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EDITORS & PROPRIETORS

WHOLE No. 737.

WAVERLY HOTEL,
NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI, N. B.

This House has lately been refurnished, and very possible arrangements made to ensure the comfort of travellers.

ALEX. STEWART,
Proprietor
Newcastle, Dec. 2, 1878.

UNITED STATES HOTEL,
NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI,
NEW BRUNSWICK.

This Hotel is very pleasantly situated, and is the first class hotel in the city. It is situated within two minutes walk of the wharves.

JOHN FAY, PROPRIETOR.
Newcastle, Oct. 5, 1877.

CANADA HOUSE,
CHATHAM, NEW BRUNSWICK.

WM. JOHNSTON, Proprietor.
Considerable outlay has been made on this house to make it a first class hotel, and travellers will find it a desirable temporary residence.

ROYAL HOTEL,
45 King Street,
ST. JOHN, N. B.

This splendid hotel, the finest in the Maritime Provinces, is now open for the reception of guests, who will find here an excellent table, well served, and a comfortable and well-ventilated room.

THOS. F. RAYMOND,
St. John May 11, 1881.

BOARDERS WANTED.
Having fitted up and refurnished the building in Newcastle, owned by C. E. McKean, we are prepared to accommodate a number of boarders on reasonable terms.

JOHN & WM. M'KEEN,
Newcastle, N. B., June 14th, 1881.

WIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS.
WATER ST., CHATHAM.

WILLIAM LAWLER,
Importers of Marble & Manufacturer of MONUMENTS, TABLES, HEADSTONES, MANTELS, TABLE TOPS, &c.

Leather & Shoe Findings.
The Subscriber returns thanks to his numerous customers for past favors, and would say to all that he keeps constantly on hand a full supply of the best quality goods to be had at lowest rates for cash.

SAMUEL THOMSON,
Barrister and Attorney-at-Law,
Solicitor in Bankruptcy,
NOTARY PUBLIC &c.

J. W. Forster,
Auctioneer & Commission Merchant,
RICHMOND, N. B.

Administrators Notice.
All persons having just claims against the Estate of JOHN FAIRLEY, late of Ladlow, in the County of Northumberland, deceased, are requested to present the same, duly attested, to the undersigned, within three months from date, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

DR. H. A. FISH,
Physician and Surgeon.

DR. McDONALD,
Physician and Surgeon.

W. & J. ANSLAW,
Printers and Stationers.

C. H. THOMAS & CO.,
WHOLESALE MANUFACTURERS OF
GENTS' NECK WEAR.

Keep always on hand a large assortment of White Dress Shirts and Fancy Regatta Shirts, with or without Collars attached, Collars, Cuffs, Braces, Scarfs, Bow-Ties, Collar and Cuff Studs, Shirt Studs.

UNDERCLOTHING, &c.,
and everything pertaining to the Furnishing Trade. Also a full line of Celluloid Collars and Cuffs.

No one should be without them. They are water proof, perspiration proof, and durable.

SHIRTS MADE TO ORDER IN THE LATEST STYLES. NO MISFITS.

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mar-30-ly
Queen St., Fredericton, N. B.

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OF
ADAMS & LAWLER,
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Bankruptcy, Conveyancers, Notaries Public, &c., Real Estate, & Fire Insurance Agents.

JOHN R. MALTBY,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
NOTARY PUBLIC,
CONVEYANCER, &c. &c.

L. J. TWEEDEIE,
ATTORNEY & BARRISTER
AT LAW,
NOTARY PUBLIC,
CONVEYANCER, &c.,
CHATHAM, N. B.

WILLIAM WYSE,
GENERAL DEALER,
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CHATHAM, MIRAMICHI, N. B.

A. O. SKINNER'S
CARPET WAREHOUSE,
BRUSSELS AND TAPESTRY CARPETS;
WOOL AND DUTCH CARPETS;
OILCLOTHS AND LINOLEUMS;
MATS AND HEARTH RUGS;
MATTINGS, OF ALL KINDS;
LACE CURTAINS, &c. &c. &c.;
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H. LUNAM, B. A., M. D.,
GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY OF M'ILL COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

Successor to Dr. Balcom.
OFFICE AT MR. ROBERT SINCLAIR'S RESIDENCE,
CAMPBELLTON, N. B.
October 18, 1881.

PETER LOGGIE,
Wood Moulding & Planing
MILL,
Near the Ferry Landing,
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EVERY DESCRIPTION OF
FINISHING
For House or Ship Work, manufactured to order.

Venetian Blinds, Doors and Sashes.
Pine and Walnut Mouldings.
Jig Sawing and Planing, a Specialty.

Estimates and Specifications furnished on application.
Orders attended to with dispatch.

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Flour and Commission Merchants, Millers and Shippers Agents,
ROBISON'S BLOCK,
MONCTON, N. B.

Orders taken for direct shipments of flour from Mills in car load lots, and drafts made direct on consignees. Flour a specialty.

Importers of Flour, Meal, Pork, Seeds and Provisions, Paints, Oils, Glass, Nails and General Hardware, Groceries, Crockery, &c. &c.

Samples of all kinds of goods sent on application. Every description of country produce taken in exchange.
Aug. 5, 1880.

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CARPET WAREHOUSE,
BRUSSELS AND TAPESTRY CARPETS;
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Orders from the Country promptly attended to.
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G. A. BLAIR,
Merchant Tailor,
Chatham, N. B.

On hand, a first class stock of
English, Scotch & Canadian
TWEEDS,
BROADCLOTHS, DOESKINS, &c.

AND A GOOD VARIETY OF
Overcoatings,
Which will be made up to order promptly, and in the best and most fashionable styles.

Particular attention given to orders from a distance.

The Latest New York Fashions
Regularly Received.

STAND—Stone Building, adjoining Dr. PALLEN'S, Water Street.
Chatham, Nov. 16, 1880.

CUSTOM TAILORING.
THE Subscriber has opened a FIRST CLASS TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT in the Shop formerly occupied by Mr. F. H. Anslaw, and owned by the Hon. William Muir head, near Letson's Scales, Water Street Chatham.

Gentlemen wanting clothes made to order for
SPRING AND SUMMER
will do well to examine his splendid assortment.

ENGLISH & CANADIAN CLOTHS
to select from.

GENTLEMEN'S GARMENTS made up under the general supervision of a First Class Cutter.

Cloth Purchased elsewhere will be made up on the premises.

W. M. MORRIS,
Chatham, April 30, 1877.

FREDERICTON
Custom Tailoring & Clothing
ESTABLISHMENT.

James R. Howie,
MARBLE HALL, QUEEN ST.

DESIRE to return his thanks to his many patrons in the North and elsewhere, for the generous patronage extended to him, and would assure them that no pains will be spared to retain their custom, as it is his aim to have all work performed in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner. Particular attention is given to all orders from the country.

Now in hand
FINE STOCK OF CLOTHS
SUITABLE FOR
Spring & Summer Wear,
which will be made up in the latest styles.

Orders respectfully solicited.
A good fit guaranteed in every case.

I keep on hand a full stock of READY MADE CLOTHING and GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, which will be sold at "Hard Times" prices.

JAMES R. HOWIE,
Fredericton, May 12, 1879.

GRAY'S SPECIFIC MEDICINE.
TRADE MARK The Great English Remedy for the treatment of all cases of Gonorrhoea, Syphilis, Pains in the Back, Dimness of Vision, Protrusion of the Old Age, and many other Diseases that lead to Insanity, TRADE MARK OR Consumption and a premature grave. Full particulars in our pamphlet, which we desire to send free by mail to every one. The Specific Medicine is sold in six packages at \$1 per package or six packages for \$5, or will be sent free by mail on receipt of the money by addressing
AFTER TAKING.
The Gray Medicine Co.,
Feb. 16-ly Toronto, Ont., Canada.

SOME NEW
GAMES FOR CHILDREN.
Now that the long evenings are approaching, it is advisable that the children should be provided with useful recreation. The following games are both instructive and amusing, and very fascinating.

LOGOMACHE;
OR
War of Words.
PRICE 60 CENTS.

This Game is easily learned being accompanied with concise directions, and in a short time not only the young folks, but also the old folks are equally interested in it.

The Gem Puzzle.
This wonderful little puzzle, which has racked the brains of both old and young for some time past, is a problem not easily solved, and enquiries are still made for it. We have a few dozen on hand and will send a sample box postpaid for the low price of 15 cents. The boxes are wood, and are neatly done up in cardboard boxes.

Apply to
WILLIAM M'ASSON,
Executor of the Estate.
Newcastle, August 10, 1880.

MILL SUPPLIES.
Rubber Belting, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Piles,
HOYT'S CELEBRATED LEATHER BELTING,
Single and Double.

DISNEY AND SONS' MILL SAWS,
Lubricating Oils, Steam Fittings, Lacing Leather, Rubber and Steam Packing of all kinds.

ESTEY, ALLWOOD & CO.,
Prince William Street.
St. John, June 22, 1881.

W. & J. ANSLAW,
Printers and Stationers.

Selected Literature.

HER LITTLE FORTUNE.

"Oh, yes, my face is my fortune? Didn't you know that? The day grandpa made his will he called me into his room and gave me my choice to marry the man he had selected for my husband, or see the fortune he had always meant for me go to another."

"I don't like the man you want me to marry, grandpa," I said, "and so by your leave I'll stay single, and you may do as you like with your money."

"It's your last chance, mind that, miss!" he answered. "Either you promise to do what I want you to do now, or you will be left with no fortune but your own pretty face. I mean it."

"All right, says I; and that is how my face is my fortune—all the fortune I shall ever have."

"And all the fortune you will ever beed too," muttered Cliffe Atherton, as he stole admiring glances at the bright picturesque face with its rich coloring, its soft, dark lustrous eyes. "Odds he said, that your grandfather never altered his will after that. He was so fond of you that he must have meant to."

"Probably. But as he never did, here I am with no other fortune than the aforesaid pretty face, which I imagine, will not bring me in much of an income."

"You must have that cousin to whom the money is left—the money which ought to have been yours."

"Oh, no; it was not his fault, and my grandfather had a right to do as he liked with his own. Besides Frank Deauwrote to me and wanted me to take half the money; but he will not of course. He must be an uncommonly nice fellow. They say he is good-natured to his mother and sisters. They were poor till this money came, you know."

"Were they! Well I am glad for them and sorry for you. Then I have a feeling for Frank Deauwrote to me and wanted me to take half the money; but he will not of course. He must be an uncommonly nice fellow. They say he is good-natured to his mother and sisters. They were poor till this money came, you know."

"You do wrong to speak of yourself in that manner Mr. Atherton. Few have such gifts either of good looks or intellect as you."

"The young man glanced gloomily at the velvet-covered cushions that stood within reach, and then at the twisted limb extended upon a cushion before him.

"You are very kind Miss Lestary; but which do you call this—a gift of good looks or intellect?"

"Any one to whom you are dear would love you the more for it," she answered quickly. "Frank Deauwrote to me and wanted me to take half the money; but he will not of course. He must be an uncommonly nice fellow. They say he is good-natured to his mother and sisters. They were poor till this money came, you know."

"I am dreaming, Edith, or did you kiss me just now?"

"She hung her head, amid deep blushes of confusion.

"I did not know I kissed you. I did not mean to do that."

"He caught the sweet face to his lips. There were tears in his eyes too.

"I don't deserve such a happiness," he said. "Who told you I had lost my money?"

"Mrs. Worthy told me just now."

"What else did she tell you?"

"That you had been to Paris, and tried a surgical operation for your poor limb, and it had failed."

"He laughed aloud.

"Mrs. Worthy is not posted. The surgical operation did not fail. I cannot take a step yet, and am not allowed to try. But if all goes right, I shall walk as well as any one in six weeks. It is all nonsense about the money too, I wonder where she got the idea?"

"You have not lost it?"

"No, indeed. That is not all, Edith. My name is not Cliffe Atherton but—"

"Frank Deau!" she cried, a sudden light breaking in upon her.

"Yes, I felt so mean to take the money from you—a woman, and you would not take half of it. So I came to try and persuade you, and immediately fell head and ears over in love with you. Then you returned me, and I thought I did not care whether the surgical operation succeeded or not. When it did I could not help

New Advertisements.

TREMENDOUS CRASH! Fearful Destruction of Prices.

Sutherland & Creaghan, Newcastle.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF Winter Dry Goods!

Blankets, Flannels, Dresses, Silks, Satins, Shawls, Mantles, Winceys, Prints, Millinery Goods, Smallwares, Haberdashery, Cottons, Storekeepers' Supplies, Berlin Wool Goods, Men's Clothing and Furnishings, Camp Blankets and Lumbermen's Supplies, Socks, Mitts and Homespun.

Recognizing the fact that

A DOLLAR should be only valued for its purchasing power and that merchandise has to be turned over under the influence of

CASH. We have decided to put on Sale \$28,000.00

Worth of sound, reliable and seasonable Goods, which represent our reduced winter stock of Dry Goods, purchased by us for cash from manufacturers.

We are now STOCK TAKING, and goods are being marked down and must be sold, even REGARDLESS OF PROFIT. This is no small Holiday display of Gewgaws, Glimcracks and

Frivolous Things Destined to Meet the FATE OF TOYS at the hands of children, but a

MAMMOTH CHEAP SALE

of Durable and Household Goods of HIGH STANDARD VALUE, SELECTED WITH GREAT CARE AT CLOSE CASH DISCOUNTS. The reason we sacrifice this splendid stock is, we anticipate the largest trade ever done by any firm on the Miramichi next spring and summer. We want to start with Fresh Spring Goods on a larger scale, and have decided on CLEARING OUT all our stock.

NO MISTAKE. ABSOLUTE SALE. THESE GOODS MUST GO. Therefore Bargains will be given. This is the time for Country Store Keepers to get low prices and their own terms. Prices are going to pieces, and competitors annihilated in presence of the fact that discerning public know where to buy, and appreciate our efforts to place really honest goods at their doors for prices heretofore paid for trashy fabrics.

We guarantee every article as represented or money returned.

Parcels and samples sent post free on application. We submit our merchandise to the closest comparison, and respectfully invite the purchasing public to call and examine our goods, when we will tender them the best courtesy and treatment whether they buy or not.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Sutherland & Creaghan.

Newcastle, December 21, 1881.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

The CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY offer lands in the FERTILE BELT of Manitoba and the Northwest Territory for sale at

\$2.50 PER ACRE.

Payment to be made one-sixth at time of purchase, and the balance in five annual instalments, with interest at six per cent.

A REBATE OF \$1.25 PER ACRE

being allowed, on certain conditions, for cultivation and other improvements.

THE LAND GRANT BONDS

of the Company, which can be procured at all the Agencies of the Bank of Montreal, and other Banking Institutions throughout the country, will be RECEIVED AT TEN PER CENT PREMIUM

on their par value, with interest accrued, on account of and in payment of the purchase money, thus further reducing the price of the land to the purchaser. Special arrangements made with Emigration and Land Companies. For full particulars, apply to the Company's Land Commissioner, JOHN McTAVISH, Winnipeg; or to the undersigned.

By order of the Board,

CHARLES DRINKWATER, Secretary.

Montreal, December 1st, 1881.

M'NAUGHTON BROS.

Manufacturers of

HARNESS AND COLLARS,

Wholesale and Retail.

MAIN STREET, MONCTON, N. B.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

We are offering SPECIAL PRICES

OVERCOATS, ULSTERS AND WINTER SHIRTS.

A large and complete assortment of FINE GROCERIES AT POPULAR PRICES.

HOLIDAY NOVELTIES

IN GREAT VARIETY JAMES FISH. Newcastle, Dec. 13, 1881.

IMPORTATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.

Thanking the public for the patronage extended in the past, I take pleasure in stating that I have made extensive importations of goods to meet the requirements of the trade, for the Christmas and New Year season, all of which will be sold at reduced prices for ONE MONTH. The stock comprises in part:-

DRIED FRUITS.

25 boxes RAISINS, in London Layer, Layer, and Valencia. 2 cases Finest Patras Currants. 10 cases Candied Peel, in Citron, Orange and Lemon. 2 cases Finest Layer FIGS, in 1 1/2 and 14 lb. boxes. 2 cases Valencia Oranges and Lemons. 1 frail Bombay DATES. 2 cases Evaporated Apples. 1 barrel finest quality Dried Apples. 10 barrels Choice Apples for Christmas. 1 case Cooking Prunes.

FLAVORING EXTRACTS.

in Lemon, Cloves, Cinnamon, Vanilla, Orange, Almond, Rose and Peppermint.

GROUND SPICES.

In Pepper, Allspice, Cloves, Nutmegs, Cassia, Ginger, Mace, etc.

CANNED GOODS.

In Tomatoes, Raspberries, STRAWBERRIES, Pumpkin, Green Peas, Pine-Apple, Peaches, Baked Beans, Sweet Corn, Roast Mutton, Beef, Tongue, Tenderloin, Chicken, Salmon, Lobster, Mackerel, Sardines, Oysters, Soup and Bouilli, Soup in Gravy, Mould Turtle and Ox Tail.

NUTS.

In Filberts, Walnuts, Castanas, Pea, Soft Shell Almonds, Sweet Jordan Shelled do.

PICKLES ETC.

In Morton's, Crosse & Blackwell's, and Lazenby's SAUCES of all kinds.

SUGARS.

In Refined, Raw, Powdered, Paris Lumps, Granulated, and Bright Yellow C.

1 CASE AMBER SYRUP, 2 puncheons best Porto Rico and Barbadoes MOLASSES.

1 1/2 Ton Best Table Butter. A few tubs Choice Creamery. HALF TON CHEESE, Wiltshire and Finest Factory.

CONFECTIONERY.

In 80 different varieties, exclusive of a splendid assortment of FANCY ORNAMENTS, which will be sold from 15 cents up.

BISCUITS AND CRACKERS.

In great variety, from the leading establishments in the Dominion. 1 case finest sugar cured HAMS. 1 case rolled BACON, Yorkshire SIDES and SHOULDERS. 5 tennants and 10 buckets Best Leaf LARD.

CAKES.

Wedding, Fruit, Plain, Currant, Queen, Sponge and a variety of Cakes made to order. 1 case of ORNAMENTS and BANNERS, specially for Wedding and Christmas Cakes.

Together with a Large Stock of TEAS, COFFEES, BROMA, COCOA, CHOCOLATE, KAOKA, CARRACAS COCOA (a delicious drink), TOBACCO, CIGARS, and a great variety of unenumerated articles for household use.

Have you tasted the new temperance drink - "Vin-Sante" If not, call and buy a bottle, after which you will not fail to lay in a supply with which to treat your friends when they call.

HENRY WYSE. Newcastle, December 12, 1881.

FLOUR!

Just received - in store: 120 BBLs. Weston, superior extra. 120 " Peerless choice " 120 " Pride of Westminster, ch. pat. 120 " Peerless ch. sup. extra. To arrive: 250 BBLs. White Crown, ch. sup. extra. 250 " Pride of Westminster, ch. pat. 120 " Peerless ch. sup. extra. For sale low to the trade. A. J. BABANG & CO. Moncton, Dec. 10.

FIGS. FIGS.

Receiving to-day per S. S. "Sardinian" 2 CASES Choice New Figs, in 14 lb. boxes. For sale low to the trade. A. J. BABANG & CO. Moncton, Dec. 10.

GREAT X'MAS SALE

Dry Goods, Furniture, Bedding &c.

In order to give my Customers and Friends an opportunity of buying useful

X'Mas and New Year's Presents,

I have decided to make a discount of 5 Per Cent.

on all cash purchases of FIVE DOLLARS AND OVER during the present month. As my goods have always been sold at

LOWER PRICES

than any house in the trade, my patrons will know that the above prices represent a saving of fully

20 Per Cent. The Stock is the newest and best assorted ever shown, and is being added to daily.

DRESS GOODS

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What could be better suited for a

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D. Morrison. Newcastle, Dec. 6, 1881.

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I have IN STOCK for the HOLIDAY TRADE,

A very Large Quantity of HOME MADE AND IMPORTED

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-IMPORTED- Sugared Almonds, Gum Drops, Caramels, Scotch Mixtures, French Cream, Japanese Coconut, Sugar Cigars, Rock Candy etc.

-ALSO- CRACKERS

In variety, COFFEE, CREAM TARTAR, PICKLES,

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FRUITS in Oranges, Lemons, Apples, etc.

These Goods are all Fresh and good and must give satisfaction to the purchaser.

H. J. Reeves. Newcastle, Dec. 12.

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CIDE!

9 Barrels Sweet Cider. FOR SALE BY JARDINE & CO. St. John, Dec. 5.

New Raisins, Currants, Figs and Pickles.

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7 cases NEW ELEME FIGS; 15 bbls. NEW PATRAS CURRANTS; 10 bbls. MALAGA GRAPES; 100 boxes NEW VALENTIA RAISINS; 50 boxes NEW DESEA RAISINS; 50 bbls. NEW LONDON LAYER RAISINS; 50 bbls. New Loose MUSCATEL RAISINS; 25 bbls. NEW SULTANA RAISINS; 25 bbls. WHYBROW'S PICKLES; 50 cases Carter, Hall & Co's PICKLES, etc.

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Receiving to-day per S. S. "Sardinian," via Halifax and I. C. R. 100 BOXES LONDON LAYERS, New Crop. To arrive per S. S. "Hibernian," via Halifax now due:

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METEOROLOGICAL Table with columns for DATE, Time, Height of Barometer, Thermometer, and other weather-related data.

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When the present beautiful Kingstrasse was formed of the glass of the city walls thirty years ago the city executioner dwelt on the spot after the revolution of 1847 had been put down; it was here that Robert Blum was shot, and after him many others were hanged and shot on the same spot. At that time the legend began that the curse of God would rest on the place for all time. Perhaps it is true that that has made the five or six managers of the Ring theatre bankrupt since 1847. It certainly seems to have rested on Director Janner's directorship. Every day brings new facts about the criminal carelessness of the management of the Ring theatre and the selfish cowardice of those engaged on the stage, who seem to have had no sympathy with the opinions expressed in a pamphlet written by Byron: "Fire, we assure our generous benefactors, will only burn the scenery and actors." During the five minutes which passed between the fire breaking out on the stage and its penetrating the drop-curtain none had presence of mind or heroism enough to inform the audience of the danger. A person who was once stage manager at the Ring writes a letter to a Vienna paper, stating his conviction that the fire originated below the stage floor, and had there gathered strength before it appeared. A little paragraph which appears in this morning's paper may be worthy of consideration as pointing to the cause of the fire. About ten days ago, during a rehearsal, smoke was noticed on the stage issuing from below. What, think you, was found to be the cause? A workman entrusted with the removal of rubbish had swept it into a corner of the place below, and to save himself the trouble, was burning it up. The workman was an idiot, but I do not say that this man was the originator of the fire. This half-witted individual could have done no harm if the theatre had been properly conducted.

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FALL AND WINTER. Having received a large and excellent assortment of Millinery Goods suitable for the fall and winter, I am prepared to meet the requirements of customers in town and country. The stock received comprises in part the latest styles of HATS AND BONNETS. Trimmings of every Description including the most fashionable designs in OMBRE, the latest in fashion in ribbons, feathers, and all the accessories of this class. This class of trimming includes Plushes, Satins, Tans and other Ribbons, and Feathers to match. An inspection of these goods is respectfully invited. SUSIE A. JARDINE. Newcastle, Nov. 14, 1881.

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INTERNATIONAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. Winter Arrangement. TWO TRIPS A WEEK. ON and after MONDAY, Nov. 28th, and MONDAY, Dec. 12th, the splendid sailing Steamer "CITY OF PORTLAND" will leave for St. John, N. B., every Monday and Thursday Mornings at 8 o'clock P. M. for Eastport and St. John. Through Tickets can be procured at this office and H. CHISHOLM & CO. at all points of Canada and the United States. No claims for allowance after goods leave the Warehouse. Freight received Wednesday and Saturday only, up to 6 o'clock P. M. H. W. CHISHOLM, Agent. St. John, Nov. 22, 1881.

NOTICE.

THE partnership heretofore existing under the name of MOWAT & ALEXANDER, is this day dissolved, by mutual consent. Mr. Alexander retiring. All parties having accounts against same firm will present them to J. P. MOWAT, who alone is authorized to collect and pay all amounts due to and by said firm. J. P. MOWAT, & A. ALEXANDER. Campbellton, N. B. Dec. 1st, 1881. 2m.

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The attention of Lumbermen is called to the fact that M. O. THOMPSON is prepared to furnish All kinds of Team Harness & Collars at shortest notice. ALSO- All kinds of Team Whips and Thongs, Curry Combs, Brushes, Sidelings, Zinc Collar Pads, Horse Blankets, Horse Cards, Mane Combs, Harness Snaps, Neat's Foot Oil, McLaughlin's Harness Oil, Miller's Harness Soap, and everything usually kept in a FIRST CLASS HARNESS SHOP. I have under way TWO HUNDRED COLLARS, which I am prepared to warrant to any who favor me with their orders. Thanking my customers for their liberal patronage in the past, I would solicit a continuance of the same. All orders promptly filled and satisfaction guaranteed. M. O. THOMPSON, Newcastle, Oct. 4, 1881.

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COUNTRY PEOPLE

can get all their wants supplied under the one roof, and thereby avoid the unpleasant annoyance of running from Shop to Shop to get what they want, and can save money by examining my stock before purchasing elsewhere. F. BRAUN, Secretary, Dept. of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, Oct. 24th, 1881. 2 Nov-12w

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NOVEMBER 14TH, 1881. WINTER IMPORTATIONS in Cloths, Costings, Overcoatings, Trousers, Hats, and Suits in immense variety. PRINTS AND CRETONNES, Latest Printings. BLANKETS and FLANNELS Household and Lumbering uses. MILLINERY! Latest Novelties up to date of Last Sailing Satins, Silks, Velvets, Plushes, Shawls. NEW RIBBONS, in most attractive colorings. HOSIERY & GLOVES, all makes, Men's, Ladies', Children's. Trimmings and Small Wares. Several cases new things open. DANIEL and BOYD, Market Square and Chipman's Hill St. John, Nov. 14.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Emory's Bar to Port Moody. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Tender for Work in British Columbia. SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to NOON on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY next, in a sum of money for the construction of that portion of the road between Port Moody and the West-end of Contract No. 2, near Emory's Bar, a distance of about 40 miles. Specifications, conditions of contract and forms of tender may be obtained on application at the Canadian Pacific Railway Office, in New Westminster, and at the Chief Engineer's Office at Ottawa after the 1st January next, at which time plans and profiles will be open for inspection at the latter office. This timely notice is given with a view to giving Contractors an opportunity of visiting and examining the ground during the season and before the winter sets in. Mr. Marcus Smith, who is in charge at the office at New Westminster, is instructed to give Contractors all the information in his power. No tender will be entertained unless on one of the printed forms, addressed to P. Braun, Esq., Sec. Dept. of Railways and Canals, and marked "Tender for C. P. R." F. BRAUN, Secretary, Dept. of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, Oct. 24th, 1881. 2 Nov-12w

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A large assortment of BOY'S TOOL CHESTS & BOXES OF GAMES.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,

Note the Stand—Carter's Store, opposite the Waverley Hotel. GEO. STABLES. Newcastle, Dec. 18, '81.

CHRISTMAS LITERATURE.

(Continued from first page.)

There is a police-station down this way.

The two men walk on, arm-in-arm, in the direction of Denison street.

How much is there of this missing family? asks Mr. Todd.

There's a wife and two children,—I hope, answers the other.

The best woman in the world, Hal, and two of the brightest children. Sing like larks, both of 'em. Bless their hearts! says the sailor, brushing away a tear; "I thought I should have 'em in my lap this Christmas day, and it's tough to be hunting for 'em in this blind fashion."

It is tough, says the lumberman, coughing a little. He has stopped on the sidewalk, on Denison street, just opposite Number 45. He lays his hand on his friend's shoulder. "Look here, Brad Johnson," he says, "we are going to find that wife and those children pretty soon, I suspect. And you've got to keep cool. D'ye hear?"

What do you mean? gasps the sailor.

The eye of Mr. Haliburton Todd is quickly lifted to the window of the second story opposite. His friend's eye follows, and falls on the picture we saw there a little while ago,—the mother intent upon the book, the children intent upon the mother's face.

There's no outcry, but the father lifts his hands, as if to heaven, staggers a little, and then plunges across the street. Mr. Todd is after him, and seizes him by the collar just as he reaches the foot of the stairs.

Hold on, man! he says decisively. "You mustn't rush in on that woman in this way. You'd kill her. She's none too strong. Wait here a few moments, and I'll break it to her."

You're right, answers the father, pressing his hands against his temples, and steadying himself by the wall. "But you won't keep me waiting long, will you?"

Mr. Haliburton Todd knocks at the door and is let in by Ben.

Oh, Mr. Todd, how good you are! Thank you a hundred thousand times! cry both the children at once.

Well, I'm glad if you've enjoyed my little gifts, he answers. "But I've been thinking that your good mother ought to have a little of the cheer of this Christmas as well as you."

Just what we said, answers Ben.

Mrs. Johnson colors a little, but before she can speak, Mr. Todd goes on. "Pardon me, madam, but what your minister told me yesterday of your affairs has led me to take a deep interest in them. How long is it since your husband left home?"

More than two years, answers the lady.

You have had no direct intelligence from him since he went away?

None at all save the painful news of the loss of his vessel, with all on board.

Have you ever learned the full particulars of the shipwreck?

No; how could I? Mrs. Johnson turns suddenly pale.

Be calm, I beseech you, my dear lady. I did not suppose that you could have heard. But I met just now, in the street, an old friend of mine—and of yours—who knows a great deal about it. And I want to assure you, before he comes in, that—that the story as it reached you—was—was considerably exaggerated, that is all—Excuse me, and I will send in my friend.

Mr. Todd quickly withdraws.—The color comes and goes upon the mother's face. "Merciful Father!" she cries, "what does it all mean?"

She rises from the chair; the door that Mr. Todd has left ajar gently opens, and quickly closes. We will not open it again just now. That place is too sacred for prying eyes. It is a great cry of joy that fills the ears and the eyes of Mr. Haliburton Todd, as he goes softly down the stairs, and walks away to his hotel.

Ah! how later, when the shock of the joy is over a little, and the explanations have been made, and father and mother and children are sitting for a few moments silent in a great peace, the nature of the human boy began to assert itself.

Isn't it, ventures Ben, timidly, as if the words were a profanation, isn't it about time for dinner?"

Indeed it is, my boy, answers his mother, "and I'm afraid our dinner is spoiled. Open the oven door, Ruby."

Ruby obeys, and finds the poor, forgotten chicken done to a cinder. "Never mind," says the mother.—"Our dinner will be a little late, but we'll find something with which to keep the feast."

Just then, there is a knock at the door opening into the new neighbor's apartment.

What can they want? says Mrs. Johnson. "Perhaps my dear, they had better answer the knock. They are new-comers to-day."

Mr. Johnson pushes back the bolt and opens the door. The room is hung with a profusion of Christmas greens. A bright fire blazes on the hearth. A table in the middle of the room is loaded

with smoking viands. A smiling colored waiter, with napkin on arm, bows politely when the door is opened.

"If you please, sah, dinmah is ready, sah?"

Whose dinner? demands Mr. Johnson.

Your dinner, sah. De folk's dinmah 'n' dis yer front room. It was ordered for 'dem."

Where was it ordered?

Copeland's, sah.

Who ordered it?

Gen'l'm'n with gray ulcerated coat on, sah; I seen him kin up 'n' yer room 'bout 'n' hour ago. I was to git it all ready 'n' call you jes' half-past two."

Another of Todd's surprises, exclaims Mr. Johnson. "Well, my dears, the dinner is here; and we should be very ungrateful not to partake of it with thanksgiving."

What a happy feast it is! How the laughter and the tears chase each other around the table!—How swiftly the grief and misery and dread of the two desolate years that are gone, fly away into a far-off land!

By and by, when the cloth is removed, and they are seated around the open fire, Ruby says, musingly: "Papa, did you really and truly know Mr. Todd when you were a boy?"

Certainly, my darling; why do you ask?

I can't quite think, says the girl, "that he is a real man. It seems to me as if he must be an angel."

While she speaks, the angel is knocking at the door. They all fly to him; the father hugs him; the mother kisses his hand; the children clasp his knees.

Help! help! shouts the hearty lumberman. "I did n't come here to be garrotted!"

Then with much laughing and crying, they tell him Ruby's doubts concerning him.

Well, he says merrily, "I may be an angel, but if so, I am not aware of it. Angels are not generally addicted to the lumber business. And you need n't make any speeches to me, for I have n't time to hear 'em. Fact is, this has been the very reddest of all my red-letter days; the merriest of my Christmases; and you people have been the innocent occasion of it all. And I'm not done with you yet. I'll have you all up to my lumber camp next summer; there's a nice cabin there, for you. Pine woods 'll do you lots of good, ma'am. Great fishing there, Ben! You'll come, won't you? It's almost train time. Good bye!"

And before they have time to protest or to promise, Mr. Haliburton Todd is down the stairs, rushing away to the station of the Eastern Railroad.

HOW

Goldsworthy Brothers SPENT THEIR CHRISTMAS.

CHAPTER I.

IT was Christmas Eve. The newly lighted gas jets flung a ruddy gleam upon the snow-carpeted streets of the great city. The flakes were falling still, but little chance had they to whiten on the flagstones, for an ever-increasing throng of workers was pouring forth. The wayfarers passed on without lingering to gossip, one and all wearing the same expression of cheery haste. Not quite all, however. From the foot of a narrow staircase, a man came forth, with a listless tread, towards a handsome carriage which was awaiting him. The whole equipage denoted wealth, and the appearance of the owner was in strict accordance with it. Robert Goldsworthy looked the very incarnation of commercial respectability. As the year and only surviving partner in the long established firm of Goldsworthy Brothers, his credit was unimpeachable, and the balance at his bankers was almost equal to the whole capital of many a flourishing concern. And yet a close observer would have seen that to him the word Christmas brought no joyful anticipations.

Far different was the effect of the coming holiday upon one occupant of the office which Mr. Goldsworthy had just left. Mr. Matthew Knibbs, the cashier of the house of Goldsworthy Brothers, by no means shared his employer's want of appreciation of the festive season. Even the books, handled so tenderly by Mr. Knibbs the rest of the year, were slammed and banged to-night with a reckless-ness to which they were wholly unaccustomed. Mr. Knibbs was in a hurry to be home, and he didn't care who knew it. As soon as the books were safely deposited, Mr. Knibbs, putting on his hat with a positive bang, and exchanging "Merry Christmas," in the heartiest of tones, sallied forth.—Manfully, under his big umbrella, he pursued his way until he found himself opposite a quiet grocery. Here Knibbs made various purchases tending towards pudding, but in small quantities; also a goodly supply of tea and sugar. Then stowing his various parcels away in his capacious pockets, he hurried on, till he came to a street corner, where an old crane was attempting to sweep a very muddy crossing.

"Well, Mrs. Brown, how's trade to-night, and how do we get on for the pudding to-morrow?"

"Thank you kindly, sir," the old

woman replied, "I can't complain; I've taken a good many coppers, and one silver piece to-day; but as to pudding, it ain't much o' that the likes of us gets."

"Well, now, do you think you could make a pudding if you came across the materials?"

"Lor bless 'ee, sir," the old woman replied, "I don't know nothing 'bout 'terials; but I reckon if I had a quart o' flour, and a trifle o' raisins and sugar, that 'ud and my neighbor, Mrs. Duffy, 'ud make out a pudding somehow."

"Well, then, hold up your apron," And Knibbs discerned behind himself the parcels, and adding a bright silver piece, hurried on faster than ever, to escape the thanks which the old woman showered upon him.

He had only proceeded a few steps, however, when an individual who had watched the whole transaction, tapped him on the shoulder.

"You go the right way to earn a merry Christmas, Mat Knibbs."

Knibbs started, seeming much ashamed of his conduct. Recovering himself, however, his eyes wandered over the stranger's figure without any sign of recognition.

The stranger resumed: "You don't remember me, old friend! Well, many years have passed since Matthew Knibbs would have had a better memory."

As he spoke Knibbs started. "If the dead could come back to life again, I should say it was Mr. John!"

"And it is Mr. John himself, Mat Knibbs, and right glad he is to grasp an old friend's hand once more. Dead you thought me, eh?"

The "Atlanta" was wrecked, but I escaped, at the cost of spending many years among half-naked savages. But my little girl! Shelves!"

"Yes, and a dearer little lady never gladdened a father's heart. It'll be a happy day, when she hears that you have come home alive and safe."

"Will it, Knibbs? Well, we shall see. She may hardly care to be claimed by a vagabond father."

"Shame on you! But I forgot, you can't know Miss Nelly. If you were a beggar you'd be as welcome as if you were a king. I ought to know her well; I held her in my arms when she was a baby, and for the last seven months she has lived in my house and been like one of my own."

"In your house, Knibbs! What has happened to my brother?"

"Dear, dear, Mr. John; that's my unlucky tongue again. Well, I'll tell you. Since you went away, and left the child in your brother's care, times have changed with him. He is ten times richer than when you left, and is prouder and sterner than ever. I believe he loved Miss Nelly and intended to make her his heiress, for he has never married, and he had set his heart upon her making a good marriage; and I believe he had fixed upon some grand gentleman with mountains of money, but old enough to be her father. As luck would have it, Miss Nelly had already made a choice for herself, but the young man is only a clerk at present. His name is Walter Arden, who was cashier in the firm before me—for I'm the cashier now. Well, the young man is his nephew, and a worthy fellow never stepped. He was favorite with your brother and he used to invite him to his house. However, when Mr. Goldsworthy wanted Miss Nelly to marry this rich gentleman, it all came out, and he was fearfully angry; and the end of it was, he said Miss Nelly must either give up Walter or consider herself cast off forever. The poor child has a spirit of her own, and it wasn't likely that she would give up her lover; so Mr. Robert told her to quit his house, and never let him see her again."

John Goldsworthy's face had grown sterner and sterner during Knibbs' recital.

"The poor child was almost broken-hearted. Oh, it was an awful thing. The sin must have lain heavy on your brother's heart; he has not been the same man since that night."

"Knibbs, let me hear the end."

"Well, the worst is told. Providence put it into her bewildered little head to come to us. My little woman, that's Mrs. Knibbs, you know, and a better wife or more tender-hearted soul never breathed, though I say it, that shouldn't; and I don't see why I shouldn't, either, God bless her! The poor child was almost in despair at first, but we talked to her, and my little woman—women have such a soothing way, you see, when any one's in trouble—she persuaded her to stay with us till she got something better; so she has been with us ever since. She was terribly afraid of being a burden to us, till Dorothy hit upon the idea that she should do water-color drawings, and I should sell them. So I take them, and bring her home a little money now and then, as if I had disposed of them to the dealers; and there they are, wrapped up in tissue paper, in my desk at the office. It pricked my conscience a little to deceive her; but it made her so happy to think that she was doing something for herself, that I couldn't make up my mind to undeceive her."

John Goldsworthy dashed his hand across his eyes. "Knibbs, old friend, God will reward you and your good wife."

Poor Knibbs colored up to the roots of his hair. "Nor was his embarrassment lessened as Goldsworthy showed his hand."

"Mr. Goldsworthy! don't, pray,

you're hurting me, you are indeed."

And the squeeze must have been very hard, for there were tears in the little man's eyes.

"Bless my heart!" he exclaimed.

"Here am I keeping you talking out in the street, while you are longing to see your daughter, after being parted most twenty years. Come along with me. It isn't a splendid home, but we keep happy hearts and plenty of love in it; and you shall be a welcome guest."

"I'll come, you may be sure, old friend," said John Goldsworthy; "but not to-night. There is a tempest within me I dare not bring into your presence. Before I see my dear child's face I have a reckoning to settle with the man who did his duty so well to his brother's orphan child!"

Knibbs' face fell. "Then you won't come home with me to-night?"

"No, old friend, not to-night. My business to-night is with my brother. To-morrow I will claim your hospitality. And I wish you, if you will, to keep my secret a little longer. Let me come to-morrow merely as an old friend of yours, and see my little girl among you; and reveal the secret myself. I should like to see with my own eyes that she is not spoiled by wealth. You will humor me, will you not?"

"Of course I will. I dare say the good news won't spoil by keeping; but it seems hard to keep such happiness from her. I'll give Dorothy just a hint? I'm so happy myself, she'd be sure to notice it, and I've both loved Nelly so dearly."

"I will answer for her, you may tell her as much as you like. Good-bye till to-morrow. And remember, I come as an old friend."

"I won't forget," said Knibbs, and the two parted.

John Goldsworthy paced with rapid strides till he reached his brother's house, in a fashionable square. The peal which he gave at the bell so disconcerted the footman that he compromised his dignity by opening the door almost instantly.

"Is Mr. Goldsworthy at home?"

"Mr. Goldsworthy is in, but he is pertickler engaged, and can't see you to-night."

"He will see me, and to-night, said John Goldsworthy, striding into the hall, and shaking himself to get rid of the snow."

The footman stood aghast at the assurance of his visitor, and was about to return an impertinent answer, but something in the eye of John Goldsworthy restrained him, and he said meekly, "What name shall I say, sir?"

"None. In which room shall I find your master?"

The overcast footman indicated a door, at which John Goldsworthy entered.

The room which John Goldsworthy entered so unceremoniously was a handsomely furnished library, and at a table near the centre sat the merchant reading. John Goldsworthy strode up to the table and seated himself directly facing his brother. As he did so, Robert Goldsworthy, amazed at the conduct of his visitor, raised the shade of the lamp, the light of which streamed full upon John Goldsworthy's stern features. His brother's face changed to a look of terror, while his hands convulsively clasped the arms of his chair, as though he would have fallen.

"John!" he gasped, "has the grave given up its dead?"

"No, Robert Goldsworthy," said John sternly. "Put aside your fears. I returned home but yesterday, and my first thought was to embrace my brother, and the child I had left in his charge. Since that time, strange reports have reached me; and before I can stretch to you the hand of brotherly affection, I must know how you have discharged my trust. Where is my child?"

"Forgive me, forgive me, John! God help me, I cannot tell!"

"You cannot tell? You cannot tell, Robert Goldsworthy! You know when, after the death of my beloved wife, I went out on business of the firm, twenty years ago. I left my baby with you, confident in your promise that you would care for her as your own. I was shipwrecked; but I escaped, as you see, with life. I have but just discovered how it was that my letters never reached you, nor any came from you to me. As I loved my wife once, I love my daughter now. I left my child in your care. I ask you for her now."

"Brother John, until six months ago, I faithfully kept your trust. Nelly was in this house as much mistress as if she had been my own child. In an unhappy moment an offer was made to me for her hand, and I approved the suit. However, Nelly had already formed an attachment to a clerk in my counting-house. I considered it a presumption in him to aspire to the hand of my adopted daughter, and insisted that she should give him up. She refused. I spoke in anger, and commanded her either to give up her lover or to leave my house forever. I have never seen her since."

"And so you turned your brother's child out into the streets?"

"Stop, John, before you condemn me quite. Until the next morning I had no idea she was gone; and from that hour I have been a miserable man. With a shaking hand Robert Goldsworthy reached a pile of newspapers, and seizing one, he turned to the day page.

"June 6th—that was the day after she left—If E. G. will return home, all will be forgiven. From that day I have never ceased to

advertise, to entreat and pray her to return. From the day when she left me I have not known one happy moment. Brother John, will you not forgive me?"

John Goldsworthy spoke in the same icy tone. "No, you must ask forgiveness of her whom you have wronged. I find that the man I trusted most on earth has turned my child into the streets for having given her affections to an honorable young man, in preference to a middle-aged millionaire. And for following the natural impulse of her young heart, you turned her out of your house. The thought makes my blood boil. You were kind to her for fourteen years. But for that remembrance, I could strike you to the ground."

"John! John!"

"Silence, and hear me out! Half an hour ago, you did not know you had a brother. Forget it again. Henceforth, we meet as strangers. I shall not seek your face again until I have forgiven you the wrong you have done my child, and that will be never!"

Robert Goldsworthy hid his face in his hands. When he looked up again, he was alone.

CHAPTER II.

Christmas day! and the great heart of humanity beats with a quickened pulse. In thousands of homesteads joyous greetings are exchanged, and cordial "Merry Christmas" and hearty hand-shakes are exchanged as the people tramp through the crisp white snow to their accustomed church.

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John Goldsworthy's breast, as he realized the application of the lesson, but the old man read, a better feeling prevailed. After the reading came a homely but earnest prayer, and then the Prayer-er for prayer that has been prayed for eighteen hundred years. There was a tone of more than ordinary earnest pleading, as he came to the familiar words, 'Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us,' and when the prayer was ended, John Goldsworthy held out his hand to Matthew Knibbs. 'Old friend, with God's help, you have conquered me. And you, my darling, if it will make you happy, I will make friends with him, and we will go to your uncle at once.'

'At once! to-night! Oh papa, I'm so very, very glad! And flinging her arms round his neck, she gave him such kisses! For my part, I'd have forgiven my lawyer himself only for one of them. The tall footman's astonishment at seeing them was unbounded. He had little time, however, to indulge it, for Nelly merely said, 'I shall find my uncle in the library, I suppose, Thomas?' and the two entered unannounced. Robert Goldsworthy was seated at the fireside. He was changed, even since the previous night. The worn, restless look had deepened into one of utter dejection. Even his very attitude, seemed to denote a broken-spirited man. Nelly knelt down by her uncle's chair, whilst her soft sobs swept his thin hand—'Uncle.'

Robert Goldsworthy seemed but slowly to realize her presence. The slow, frightened way in which he turned his head towards her, spoke volumes of what he must have suffered, and John Goldsworthy's heart smote him, that he should have added to so great an agony.

'Nelly! come back? Yes, dear uncle, your own Nelly. And I have brought some one else to be friends with you, if you will let him.'

Robert Goldsworthy for the first time perceived his brother's presence. With hands outstretched, he essayed to rise, but the excitement had been too great for his enfeebled strength, and he staggered back into his chair.

John Goldsworthy stepped forward, and knelt before his brother, grasping his hands in his—'Brother, we have both forgiveness to exchange. I ask you to forgive me the hard words I spoke last night, and this dear child shall be your daughter as well as mine, and make Christmas in our hearts our whole lives long.'

Peace and good-will! sing the Christmas chimes.

And would you believe it? John Goldsworthy's story of being poor turned out to be all a pretence, 'just to test his daughter's heart,' and what is still more remarkable, nobody seemed to dislike him for being a millionaire. And Goldsworthy Brothers is now 'Goldsworthy Brothers & Co.,' and Mat Knibbs and Walter Arden are Co. And the whole firm, together with Mrs. Knibbs and a lot of young Knibbises and little Ardens always spend Christmas Day together, and a jolly party they make.

DECORATIONS OF The Christmas Tree.

In breaking eggs for cake and pies, leave the shells as nearly whole as possible or in two halves. Ornament these with bright bits of color and gilt. Paste small corals to them, fill with candies and hang on the tree. With care, these fancy shells may be made to do service several years. Popcorn nicely, string it, and hang in festoons on the tree. Apples of bright color and oranges hung on a tree look very pretty. They should be hung near the body of the tree. Take common bonnet, cut it in stocking shapes, sew together with bright worsted, fill with transparent candies of various tints. Get rock candy, break into small bits, and suspend by fine spool cotton from the boughs.—'Twill glitter like frostwork. To fasten on the candles, if you have not the little candlesticks made on purpose, use fine wire from some old hat or bonnet frame. Hang all the heavy articles near the body of the tree, the lightest ones near the ends of the boughs. For a Sunday school a very pretty change from the conventional tree is a ladder. Let it be decorated with evergreens and flowers, the rounds illuminated with a candle at each end, and the presents be suspended from the rounds. The ladder should reach from floor to ceiling. Unless one can form a ladder thus decorated he can see no how beautiful it looks; and in the lesson it teaches is one that can be brought home to the hearts of all the children, little and big.

To every heart, however bowed down with sorrow, or poverty, or sickness, God sends His cheering angel Hope, who bithely sings, in thrilling accents, 'It is better farther on!'

CHRISTMAS.

BY JOHN READE.

O blessed day that halloest The old year, ere it dies, And in Time's weather-beaten breast Stillst the weary sighs. We greet thee now with praise and mirth, In memory of our Saviour's birth.

We hail thee, as the shepherd throng, On that Judean field, And the same heavenly burst of song By which their hearts were thrilled—'Peace be on earth, good-will to men—' From heaven to earth descends again.

The race of man had wandered, sore Beneath its weight of sin, For many a weary age before The day was ushered in On which the benison of God, On all his children was bestowed.

To Israel the word had come, That in its royal lines err, Should rise at last a Prince, of whom The race should be divine, And so arose o'er all the earth A longing for some wondrous birth.

Prophet to prophet handed down The promise, still more clear, While Jewish mothers pondered on The Child that should appear, And bards inspired of Greece and Rome Foretold the Monarch that should come.

And farther east and farther west The scattered nations felt, By some strange yearning, half-confessed, As to their gods they knelt, That One, far greater than they knew, God's needed work on earth must do.

Many had come to teach mankind, And precepts were not few; But vain, alas! to try to find, 'Mid so much false, the true, Or satisfy the questions keen About the world that is unseen.

No teacher yet had come with power To solve each doubt that springs, Or give, in that most solemn hour When death his summons brings, The calm, clear faith that knows no fear, Hearing the whisper, 'I am here.'

So now, in spite of priest and sage, The world in darkness errs, Rome reads with doubting smile the page Of Greek philosophers; And cyclic age to seeking youth With scorn repeats, 'Pray what is truth?'

And Israel, rent by factions wild, And prey to alien foes, Still guards the promise of the Child Whose birth shall end its woes; But never dreams to look for Him In that meek group at Bethlehem.

Yet there, as on this very day, In that Judean town, Obscure He in a manger lay, Without a robe or crown, Thither in spirit drew we nigh And worship in humility.

O scene so dear to Christian art By inspiration graced! O scene that on the human heart By love divine is traced! The Holy Mother and the Child! The God-man and the Virgin mild!

The heedless world is unaware Of thee, O Bethlehem, And of the King reposing there Without a diadem, But Rome's old gods may feel the power That dooms them at this awful hour.

Before the Babe of Bethlehem What millions bow to-day! O God! in mercy look on them And teach them how to pray— To pray for peace and work for peace Till war and all its horrors cease.

For oh! 'tis very sad to know That, after all these years, Men thus should cause each other woe And drench the earth with tears, They are unworthy of Thy name, O Christ, who put Thee thus to shame!

So many centuries, alas! Since Thou wast born, yet seems The world so nearly what it was, When only fitful gleams Of Thy reflected radiance glowed Upon the earth which Thou hast trod.

So many centuries! But Thou Hast no regard of time; To Thee all ages are as now, And, while we slowly climb To cause from consequence with pain, All things to Thee are ever plain.

At last we know all will be well— Enough for us to know— Enough all tempting doubts to quell, However it be so, Let us but strive that every day, May find us further on our way.

O blessed day, traditions dear Have gathered round thy name; Of modest mirth, of kindly cheer, Of charity's bright flame, 'Unto the least of these, said He, 'What'er you do, you do to Me.'

Peace and good-will—O blessed words, To be our guide through life— Oh! may the nations sheathe their swords, And cease from cruel strife, The widow's wail, the orphan's tear, Sad; sad are these for Christmas cheer.

Peace and good-will—O warring sects, That bear the Christian name, What is the faith that He expects, On whom you found your claim? By love He conquered all mankind— Let there be in you the same mind.

O Christmas-tide! O merry time! When all the world seems young; When every heart is set a-chime, And loosened every tongue! Thank God for what He gives away! Thank God for merry Christmas-day!

O Christmas-tide! We would not throw A shadow on thy name, Or cause a needless sigh; but oh! One privilege we claim— We think of Christmas-days of yore, And those whose smiles we greet no more.

O, dear, dear friends of other years, Who shared our joy and pain, We have not power, with all our tears, To bring you back again, But, as we think of you to-day, We cannot dream you far away.

And we shall meet, we hope, at last, When, rent the parting veil, Death's tyranny is overpast, And the glad earth shall hail A glorious, endless Christmas morn, When man in Christ awakes new-born.

From The Cottage Hearth. CHRISTMAS. BY WILLIS B. ALLEN.

'At Christmas play, and make good cheer, For Christmas comes but once a year.'

So said good Thomas Tusser, many generations ago, and his words have echoed in the hearts of old and young, rich and poor, from his day up to this blessed year of our Lord, 1881. Let us thank God and take courage when we remember that the Power of Evil has no one Book to set off against the Bible, and no one day to match Christmas. It is one of the gladdest and fairest signs of the times that this merry holiday, so full of good-will to men, is drawing closer and closer to the heart of the nation.

For this one season in the year, everybody is thinking of everybody else, instead of himself, and we join the wise men in their march across the desert, following the Star—until we, too, find ourselves upon our knees before the manger in which the young child was.

It is among the nations of the North, the Germans, the Swedes, Norwegians and English, that the finest and deepest significance has been attached to this holy-day. Among the German peasantry, especially, are found numerous home legends, beliefs and superstitions which even the nineteenth century, with its growth of science and liberal thought, has been unable to reach. Most of these customs and beliefs have never been told in any language save that of the country in which they took their rise; the folk-lore of the Teutonic nations is still a rich store-house of treasures for the antiquarian, and for those who love Christmas for its own truest meaning, the day when Christ was born.

The concurrence of the winter solstice with Christmas gave rise to the earliest time to many of the tales of Norse mythology. In the summer the good gods, Woden and Freia, with thousands of friendly elves, brought flowers and fruits to cheer the heart of man. But as winter came on, and the days grew ever shorter and the dark nights longer, the evil spirits held the good gods, enchained by their power, far up among the snowy mountains, and prevented the passage of poisonous to their rest. Then came storms, and awful thunders upon the earth. A many-headed monster roamed the village, seizing the children, throwing them into a sack, and devouring them at its leisure. Giants descended from the hills and robbed the lonely traveler. In Denmark a frightful creature covered with a hairy robe was wont to creep into houses after dark to steal the products of the harvest, and, if it found nothing, would utter malevolent and threats, showing at the same time from beneath its covering a black face and mouth full of fire.

As Christmas time draws near, and the sun turns northward once more, Woden issues forth upon a white horse, and, followed by howling packs of dogs, drives the evil spirits to their hiding places in the mountains. Sometimes in his wild hunt he sweeps through houses and leaves behind him a dog, who crouches upon the hearth and stays there for one year, whining, moaning, feeding on ashes, and snapping at all who approach. On the next Christmas, Woden comes for him again, and the dog leaps through the chimney to rejoin the howling pack in the tree-tops.

To this day the Germans associate the coming of Christ with the return of the sun, and the approach of spring. One of their poetings: 'The sun in winter is God in grief, Is Christ who cometh to bring relief. Beneath its blessed radiance, man Forgets that his life is but a span.'

'Wellnachten, Ursprunge, Branche, und Aberglauben.—Cassel, Leipzig.'

The sun in winter is Christmastide, Which scatters its blessings far and wide, And sheds, through faith, o'er time's dark sea, The morning rays of Eternity.'

'That Christmas is a holiday of light and victory,' begins Cassel, in his account of the day, 'every one who has lived within its influence knows full well. This victory is more sure than the return of spring, to which we look forward in December with such cheerful hope. The Spirit of Truth dwells upon loftier heights than does the creature, and its brightness casts away the shadows of many a gloomy hour, darker than the longest night of midwinter.'

And now the wonderful hour draws nigh. It is Christmas Eve, all nature is hushed. As the shepherds onset around their fire upon the plains of Bethlehem, discussing, perchance, the strange portents attending the birth of the son of Zacharias, so to-night the peasants in their huts along the shores of the Baltic, or in the shadows of the Black Forest, sit before the Yule log, and talk of the birth of the Son of man. Suddenly the village bells toll for midnight. The sun appears upon the horizon and leaps three times for joy; the birds throughout the forest break forth into singing; every fir-tree blossoms into fairest flower and fruitage, and is clothed once more in soft leaves, in place of the sharp, spear-pointed needles into which they were condemned to shrink when a fir-tree was used for the Saviour's cross. All the good people of the village are praying, and hark! the cattle, upon their knees in the stable are talking together in low tones. 'A child is bo-or-n,' lows the cow. 'True-o-where?' calls the shrill voice of the cock—and the lamb answers, 'In Be-et-t-lem, Be-et-t-lem.' The horses alone have nothing to say, and are upright on their feet; for when Christ was born, so the story goes, the horses who happened to be near the manger stamped and were rick, while the great, sweet-breathed oxen gazed upon the we baby with their mild eyes, and with the asses and lambs, knelt in worship. For this hardness of heart horses are condemned to never have their fill of grass, and to this day they feed eagerly in the field, but are never satisfied.

While these strange things are happening in the stables of the little German village, the gnomes are busy in the mountains, throwing out gold and precious treasures of the earth where men shall find them the coming year.

When Christmas morning dawns, which in the northern countries is not before nine or ten in the forenoon, the first leaves that come are given to the cattle. In Sweden it is the custom to tie a sheaf of grain to a pole and set it up where the birds may alight and take part in the joy and good cheer of the day. Before long the village beggars are knocking at the door, and the humble peasant, remembering that it is the day on which God gave his only-begotten Son to the world, dispenses with a free hand his gifts to all that come.

Evergreen, and, in particular, the fir-tree, has been from the earliest times associated with Christmas; and countless tales and legends are perfumed with its spicy odors. Many are the German songs that are full of its praises. 'O northern fir, O northern fir, In thee my heart delighted, How oft thy boughs at Christmastide Have straightway blossoms far and wide— In thee my heart delighted.'

Hans Christian Andersen, whose happiest hours were those spent in writing pure and sweet fairy-tales for children, has told the story of the fir-tree in his own gentle way. Here is one more child-song, freely translated from Cassel's notes: Within the wood a fir-tree stands, So stately to be seen; In summer, spring and winter, too, Its cloaks is ever green.

Its tiny needles, fine and sharp— Some pointing up, some down— The thistle-finch doth take, to sew Her pretty yellow gown.

Through snow and ice the Christ-child sends The good old Santa Klaus, Who straightway hews the fir-tree down And bears it to the house.

With loving hand, the Christ-child hangs The nuts and apples there; A taper small upon each twig, And cakes and dainties rare.

Then comes the blessed Christmas night, The bell is rung—and lo! There stands the fir-tree green and still, Its branches all aglow.

In Scandinavia two fir boughs are nailed cross-wise before the door on Christmas day. Children go about the village, knocking at the windows with fir twigs, and receiving gifts of sugar plums. The Alsatian peasantry relate that the apostle to the people on the Rhine and Moselle was the son of the widow of Nain. Long after his miraculous resurrection he was sent westward by Saint Peter. One day he came to the steep banks of the Rhine, and, stopping to rest, fell asleep from weariness in the shade of a fir-tree. On awaking, he found that his pilgrim's staff had grown into the trunk of the fir, and thus plainly indicated that he had reached the appointed end of his journey.

In England, the same veneration seems to have been bestowed. 'Wellnachten, Ursprunge, Branche, und Aberglauben.—Cassel, Leipzig.'

time out of mind, upon the holly. Its glossy, pointed leaves symbolize the crown of thorns, and the berries the crimson blood-drops that gathered upon the Saviour's brow. Like the fir, it is ever green and full of life—as the love of Christ to mankind. Indeed this almost instinctive association of green boughs and all bright, growing things with the joy and beauty of religious life, extends throughout written history. The Israelites in the desert were taught (if they had not already adopted a custom which was thus merely confirmed and sanctified) to 'take the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the Lord your God seven days.'

So, too, the wreaths of green leaves attributed to the Greek and Roman deities, and awarded to those who seemed most godlike, in peace or war. When Christ entered Jerusalem, the fittest expressions of the joy, the thanksgiving and the reverent worship of the multitude were the palm branches, strewn in the path of Him who was victorious over Evil, and who—not conquered death, but showed him to be only the angel of Life, with the shadowy side of his face turned towards us, as he comes between us and the Everlasting Light.

In the early days of England the Druids were accustomed to go forth at Christmas and gather the sacred mistletoe; while even the poor and humble folk brought evergreen and hung it up in their cottages, that the gentle spirits of the forest might dwell there in safety till the sun should shine again. In these modern days it has become the fashion to use evergreens more and more generously. The two largest of the Boston markets are surrounded, for a week preceding Christmas Day, with a spicy forest of spruce and fir-trees, while the sidewalks are half hidden beneath great fragrant heaps of 'princess-pine' and 'creeping-Jenny,' in the form of wreaths, crosses and trimming. Holly, too, is used in larger quantities every year, and altogether the times seem to be returning, which dear old Sir Walter longed for when he sung: Heap on more wood! the wind is chill; But let it whistle as it will, etc.

Yes, Christmas has come again. It has come, bringing its memories of the Christmas days that are past, and the dear ones who seemed to be the very soul of the merry-making. But the great, deep, loving love of Christmas is not dead. He lives, and His birthday reminds us, again, of the glad present, its hopes, its duties, its blessings and its peace that may be ours. Let us thank Him for all things, but above all for the sunshine of Christmas. And so we will look into each other's faces, clasp hands, with a hearty 'Merry Christmas,' and say, with Tiny Tim, 'God bless us, every one.'

*Leviticus xxiii, 40.

A FLORAL SOCIABLE.

The flowers had a grand sociable. The music for the occasion was furnished by the Petunia, Tuberoso and Tin Pansy. The Canterbury Belle played on the Peony-forte. John Jacob Aster's daughter, Miss China Aster, was the richest girl in the room. She turned up her petals at Old Penny Royal's daughter, and only mixed with Miss Mary Gold. Before the fun had fairly begun, Old Poppy got to nodding, fell asleep and ran his nose into a group of Nettles. The Sorrel came with sweet Major-Arm for a rider, who plunged Larkspur's into the Old Sorrel's sides. Late in the evening the Widow Mushroom came bounding in, in a flounced brown silk.

'Take a seat, madam,' said the Tulip. 'I shall take up as Muchroom as I've a mind to,' replied the old creature, and she sat down on a Toad Stool, but the Toad Stool gave way and turned her over to the attention of the Cactus. As the old soul weighed two hundred pounds, this was a double-century plant and no mistake. The Tulip smiled at the mishap of old Mother Mushroom, which so incensed her that she declared that if the Tulip gave her any more of her lip she would blow on her. The Arbutus wore the longest trail of any lady, and the Touch-me-Not was kissed the least. Old Lavender was hobbling around with the gout, and grumbling because he and the rest of the family had been laid up all through the season. The Rue was muttering ruefully of rheumatism. The Candy Tuft complained of tough times and the Hollyhock had a bug in its ear. The Ivy-Green wanted to get up a go-as-you-please race from the ground to the chimney and back again. The Wax-Plant thought he could wax him, and the Scarlet Bean-Stalk offered to hold the stake and climb up it too. The affair closed with a few remarks by old Mrs. Mushroom. Her allusion to her affair with the Cactus was very neat. She remarked: 'My Sisters and Brothers—When I sat down I didn't feel much nourished or comforted, but somehow or other I seemed to be considerably quickened.—Providence Journal.'

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Tea Service, (5 Pieces) Cruets, Butter Dishes, Pickle Castors, Card Receivers, Napkin Rings, Fish Knife and Fork (in morocco case), Tea, Dessert and Table Spoons, Knives & Forks, Butter and Fruit Knives, etc.

A SPLENDID STOCK OF

Gold and Silver WATCHES,

in American, English and Swiss, from \$6.00 up to \$80.00. Also

Gold and Silver ALBERTS and GUARDS, NECK-CHAINS, LADIES' SETS, BROOCHES, EAR JEWELS, LOCKETS AND CHARMS, GENTS' STUDS,

FINE GEM AND SIGNET RINGS, CLOCKS,

and an immense variety of other goods in the above line suitable for HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

The Largest Boot and Shoe Stock in Town;

FUR CAPS, BUFFALO & OTHER ROBES, AND A FULL LINE OF CHOICE

FAMILY GROCERIES.

ALL THE ABOVE —AT— Bottom Prices!

C. E. M'KEEN. Newcastle, Dec. 19, 1881.

TO TRADERS, LUMBERERS, FARMERS, And the Public generally.

To the people of Miramichi I desire to return thanks for the patronage with which they have favored me since starting business in Newcastle, and as I intend to add additional facilities for the expeditious despatch of business, I respectfully solicit orders from all my old customers and others in need of Harness, &c.

I make up from the best Stock to be obtained in the Home and Foreign Markets,

—SETS OF—

HARNESS,

IN SILVER; BRASS, JAPAN, & RUBBER MOUNTED,

which for appearance and durable workmanship cannot be excelled at home or abroad, and at such prices as will ensure a sale when customers come along.

COLLARS

I give particular attention to the manufacture of Team and Driving Collars,

and in every case a perfect fitting and comfortable Collar is guaranteed,

OR NO PAY,

so that I run no danger of coming into collision with the S. P. C. A. Society.

MISCELLANEOUS STOCK.

I keep constantly on hand, all kinds of

Team, Driving and Riding Whips, Whip Thongs, Curry and Mane Combs, Horse Cards, Brushes, Horse Blankets, Surlingles, Interfering Boots, Rubber Carriage Boots, Lap Robes, Sweet Collars, Saddle Pads, Harness Snaps, Neatsfoot Oil, Harness Soap, M'LAUGHLIN'S HARNESS OIL, (the best Leather Preservative in the market.)

A SPLENDID STOCK OF

SLEIGH BELLS

Consisting of BACK, NECK, SHAFT AND SADDLE GONGS,

together with many other articles always to be found in a

FIRST CLASS Harness Establishment,

Orders from every quarter will have the best attention.

M. O. Thompson. Newcastle, December, 1881.

FOR THE LITTLE FOLKS.

VISIT OF SAINT NICHOLAS.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;

WHAT MYRTIE SAW.

"I want to tell you, dolly, the things I saw last night; You know I went off early, and even you 'dressed in white;

CHRISTMAS SONG.

A patter of feet on the chamber stairs, A flutter of robes like a bird's soft wings,

For the bright eyes tears, for the sweet lips, sighs,— But now, O merrily, joyfully sing:

The First Christmas.

BY ELEANOR S. DEANE.

In a field near to an ancient city that was sometimes called by the name of the noblest and most pious of their country's kings, some shepherds were watching their flocks of sheep while they were sleeping;

SANTA CLAUS.

Swing low, sweet chariot— Goin' fur to car' me home; Swing low, sweet chariot— Goin' fur to car' me home,

Visits the Van Johnsons.

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poverty. The kind lady found them work, gave them bright smiles, words of encouragement, fruit, vegetables, and spelling lessons, and so won their simple, grateful hearts that they looked upon her as a miracle of patience, goodness, and wisdom.

"Wat's dat ar yo's speakin'?" asked Christopher Columbus (so named, his father said, "cause he war de fustest chile, de discoverer ob de family, as it war") as Queen Victoria hopped into the yard on one leg, and he stopped rocking—

A VISIT TO SANTA CLAUS'S SHOP.

It was nearly nine o'clock when Tommy and Rosy went to bed on Christmas Eve. Their stockings had been hung up, and they wished very much for the next morning to come.

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Mrs. Bowles laughed merrily. "Go home and ornament," she said. "I am sure Santa Claus will pay you a visit."

"Isn't she lovely?" said one, touching her long curls. "Yes, indeed," added another; "she is prettier than the prettiest wax-doll we ever made."

HOW TOMMY & THE BABY SAW SANTA CLAUS.

Little Tommy had been watching all day—watching for Santa Claus. It was the day before Christmas, and he knew Santa must be on the way.

CHRISTMAS GAMES.

Christmas is the time for merry-making; for genial fellowship and jolly games. Perhaps there is no game which gives greater amusement both to young folks and old ones than the game of "Characters," some times called "Twenty Questions" and sometimes "Notus."

"Let's give her a cap to match the coat," said a fifth, putting a cunning cap over her yellow curls. "Let's all kiss her," said a sixth. "But at this Santa Claus popped Rosy back into his pocket."

"There!" said Santa Claus. "I shall have to go all the way back and get something for it."

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each of which sends out one of their number, and on his return questions him separately, and endeavors to find out his secret before the other side can do so. Each candidate must be questioned by the opposite side and the party which first guesses rightly takes possession of both candidates.

"Russian Scandal" is a very interesting game. In this game one member of the company writes a short story on a slate, making it as full of incident as he can.

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FAIR WARNING CHRISTMAS

Will soon be here, and now is the time to select your CHRISTMAS PRESENTS before it is too late.

FANCY GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION:

WRITING DESKS, WORK BOXES, CARD CASES, LADIES' COMPANIONS, GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING CASES, GLOVE & HANKERCHIEF BOXES in Japanese Work, ALSO SHELL BOXES,

FANCY CUPS AND SAUCERS AND MUGS.

My assortment of VASES, TOILET SETS and CHINAWARE is admitted by all to be the best ever seen in Newcastle.

Christmas and New Year Cards

a specialty. My stock this year is composed of the best and choicest selections to be had in the market.

TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN,

embracing all the new and popular varieties. CHECKERS, CHESS, DOMINOES, LOTTO AND GAMES OF ALL SORTS, PAINT BOXES, JOINTED FIGURES, JUMPING JACKS, HORSES & WAGGONS, STEAM BOATS, SELF-RUNNING LOCOMOTIVES, TOY STOVES & KITCHENS WITH GENUINE LITTLE FLAT-IRONS, JEWEL-HARPS, RUBBER BALLS, WHISTLES AND BANKS OF ALL SIZES.

TOOL CHESTS FOR THE BOYS,

AND DOLLS FOR THE GIRLS.

DOLLS in Wax and China, all sizes and prices, from 1 cent up to \$1.50. A Miniature Uncle Tom's Cabin, a complete and beautiful Toy.

In fact you will find everything suitable for Old and Young at E. LEE STREET'S, WILLISTON'S BRICK BUILDING, CASTLE STREET, - - - - - NEWCASTLE. December 5th, 1881. 3w

READ THIS!

McEWEN & BUCK

Have just received and opened the following goods which they selected personally, and having grasped at the THOROUGH IDEAS of their intelligent customers feel assured that they must continue to hold the bounteous PATRONAGE so CHEERFULLY bestowed upon them.

A MERRY X'MAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

- 2 crates Crockeryware, 3 hds. Glassware, 12 boxes Cheese, 13 boxes Fancy Biscuit, 3 cases Soda Biscuit, 3 bbls. Lemon Biscuit, 2 " Oyster Crackers, 5 boxes Citron Peel, 3 " Orange Peel, 4 " Lemon Peel, 20 boxes Valencia Raisins, 15 " Layer Raisins, 12 " Best London Raisins, 20 half boxes Layer Layers, 20 qtrs. " " 2 bbls. Fine Currants, 12 doz. each of the following Syrups, Raspberry, Strawberry, Vanilla, Pineapple and Lime Fruit Juice.

Our ESSENCES comprise the following: PEPPERMINT, ALMOND, NUTMEG, LEMON AND VANILLA.

OUR GROCERY

Contains all the Spices and other articles for HOLIDAY USE. Don't pass without securing \$1 worth of the above articles.

YOU

Who intend preparing for X'mas and New Year callers come and select your WINE GLASSES, TUMBLERS, GOBLET AND WATER PITCHERS,

from our glistening stock. NEW PATTERNS. NEW SHAPES. ASK FOR OUR CHINAWARE,

NONE SO COMPLETE IN TOWN. TEA SETS.

Beautifully adorned, Tea Sets 25 cents per set, Moustache Cups, Fancy Cups, Mugs with Mottos, Mugs with Mocking Bird Whistle. One can imitate any bird call with a little practice.

Colored and White Granite Tea Sets. Break all old stained dishes, and those which are cracked, and get new ones from our well-replenished stock, and purchase a lamp from our grand assortment which we have just opened, which, filled with

HOME LIGHT OIL,

outshines the Aurora Borealis, or late COMET. Come Early, Come One, Come All. We Greet You.

Commercial Wharf, Newcastle. M'EWEN & BUCK.