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'Sir,' she said, 'forgive this intrusion, but your name was in the account of the death of—of Mr Smythes.'

'There's no intrusion at all,' said I. 'Sit down and tell me what you wish; and I beg you to consider me as a friend.'

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'Now Minny, I said, 'how do you live?'

'We only live now and then,' said the boy, glancing at the tray on the table.

A blush came over the face of the young girl, as she said gently—

'We are very poor—and—and I draw in water colors a little, and sell them as I can from house to house, but sometimes I could, weary, broken hearted, and hungry, I return home with nothing.'

'And you support your brother?'

'Oh! yes. God bless him. What should I do without such a friend to talk to! We keep close together in the long winter nights, and [illegible] ourselves to sleep.'

'Well, Minny,' I said, 'will you promise to call on me to-morrow morning at ten o'clock?'

'Yes, sir. We'll come together.'

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Thus perished Mr. Groves and Maria, [illegible]

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'Miss Rolfe,' I said, 'you are heiress at-law to your grandfather. Your income will be about three thousand pounds per annum.'

'And I,' said my legal friend, 'shall be proud to be your man of business, Miss Rolfe.'

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WHAT IS HOOPING COUGH? HAS MEDICINE ANY POWER OVER IT?—By Edward H. Dixon, M. D., Editor of the Scalpel.

In a former article we considered the subject of croup, or that rapid inflammation of the wind-pipe characterized by sudden and violent fits of coughing, and coming on at a few hours' notice, and perhaps invariably from atmospheric causes. We have now to consider a disease of a much more obscure and unmanageable character, and that has been productive of no less anxiety, not only from its distressing and persistent nature, but from the quackery of those who are relied on to treat it. Whilst we are perfectly satisfied of the causes of croup, and know that judicious treatment will often cut short the attack and save life, we can by no means say the same of hooping cough; for we unhesitatingly avow, that we not only do not know in what it originates, but that there is no medicine with which we are acquainted, that will have any regular and curative effect upon it.

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The disease commences with the ordinary symptoms of a common catarrh or cold, and it is often said by mothers, that "it turns into the hooping cough." They say the same of measles and for the selfsame reason, or because it also begins with the symptoms of cold. [illegible]

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ARCHBISHOP HUGHES.

ON THE PRESENT CONDITION AND PROSPECTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

On this subject the archbishop lectured in Baltimore on the 7th inst. We are indebted to the American of that city for a full report of the lecture. The audience was large, the bishop was courteous, the Catholics were pleased, and the Protestants interested. Upon the whole, it was a satisfactory affair. [illegible]

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Popery makes no converts by the power of the pulpit. She cannot avail herself of the incomparable agency of preaching. Protestant churches are crowded with the young men and women of the country, who there listen to able and forcible expositions of the truth. [illegible]

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The Chronicle.

Saint John, N. B., April 18, 1856.

TREATY OF PEACE.

As will be ascertained by reference to another column,—Peace between the Allies and Russia has been officially proclaimed. [illegible]

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"And Great Britain—what of her? Is she damaged? Has she suffered loss of credit?—of honour?—of prestige?—of influence?—of consideration? Is she the only one of the Allies that has nothing of which to vaunt? [illegible]

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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY DEBATES.

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LATER FROM ENGLAND.

Peace Proclaimed—Great Rejoicings in Paris!

New York, April 17.

Baltic arrived. Treaty of Peace signed by all the Plenipotentiaries on Sunday 30th.

Great rejoicings in Paris.

English demonstration much quieter.

Consols advanced to 93 1-8.

Breadstuffs dull, at about Cambria's quotation.

Fredericton, April 17.

Business rapidly proceeded with in the House to-day.

The Bill relating to Sheriff street, in the Parish of Portland, was postponed for three months.

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House adjourned a few minutes after six.

COMPREHENSIVE FAMILY BIBLE.—We are indebted to Mr. Bashford, the Agent, [illegible] of this publication. It is beautifully embellished with scenes in the Holy Land, and should be on every ones table.

SCARLET FEVER.—[illegible]

POPULATION OF PARIS.—[illegible]

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