Ritualists:—"For it is evident if some of us are going to use copes, and others of us nothing but surplices, others of us will discard the use of all garments whatsoever!"

The Maine newspapers are engaged in poetically praising the beauties of their streams. Recently a paper there contained a poem on the claims of the "Jimskitti-cook," which was dedicated to the author of a previous poem on the merits of the "Skoodoonaskooksia."

A story has been told of a graceless scamp who gained access to the Clarendon printing office, in Oxford, when the forms of a new edition of the Episcopal Prayer Book had just been made up and were ready for the press. In that part of the "form" containing the marriage service he substituted the letter k for the letter v in the word live; and the vow "to love, honour, comfort, &c., so long as ye shall live," was made to read "so long as ye both shall like!" The change was not discovered until the whole of the edition was printed off. If the sheets thus rendered useless in England be still preserved, it would be a good speculation to have them neatly bound and forwarded to Indiana and Connecticut.

The following from the Hartford Courant has at least the merit of novelty. The horse was driven under the hotel shed, and, says the narrator :- "I was about to take the bits out of the horse's mouth, telling the man to put them back when the horse had finished his oats. 'I'll tell ye a wrinkle worth two o' that, cap'n—leave the bits in If you don't he'll wollup them oats down in half a minute, and won't half chew 'em. It's the smashed oats that does a hoss good. I've fatted old hosses with their bits ollers in, that you couldn't get no feed to stick to their ribs no other way! bowed respect to superior authority. The

hint fadged exactly with some disjointed experience of my own—though I should never have hit on the connecting idea but for the hostler. Very likely there are some dyspeptic Yankees that might as well eat with 'bits in, if nothing else will prevent them from bolting their provender.

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Plans and specifications can be seen at this Office on and after the 23rd instant where printed forms of tender and other information can also be ob-

The names of two solvent and responsible persons, willing to become sureties for the due fulfilment of the contract, must be attached to each

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F. BRAUN. Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, A Ottawa, 15th July, 1870.

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This Department does not however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order.

> F. BRAUN. Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Ottawa, July 13th, 1870.

[No. 1.144.]

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. ?
District of Montreal.

NOTICE is hereby given that PHILOMENE ALLARD, of Lachine, said District, has instituted, on the TENTH APRIL last, an action for separation of property, against HERMÉNÉGILDE VIAU, now absent from this Province.

MOUSSEAU & DAVID,

Attys. for said P. Allard.

Montreal. 4th July, 1870.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, District of Montreal.

In re
PIERRE LORTIE,
An Insolvent.

N SATURDAY, the SEVENTEENTH day of SEPTEMBER next, the undersigned will apply to the said Court for his discharge under the said act.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR LOWER
CANADA.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. |
District of Montreal. |
[No. 1.144.]
THE EIGHTH day of JULY, one thousand sight hundred and seventy.

THE EIGHTH day of Color, seight hundred and seventy.

DAME PHILOMENE ALLARD, heretofore of the Parish of St. Laurent, in the District of Montreal, and now of the Parish of Lachine, in said District, Piaintiff,

HERMENEGILDE VIAU. Farmer, heretofore of the said Parish of St. Laurent. said District, and now absent from this Province.

T IS ORDERED, on the motion of Messieurs MOUSSEAU & DAVID. Counsel for the Plaintiff, in as much as it appears by the return of PASCHAL LECLERC, one of the Bailiffs of the said Superior Court, on the writ of Sunmons in this cause issued, written, that the Defendant has left his domicile in the Province of Quobec in Canada, and cannot be found in the District of Montreal, that the said Defendant, by an advertisement to be twice inser ed in the French language in the newspaper of the City of Montreal, called L'Opinion Publique, and twice in the English language, in the newspaper of the said city, called the Canadian Illustrate Acres, be notified to appear before this Court and there to answer the demand of the Plaintiff within two months after the last insertion of such advertisement, and upon the neglect of the said Defendant to appear and to answer to such denand within the period afcressid, the said Plaintiff will be permitted to proceed to trial, and judgment as in a cause by default.

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