









By Telegraph. Canadian, British and Foreign.

The Berlin crisis is over. It was suggested at a Cabinet Council on Thursday that the Reichstag be dissolved as a remedy for Bismarck's complaint of the lack of a reliable majority...

Hon. George Brown has returned to Ottawa from Washington, and it is reported that he has succeeded in arranging for a modification of the sliding scale in the Treaty.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies has passed a bill granting an annuity to Garibaldi, by a vote of 207 to 25.

The salvage on the French steamer America has been reduced on appeal to \$80,000.

The general belief is that the Emperor will pardon Armin.

The iron works of the Great Western Railway Company at Reading, England were burned Saturday. Four hundred men were thrown out of employment.

On the East Tennessee Railroad, Saturday killed two and wounded five persons...

LADIES' BLACK FELT HATS!

Just Received. MANCHESTER, ROBERTSON & ALLISON. New Premier, King Street.

THIRD WEEK GREAT SALE! MANTLES AND JACKETS! LIKELY, CAMERON, & GOLDING'S. 59 KING STREET.

Christmas Goods. CHRISTMAS GIFTS. MR. MARSTER'S PHOTOGRAPH ROOMS, Cor. King and German Streets.

DIED. At 10 o'clock on the 17th inst., after a short illness, in the 24th year of her age, ELIZA WOOD...

SHIPPING NEWS. PORT OF SAINT JOHN. ARRIVED. Star New Brunswick, from New Bedford, Boston, N.Y., and New York.

Highland Park Company. NOTICE is hereby given that a call of Twenty-five per cent has been made on the Capital Stock of the Highland Park Company...

Minnesota Flour. No. 100. 100 lbs. No. 1. No. 2. No. 3. No. 4. No. 5. No. 6. No. 7. No. 8. No. 9. No. 10.

New Advertisements. Heavy Black Sicilian & Brilliantine LUSTRIES.

MOST FASHIONABLE and Useful DRESS GOODS NOW WORN. One case of the above opened this day at the London House, Retail, 107 St. JAMES STREET.

For Christmas Presents. D. Magee & Co. have just received an invoice of LADIES' MINK MUFFS, GENTLEMEN'S Natural Beaver Gaiters!

COAL. Now landing from large steamer at Dismal's Quay, 400 TONS Best Newly Mined Old Sydney COAL!

American Cider. CHOICE AND SWEET. Just Received: 5 BBLs. AMERICAN SWEET CIDER. Superior to anything in this Market.

TOYS! TOYS! 13 CASES Toys! Well assorted, suitable for the Holiday. BAKRUPT STOCK, Must be Sold!

Seal Skin Purses. TAIWAN CUP BONES. Hair, Soft A and Black Hair, Pearl Hair Brushes, Hair Combs, etc.

CHRISTMAS GIFT! A Handsome CHRISTMAS GIFT! Black Silk Dress!! Irish Poplin Dress, South Sea Seal Scaque!

Amusements. ACADEMY OF MUSIC. Monday Evening, Dec. 21st.

Checked! ROBINSON CRUSOE! \$100 Christmas Cash Gifts! Each person buying a 50 cent ticket will have admission to the performance and a chance of one of the gifts.

Mechanics' Institute. LECTURE SEASON 1874-75. THE Second Lecture of the Regular Course will be delivered on MONDAY evening, the 22nd inst.

APRON FAIR BAZAAR! CALVIN CHURCH. ON MONDAY evening, the 21st, the ladies of the Calvin Church will be preparing to sell...

Dr. Hebbard. MECHANICS' INSTITUTE. Will commence a new series of LECTURES at the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Saturday afternoon.

GIBBS' Zoological Exhibition! Window, 58 Charlotte Street. Open Every Day, a Fine Collection of Living Wild Animals!

Christmas Presents. W. E. BLANCHARD & CO'S. MOTTOES AND TEXTS, Portmanteaus, Jet Chains, Jet Buttons, Jet Broomsticks, Jet Bracelets, Jet Crosses, And a Variety of Other Goods!

Berlin Wool Goods!! 68 GERMAN STREET, Scotch Refined, 20 CASES Scotch Refined Sugar. Also 100 packages TEA, fully expected per S. Francis, from Hongkong.

HOLIDAY SEASON. 1874.

ALL GOODS SOLD AT Wholesale Prices During the Season. J. H. MURRAY & CO., 53 King Street.

SHAKER FLANNELS. Warranted Not to Shrink. Ladies' Skirts! M. C. BARBOUR'S, 41 PRINCE WILM. STREET.

Victoria Skating Club. SEASON 1874-75. THE Directors beg to announce that the rink will be opened on Monday evening, the 22nd inst.

BOARD OF TRADE. ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 18th, 1874. A MEETING of the St. John Board of Trade will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst., at the Mercantile Exchange, in the Maritime Block, 100 Water Street, to consider the report of the Census Commission.

CHRISTMAS! Just received at 49 Union Street, a full assortment of Christmas Greenery, evergreens, etc.

FOR CHRISTMAS! THE IMPROVED ANTI-BILIOUS PILLS. A safe and certain remedy for Biliousness, Sick Headache, etc.

Adam's Watches. We have added to our large and fine Stock of the high class, thoroughly adjusted GOLD WATCHES of the above make.

ENCOURAGE HOME INSTITUTIONS. THE ROYAL CANADIAN INSURANCE COY

Capital Authorized, \$5,000,000. All Classes of Risks against Fire, at moderate Rates. ALL CLAIMS WILL BE PAID IMMEDIATELY ON THE LOSS BEING ESTABLISHED.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS! Barnes, Kerr & Co. Gents' FURNISHING GOODS! In Scarfs, Ties, Mufflers, Hd'g's, GLOVES, COLLARS, CUFFS, BRACES, SHIRTS, UNDER-CLOTHING, and WOOL CARDING JACKETS.

LONDON HOUSE RETAIL, 3 AND 4 MARKET SQUARE. Holiday Presents! Special Inducements! At 75 KING STREET. C. FLOID.

Auction Sale. Canary Birds, AUCTION. TO-MORROW, Tuesday, Dec 22nd, at 11 o'clock, at our Warehouse, 100 Water Street, in this to-wit: purchases at the same time:

Wanted. VESSELS WANTED. For Liverpool, 2000 tons, 1000 tons, 500 tons, 250 tons, 100 tons, 50 tons, 25 tons, 10 tons, 5 tons, 2 tons, 1 ton.

For Sale. FOR SALE. The bark, LIZIE GILLES, 100 tons, built at St. John, N.B., in 1873, by J. S. LEONARD.

CIDER. OR DRAUGHT FOR CHRISTMAS USE. MAGNIFICENT CIDER! A. J. ARMSTRONG, 40 Charlotte Street, Messina Oranges.

Insolvent Act of 1869.

In the matter of James Crawford and John Crawford, Insolvents. We are instructed by the Assignee of the above named insolvents, to sell by Public Auction, on the 22nd day of December, instant, at 10 o'clock, a.m. the following Stock-in-Trade:

40 SIDES, in Lanes, 100 Caddis, in Lanes, 800 lbs. of Tea, 1000 lbs. of Sugar, 1000 lbs. of Coffee, 1000 lbs. of Rice, 1000 lbs. of Flour, 1000 lbs. of Beans, 1000 lbs. of Peas, 1000 lbs. of Lentils, 1000 lbs. of Chickpeas, 1000 lbs. of Broad Beans, 1000 lbs. of Vetches, 1000 lbs. of Clover, 1000 lbs. of Hay, 1000 lbs. of Straw, 1000 lbs. of Corn, 1000 lbs. of Potatoes, 1000 lbs. of Turnips, 1000 lbs. of Carrots, 1000 lbs. of Onions, 1000 lbs. of Apples, 1000 lbs. of Pears, 1000 lbs. of Peaches, 1000 lbs. of Plums, 1000 lbs. of Cherries, 1000 lbs. of Raspberries, 1000 lbs. of Strawberries, 1000 lbs. of Blackberries, 1000 lbs. of Raspberries, 1000 lbs. of Blackberries, 1000 lbs. of Raspberries, 1000 lbs. of Blackberries.

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THE KING OF NO-LAND.

BY H. L. FARRESON.

(Continued.)

Bluebell blushed, and shakes her head.

When she is inside the cottage, Dame Endive grows garrulous over the virtues

and accomplishments of her son, and dilates

with pardonable pride upon the estimation

in which he is held by all who know him.

Bluebell listens, and says, "Yes, yes, to everything the old woman

advances, and dame Endive gazes on her

with secret delight and pleasure. Coltfoot

and Robin come. Each has flowers for Bluebell.

She selects two of the prettiest, one from each bunch, and

twines them in her hair. Robin is a strong,

sun-burned man now. Woodman as he is,

he belongs to the thinking classes, for he

has his grievance—that two shillings a week

more, which is to set everything right. He

gives Bluebell a sounding kiss, and wipes his lips

afterward. A strong yearning comes into

Coltfoot's face as he takes Bluebell's hand

in his, and wishes her joy. As he stands

thus, his old mother calls out: "What! and

not kiss her on such a day as this? Well, it

was a man! Whereupon Bluebell holds up her face,

and touches her cheek with his lips. The

old woman cackles and laughs. "May your

life contain much brightness, Bluebell!"

says Coltfoot, tenderly. She answers sweetly,

and bustles about to hide a tear. Joy and

melancholy hold subtle relationship with each

other. Along the fragrant cottage lane, in the

direction of the cottage, Sasfras is

strolling. When he is within hail of his

panes and looks fondly about him. The

beauty of nature strikes into his soul, and

breathes peace into it. He sighs with a

sense of relief, as he thinks that he is

here, unknown and free, away from the

cares and griefs which weigh so heavily

upon him. "Has any other man," he

murmurs, "ever so fully appreciated the

pleasure of obscurity? The reflection

inspires the shadow of serious thought. He

shakes it off. "Thank God," he says, "to-day

I am not a king!" He approaches nearer to the

cottage; enters the porch. They within see

his face at the window, and they all smile a

welcome. Bluebell runs to open the door

for him. He also has a flower for her; it

is a rose-bud with a small piece of

rosemary attached. She places it in her

bosom, and in a few minutes they are all

sitting down to dinner, and Sasfras is

declaring that the pease are the sweetest

he has ever tasted.

"And I'll wager," he says, "that I know

who gathered them."

"Yes, yes," cackles the old woman,

"Bluebell gathered them. My old joints

are stiff. I can't stoop as I used to."

Robin is full of a subject which interests

him hugely. For some time past there

has been rumors that the laborers in

No-land—those who till and plow—

were becoming dissatisfied with their

condition, and that very week had

come that in a village hard by thirty of

them had refused to do any more work

for their masters, the farmers, unless

they had two shillings a week more.

Robin shows himself to be quite a

politician, he denounces upon this theory

and, connecting both ways at Eastport,

with star, Robin Brown, for St. Andrew's

Robinson, who lives Boston every Monday

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