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at his Office, corner of Prince William and
Church Streets, over the Store of Messrs. Flew-
elling & Reading.—TERMS: 15s. per annum,
half in advance.

MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS Company is prepared to receive applica-
tions for Insurance against FIRE upon Build-
ings and other Property, at the Office of the sub-
scriber. I. WOODWARD,
St. John, Nov. 11, 1846. Secretary.

LIVERPOOL & LONDON

Fire & Life Insurance Company,
(Established in 1836.)
Capital £2,000,000—in Shares
of Twenty Pounds.

THE Stockholders of this Company are respon-
sible for the full extent of their property for the
liabilities of the Company.

The undersigned hereby notifies the Public of
New Brunswick, that the above named Company
have empowered him, by a full and ample Power
of Attorney, to open an Office in the City of Saint
John, for the Insurance of PROPERTY against
fire or damage by fire, in any part of the Pro-
vince, and to sign and issue Policies in the name
of the Company; and that in virtue of the power
vested in him by the said Power of Attorney, he
has appointed Mr. ADAM JACK to act as Agent
for the said Company, in the receiving of proposals
for Insurance, and the inspection of premises pro-
posed for Insurance, and all other the usual duties
of an Agent; and to collect and receive the amount
of premium on any policy issued by the undersig-
ned in the name of the said Company, or for the re-
newal of the same.

The Deal of settlement, and the supplemental
Deed of settlement, with Mr. JACK, at the
Office of the *New-Brunswick Marine Insurance*
Company, also the pamphlets issued by the Office
at Liverpool, affording ample details of the mode of
transacting business by the Company.

The rates of premium will be as low as any other
respectable Company, and the undersigned trusts
a fair portion of public patronage will be accorded
to the Company.

Losses not exceeding £500, will be settled with-
out referring to the head Office at Liverpool.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the Office,
at Liverpool, this 4th day of AUGUST, 1851.

JOHN KINNEAR,
Agent for the said Company.

(In Messrs. FLEWELLING'S new Buildings),
PRINCE WILLIAM STREET.

Has on hand, for Sale in quantities, and by retail—
ROSE and Glass Wrought NAILS, of all
the usual sizes;

Horse, Boat, and Pressed NAILS;
CUT NAILS of every size;

English and German Window GLASS of every
size from 6x8 to 24x36;

PAPER HANGINGS from 6d. to 5s. each piece,
English and American Floor CLOTHS,
Flax, Cotton, and Canvas CURTAINS;
Scotch Wool CARPETING,
American Warranted CHAIRS, assorted kinds;
Raw and Boiled Linen, of all kinds;
CASTLE, LARD, and PINE OIL;
SPICES, both whole and ground, of all kinds;
FEATHERS, (cleaned) of all kinds;
Mocha, Java, and Chocolate, Cocoa and Ginger,
American and Bengal RICE;
Woods of various kinds, and a number
of other articles. August 23, 1851.

W. H. ADAMS
Has received per Ship "Montrose" and "Sphia"—
4 CASES Hoop, Stainless & Co's Glass
Cup Nails, and Glass CURTAINS;
1 Cask Nails, Put and Hand-saw FILLS;
753 Pieces Pots, Bakeware, and spare Crockery;
2 Cases "Thompson's" short SKEW AUGERS
of all sizes.

73 Cistern and Well PUMPS;
A few extra Patent Pipe Boxes, for Wood Axes.

280 Canada Clove STOVES;
13 Tons HOLLOW WARE—well assorted;
LEAD PIPE, from 5 to 1 1/2 inch,
270 Boxes Window GLASS. Sept. 23

Burning Fluid.
THE Subscriber has just received per "Cuba"
from Boston, a further supply of the above
warranted a superior article.

T. M. REED,
Head of North West
Great Reduction in Prices.

SMELLIE & ABERCROMBY.

Prince William street,
In order to make room for their Fall Importa-
tions, (now daily expected) have reduced the
price of their present Stock, and would call the par-
ticular attention of Purchasers to the prices of their
GENTS' CLOTHS—in Tweeds, Cassimeres,
Cashmeres, Gambroon and Italian Coats, &c.,
Ladies DRESS Materials,
In Silk and Wool Dresses, Sylphine Silks, Silk
Checks, spun Silks, (plain and plaided); Crpe
de Soie, Coburgs, Orleans, Chamois Cloths,
&c., &c.

LONG & SQUARE SHAWLS,
In French Broche, Paisley Filled, Black Satin
Plain, Watered and Ottoman, Black and Drab
Indians, Printed Cashmeres, Breuges, &c., &c.
Together with a large assortment of Printed COT-
TONS, Morning duff ditto, and other Staple
and Fancy articles.

S. K. FOSTER'S
Ladies Fashionable Shoe Store,
Germain Street, Foster's Corner.

Just received per Ship "Highland Mary," from
London, and "Spied," from Liverpool—
21 CASES of Ladies, Misses' and Child-
ren's CLOTH BOOTS,
Ladies Cashmere, Merino and Prunella BODIES;
Do. White and Bronze Kid and Satin SLIPPERS;
Do. Bronze and Black Kid and Enamelled
Dancing SLIPPERS;
Do. Patent Russia Kid and Morocco Walking
SHOES;
Do. Carpet and House Shoes, in great variety;
Misses CLOTH BOOTS, of every quality;
Do. Prunella and Cashmere BODIES, assorted;
Do. Black and Bronze Kid and Satin Dancing
SLIPPERS;
Do. Walking Shoes of every style and quality;
Children's Cloth Boots, and every other variety;
Gentlemen's and Boys' of all sorts.
S. K. FOSTER,
Sept. 20

Cooking Stoves, &c.

W. H. ADAMS
Has just received a good assortment of the following
STOVES, &c., which he offers at low prices, viz:—
COOKING and Close STOVES;
Air-tight Cast Iron Franklin & Hall Stoves,
Charcoal PURNAGES; Ovens, Moulds,
Ornamental Parlor STOVES,
Farmers' Boiler Stoves. Sept. 23, 1851.

DOMESTIC.

Vulcan Foundry Manufacturers.
THE attention of the Public is respectfully re-
quested to the inspection of a large and exten-
sive assortment of

COOKING STOVES,

FRANKLINS, REGISTER GRATES,
WOOD STOVES, and PLOUGHS,
of the newest and most approved Patterns, to be
seen at the Brick Warehouse in Prince William
Street, late in the occupation of Messrs. Hanney,
Sturges & Co.

Orders for CASTINGS, and all other
Work, left as above, will have immediate atten-
tion. JOHN V. THURGAR,
St. John, N. B., 27th Sept., 1851.

(Conn. Cron. News, N. B. Free, 6 weeks each.)

Hams and Mess Pork.

EX 2120 Jams from Boston—2 Casks Smoked
HAMS; 11 barrels and 7 half barrels Mess
PORK, for sale by
GEORGE THOMAS,
Oct. 14.

HARDWARE.

W. H. ADAMS
Are receiving "Spied," John S. DeWolf's High-
land Mary, and "Sterling"

CASKS Horse and Ox Shoe NAILS;
Do. Horse Traces and Ox CHAINS;
Do. Vickers' Mill Cut, and other FILES;
50 Boxes best Charcoal TIN PLATES, 10, 12, &
Hoole, Stanforth & Co's 5, 5 1/2, 6, 6, and 7 1/2
inch MILL SAWS,
Do. 4, 5, 5 1/2, and 6 feet
CUT SAWS;
One Ton Iron WIRE all sizes;
One Cask COAL SCOOPS;
135 Boxes English GLASS, from 24 to 20x14,
45 Bags NAILS, assorted sizes;
10 Casks Boiled and Raw PAINT OIL,
2 Tons Brandram's No. 1 White LEAD,
100 Kegs Gunpowder, E. F., and Castler,
75 Cistern and Well PUMPS;
2 Tons LEAD PIPE, 1/2 inch to 1 1/2 inch,
6 Sheets LEAD,
2 Cases Newspaper Holders, Letter Clips, &c.—
these are quite new styles, and much approved
all which will be sold at low rates.

N. B.—Remainder of Stock expected in the
"Algon" and "Thema." Sept. 30.

Autumn Importations,

FRENCH Silk and Satin HATS; CLOTH
CAPS; Fur Seal, Otter, and Beaver CAPS;
Ladies' Fashionable FURS, of the very best;
Boys and Girls FANCY HATS, neat styles; Men's
and Boys' Felt Sporting HATS, in all colors;
Leather Hat Cases, Glazed Caps, Umbrellas, Car-
pet Bags, Trunks; BUFFALO ROBES; FUR
COATS, &c., just opened—wholesale and retail,
at reduced prices, at the Hat, Cap, and Fur Store
of
Barlow's Corner, Arden Street, up stairs.

N. B. Their Stock of SILK HATS and FUR
CAPS is very large, and of excellent quality—and
will be sold cheaper than at any other establish-
ment in the City. A very excellent Hat for 17s.
6d. (7/6 Cash) and the highest prices paid for
FURS. St. John, Oct. 14, 1851.—Jm.

Paints, Pine Oil, Varnish, &c.

VOICE consisting of WHITE LEAD, Green,
Yellow, Red, and Black PAINT; 2 Barrels
Pine Oil; 2 do. Black Varnish; for sale cheap by
Oct. 14. GEORGE THOMAS.

S. K. FOSTER'S

Ladies' Fashionable Shoe Store,
Foster's Corner, Germain Street.

NEW BOOTS AND SHOES.
JUST Received per ship "Thema" from Liver-
pool, a further supply of Ladies' Misses', and
Children's Cloth and Prunella BOOTS and
SHOES, suitable for the Fall and Winter Season.

ON HAND—
One Thousand Pair Women's and Girls' Fig-
ured RUBBERS; Men's, Women's, and Children's
Patent Metallic Rubbers; Men's Strong Boots,
Bootees, Slippers, &c., &c.

Domestic Manufactures.

Men's Strong Boots, for Lumberers and Farmers'
work; Boys' Gait, Grain and Cow Hide Boots;
Boys' and Youth's Gait, Kid, Grain and Cow Hide
Bootees; Children's Patent, Enamelled, Grain,
and other Shoes; Women's Gait Lace Boots, Bus-
kins, Slippers assorted; do. Black Carpet House
Slippers, very good; and a variety of other Work
of Domestic make—to which the attention of cus-
tomers throughout the Province is invited.
Oct. 23. S. K. FOSTER.

SELLING OFF

Reduced Prices for Cash Only!!
AT THE
HOWAD HOUSE,
North Side of King Street.

WELL selected stock of WINTER CLOTH-
ING, made up in the most Fashionable Style
and at unprecedented low prices. Parties who
are in want of COATS, PANTS, VESTS, &c., will
find, by calling at the HOWAD HOUSE, that they
can procure the above articles cheaper and of better
quality than at any other Establishment in this City.
The Subscriber having a large stock of Cloths,
Vestings, &c., on hand, and being about to leave
for England to select Goods for the Spring trade,
is determined to sell his present stock on hand at
great prices, and would direct the attention of buy-
ers to call and see for themselves before purchasing
elsewhere.

Beaver Cloth Coats in any colour made to order
at 15 per cent. lower than at any other establish-
ment in the Province.
Pants and Vestings on the same terms.
Nov. 4. JAMES MYLES.

HARDWARE.

W. H. ADAMS
Has just received per Ship "Oriel" and "Sterling"—
CASK COUNTER SCALES, and Brass
CANDLESTICKS;
1 Cask Registered SADD IRONS;
2 Cask Chain TRACES; 1 Cask Ox CHAINS;
1 Cask Rim Locks, Bolts, and A.W.S.;
13 Blacksmith's ANVILS; 24 do. VICES;
100 PLOUGHSHARE MOULDS;
1 Cask riveted-handle SHOVELS;
1 Cask PIPE RIVETS. Oct. 7.

Buffalo Robes!

FUR CAPS, &c.

THE Subscribers have just received from New
York, a Lot of No. 1 BUFFALO ROBES,
which they dispose of at a very small advance
on cost, for Cash only.

Part of our supply of Fur, Seal, Otter, Glenary
and Plush CAPS, in various fashionable styles,
good and cheap. Constantly making up—Satin
and Fur HATS of every description—Fur, Plush,
Cloth and Glazed CAPS—articles which we can
warrant and sell much lower than can possibly
be imported.

C. M. EVERETT & SON,
East side Market Square & North side King St.
31st October.

HALL'S CLOTHING STORE,

PRINCE WILLIAM STREET.
Ready-Made CLOTHING.

TOP COATS—Beaver, Pilot, Whitney, Buffalo
Tweed, Canada Gray, Salmeter and fine
Cloth, in every shade, quality and price.
KEEPING JACKETS—Beaver, Pilot and Salmeter.
Cloth Frock, Dress, Sack, and Paletot Coats, in all
qualities, colours, and prices, from 30s.
PANTS—Cloth, Cassimeres, Dookin, Tweed and
Salmeter, all prices from 10s.

VESTS—Every variety of Vest, Silk, Satin, Vel-
vet, Cloth, in every shade, quality and price.
CLOTHS—Every description at present worn; a
large stock to select from, a competent Cutter
and the best Workmen in the City. Gentlemen
ordering Goods at this establishment may rest
assured of a perfect fit.

FURNISHING GOODS—Of every description
for Gentlemen's wear.
Trunks, Valises, and Carpet Bags, all prices and
qualities.

BOOTS and SHOES—An assortment of Girls
and young Boys' Boots, Shoes, Slippers, &c.
and all the latest styles, at the lowest prices.
JAMES T. HALL,
Proprietor.

Course of Lectures.

A COURSE of TEN Lectures will be given
at the Mechanics' Institute, commencing on the
second Tuesday in November ensuing, by the
Rev. W. T. WISHART, at the solicitation of
many of his friends; and is to be continued every
Thursday until the course is completed. The
subjects will be as follows:—

1. Cosmogony, Speculative and Practical,
fair and forty? but the California war is a
creation of modern times. They are the
which, during the last few years, has swept to-
wards the modern H. Dorado, has given rise to this
new order of warfare. The adventurous husbands
have served the bonds of matrimony, and many
loving wife has been left without a lord, and tears
of herself—"Oh heritage of woe!" Mirth
and sighs, hopes and fears, cheaper the existence
of the California widow during the first few months
of separation; but often—too often—the absent
one forgets his better half, and plays the part
of a villain. A series of revolutions in the room of
the forsaken wife in consequence of indignation
succeeds sorrow, indifference supersedes indig-
nation, and another love takes the place of indiffer-
ence. The last condition which the wife is to
lead is evinced in the records of our courts. Still
less innumerable have been instituted, in which
each fair petitioner alleges abandonment—pleads
the hardship of a California widow, and prays that
the marriage tie, which has no existence in fact,
shall be abolished in law. Then follows the equi-
table decision of the Judge, and after that year of
unhappy existence, which exists he is entitled to
the lock, the certificate of a justice of the peace, gener-
ally, closes the eventful history of a California
widow. In one case, however, which has become
our knowledge, there has been a sequel to a his-
tory of this kind. The facts are these.

In the early part of the spring of 1846, a gentle-
man of the city, remarkable for the refinement of
form and smiling expression of face which are
generally the indications of good nature, free and
easy manners, and a sober cast of thought, was
suddenly seized with the California fever. His
family consisted of a wife and a baby taken from
one of the orphan asylums. The anxiety which
he exhibited to lodge and provision them during
the absence of his wife, and the care which he
ever took to have experienced. But the wife was
a loving and dutiful one, and she declared her
willingness to endure almost any privation to pro-
tect her children.

He departed for the land of gold, and she, after
hard struggles with poverty, obtained a stock
of fancy goods through the aid of friends, and
opened a small store in the lower part of the city.
No correspondence passed between the neglected
husband and the lonely wife, and neither heard
of the other from the time of his departure up to
the first of last month. On a Sunday morning
about that period, a large number of Californians
arrived here in the steamer from Hawaii. Mr.
the absent husband was among them. On landing
he availed himself immediately in person of his wife,
in walking up Royal street, unexpectedly saw her
approaching, leaning lonely on the arm of a poorly
dressed man, who seemed the exact counterpart of
himself, who was an old acquaintance, who had
been obliged round the corner until they passed,
and then followed, then, laughing to himself in
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for his part. They finally entered a neat little
house in Germain street, and Mr. M. was about
to follow when the door was closed. A colored
girl answered his knock, however, and he inquired
for Mrs. M.—she was told that no such person
resided there, but he, surprised, notwithstanding,
and stood in the presence of the persons he sought.
He rushed forward to embrace his supposed wife
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