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GLEANINGS FROM LATE PAPERS.

THE SIEGE OF SEVASTOPOL.

The Hecate, 3 paddle-wheel steam-sloop, Captain W. H. Hall, has arrived at Spithead from the Baltic. She reports the near approach of the sailing ships of the fleet, with Rear-Admiral Phipps, with which she parted company on Saturday last about 300 miles from the Downs, and consists of the Neptune, 120 (bearing Rear-Admiral Phipps's flag), Captain F. Hartin, M. George, 150; Captain H. Sykes, C. 50; Prince Regent, 50; Captain H. Smith; and Monarch, 60; Capt. J. E. Eakin. These vessels left Liverpool with the Hecla on the 11th inst., the last-named vessel towing the St. George out tugs, and the Driver, 6, paddle, the Neptune. The other two vessels got away under sail. The Driver accompanied the squadron to Scapa light-house, off the Norwegian coast, and soon returned. The Hecate, prior to leaving Scapa, had put a supply of oarsmen on board the sailing ships. When she left them at the above named distance from the Downs, the wind was blowing fresh, but was contrary for them.

The Hecate, numerous and important events having taken part in the Baltic, she played a brilliant part in almost every other fray with the enemy in the Baltic. She has several shots in her sides, which are tightly embedded there; whilst she has numerous shot-holes through which the shot have entered the vessel, and it is only, wonderful, that numbers of her men were not killed by them. Some of these shots, after passing through the side of the ship, passed through as many as four or five cabins, knocking down doors, bulkheads, etc., in their course. Her mainmast was struck below by a shot; entering the side of the vessel, passed through a party of men, who were sitting down to dinner. The funnel and steam-pipe have a number of shot-holes in them. In all these cases, the shot-failed to penetrate. It is perfectly honest, however, when a man knows that a thing has either been hit, does, or determined upon, to urge it upon attention; as if he was the first who thought of it, or the only one who had found a value to recommend it. The public will await with confidence the result of these measures which were taken before any outcry was raised, or which would have been taken, if no voice had been uttered upon the subject. In this just war the people have determined to conquer; and they will conquer, let the cost be what it may. 16,000 British soldiers, or double the number, are wanted, there are spirit enough, and energy enough in the country to make it certain that they will be forthcoming.

THE VICTORY BEFORE SEVASTOPOL.

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The bomb vessels are to carry two or three hundred mortars, each vessel having considerable beam, and in formation, not unlike a flat-bottomed boat. The 20 gun-boats will be built on the same principle, and are not to draw more than four feet of water, to enable them to proceed up the Neva in St. Petersburg.

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The reports of General Canrobert and Lord Raglan are in perfect accordance with each other. Both claim a great and important victory, both state the losses of the Russians to have been enormous, and both admit their own to have been severe. Prince Menschikoff does not admit that he was defeated; but expresses how he escaped him in his despatch, which are quite inconsistent with any supposition that he could have been victorious. Animate, it appears, by the presence of the Grand Dukes Michael and Nicholas—who suddenly and unexpectedly made their appearance at the Russian head-quarters—a grand attack upon the Allies, with the same object as the attack of Liprandi on the 23rd and 24th, was resolved upon, and carried into effect. The attack commenced in the dawn of the morning of the 5th. The force of the Russians is not stated in any of the three despatches; nor is that of the British and French. 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Ship, the *Victory*, in such ports, both in Canada
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each year, and on such days and hours as may be
agreed upon by the Government.

Each Ship must be fitted and
provided with good accommodation and necessary
for the conveyance of Passengers and Freight; also have
on board competent Engineers, and be sufficiently
manned, equipped and provided for the performance
of the service, and be subject to the approval
of Commissioners to be appointed by the Government.

CHARLES H. HOLLIS,
Colonial Secretary.

APPRENTICE WANTED.

A LAD from Nova Scotia, with a competi-
tive knowledge of the English language, and
a good (mechanical) apprenticeship at George S. Has-
zard's Bookstore.

(For the benefit of all concerned.)

TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION, on Tuesday the
15th December instant, 1854, 1000.

HULL AND MATERIALS.

of the new School of Practice, situated near
the North End, intended for the use of

Mr. Hazzard.

Price, £1000.00.

NOTICE.

HAVING seen in the *Islander* an advertisement
of CAUTION relating to certain Notes of Hand
held by the Hon. RICHARD COTTON against Bernard
Painter and William Painter.

This is to certify that an amicable and satisfactory
arrangement has taken place between the said par-
ties and whatever business or transaction has been
settled in finally settled by all the parties
concerned.

Given this day of December, 1854.

The above arrangement took place in the presence
of

W. MALLACE
JOHN HANN.

CHRISTMAS CHEER!

JUST CALL AT SIMON'S STORE for your
CHRISTMAS CHEER, where you will find
a variety of excellent quality.

ALMANAC for 1855.

IN THE PRESS, and will be published about the
first of January, the PRINCE EDWARD

ISLAND ALMANAC. The lists will be revised
with great care, and much statistical matter relating

to this Island and the Colonies will be inserted, and
in all respects, the Almanac of this year will be found

to be much superior to any of its predecessors.

New Blacksmith Establishment.

Byron Ross (formerly of Henry's) now in
the possession of the Subscribers.

JOHN BELAIRE respectfully informs the inhab-
itants of the Island generally, that he has com-
menced his business in the above line, and will keep
company, which will warrant to be sufficient for the
public, to all who may favor him with their work, and will be
disposed of as low as the same articles can be got
elsewhere. Having a thorough knowledge of his
business, he flatters himself that he will be able to
give entire satisfaction to all who may patronize his
Establishment. All orders punctually attended to, as
any job required, done at no extra charge.

Yours truly, Dec. 8, 1854.

BYRON ROSS.

BOOKS & STATIONERY.

COMPLETION OF FALL SUPPLY.

GEORGE T. HASZARD will open this day,

the remainder of his Fall Supplies received per

British Steamer.

Drawing Materials for oil and water colors.

Pens and Fancy Stationery.

Several Cases of new and interesting Books—

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Y. H. HAZARD.

NEW BOOKS.

JUST RECEIVED from NEW YORK and
BOSTON, and for sale at Geo. T. HASZARD'S
Book Store, among which are—

Chemistry of Common Life, by Prof. Johnson

Cook's Cyclopaedia of 6000 Descrip-

tions, Manned and Elements of Geology

Whitney's Ancient Egyptians

Shakespeare's Life of the Duke of Wellington

Allison's History of Europe up to the restoration of

the Stuarts, &c., &c.

Do. continuation up to the Ascension of Louis

XIV.—see publication, &c., &c.

Dr. Cunningham's Works, &c., &c.

London, Queen's Square.

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Black and Colored Broad and Print Cloth, plain
and fancy, Drapery, Cambric and Veilings, Clos-
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Spices, Ground and Whole Cloves, Ground Alpine, Nut-
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Wines, &c., &c.

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