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MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS Company is prepared to receive applications for Insurance against FIRE upon Buildings and other Property, at the Office of the subscriber.

I. WOODWARD.
St. John, Nov. 11, 1846. *Secretary*

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

THE Partnership hitherto carried on by the Subscribers, under the Firm of SMELLIE & ABERCROMBY, was this day dissolved by mutual consent. The Subscriber, James Smellie, is authorised to uplift and discharge all debts due to and by the Company.

JAMES SMELLIE,
R. W. ABERCROMBY.
St. John, N. B., April 30, 1853.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of the late XENOPHON COUGLE, Esquire, of Sussex Vale, King's County, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same, duly attested, within Three Calendar Months from this date; and all Persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to

MARY COUGLE, *Administratrix.*
Sussex Vale, May 28, 1853.

MARKET SQUARE,
MAY 3, 1853.

J. & H. FOTHERBY

HAVE received per ships *Liberia* and *St. John*, and steamer *Admiral*, an extensive assortment of GOODS, suitable for the season, consisting of

Paisley, Cachmere and Barege Long and Square SHAWLS;
An elegant assortment of DRESS MATERIALS, in Bagadere, Embroidered and Fancy ROBES, Printed and Embr'dered MUSLINS, CACHMERES, Delaines, Lustres, &c.
A large assortment of BONNETS, in all the new styles, with a very beautiful assortment of *RIBBONS, PARASOLS*, &c.
Muslin COLLARS, Habits, Under Sleeves;
Printed COTTONS, Grey and White do. Cotton Flannels, Satinetts, Ticks, Braces, Dimms, Drills, Cotton Warps, &c., which are offered at the very lowest prices, wholesale and retail.

☞ The remainder of Stock daily expected.

April 16, 1853.

Just arrived, per English Steamer.

120 DOZENS French KID GLOVES, comprising light and dark fancy colours—also, Black and White.

Also, per Liberia, *from Liverpool*—
3 bales WHITE COTTONS,
6 " CARPETING,
1 " RUGS; 1 bale BLANKETS,
4 cases DRESS GOODS,
1 case DAMASKS and FRINGES,
3 cases PRINTED COTTONS,
1 case FURNITURE PRINTS,
1 case WOOLLEN CLOTHS,
2 cases BONNETS; 1 case REGATTAS,
4 bales sundry SMALL WARES.

Per ship Saint John,

From GLASGOW:

A Large Assortment of CARPETS, with RUGS to match:
Long and Square SHAWLS;
Fancy Printed MUSLINS and DELAINES;
Earleston GINGHAMS;
LINENS, Damask and Huckabacs;
Gingham and Cotton Handkerchiefs
Cotton Reels, Linen Threads;
Plain and Figured MUSLINS;
Boys' HATS and Cloth CAPS.

Also, per Steamer—
A Variety of PARISIAN MANTLES.

April 26. W. G. LAWTON.

First Spring Importations.

J. & J. HEGAN

Have received per Packet Ship "MIDDLETON,"
CARPETINGS & HEARTH RUGS,
PRINTED DRUGGETS,
Moreens and Damasks,
SHEETINGS,
White and Striped SHIRTINGS,
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, Tailors' Trimmings, &c.
Prince William Street, 8th March, 1853.

NEW GOODS.

JAMES BURRELL,

Corner of King & Germain-streets,

Has received per *St. John, Bellcarrigg, Miramichi*, and *Eastern City*, from Glasgow, Liverpool, London, and United States, a general assortment of Staple and Fancy

DRY GOODS,

COMPRISING

LADIES' DRESS MATERIALS, in Cachmeres, Teba ROBES, Vemeras, DeLaines, Lustres, Circassian Cloths, Black and Coloured SATINS and Gros de Naps;
Printed Muslin *DRESSES*;
Paisley, Satin and Cachmere Long and Square SHAWLS;
BROAD CLOTHS, Cassimeres, Doeskins, Satinetts, Russel Cords, Moleskins, VESTINGS;
Grey and White COTTONS, Fancy and Twilled *SHIRTINGS*;
Tickings, Duck, Linens, Lawns, Hollands, Diapers, TOWELLINGS;
Printed COTTONS, Cotton Warps; Harness, Filled Bordered Book Muslin;
Red and white FLANNELS, Muslins, Bonnet and Cap RIBBONS;
PARASOLS, Sewed Muslin Habit Shirts, Chemizettes and Collars;
Laces, Edgings and Insertions, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, Black Silk Lace;
GLOVES and HOSIERY in great variety, Fancy Neck Ties, and Bracelets;
Hair Nets and Plaits, Boys' Belts, Gents' Silk and Cotton Neck and Pocket Handkerchiefs;
SHIRTS, Shirt Fronts and Collars, Umbrellas, Whalebone Combs, Brushes.
Braces, Stays, Braids, Silk Trimmings, Dress Buttons, Puff Combs, Toilette Covers, Counterpanes, Small Wares, &c. &c.

☞ The Subscriber offers the above well selected Stock of GOODS to his numerous friends and the public generally, (and which on inspection will be found well worthy their attention) at the lowest prices for Cash.

JAMES BURRELL.
May 27. Corner of King and Germain Streets

APRIL, 1853.

SPRING BONNETS.

Received per steamer 'Canada,'

FIVE HUNDRED BONNETS, comprising the latest fashion.

W. G. LAWTON.

JAMES HARDY,
KING STREET HOUSE,

WOULD call the attention of Customers, to his NEW STOCK, received by *Imperial, Speed*, and *Miramichi*, comprising all the new MATERIALS and *New Designs for the Season.*

A great variety of SHAWLS, in Cashmere, Cashmere de Cos, Barege, Tissue, Paisley, and German;
DRESS MATERIALS, in Muslin, Barege, Cashmere, Delaine, Bayadere and Swiss Robes, and Moire Antiques;
SILKS, SATINS, and PERSIANS; a large assortment of *BONNETS* and *RIBBONS*;
PRINTS, White and Grey COTTONS, WARPS, *GLOVES* and *HOSIERY*;
Habit Shirts, Chemizettes, Collars, etc. The usual assortment in Trimmings and Small Wares.

All of which will be disposed off at the lowest possible rates.

☞ Attention of WHOLESALE dealers particularly directed to the above.

St. John, May 31, 1853.

The Road to Health.

Holloway's PILLS.

CURE OF A DISORDERED LIVER AND BAD DIGESTION.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. R. W. Kirkus, Chemist, Prescot Street, Liverpool, dated 6th June, 1851.

To Professor HOLLOWAY.

SIR,—Your Pills and Ointment have stood the highest on our sale list of Proprietary Medicines for some years. A customer, to whom I can refer for any enquiries, desires me to let you know the particulars of her case. She had been troubled for years with a disordered liver, and bad digestion. On the last occasion, however, the violence of the attack was so alarming, and the inflamation set in so severely, that doubts were entertained of her not being able to bear up under it; fortunately she was induced to try your Pills, and she informs me that after the first, and each succeeding dose, she had great relief. She continued to take them, and although she used only three Boxes, she is now in the enjoyment of perfect health. I could have sent you many more cases, but the above, from the *severity of the attack*, and the *speedy* cure, I think, speaks much in favor of your astonishing Pills. (Signed) R. W. KIRKUS.

AN EXTRAORDINARY CURE OF RHEUMATIC FEVER, IN VAN DIEMEN'S LAND.

Copy of a Letter inserted in the Hobart-Town Courier, of the 1st March, 1851, by Major J. Welch.

Margaret M'Connigan, nineteen years of age, residing a New Town, had been suffering from a violent rheumatic fever for upwards of two months, which had entirely deprived her of the use of her limbs; during this period she was under the care of the most eminent medical men in Hobart Town, and by them her case was considered hopeless. A friend prevailed upon her to try Holloway's celebrated Pills, which she consented to do, and in an incredible short space of time they effected perfect cure.

CURE OF A PAIN AND TIGHTNESS IN THE CHEST AND STOMACH OF A PERSON 54 YEARS OF AGE.

From Messrs. Thew & Son, Proprietors of the Ly—Advertiser, who can vouch for the following statement. August 2nd, 1851.

To Professor HOLLOWAY,

SIR,—I desire to bear testimony to the good effects of Holloway's Pills. For some years I suffered severely from a pain and tightness in the stomach which was also accompanied by a shortness of breath, that prevented me from walking about. I am 54 years of age, and notwithstanding my advanced state of life, these Pills have so relieved me, that I am desirous that others should be made acquainted with their virtues. I am now rendered, by their means, comparatively active, and can take exercise without inconvenience or pain, which I could not do before.

(Signed) HENRY COE.
North Street, Lynn, Norfolk.

AN EXTRAORDINARY CURE OF THE GRAVEL, AND A MOST DANGEROUS FEVER COMPLAINT.

Copy of a Letter addressed to J. K. Heyden, Esq., Sydney, New South Wales, dated Feb. 25th, 1851.

SIR—A Mr. Thomas Clark, a Settler at Lake George, was for a considerable time seriously afflicted with a Complaint of the Liver, together with the Gravel. His medical attendants, after trying all their skill, candidly told him that his case was hopeless, and any further efforts useless. In this situation, and when expecting every day would terminate his existence, a friend recommended him to try Holloway's Pills, and as a forlorn hope he did so, the first gave him considerable relief, he therefore persevered in taking them according to the directions, and is now restored to health. He will feel great pleasure in confirming this statement, or even make an affidavit to the same effect, should it be required.

(Signed) WILLIAM JONES, Proprietor of the Goulburn Herald, New South Wales

WONDERFUL EFFICACY OF HOLLOWAY'S PILLS, IN CASES OF DROPSY

Persons suffering from Dropsy, either about the turn of life, or at other times, should immediately have recourse to these Pills, as hundreds of persons are annually cured, by their use, of this direful complaint in its different stages, when all other means had failed.

These celebrated Pills are wonderfully efficacious in the following complaints.

Ague, Asthma, Bilious Complaints, Blotches on the Skin, Bowel Complaints, Colics, Constipation of the Bowels, Consumption, Debility, Dropsy, Dysentery, Erysipelas, Female Irregularities, Fevers of all kinds, Fits, Gout, Head-ache, Indigestion, Inflammation, Jaundice, Liver Complaints, Lumbago, Piles, Rheumatism, Retention of Urine, Scrofula or King's Evil, Sore Throats, Stone and Gravel, Secondary Symptoms, Tic Douloureux, Tumours, Ulcers, Venereal Affections, Worms of all kinds, Weakness from whatever cause, &c. &c.

Sold by the Proprietor, 244, Strand, (near Temple Bar), London; and by S. L. TILLEY, *Provincial Agent*, No. 15, King Street, St. John, N. B.; A. Coy & Son, Fredericton; W. T. Baird, Woodstock; Alexander Lockhart, Quaco; James Beck, Bend of Petitcodiac; O. K. Sayre, Dorchester; John Bell, Shediac; John Lewis, Hillsborough; John Curry, Canning; and James G. White, Belleisle.—In Pots and Boxes, at 1s. 9d., 4s. 6d. and 7s. each. There is a very considerable saving in taking the larger sizes.

N. B.—Directions for the guidance of patients are affixed to each Box.

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Eligible BUILDING LOT on Queen's Square.

SUCH portion of a Building LOT on Sidney street, fronting on Queen's Square, as may be agreed upon, will be disposed of, subject to a small annual ground rent, with the usual covenants of renewal. This is one of the pleasantest and most healthy situations for the erection of a genteel residence in the city. The Lot has a front of 85 feet on Queen's Square, and 80 feet on St. Andrew's street, from which Street a right of way will be reserved along the rear of lot. No expense need be incurred for excavation. A preference will be given to a party who will erect a brick or stone building.—Apply to R. FOULIS, on the premises. June 21st.

Willard's Butter Machines,

JUST RECEIVED—

25 WILLARD'S BUTTER MACHINES; they are highly recommended to Farmers and keepers of Dairies.—For sale by B. TILTON.

ST. JOHN and LIVERPOOL Line of Packet Ships.

Appointed to Sail from Liverpool as under.

Ships.	Capt's.	Tonnage.	To Sail
Essex,	T. Calvert,	813,	1st Aug.
Imperial,	R. G. Moran,	1279,	16th Aug.
Eudocia,	S. Vaughan,	1015,	1st Sept.
Dundonald,	J. Gillies,	1372,	16th do.
Middleton,	H. Nichols,	996,	1st Oct.
Liberia,	R. Card,	855,	1st Nov.
John Barbour,	J. Pritchard,	920,	New ship
Joseph Parrett,	J. Cruickshank,	937,	Ditto.
John Bannerman,	———	1000,	Ditto.

These Ships are built of the best materials, sail remarkably fast, are classed A 1 at Lloyds, and coppered, and will be dispatched punctually on the days appointed.

They are commanded by men of the greatest experience and nautical skill, and no expense or exertion will be spared to make this line efficient in every respect for the safe and speedy conveyance of Goods and Passengers.

The accommodations for passengers are superior, either in the Cabin, Poop or Steerage.

Orders for Shipment of Goods by this Line are respectfully solicited.

For Freight or Passage, apply in Liverpool to Messrs. FERNIE, BROTHERS & Co., Orange Court, Castle Street, or here, to

July 26. J. & R. REED.

SHIP STORES.

50 BARRELS MESS BEEF;
50 barrels Prime Pork, landing ex *Linnet*, from New York.

IN STORE.—10 tons OAKUM; 13 tons Cordage, assorted sizes; 5 *HAWSERS*, 5¼ to 3 inch; 2 tons Manilla Ropes; 10 barrels Dried Apples; 10 tubs Butter; 50 crates Sheathing Felt; 10 hhds. SUGAR—all lately received.

Per ship *Middleton*—16 bales CANVAS, from No. 1 to 6.—For sale by

July 26. GEORGE THOMAS.

NEW GOODS.

Per Steamer "*Niagara*," from Liverpool:—

A FURTHER supply of BONNETS;
Bonnet RIBBONS;
Plain and Figured Rich SILKS;
SATINETTS, SATINS, SARSNETTS;
Rich black SILK LACES;
Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS;
COLLARS and HABIT SHIRTS;
GLOVES and HOSIERY;
SILK TRIMMINGS, BRAIDS, BUTTONS, TASSELS, &c. &c. &c.

W. G. LAWTON.

London White Lead, Wine, &c.

Received ex Ship *Miramichi*, Wyles, master, from London,

5 TONS best London White LEAD;
28 boxes Belmont and Patent Sperm CANDLES, 25 lbs. each;
3 quarter casks Gold and Pale SHERRY, (very superior.)—Landing, for sale by

May 17. CUDLIP & SNIDER.

BRANDY.

To arrive ex brig *James Reddin*, from Glasgow,

200 CASES fine old BRANDY.

—In Store—
10 hhds. Brandy, Martell's;
10 hhds. 25 qr. casks ditto, different brands;
30 hhds. GENEVA, Anchor brand;
6 hhds. 4 qr. casks superior SHERRY Wine;
10 cases, 2 doz. each, *CHAMPAGNE*, (English importations);
20 hhds. SUGAR;
25 brls. New York Mess PORK;
10 casks Paris White;
2 tons London White Lead;
25 brls. Roman Cement (English).

For sale by

June 28. CUDLIP & SNIDER.

NEW SPRING GOODS!

Per Steamer Niagara, *from Liverpool;*

DAVID PATERSON begs to announce to his Customers and the Public, that he has received part of his Spring Supply of BOOTS & SHOES consisting of the following description—viz:—

Ladies' Cashmere, Satin, and Prunella BOOTS; Ladies' Patent Prunella, Leather, Web, and fancy SLIPPERS; Ladies' Kid and Calf Village TIES and Walking SHOES; Misses and Children's Prunella Boots; Do. do. Patent Back Straps; Do. ditto *Kid Buskins* and Walking SHOES; Infants Kid Boots; Patent Back Straps, &c.; Youths' Patent OXFORD TIES, and BOOTEES of various kinds; also, Gent.'s Oxford Ties; Carpet and Leather SLIPPERS, &c. &c.—Together with a lot of *Rec.* French CALF SKINS, a *beautiful article* for Gent's Boots, which will be made up to order in his usual style, without any extra charge.

To arrive per the next Steamer from Liverpool—Ladies, Misses and Children's French BOOTS and SHOES, Paris made. The remainder of Summer Stock to arrive per the Ship *Miramichi*, from London.

FOSTER'S CORNER, KING STREET,
Sign of the Golden Boot.

LONDON HOUSE,
Market Square, July 12th, 1853.

Received per Steamer America *from London and Glasgow:—*

PRINTED and Black Cashmere SHAWLS
PARASOLS; Black Silk LACES,
Black Lace *VEILS*; *GLOVES*;
Sewed Muslin Habits, Chemizettes and Sleeves,
Muslins, *RIBBONS*, etc.

T. W. DANIEL.

Marble Chimney Pieces.

THE Subscriber invites the attention of the public to the above beautiful article. They are manufactured of Stone, by the Penrhyn Marble company, in imitation of the most rare and desirable kinds of Marble.

In style and finish they are unequalled, are very highly polished, retain their beauty much longer than common Marble and are not injured by coal gas, smoke or acids.

They have been extensively introduced into public and private buildings in the United States, giving perfect satisfaction to those who have tried them. While superior in appearance they are sold cheaper than anything of the kind in the market. In fact, the confidence with which they have been thus far used gives the fairest evidence that the Penrhyn Marble, by its many advantages, will in a great measure supercede the use of any other. Architects, Builders, and all others, are invited to examine them.

St. John, June 6.—6i E. STEPHEN.

DICK & SON'S

Unrivalled Cotton REELS.

THIS very superior and popular Sewing Thread can be supplied by the subscriber—"the Sole Agent of the Manufacturers"—in any assortment or quality to suit purchasers. He has received by recent importations—

10 Cases well assorted 3 and 6 cord REELS, in 100, 200, and 300 yard lengths—of White, Black, and varied colors.

The quality of the above can, with all confidence, be recommended; and the attention of purchasers is requested, to call and examine the Goods.

JOHN V. THURGAR,
July 19, 1853. *North M. Wharf*

Teas, Tobacco, Cigars, &c.

Just received, and on sale by the subscriber—

60 CHESTS and 60 half-chests Superior quality Congou & Souchong TEAS;
20 boxes Cavendish TOBACCO;
A few Thousand excellent quality CIGARS.

JOHN V. THURGAR,
Aug. 9. *North Market Wharf.*

Beef, Pork, Sugar, Tea, &c.

25 CHESTS Souchong TEA;
10 hhds. Bright SUGAR;
50 barrels Mess Beef, } In Bond
28 " Prime Pork, } For Ship Stores.
10 " Dried Apples.

July 26. GEORGE THOMAS.

Lyons' Kathairon for the HAIR.

A MOST effectual remedy for Baldness and falling off of the Hair, causes it to grow luxuriantly, and prevents it from turning grey. For sale in bottles at at 1s. 6d. each, by

THOMAS M. REED,
July 5. Head North Wharf.

Ship "MIRAMICHI," from London,

MYLES & HOWARD have received by the above ship, a splendid assortment of West of England CLOTHS, DOESKINS, CASSIMERES, and French *TESTINGS*, &c.

The above Goods were personally selected by Mr. Jas. Howard, in London and principal manufacturing Towns in England. For style and texture these Goods cannot be surpassed by any House in the Province.

A good assortment of ready made CLOTHING always on hand, &c. May 31.

SHAWLS! SHAWLS!

Received per steamer *Cambria*,

SILK Checked, CACHMERE, DE ECOSSE, BAREGE, Tissue, and Damask Silk SHAWLS; Embroidered Circassian, Alpacca and Merino ROBES.

JAMES SMELLIE,
May 24. *Prince William-street*

Oil, White Lead, Starch, &c.

Landing ex ship *Lisbon*, from London—

30 CASKS Raw and Boiled Linseed Oil;
20 boxes London STARCH;
25 casks WHITING; 5 casks PUTTY;
5 tons White and coloured PAINTS, No. 1;
150 bars Swedes IRON.

For sale low in fore storing.

May 31. CUDLIP & SNIDER.

Spring Fashions, 1853!!!

JUST received T. OLIVE & SON'S SPRING FASHIONS for 1853. Subscribers will receive the same by calling at

MYLES & HOWARD,
March 22, 1853. AGENTS

Bonnets. Bonnets. Bonnets.

JAMES BURRELL,

Corner of King & Germain-streets,

HAS just received per *Lisbon*, from London, an excellent assortment of Fancy Lace and Straw

BONNETS,

STRAW TRIMMING; *SILK BONNET WIRE*. Also—*SHAWLS, RIBBONS, PARASOLS*, etc., which will be sold low at extremely low prices. June 21.

Poetry.

A WORD IN KINDNESS SPOKEN.

BY W. SMITH.

How sweet in the spring, do the green woods ring
With notes of joy and gladness,—
In the sunshine of May, how happy are they,
Who cherish no thought of sadness!
But though we may hear each wood-note clear,
Our pleasure may soon be broken;—
Dearer we find, to a sensitive mind,
Is a word in kindness spoken!

An ungrateful part may wound the heart,
And cloud the spirit with sorrow;
But never repine while the prospect is fine
Of a brighter sky on the morrow!
And look upon this as an earnest of bliss,
As a cheering, promising token,
When falls on the ear, from a heart sincere,
A word in kindness spoken!

Literature, &c.

A Few Compliments.

As I was proceeding towards the police-office, I met, under the piazza opposite the cathedral, a lady, whose face immediately made me forget my errand. She was so fair and beautiful, I took her to be a daughter of the North, and could not resist the temptation to speak to her. So, stepping forward, and taking off my hat in the politest manner imaginable, I inquired, in English, the way to the police-office. "Non capisco, Signore," was her reply. I then apologised for addressing her in a foreign language, but said—"I have mistaken you for an Englishwoman, you are so extremely beautiful." "And are the English women so extremely beautiful?" inquired she. "You may judge," said I, "since they are like you." "I suppose they flatter a great deal in England," observed she with a smile, "and you have probably learned the art there." "Nay, it is in your country that one learns to flatter; if, indeed, it be flattering to speak the truth." "This is not my country," replied she, "I would it were!" "Then you are a French woman?" She shook her head. "A Swiss?" The same dumb sign of negation. My curiosity was now excited. "I trust you will pardon me, said I, but really I am curious to know what country has had the happiness to give birth to you." "I am an Austrian," she replied. "Is it possible?" was my voluntary exclamation. "If you are suprised at that," said she, "you will be still more surprised when I add that my feelings are all Italian." This little dialogue took place in front of a shop, out of which an officer soon came flourishing a new whip which he had just been purchasing. He looked at me with something like a scowl, and saying a few words to her in German, from the tone of which I could not doubt she was his wife, walked off with her, though not before she turned round and bowed to me twice.—"*There and back again*," *by A. J. St. John.*

MARRIAGEABLE DAUGHTERS.—If anything exemplifies the vanity of human wishes, it is our efforts to marry our daughters, and our regrets when the plans succeed. Tom goes to India, and Billy to sea, and there is scarcely a gap in the family circle. "The boys" were seldom at home—they were shooting in Scotland, or hunting in England, or fishing in Norway. They never, so to say, made part of the effective garrison of the house; they came and went with that ricketty good humour that even in quiet families is pleasurable; but your girls are household gods: lose *them*, even one of them, and the altar is despoiled. The thousand little unobtrusive duties, noiseless cares, that make home better a hundred-fold than anywhere else, be it ever so rich and splendid—the unasked solicitude, the watchful attention that provides for your little daily wants and habits, is all *their* province. And just fancy, then, what scheming and intriguing we practise to get rid of them! You'll say that this shows we are above the selfishness of only considering our own enjoyment, and that we sacrifice all for their happiness. There you mistake; our sole aim is a rich man—our one notion of a good marriage is, that the husband be wealthy. Its not a man like myself who has sometimes paid fifty, aye sixty per cent. for money, that can afford to sneer at and despise it; but this I will say, that the mere possession of it will not suffice for happiness. I know fellows with fifteen thousand a year that have not the heart to spend five hundred. I know others, that with as much, are always over head and ears in debt, raising cash everywhere and any how! What kind of life must a girl lead that marries either of these; and yet would you or I think of refusing such a match for a daughter? Let me tell you, Tom, that for people of small fortune, the nunneries were fine things! What signifies serge and simple diet to the wearisome drudgery of a governess. If I was a woman, I think I'd rather sit in my quiet cell, working an embroidered suit of body clothes for Father O'Leary, than I'd be snubbed by the family of some vulgar citizen, tortured by the brats, and insulted by the servants.—*The Dodd Family Abroad.*

CHARACTER OF GOLDSMITH—Who, of the millions whom he has amused, doesn't love him? To be the most beloved of English writers, what a title that is for a man! A wild youth, wayward, but full of tenderness and affection, quits the country village where his boyhood has been passed in happy musing, in idle shelter, in fond longing to see the great world out of doors, and achieve name and fortune—and after years of dire struggle, and neglect and poverty, his heart turning back as fondly to his native place, as it had longed eagerly for change when sheltered there, he writes a book and a poem, full of the recollections and and feelings of home—he paints the friends and scenes of his youth, and peoples Auburn and Wakefield with rembrances of Lissoy. Wander he must, but he carries away a home relic with him, and dies with it on his breast. His nature is truant; in repose it longs for change; as on the journey it looks back for friends and quiet. He passes to-day in building an air castle for to-morrow, or in writing yesterday's elegy; and he would fly away this hour, but that a cage of necessity keeps him. What is the charm of his verse, or his style, and humour? His sweet regrets, his delicate compassion, his soft smile, his tremulous sympaty, the weakness which he owns? Your love for him is half pity. You come hot and tired from the day's battle, and this sweet minstrel sings to you. Who could harm the kind vagrant harper? Whom did he ever hurt? He carries no weapon—save the harp on which he plays to you; and with which he delights great and humble, young and old, the captain in the tent, or the soldier round the fire, or the women and children in the village, at whose porches he sings his simple songs of love and beauty. With that sweet story of the "Vicar of Wakefield," he has found an entrance into every hamlet in Europe. Not one of us, however busy or hard, but once or twice in our lives has passed an evening with him, and undergone the charm of his delightful music.—*Thackeray's Humourist.*

REMOVING A RING FROM A YOUNG LADY'S FINGER.—Dr. Castle, of this city, communicates to the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, the following ingenious method, devised by him, for extricating a young lady's finger from a ring which was too small for her. We give his story in his own language:—

"An interesting young lady about seventeen years of age had presented to her a gold ring, which she forced over the joints of her middle finger. After a few minutes the finger commenced swelling, and the ring could not be removed. The family physician, Dr. ——, was sent for, but could do nothing. The family, and the young lady especially, were now in the greatest consternation. A jeweler was sent for. After many futile attempts to cut the ring with cutting-nippers, and to saw it apart with a fine saw, and after bruising and lacerating the flesh, warm fomentations and leeches were applied, but all without affording the slightest benefit. Dr. —— requested my presence, with the compliment that "perhaps my mechanical ingenuity might suggest something." I at once proceeded to the house of the patient, and found the young lady in a most deplorable state of mental agony, the doctor embarrassed, and the family in a high state of excitement. I procured some prepared chalk, and applied it between the ridges of swollen flesh, and all round the finger, and succeeded in drying the oozing and abraded flesh; then with a narrow piece of soft linen I succeeded in polishing the ring, by drawing it gently round the ring between the swollen parts. I then applied quicksilver to the whole surface of the ring. In less than three minutes the ring was broken (by pressing it together) in four pieces, to the great relief of all parties.

"In a similar manner (without the chalk) I some time since, extracted a small brass ring from the ear of a child, who, child-like, had inserted it into the cavity of its ear. The operation was more painful and tedious, but was equally successful.

"The *modus operandi*. The quicksilver at once permeates the metals, if clean, (with the exception of iron, steel, platina, and one or two others,) and amalgamates with them. It immediately crystalizes and renders the metal as hard and as brittle as glass. Hence the ease with which metals amalgimated with quicksilver, can be broken."

A GRADUATED REVOLUTION.—When Napoleon escaped from Elba and returned to France, the *Moniteur* announced the event as follows:—First announcement—"March, 1815. The monster has escaped from the place of his banishment; he has run away from Elba." Second.—"The Corsican dragon (d'Oger) has landed at Cape Juan."—Third.—"The tiger has shown himself at Gap. The troops are advancing on all sides to arrest his progress. He will conclude his miserable adventure; he cannot possibly escape." Fourth.—"The monster has really advanced as far as Grenoble—we know not to what treachery to ascribe it." Fifth.—"The tyrant is actually at Lyons. Fear and terror seized all at his appearance. Sixth.—"The usurper has ventured to approach the capital to within sixty hours' March." Seventh.—"Bonaparte is advancing by forced marches—but it is impossible he can reach Paris." Eighth.—"Napoleon will arrive under the wall of Paris to-morrow." Ninth.—"The Emperor Napoleon is at Fontainebleau." Tenth.—"Yesterday evening his Majesty the Emperor made his public entry, and arrived at the Tuileries—nothing can exceed the universal joy!"

SECURITY OF ENGLISH TRAVELLERS.—A new sense of the greatness of England is gathered from traveling on the continent; for let an Englishman go where he will, the might and majesty of his country seem to be hanging over him like an unseen shield. Let but a hand of violence be laid upon an English subject, and the great British lion couchant in Downing street begins to utter menacing growls and shake his invincible locks. An English man-of-war seems to be always within one day's sail of everywhere. Let political agitation break out in any port on the globe, if there be even a roll of English broadcloth or a pound of English tea to be endangered thereby, within forty-eight hours an English steamer or frigate is pretty sure to drop anchor in the harbor, with an air which seems to say, 'Here I am; does anybody want anything of me.'"—*Hillard's Six months in Italy.*

Boys and Girls.—The first thing a boy does after he is weaned is to straddle the banisters and ride down stairs. The first thing a girl sets her heart on is a doll and a set of diminutive cups and saucers. The girls are given to neatness, and hate soiled garments of all kinds; boys, on the contrary, set a high value on dirt, and are never so happy as when sailing a log ship, with a brown paper sail, in a mud puddle.

PORTRAIT OF THE CZAR.—He affects to imitate Napoleon in some things, and certainly as regards his interference, and personal direction of everything, he is not behind his prototype. His cabinet is a plain room, and completely that of a man of business; he is never out of uniform, and never lays aside his cocked hat and flowing white panche, excepting he leaves the capital, when he wears a little foraging cap. With the noblest and most commanding form, he is of Herculean mould, and of an iron constitution, regardless alike of bodily and mental fatigue; controlling and inspecting every department himself, he seems possessed of the power of ubiquity. Perfectly unattended, he is dashing through the streets in a two-horse droshky, or walking through crowded thoroughfares, visiting the dockyards, barracks, hospitals, and other government establishments. He arrives when least expected, and the consequence is, there is no negligence or inattention: but precision, military precision, and uniformity prevail throughout. The very passengers in the streets, and particularly the military, who form a large portion of the crowd, must be on the *qui vive* to salute the monarch as he passes, and this, with the military, is a matter requiring some dexterity. At Tsarkoe Selo, I had the fortune to meet the Emperor in a retired garden, *en negligé*; I say fortune, because, demigod as he is, it is unusual to see him in mortal guise, undistinguished by the trappings of royalty, and the proud bearing and theatrical deportment habitual to him. I went at his side without recognising him in his loose surtout and travelling-cap, strolling along in contemplation; and it was not till our eyes met that I felt his presence—yes, felt is the only applicable term; for it is impossible to withstand his eagle glance without an indefinable sensation of awe.—*Thompson's Life in Russia.*

AMUSEMENTS OF THE TURKISH WOMEN.—Nearly all Turkish women sally out every Friday to take the air, away from the town, on the banks of the Bosphorus, or to some of the places where water and shade may be found. The wealthy go in carts without springs, of unwieldy and primitive construction, six or seven heaped together, and sometimes their husbands lead the oxen or horses to the chosen spot, and then go away, leaving the women perfectly free to enjoy themselves as they please. The most popular amusements are the singing and music of the gipsy women, who repair thither for the purpose. * * *

A lunch is generally brought out, and, when this is despatched, smoking and drinking commence—drinking not of sherbet, but of good brandy, or other strong liquors, which soon induce a boisterous gaiety, so that the sultanas, whom we often imagine as pining imprisoned, may be seen rolling in convulsions of inextinguisable laughter on the turf, or huddled up in a still more advanced stage of intoxication, like bundles of rags. Their Montenegrin servants, who are the privileged beholders of these scenes, are often compelled to haul them into their carts, in which they are jolted back to the harem. Those who are not too far gone frequently pull up passing through the christian quarter, at the doors of taverns, to get more drink, and a file of a hundred carts may often be seen stopping in one street, all full of women, some made bold and chattering by their excess, others hanging sleepily about and murmuring to be taken home. There is a walk planted with elm trees, not far from the city, where only women are admitted. Two or three thousand assemble there at a time, and, sitting upon a verdant slope, enjoy the indescribable pantomime of a comedy, which some infamous Jews, hired for the purpose, perform on the limits of the forbidden ground for their amusement.—*Bayley St. John.*

Affection for Stock-Doves.—I quoted his (Wordsworth's) own beautiful address to the stock-dove. He said once, in a wood, Mrs. Wordsworth and a lady were walking, when the stock-dove was cooing. A farmer's wife coming by said to herself, "Oh, I do like stock-doves." Mrs. Wordsworth, in all her enthusiasm for Wordsworth's poetry, took the old woman to her heart; "But," continued the old woman, "some like them in a pie; for my part, there is nothing like 'em stewed in onions."—*Heydon's Memoirs.*

What is Wedlock?—Miss Lucy Stone, of Boston, a "woman's rights" woman, having put the question—"Marriage—what is it?" an Irish echo in the Boston *Post* inquires, "Wouldn't you like to know?"

The Roman Arch.—A recent discovery of an arched tunnel under the pool of Solomon, used to conduct a spring of water for the use of Jerusalem, proves that the Roman arch, with a perfect keystone, was well known to the architects in the reign of King Solomon.

Good for the Eyes.—To give brilliancy to the eyes, shut them early at night and open them early in the morning; let the mind be constantly intent on the acquisition of human knowledge, or on the exercise of benevolent feelings. This will scarcely ever fail to impart to the eyes an intelligent and amiable expression.

A Literal Joker.—The Bishop of Oxford having sent round to the churchwardens in his diocese a circular of inquiries, among which was:—"Does your officiating clergyman preach the gospel, and is his conversation and carriage consistent therewith?" the churchwarden near Wallingford replied:—"He preaches the gospel, but does not keep a carriage."—*Aylesbury News.*

A word spoken pleasantly is a large spot of sunshine on the sad heart—and who has not seen its effects? A smile is like the bursting out of the sun from behind a cloud to him who thinks he has no friend in the world.

A Legal Joke.—"Well, George," asked a friend of a young lawyer, who had been "admitted" about a year, "how do you like your new profession?" The reply was accompanied by a brief sigh to suit the occasion—"My profession is much better than my practice."

A "CRYSTAL PALACE," destined to serve as a winter garden, is being constructed at Madrid.