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Just Received and For Sale by the Subscriber—

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Spiced do.

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Strawberries—preserved in

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Sept. 17.

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(In great variety and best quality) WHOLE-

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St. John's, May 10. tft.

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—AND—

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Constantly on hand, a varied selection of

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PLATED WARE, and

JEWELRY of every description & style

May 14. tft

NOTICES.

PAINLESS! PAINLESS!!

TEETH

Positively Extracted without

Pain

BY THE USE OF

NITROUS OXIDE GAS.

A NEW AND PERFECTLY SAFE

METHOD.

Dr. LOVEJOY & SON,

OLD PRACTITIONERS OF DENTIS-

TRY, would respectfully offer their

services to the Citizens of St. John's, and

the outports.

They can be found from 9 a.m. to 5

p.m., at the old residence of Dr. George

W. Lovejoy, No. 9, Cathedral Hill, where

they are prepared to perform all Dental

Operations in the most

Scientific and Approved Me-

thod.

Dr. L. & Son would state that they

were among the first to introduce the

Anaesthetic (Nitrous Oxide Gas), and

have extracted many thousand Teeth by

its use

Without Producing pain,

with perfect satisfaction. They are still

prepared to repeat the same process,

which is perfectly safe even to Children.

They are also prepared to insert the best

Artificial Teeth from one to a whole Set

in the latest and most approved style,

using none but the best, such a

received the highest Prem-

iums at the world's Fair

in London and Paris.

Teeth filled with great care and in the

most lasting manner. Especial attention

given to regulating children's Teeth.

St. John's, July 9.

W. THOMPSON,

AGENT FOR

Parsons' Purgative Pills.

Blacksmith & Farrier,

BEGS respectfully to acquaint his num-

erous patrons and the public gener-

ally, that he is EVER READY to give

entire satisfaction in his line of business.

All work executed in substantial manner

and with despatch.

Off LeMarchant St., North of Gas

House.

Sept. 17.

BANNERMAN & LYON'S

Photographic Rooms,

Corner of Bannerman and Wa-

ter Streets.

THE SUBSCRIBERS, having made

suitable arrangements for taking a

FIRST-CLASS

PICTURE,

Would respectfully invite the attention

of the Public to a

CALL AT THEIR ROOMS,

Which they have gone to a considerable

expense in fitting up.

Their Prices are the LOWEST

ever afforded to the Public;

And with the addition of a NEW STOCK

of INSTRUMENTS, CHEMICALS and

other Material in connection with the

art, they hope to give entire satisfaction.

ALEXR. BANNERMAN,

E. WILKS LYON.

Nov 5. tft

POETRY.

The Gambler.

"Whenever you are tempted to play
any game, for a single dollar or a single
cent, remember the terrible confession of
a gambler now in his gloomy cell in the
State prison, New York: 'Gambling is
a vice which I cannot overcome.'"

He has the shrewd knack,
To shuffle the pack
And bring out an ace, a king, or a jack,
A heart or a spade,
As though they were made
By him, an adept at the trade.

But the heart he makes
Never beats nor breaks;
'Tis a pulseless thing, played for the stakes.
A thin painted cheat,
With no blood to beat,
Without pity, the type of deceit.

And there is the spade—
A sham, that is made
Not to dig with, or use in trade,
But to use in play,
All night and all day,
To get something for nothing that way.

The diamond in paste,
Alas! how they wa-te
Their money, who seek wealth in haste
A diamond of paint,
Neither rich nor quaint,
Is of no worth to sinner or saint.

And the gambler's king
Is a vulgar thing,
Only fit for the blackleg's ring.
And his painted queen
Is common and mean;
Who in her company would be seen?

This lover of pelf
May stake himself,
When losses at play have swept his shelf;
Then the Father of sin,
With a frightful grin,
Will sit down at the table and win.

EXTRACTS.

The Country Post Office.

The country post office is seldom, per-

haps never, a building dedicated to let-

ters.

The postmaster usually keeps "the

store" as well and regards the other little

affair as a means of increasing his busi-

ness—nothing more. When any one

comes for a letter he will be apt to go

away with raisins, fancy biscuits and other

things as well. The letters are put away

in a desk or box, if the postmaster is a

very careful man; if not, he hunts them

up when inquired for.

The official at my post office is current-

ly reported to have replied to Miss Sa-

lina Smith's inquiry for a letter, by shout-

ing into the back room:

"I say, warn't that ere letter Baby

was chewin' directed to Miss Sabina

Smith?"

To which the reply came:

"Yes; I'll fetch it. I allow you'll have

to dry it, Miss Smith, 'fore you kin read

it. He's chawed the envolop clear

through."

This, however, is a strong case. Gener-

ally, by going for a letter to our office,

one would be apt to get it with the en-

velope unbroken.

What a gathering place the post office

is! Perched upon the barrels, or stand-

ing round the door, one may find all the

idlers of the neighborhood; and here,

too, about post hours young business

men make their appearance, and, while

talking of trade, anxiously watch the

street down which some young female

figure is pretty sure to come. No doubt

many a proposal has been made on the

way home from the post office. If not,

our young men have no idea what a good

chance means. A long quiet street, no

one to interrupt them; trees waving on

the left, the sea murmuring on the right,

the afternoon drawing to a close, all

sweet things influencing her budding

heart; and he "in his shop clothes"

and fashionable hat, looking so well.

The question, practically interpreted,

would be:

"After a few months of courting and

kissing, will you sew, and sing, and cook

for me until you die of it?"

But why should the country girl do

more than her city sisters? They and

see a bright picture, often quite unreal,
through the magic circle of the marriage
ring, and so does she, of course.

Perhaps our post office is not the place,
but it might have been, where a letter
directed to "Mother," and nothing more,
lay so long mystifying the postmaster, un-
til an old woman hobbled in one morn-
ing and asked for "a letter from my
son, what's at sea," when the epistle be-
ing handed over, was found to have
reached its destination.

Squire Schenck claims the big envelope
with "Square skunk" upon it, as a matter
of course; and Miss Anna Maria Moran
does not feel surprised when an epistle is
handed to her with this remarkable word
upon it: "AnnermariahMurray."

A letter is a letter when it comes to a
country post office, and it is not expected
to be clean, or to be directed in any or-
thodox manner.

Letters addressed, "Polly Jenkins, or
any of 'em if she's away," and "Helen
Dibbins, forgetting her married name,"
were received without surprise.

One which bore the superscription,
"Mr. Peter Parkins," remained for a long
time unclaimed, until the postmaster re-
membered that "that was his own name."
He had been called "Uncle Pete" so
long, that he had forgotten the fact en-
tirely.

Yes, this is a queer little post office—
 quaint, and strange, and simple, and with-
out rules or order; but through it many
a message of joy and sadness has passed—
many a story of marriage and death.
Hears have beaten wildly on their way
to that little building, and many a poor,
quivering lip has been hardly able to form
the words, "None for me yet?"

There comes the little steamer, rush-
ing in the harbor with an occasional puff
of the steam whistle, and two little mail
bags are hurried to the post office, where
the postmaster, deeply sensible of the
importance of his position, waits to receive
them. The contents of these bags may
break hearts or fill them with untold joy.

Making Each Other Miserable.

BY HENRY WARD BEECHER.

As if there were not troubles
enough in this world that come upon
men without human design, people set
themselves to work to diminish happi-
ness and to increase misery. Phrenolo-

gists tell us that there is in man an organ
and faculty of destructiveness—that, when
unregulated, it inspires cruelty; that it
is the root of that horrible pleasure which
the old Romans had, and their modern
descendants still have, in murderous glad-

itorial shows, contests of wild beasts, bull
fights, &c.

But there runs through modern civil-
ized society a vein of the same quality.
People that would faint to see a gush of
blood, and who think themselves Chris-
tians, have a lively enjoyment in witness-

ing pain, and cultivate the art of inflict-
ing it. The mention of a few of the meth-
ods employed will make good my re-
marks:

The delight with which many report
bad news; the eagerness with which they
report evil sayings which cannot but la-
cerate the feelings, show a morbid love
of suffering. This is not the trait of vil-
lainous natures. It exists in people of
real kindness of disposition. It is not an
omalous, because it is so widely extended
as to seem normal.

Some people scatter pain producing
elements thoughtlessly, and are surprised
and sorry when they witness the suffering
produced. Others do it for momentary
pleasure, without meaning any serious
results. But now and then we find per-
sons who love to torment a victim. They
enjoy another's sufferings. It is their
happiness to see some one made keenly
miserable by their lance like tongue.

They will smile, and talk in low, sweet
tones, and shoot quivering sentences,
poison-tipped, and cast a look sideways to
see if they strike, and at every sign of pain
their face grows bright.

In part this is a latent ambition. Peo-
ple thus assert their power over others.
It raises one in his own estimation to per-
ceive that he can control the moods of
others.

But there is still more common ex-
hibition of the love of suffering. It is
seen in the ignoble, but universal Art of
Teasing.

We see it in its most unregulated form it.
Among children, who nip and pinch each
other, make up mouths, twitch each
other's clothes, run off with toys, push
and "joggle," point with insulting fingers

and in a hundred ingenious ways strive
to make each other miserable. As they
grow up, it often happens that young
people carry on a campaign of teasing,
each one vieing with another which shall
be the sharpest.

It does not cease with youth. Grown
folks, good-natured, kind hearted, well-
meaning and full of benevolence, often
show this perverse spirit, in the midst of
all their kindness. By sharp speech, by
veiled sarcasm, by exciting curiosity which
they will not gratify, by narrating pre-
tended facts, by sinister compliments, by
rallying one when circumstances forbid a
reply, by equivocal praise, by blunt telling
of some truth that had been better left
unsaid, and by hundreds of ingenious
ways which time would fail to tell, people
inflict pain upon each other.

Those who in the main are striving to
make friends happy, will have one black
web in thread of white. Those who real-
ly love each other have a strange fond-
ness for stirring each other up.

There is an innocent and even pleasure-
producing method of rallying which, if
definitely and gracefully done, heightens the
enjoyment of society. One may touch a
discord if it lapses into a true chord.
Sometimes, when we have good news to
tell, we are bewitched with a desire to
open the matter as if it were a great
trouble that we were about to break.

There is a gentle badinage, an innocent
arrow shooting, which flatters and charms.
But life is full of the other sort. If Dar-
win is right in thinking that men ascend-
ed from monads by gradual evolution,
then it is very certain that some men
came up by the way of the mosquito, the
flea and the biting fly, and that their an-
cestral traits still linger in the blood.

A Simple Invention Greatly
Needed.

In cities, towns and large villages, coal
gas is almost the only material employed
for lighting purposes. But in country
houses, and with the great majority of the
inhabitants of the United States, kerosene
or some kind of refined coal oil, is used.
Coal gas is too expensive, unless manufac-
tured on a large scale. And, indeed, the
coal oil is but little inferior in quality, and
furnishes a splendid light compared with
anything known and in general use before
its discovery.

But there is one difficulty, almost uni-
versally experienced, in burning coal oil,
if the wick is turned up a little too high
it emits a black, suffocating smoke, dis-
coloring the lamp chimney so as to ren-
der it opaque, and covering the ceiling a-
bove with lamp black. And this results
from the slightest degree of carelessness
in adjusting the wick. Not one person
in a hundred is sufficiently careful al-
ways to avoid it.

What is needed is some simple contri-
vance which will arrest the screw when
the wick is turned high enough to burn,
and before it is high enough to smoke.

Cannot somebody among our million
and one inventors devise such a contri-
vance.

National Song.

It appears that a National Song has
sprung into existence among us, and, if
reports be correct, is taking our Canadian
people by storm. Now, a National Song
is a fine thing to have. Of course it
would be better—nicer, to have a Nation-
al Hymn, like the English people; but as
that seems rather too much, we may very
properly content ourselves with a first-class
National Song. The one which has been
published during the past week by our
city papers must be counterfeit; it can't
be the one they are having such a time
about in the Upper Provinces. If it is,
then the music must be very nice, for the
words are not up to the mark. You know
in pieces of music, a great deal depends
on the air; the words are of less account.
For instance, in our National Hymn these
lines:

"Confound their politics, frustrate their

stake. Our maiden effort in the way of a National Song, should be pretty spicy. We hope if a man is appointed to write one, it won't be the poet who writes "Impromptu lines" about it in the "Recorder."



HARBOR GRACE, DECEMBER 17, 1872.

We believe the Government has made arrangements with the Montreal Ocean Steamship Company (Allan Line) for a fortnightly service direct with England.

This is a great step in the right direction, and cannot fail to be of immense benefit to this country.

As per notice in our advertising columns, the annual examination of the pupils attending the Harbor Grace Grammar School, J. J. Roddick, Esq., Principal, will take place on Friday next.

The noble cause of Temperance has indeed of late been making rapid strides in the various districts of the country. We hail the fact with delight, and hope that ere long that darkness and isolation which is in a great sense imposed upon us by King Alcohol may be forever banished.

Some few weeks since J. J. Stewart Esq., G. W. C. Secretary of the Independent Order of Good Templars in Nova Scotia, arrived here, commissioned by the Grand Lodge of that Province to institute subordinate Lodges in Newfoundland.

A Grand Lodge of the Order of Newfoundland was established here last evening, having jurisdiction over all good Templar Lodges throughout the Colony.

The establishment of this Order at this particular juncture cannot fail to have a very beneficial effect upon the cause of Temperance reform in this country.

[FOR THE HARBOR GRACE STAR.] The English Rose.

The Scotch exalt the Thistle, Its prickles sharp and keen; The Irish praise the Shamrock, Its leaves of tender green;

The Scotchman speaks with swelling pride Of the Thistle's hardy front, Which oft the tyrant's power defied

But the Rose has shone in splendour O'er many a well-fought field, And Britons, often conquerors, Are seldom known to yield.

Nor only o'er the warrior ranks, She proudly lifts her head; But in the nobler walks of peace, She ever first doth tread.

Then let us fondly cherish The loveliest flower that blows, And high o'er all exalt her, Our fair, OUR ENGLISH ROSE!

LOCAL ITEMS.

We thought we were likely to hear little or no more of that "Ginx's baby" about whom there was so much hubbub here some months ago; but Ginx was not to be so summarily laid.

In our present number is concluded the report of the trial in the important case of the Queen vs Kenny. By the facts elicited in the report of the proceedings in this case, we have an additional proof of that disinterested zeal and activity which have upon so many occasions, been the distinguishing characteristics of our Volunteer Fire Brigades.

We learn that Kenny, who was put upon his trial in the present term of the Supreme Court and found guilty by a Jury of his country, for incendiarism, was sentenced yesterday morning to twelve months' imprisonment.

THE Havana correspondent of the New York "Herald" says: "Twenty-five Chinese, belonging to the estate of Manuela, near Sagua, barbarously hacked the administrator, Don Facunda Garcia, to death with their rude hoes. Garcia defended himself, killing one and wounding three of his aggressors, but was obliged to succumb.

Latest Despatches.

TORONTO, Dec. 11. Among the measures to be brought forward by the Local Government of Ontario is a more liberal homestead law; also a measure to relax the stringency of the division court. These are thought necessary to attract immigration.

MONTREAL, 11. The Provincial Synod of the Anglican Church is in session here. Steps are being taken to appoint a missionary Bishop for Algoma.

QUEBEC, 11. In the Legislature yesterday, it was announced that Mr. Cauchon had resigned his seat to avoid further unpleasantness. A vote was given on an amendment to the independence of the Parliament Bill, which was decided by the speaker, casting his vote against the government.

LONDON, 10. Striking gas stokers in London have been sentenced to six months imprisonment.

The telegraph wires in Ireland, prostrated by the recent gales, have not yet been restored.

The steamer "Sir Francis" resumed her voyage from Queenstown for Boston on the 9th.

A deputation of moderate Republicans waited on Thiers yesterday to express apprehension that he was leaning too far forward to the party of the Right. The President in response, assured them that he would uphold, firm and unshaken, the policy announced in his message at the opening of the session.

LONDON, 11. Consols 91 1/2; Breadstuffs firm. Paris was visited yesterday by a terrible gale. Several buildings were demolished. Others damaged.

NEW YORK, 11. The Fifth Avenue Hotel was damaged by fire last night to the extent of \$1,000,000. The domestics who occupied the upper stories were unable to escape, owing to the burning of staircase. Twenty-two dead bodies have been recovered, sixteen in one room and six in another, with probably all lives lost. Most of the men burned are beyond recognition.

NEW YORK, 12. The burning of the upper portion of the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night was attended with fearful loss of life. The charred bodies of eleven female domestics have been recovered.

NEW YORK, 12. Mr. Gaston has been re-elected Mayor of Boston by a plurality of 352.

NEW YORK, 12. MERLE D'AUBIGNE.—The last hours of D'Aubigne are thus described: "Immediately upon the conclusion of the Conference he resumed his professional labors, and lectured regularly for three weeks. He delivered his last lecture on Saturday, the 19th, within forty hours of his death.

NEW YORK, 12. The steamer "Iceland," from England, bound to Pictou with a general cargo, went ashore near Port Mulgrave, Straits of Canso, on Wednesday. The tug "Dragon" from Pictou has gone to her assistance. The "Iceland" is owned by the Montreal and Newfoundland Sealing Company.

VIOLET ink is found to fade soon after its use. A San Francisco merchant filled up some certificates of stock with it, and placed them in a window. One sunny afternoon he noticed that every trace of the figures and dates had disappeared.

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from Hamburg several days ago for San Francisco with a large number of emigrants, stranded on an island off the Netherlands in the North Sea, and went to pieces. Eighty persons are known to have perished.

NEW YORK, 12. Governor Lewis, of Alabama, yesterday sent the Sheriff to take possession of the capitol in which the so-called "Capitol Legislature" is in Session. The Sheriff was arrested by the Senate for contempt, but subsequently released.

NEW ORLEANS, 12. The troubles look more serious. Warmouth sent a message to the Legislature bitterly denouncing the opposition; he also issued a proclamation forbidding citizens to recognize the Institute Hall Legislature. The militia will only obey Governor Warmouth.

NEW YORK, 12. Gold 112 5/8. Edwin Forrest, the eminent actor, fell dead in Philadelphia to-day, while dressing.

MONTREAL, 12. The Kingston "Wig" reports on good authority that Sir Francis Hincks has resigned his portfolio as Finance Minister, but that it will not be accepted till the House meets.

A CURIOUS RELIC.—I have now before me, writes a correspondent of the New York "Observer" a memento, and to my family a monitor. This "relic" is a silver spoon, and its history is this: Three centuries ago the ancestry of our family lived in Paris.

POSTAL CONVENTION.—Late New York advices inform us that a postal convention has just been concluded between the United States and Newfoundland, to take effect on and after Dec. 1, 1872. The rate of postage is reduced to six cents per half ounce and under; prepayment is compulsory.

In a neighboring city, says the New York "Ledger," the Chief of Police and one of his detectives have been indicted for complicity in the robbery of a bank. The charges against them are explicit. It is alleged that they furnished the necessary information to professional burglars, and, in fact, "put up the job."

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NEWS ITEMS.

On the last voyage of the schooner "Eugene" from St. Stephen, N. B., to Hyannis, Mass., with a cargo of railroad sleepers, she encountered a severe gale, and the captain found it necessary to leave the vessel to. While in this position a sea boarded the vessel, carrying overboard a part of the deck load, which carried with it the cook. The rest of the crew did not observe the accident, and were not aware of his condition until they heard him astern of the vessel. The mate being disabled, the captain and the two men left on board lowered the boat with much difficulty, when the captain, taking one of the men with him, left the schooner in search of the cook, whom they found in about thirty minutes clinging to a sleeper.

During this time the schooner was drifting fast to leeward, and when they got the man in the boat only the masts of the schooner could be seen from the boat; but by perseverance and good management, in two hours the captain got his boat alongside the schooner. The sea continued so rough they found it impossible to hoist the boat, as she kept filling as fast as they could bail. They therefore had to secure her astern and tow her full of water. The cook, on recovering the next morning, found that while in the water he had lost his wallet containing between one and two hundred dollars, his summer's earnings. The next day, the weather having moderated, they hauled the boat alongside and bailed her out, and in the bottom of the boat they found the wallet containing the money lost by the cook.

On Saturday illness, Mr. Francisco Catalonia, Spaniard, at Charlottetown, November, after Watson Ducher inhabitant of the Deceased was Duchemin of St. At King's Ober, after a long with Christian Will, Michael years, only son Torbay.

At St. John's Doolley, aged rick on Sair.

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Dec. 16.—Free —W. J. S. I Two Brothers, ton & Mun

Dec. 14.—Flee fish—Punto 17.—British fish—Ridley Tres Sobonus, tian, fish—B

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One day Hiron went to see Voltaire, but did not find him at home. In order to excite his ire, he wrote on the door "Old villain." Two days afterward he met the author of the "Henriade" in the street. "I was at your house," he said to Voltaire, with a sneer, "but did not find you at home." "I know it," replied Voltaire; "you left your name on the door."

MUNICIPAL DONATIONS.—Lord Dufferin, Governor General of Canada, has sent to the Relief Committee of Boston, a cheque for \$5000 as an expression of sympathy for the losses sustained by the recent fires.

Symptoms of revolutionary troubles are discovered in Rome. Orsini bonds have been captured at Florence destined for the Eternal City, and several arrests have been made of persons preparing to hold a Radical meeting.

There is much enthusiasm manifested in the British navy at the prospect of the expedition against the African slave trade. The Khedive of Egypt is trying to get a head of the English in the seizure of the Lake Regions of the Nile.

Sir George Cartier's health is greatly improved.

DIED.

On Saturday last, after a protracted illness, Mr. Francis McKenzie, a native of Catalonia, Spain, aged 38 years.

At Charlottetown, P. E. I., on the 7th November, after a short illness, Mr. Watson Duchemin, an old and respected inhabitant of that place, aged 72 years. Deceased was brother of the late Mr. P. Duchemin of St. John's.

At King's Cove, on the 12th November, after a long and painful illness, borne with Christian resignation to the Divine Will, Michael Anthony Cuddihy, aged 22 years; only son of Mr. Richard Cuddihy of Torbay.

At St. John's, on Monday, Mr. James Dooley, aged 31 years, a native of Carrick on Suir, County Waterford, Ireland.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF HARBOR GRACE

ENTERED.
Dec. 16.—Coole, Stapleton, Lingan, coal—W. J. S. Donnelly.
Two Brothers, Pike, Cow Bay, coal—Punton & Munn.

CLEARED.
Dec. 14.—Fleetwing, Pike, Pernambuco, fish—Punton & Munn.
17.—British Gem, Burnard, Plymouth, fish—Ridley & Sons.
Tres Sobonus, Juan Mondigo, San Sebastian, fish—Ridley & Sons.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

ENTERED.
Dec. 6.—Harbor Grace, Brown, New York J. Murray.
9.—Otter, Ryan, Sydney, Job, Brothers & Co.

Iceland, Jenkins, Pictou, N. Stabb & Sons.
Race, Williamson, Greenock, W. Grieve & Co.
Britannia, McCormack, P. E. Island, J. & W. Pitts.
Mercede, LeBuff, Cow Bay, G. F. Bown.
10.—Tieker, Curtin, P. E. Island, J. & W. Pitts.
12.—Lion, Ash, London, W. Grieve & Co.

CLEARED.
Dec. 6.—A. M. B., Belfontaine, Sydney, J. Murray.
T. H. Haviland, Boutin, Glace Bay, Bowring Bros.
9.—Kalmia, Day, Pernambuco, P. & L. Tessier.
Gertrude, Layman, Barcelona, J. & W. Stewart.
Eagle, Jackman, Sydney, Bowring Bros.
10.—Joven, Garvina, Bilbao, C. F. Ansell.
Mary Lizzie, Ward, Pernambuco, P. & L. Tessier.
Sophie, Shears, Lisbon, E. Duder.
Ghoorka, Neilson, Greenock, Job, Bros & Co.
12.—Tigress, Bartlett, Sydney, Harvey & Co.

PIANO TUNING!

Mr. J. CURRIE,
TUNER AND REPAIRER OF

PIANOS.
IN returning thanks for past favours, I beg respectfully to solicit a continuance of the same. All work executed punctually, and satisfaction guaranteed. CONCERTINAS also repaired.

Satisfactory references as to ability will be given on enquiry.
Orders left at No. 170 Water Street will receive immediate attention.
Dec. 17. tff

W. H. THOMPSON,
AGENT FOR

Parsons' Purgative Pills.

NOTICE.

ANNUAL Examination
OF THE PUPILS OF THE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
Will be held on **FRIDAY** next, at 11 o'clock A. M. The parents of the pupils and the public are respectfully invited to be present.
JOHN MUNN,
Chairman of Commissioners.
Dec. 17, '72.

FOR SALE.

JUST RECEIVED,

Ex "Kats," and FOR SALE by the Subscriber,

A CARGO PRIME SYDNEY

COALS.

G. MAKINSON.

Dec. 13.

NOTICE.

172 WATER STREET, 172

JAMES FALLON,
TIN, COPPER & SHEET-IRON WORKER,

BEGS respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Harbor Grace and outports that he has commenced business in the Shop No. 172 Water Street, Harbor Grace, opposite the premises of Messrs. Punton & Munn, and is prepared to fill all orders in the above lines, with neatness and despatch, hoping by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage.

JOBING

Done at the Cheapest possible Terms.

Dec. 13. tff

J. Mellis,
TAILOR & CLOTHIER,
208, Water Street, St. John's,

BEGS respectfully to inform the public of Conception Bay generally that he has always on hand a complete assortment of

CLOTHING

For all seasons of the year, which can be obtained at the **LOWEST** remunerative PRICES. All Clothing to order, cut in the most fashionable styles, and forwarded with despatch. Terms moderate. Orders from the outports promptly attended to.

J. M. visits Conception Bay twice a year, of which notice is duly given.
Dec. 10. 1y†

W. H. THOMPSON,
AGENT FOR

Fellows' Compound Syrup
OF
HYPOPHOSPHITES.

BLANK FORMS

Executed with **NEATNESS** and **DESPATCH** at the Office of this Paper.

CAUTION!

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that after this date, I will not be responsible for any Debts contracted in my name, without a Written Order from myself.
ROBERT MORRIS.
Dec. 10.

NOTICE.

Bazaar!

A BAZAAR for the purpose of LIQUIDATING THE DEBT incurred by recent repairs and additions to the Wesleyan Church here, will be opened on or about the 15th JANUARY next. Contributions in aid of the same are solicited, and will be most thankfully acknowledged by the Ladies furnishing Tables, or by the
REV. C. LADNER.
Dec. 6.

Union Bank of Newfoundland.

THE Directors hereby give notice that a Dividend on the Capital Stock of the Company, at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum, for the half year ending 30th Nov., 1872, will be payable at the Banking House, in Duckworth Street, on and after **THURSDAY** next, the 5th inst. (By order of the Board.)
JOHN W. SMITH,
St. John's Dec. 3. Manager.

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LUCINDA BARTLETT.
Bay Roberts, }
Nov. 13, 1872. }

FOR SALE!

BY
THE SUBSCRIBER—
1 Good Horse
1 Set Harness
1 Cart
1 Dray, and
1 Catamaran.
Dec. 3. **JAMES POWER.**

A Dwelling House

—AND—
LAND
Attached, (known under the name of Snow Hill) situated on the Carbonear Road, one mile from Harbor Grace. This is an eligible place for farming operations, and is alike suitable for rich or poor. For particulars apply to
JAMES POWER.
Oct. 29.



General Post Office Notice.

FROM and after the 1st day of November the Postage Rates on Letters, Books, Parcels, Circulars and Newspapers, addressed to the Dominion of Canada and Prince Edward Island will be as follows, viz.:—
Letters, per half-ounce..... 6 cents.
Books and Parcels, per lb. . . . 16 "
Circulars, each..... 2 "
Newspapers, each..... 2 "
Prepayment compulsory.
A similar reduction will take place on the correspondence to and from the United States, when the Postal Convention has been signed, which will be about the first of December.
Correspondence transmitted by Contract Steamers leaving St. John's for Liverpool, will be, for Letters at the reduced rate of six cents per half-ounce. That per steamer via Pictou and Halifax to Liverpool, at the same charge as now made, of twelve cents the half-ounce.
JOHN DELANEY, P. M. G.

W. H. THOMPSON,
AGENT FOR

Johnson's Anodyne Liniment.

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HARBOR GRACE
W. H. THOMPSON
PROPR

HAS ALWAYS ON HAND A CAR

Drugs, Medicines, Dry

And nearly every article in his
Gallup's Floriline for the Teeth
and Breath
Keating's Worm Tablets
" Cough Lozenges

Rowland's Odonto
Oxley's Essence of Ginger
Lamplough's yretic Saline
Powell's Balsam Aniseed
Medicamentum (stamped)
British Oil
Balsam of Life
Chlorodyne

Mexican Mustang Liniment
Steer's Opodilloc
Radway's Ready Relief
Arnold's Balsam
Murray's Fluid Magnesia
" Acidulated Syrup
S. A. Allen's Hair Restorer
Rossiter's " "

Ayer's Hair Vigor
" Sarsaparilla
" Cherry Pectoral
Pickles, French Capers, Sauces
Soothing Syrup
Kaye's Coaguline
India Rubber Sponge
Teething Rings
Sponge, Tooth Cloths
Nail, Shoe and Stove Brushes
Widow Welch's Pills
Cockle's " "

Holloway's " "
Norton's " "
Hunt's " "
Morrison's " "
Radway's " "
Ayer's " "
Parsons' " "
Jaynes' " "

Holloway's Ointment
Adams' Indian Salve
Russia Salve

All the above proprietary articles which none are genuine.
Outport Orders will receive careful May 14.

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[LATE EVANS, LEMESSURIER & KNIGHT,]

COMMISSION AGENTS.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE SALE and PURCHASE OF

DRY & PICKLED FISH

FLOUR, PROVISIONS, WEST INDIA PRODUCE

AND— DRY GOODS.

Consignments solicited.
St. John's, May 7. tff

FOR SALE.

—BY—
THE SUBSCRIBER,
231 —Water Street— 231

BREAD
Flour, Pork, Beef
Butter, Molasses, Sugar
Tea, Coffee, Cheese,
Ham, Bacon, Pease, Rice

TOBACCO
KEROSENE OIL, &c., &c.
CHEAP FOR CASH, FRESH

OR OIL.
DANIEL FITZGERALD.
Sept. 13. tff

JUST RECEIVED
A FRESH SUPPLY OF
ADAMS'
INDIAN

SALVE.
W. H. THOMPSON.

FOR SALE.

LUMBER!

—BY—
H. W. TRAPNELL.

Now landing, ex "Atalanta," from Port Medway, N. S.:

20 M. Seasoned Prime Pine BOARD
20 do. Hemlock do.
30 do. No. 2 Pine do.
July 30.

E. W. LYON

Has just received a large assortment of
Coloured French Kid GLOVES,
Which he offers to the public at **VERY LOW PRICES.**
July 9. tff

Take a seat, sir.
Bill sat down. Then Mr. Moran, handing the note to Con, said that it contained an introduction to a leading merchant in London, and recommended them as responsible young men, worthy of situations in his establishment, and asking him, as a particular favor, to employ them, or, at least, use his influence to obtain them places.
Thank you, sir; we will try to prove deserving of your kindness.
I don't doubt that you will.
Good morning, sir, said both Con and Bill as they left the library.
Their wardrobe was not large, so they soon packed it up, Con, in the meantime, explaining the mystery of their departure. And, after taking a farewell of Maria, they left for London.

Chapter VI.

Somewhat sobered by their adventures, our two friends settled down to work with the determination of doing credit to the kind recommendation of Mr. Moran. Bill was in the counting-house, and Con sold goods. Two years of steady, faithful labor passed in this way, and our two heroes were changed into a couple of steady young men of twenty-one and twenty-three.

During the two years they had heard but little of their benefactor. They knew he was alive and well, but nothing more. When, therefore, one day, they received invitations to spend Christmas week at his residence, they were agreeably surprised.

What shall we do about this? asked Con.

Rests with you, said Bill.

Guess we'd better accept.

All right. What do you suppose is the meaning of this move?

Haven't the least idea. Don't suppose he means to patronize us, do you?

Perhaps.

I want go, then.

You've changed in the past few years; once, you believed in getting all out of the world that you possibly could. I'm going to make this visit on that principle.

True.

You had better follow my example. Guess I will. We'll try it anyhow, and if we are not suited, we can come back.

In consequence of this determination, the day before Christmas found Con and Bill bound for the residence of their Devonshire friend. They arrived in safety, and were warmly welcomed by Mr. Moran, who directly conducted them to the apartment which they were to occupy.

I thought you would prefer to room together, as you had become so accustomed to it, said Mr. Moran.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness, replied Bill.

You know the way to the drawing-room, continued Mr. Moran. When you are ready, you will please join us there.

Mr. Moran then left the room. Our heroes were soon becomingly arrayed, not in purple and fine linen, but in broad cloth coats, latest styles of waist-coats, and lavender colored pantaloons. Con, in addition to the above mentioned attire, was actually guilty of wearing a turn-down collar, a la Byron. The reason of this act of insanity was that, somehow or other, he had become firmly impressed with the idea that he bore a striking resemblance to that handsome author. Con wasn't at all conceited.

They at once proceeded down the staircase and entered the parlor, where were congregated five or six young ladies. For a wonder, the introduction passed off without any mistakes. Con immediately plunged into conversation, while Bill withdrew into the deep recess of one of the bay-windows, and listened to their merry chatter.

While in the midst of an animated discussion, they were interrupted by the entrance of a young lady. She was very beautiful, but not of the kind easily described. Every new thought imparted a different beauty to her expressive countenance, and a rarer grace to her motions.

Con started, with a movement of half-recognition. She, however, seemed not to see him. He resumed his seat with a disappointed look upon his face. At that instant a voice behind him said,—

Mr. Fredericks, Miss Howson; Miss Howson, Mr. Fredericks.

Stepping forward, and bowing, Con said, in a pleasant tone,—

We have met before, Miss Howson. You, doubtless, have forgotten me; but do you remember the day upon the Mississippi, and your involuntary bath, or have all recollection of the three years in St. Louis escaped you?

Not at all. But is it possible that you are the brave little Con Fredericks who rescued me from drowning, and

afterwards so devotedly carried my books to school for me, and complied with my every caprice and whim? How happy I am to meet you! and she gave him her pretty white hand, which he not only took, but pressed. He was progressing, you see.

All this had passed in an undertone; but the young lady who had introduced them overheard it, and, with a mischievous expression on her face, cried,—

A romance, a romance, girls! O Louey, tell us what it is—that's a dear!

Do! do! do! echoed the others.

Louisa, for it was the little Louisa Howson of steamboat memory, saw the flush that mounted to Con's face, and wisely concluded that he did not desire a revelation of his past history; so she said,—

Excuse me, my dears; but there are circumstances connected with it that are painful to Con—I mean, Mr. Fredericks.

O dear! And the inquisitive maidens pouted; but, seeing Bill's head protruding from the tapestry that covered the window, turned to him, and besought him, in their most persuasive accents, to tell them all about it.

Of course, he didn't, and, as a reward for his reticence, was instantly introduced to Louisa.

From the time of the meeting of Con and Louisa, the other young ladies lost all their charms in the eyes of the former, and he shamefully neglected them. Bill did his best to make up the deficiency, but that wasn't much; for, in addition to being anything but a lady's man, all his thoughts were monopolized by a certain bright-eyed, airy little sylph named Carrie Bascomb, who was visiting Mr. Moran's daughters.

Alas! our heroes were in love, and the objects of their affection were conscious of, and encouraged, their advances.

Poor Maria was inconsolable for a while, but afterwards became conciliated by the attentions of a new, and very handsome assistant gardener, and was the most faithful ally of our lovers, carrying notes and bouquets for them. They thought that they were unobserved, while every one but Mr. Moran, Louisa's guardian, and Carrie's father, noticed the affair, and canvassed the probability of matches being made.

The three gentlemen, however, were not destined to remain in ignorance much longer. Their informant was the pompous butler, who had never forgiven Con for his appropriation of Maria. Suspecting that she was their emissary, he waylaid her, and, by dint of threats and force, compelled her to give up two notes, which he at once carried to Louisa's guardian and Carrie's father. They opened, read, and took them to Mr. Moran, and demanded that the young men be stopped from making love.

Mr. Moran was in a quandary; his sympathies were with Con and Bill; besides, courtesy would not allow him to turn them out of his house. And yet he stood in danger of losing the friendship of the two gentlemen, who were "exceedingly wrathful," unless he took some measures. So he spoke to our two heroes, and assuring them of his sympathy, and pledging himself to give all possible assistance, advised them to leave until the excitement blew over.

Con and Bill acquiesced, and packing up their things, started at once for London. The young ladies, unlike volatile Maria, were wretched, and looked in the glass every morning to see whether they were growing thin. When they discovered what part the butler had acted in bringing about their troubles, they played innumerable tricks upon him, and made him wish that he had minded his own business.

Chapter VII.

When they got back to town, our two lovers were rather melancholy. Con told a customer, who asked the price of a certain article, that it was worth fifteen Louisa's; while Bill was considerably mortified to find, on looking over the book, that he had charged several bills to Carrie Bascomb. In fact, they both felt that things were getting desperate, and at last they registered a vow to marry their Dulcineas, or die in the attempt.

They sent notes to the girls, informing them of their intentions, and Con received an answer, which told how Louisa's guardian was determined that she should marry a vulgar New York merchant named Sam Blow; while Bill quite succumbed under the intelligence that Carrie's father was bent on forcing her to unite herself with a drunken, stingy, Devonshire squire.

They at once despatched notes to their sweet-hearts, urging them to disregard parental authority, and fly with

them. Notes of acquiescence were received in return to these, but they were warned to expedite matters, as Louisa was to start for America very soon, and Carrie's marriage was set for a day two weeks distant. This news set our heroes to devising some way of accomplishing their object.

Bill, said Con, we're in a scrape.

I'm aware of it.

Let's get out of it.

I'm willing.

Don't be so obtuse. Suggest something.

Can't. All the ways have been tried. They are on the watch, and we'd get caught.

Let's try something on our own account, then. I have it! We'll disguise ourselves as travelling minstrels, clope with the girls—letting them know what our disguises are beforehand—and start for America at once.

And I think we had better take Mr. Moran in our confidence.

I agree with you.

Next morning they gave up their situations, much to the regret of their employer, who tendered them places in the American branch of the house, which was situated in New York city. They gladly availed themselves of this kind offer, and saying that they were obliged to be absent from the city for two weeks on urgent business, started on their romantic expedition.

Mr. Moran met them at their journey's end, and before they parted, had arranged a plan whereby to bring about the effecting of their project. Our heroes were to meet the young ladies in Moran's park, early next morning. They were to be attended by Maria and her handsome lover, both of whom were to be witnesses of the marriage ceremony.

In the meantime, Con and Bill procured licenses, and made arrangements with the minister to receive them at an early hour next morning. After enjoying, for the last time, the bachelor's privileges of a mug of beer, and a pipe in their own apartments, our intended Benedicts retired into the arms of Morpheus.

At the appointed hour next morning they were at a remote entrance of the park, with a close carriage. Having seen that the ladies were seated inside, with Maria and the handsome gardener, our heroes mounted the box with the driver, and telling him to make haste, started at a rapid pace for the house of the man of God. They arrived without the wagon breaking down, or any of the usual accidents happening. The minister wasn't up yet, and consequently there was some delay. At last, however, the tardy church dignitary appeared and, without further loss of time proceeded to unite our lovers in the holy bonds of matrimony.

After paying the minister, and procuring the necessary papers, our bridal party started for the carriage. Just as they reached the piazza, they heard a loud shout, and looking in the direction from whence it came, beheld, coming over an adjoining hill at a breakneck pace, a large party of men and boys, headed by what appeared to be two rather demoralized old gentlemen.

Oh! What shall we do? ejaculated both of the brides, in tearful accents.

Keep cool, answered Con.

Why, wh-a-a-t does this mean? stammered the minister.

Runaway match—old gentlemen after us. Too late; went amount to anything, answered Con, laconically.

By this time, the crowd had reached the gate, and, with a shout of triumph rushed in, headed by Louisa's guardian and Carrie's father, both of whom were breathless from their race.

Is it too late? gasped they, both speaking at once.

Alas! it is, replied Con, with mock gravity, and a very solemn looking countenance.

Then there was a noise, as of the bursting forth of a mighty torrent. The old gentlemen raved and stormed; but, after wasting an hour in this amusement, concluded that they had better make the best of the affair. They said so, and you may rest assured that our heroes did not hesitate about accepting their overtures of peace. They all returned to Mr. Moran's house, a happy company, with the exception of the butler, who had received a severe talking to; for it turned out that he had been sneaking around at the time the bridal party started for the parson's and conveyed intelligence of their flight to the two old gentlemen. That night they had quite a celebration; wine flowed plentifully, and general good feeling reigned.

The Devonshire squire bore his loss philosophically, drank the health of the

young couples, and asked Carrie to introduce him to a bouncing country-girl, dressed in pea-green silk, with a red sash around her waist, and blue ribbons in her hair, whom he confidentially informed his former betrothed, he intended to marry.

Little more remains to be written. At the appointed time, Con and Bill, accompanied by their two wives, Louisa's guardian and Carrie's father, who wanted to see America, started for the United States. On their arrival at their destination they were met by Sam Blow, who, contrary to all expectation, had grown up into a fine, manly sort of fellow, a little rough, it is true, but all right in the main.

On the first night after their arrival they had a pleasant social gathering, at which Con and Bill told stories of their adventures; while Sam Blow related their boarding-school experience, and made the crowning toast of the evening, which was, "Here's to the Two Vagabonds!"

The Power of Children.

A man was leaning, much intoxicated, against a tree; some little children coming from school saw him there, and at once said to each other,—

What shall we do for him?

Oh! I'll tell you, said one, presently let's sing him a temperance song, away the bowl, away the bowl, and so on in beautiful tune.

The poor fellow enjoyed the singing, and when they had finished that song, he said,—

Sing again, little girls, sing again.

We will, they said, if you will sign the temperance pledge.

No, no; we are not at a temperance meeting; there are no pledges here.

I have a pledge, cried one; and I have a pencil, cried the other! holding up the pledge and pencil, they besought him to sign it.

No, no; I won't sign it now. Sing for me.

So they sang again.

"The drink that's in the drunkard's Is not the drink for me."

Oh, do sing that again, said he, as he wiped the tears from his eyes.

No, no more, said they, unless you'll sign the pledge; sign, and we will sing for you.

He pleaded for the singing, but they were firm, and declared they would go away if he would not sign.

But, said the poor fellow, striving to find an excuse, there's no table here; how can I write without a table?

At this, a modest, quiet, pretty little creature with a finger on her lips, came and said,—

Yes, you can spread the pledge on the crown of your hat, and I will hold it for you.

Off came the hat, the child held it, and the pledge was signed, and the little ones burst out with

"Oh, water for me, bright water for me! Give wine to the tremulous debauchee."

I heard that man in Worcester Town Hall, with uplifted hands and quivering lips say,—

I thank God for the sympathy of those children; I shall thank God to all eternity that he sent those little children as messengers of mercy to me.

A long-haired young local editor of an Arkansas paper does an obituary notice thus: "The sister angels of the lovely deceased, pining at her absence from their heavenly abode, floated down on jewelled pinions and bore her back to her native skies. She was a good worker, and was known from the Great River of the West to the Eastern Seas as a pre-eminently lovely type of radiant girlhood."

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ENTERPRISE; OR THE TWO VAGABONDS.

[CONCLUDED.]

I would, sir, said the butler, and the sooner the better, you—you—

Keep quiet, John! commanded Mr. Moran.

The astonished butler obeyed. Turning to the ladies—the interview had taken place in the drawing-room into which he had impetuously rushed—Con apologized for such conduct, in their presence. He was just about to leave the room, when a messenger came from Mr. Moran, who had withdrawn to the library, while Con was talking with the ladies, saying, that master would like to see him afore he left.

Tell him I'll be there presently, said Con, in a very nonchalant manner.

The lackey stared open-mouthed at the impudence, as he thought, of his fellow-servitor. But Con soon followed the messenger to Mr. Moran's library.

The two had a long conversation, in which Con gave him a sort of history of his life. His former master was as deeply interested as though he was reading an exciting novel. When Con had finished, Mr. Moran arose, and, touching a bell, summoned a servant.

Go, he said, and tell Bill Crowley, the assistant gardener that I would like to see him.

Then he sat down and wrote a note. By the time he had finished, Bill knocked at the door.

Come in! said Mr. Moran.

Bill entered.

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