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CHRISTMAS SIGNS.

The wind sighs leafless trees among,
The fire burns bright, the nights are long,
The robin sings his winter song,
And the Christmas snow is falling.

Age thinks of many a Christmas past,
And hears old stories in the blast
Of Christmas days too bright to last,
When the Christmas snow is falling;

While youth but learns from that same breeze
Of countless Christmas days like these,
And glorious golden prospects sees
When the Christmas snow is falling,

A Christmas Story.

Somehow I never see a Christmas-tree without seeing, too, her sweet flushed face watching me cut the presents off the shining boughs, or hearing her exclamation of delight over the bauble she had won, and over which I—man though I thought myself—could well-nigh have wept. Even now though I have been knocking about the world these ten years, and all the sentiment I ever had has been battered out of me—I wonder I bore it as I did.

I always spent Christmas at Brierly in those days; and wasn't at all surprised when, in my uncle's usual note, saying he should expect me on Christmas Eve, he asked if Hal would accompany me. He had been at the hall with me, and he was a favorite there, as he was everywhere else; and he was my dearest friend, and I would have done anything in the world for him. I had never told him of my fondnsss for my Cousin Helen; perhaps I was shy to speak of it till I was an accepted suitor, which I was not. I knew my uncle wished it. He'd no boy of his own; and, though the property was not entailed, he wished to leave it to the next male heir, if by so doing he would not be taking it from his own child. Nothing had ever been said about it to Nellie, but I had always adored her, and used to think she cared a little bit for me. I had determined to speak to her that Christmas; and I bought a little diamond ring as a Christmas gift for her, and thought perhaps she would wear it as a pledge. I was as happy as a king as I sat in the railway carriage, and half a mind to tell Hal about it; but he was as grave as a judge and quite preoccupied.

They came out to welcome us when they heard us drive up; and behind them all—hanging back the sly puss—was Nell. And when I kissed her, she pretended to be coy, and I thought even from that—well, never mind, she was a dear little girl.

"We have been longing for you to come, Charley," my uncle said. "The girls can't get on without you. The Christmas-tree isn't nearly ready."

"Yes, it is, all but the candles," said little May.

And after dinner we fagged at the tree till it was done. It was odd, but I could not help noticing how silent Nell was. She was rather curt with Hal, too! I was half afraid she did not like his coming.

"We must go to church, by-and-by," she said "and see how they are getting on," and presently we went. I meant to have helped her over the snow, but Hal rushed forward, and they went on together. Well I was rather glad, for I wanted them to be good friends. When we got to the church (I and the little ones) Nellie and Hal were missing and did not turn up till just as we were leaving, and then Nell seemed only to care about getting back again which she did leaning on Hal's arm. I felt half jealous, and reproached her a little when I wished her "good night."

"You haven't condescended to notice me since I came," I said "and I've so longed—" She looked at me with a strange light in her sweet eyes.

"You dear old thing," she said "I am so delighted to think you are here! And so, more than satisfied, I went off to smoke a quiet weed before going to bed. Hal joined me, but he was still as grave as a judge.

"Whatever's the matter with you, old fellow?" I asked, at last; and then he burst out:

"Charley I know you're a brick and would do any thing in the world for me."

"Of course I would," I said.

"Well, the fact is, I'm head over ears in love with Nell. I spoke to her last summer, but we had a little tiff and it fell through; but to night we've made it up, and I want you to help with the squire. I haven't much, you know, but we'll make the best of it, and—What's the matter?" He stopped, for I knew my face was pale, and my heart seemed standing still. "You are not going to raise any objection, are you, old fellow?" we are so fond of each other.

"I? No I love you two the best in the world," I said; and then I wrung his hand nearly off, and left him.

My uncle was very angry about it when he was told next morning. "I wanted her to marry her cousin, and that's plain," (I was present by request at the interview.) "I wanted to leave him the property, and know it would go to my child as well."

"Uncle," I said, I shall never marry. I mean to go abroad for some years in the spring; and, as far as I am concerned, I beg you to leave it to Nell, and make us all happy this Christmas-day," and I felt choked at the very thought of happiness for me.

"I shall entail it strictly ... heirs," he said, rel... prettier face the... ; and a happier, not ... than Nell's that day could ... been found anywhere.

"We must draw for the things off the Christmas-tree to-night," she said, "and Charley must distribute them, like he did last year;" and it was as the little despot willed; and when she won an absurd yellow satin bag, I took the diamond ring out of my waistcoat pocket, and put it in as I handed it to her. Her face beamed with delight.

"You are a regular darling, old coz," she whispered, "and I'll wear it in memory of this day, which you have helped to make so happy—for Hal told me—as long as I live."

Well, she has been married many a year, but I shall never forget her face that night, God bless her, my sweet Cousin Nell!

FASHION NOTES.

White light-colored, and black lace mitts will be used for full dress this winter.

"Arc-en-ciel"—rainbow—and—"Aurora's tears" are the new beads used for trimmings.

Hemlet hats of velvet are trimmed with double-faced satin ribon and ostrich tips.

Fashionable ladies adopt one purfume as their own and use no other for any purpose.

"Vulcan" red ribbons contrasted with pale blue or *mandarin* yellow make pretty bows.

Fancy aprons of silk, satin, organdie and *batiste*, coquetishly trimmed, are much worn.

Crepe De Chine, trimmed with *point* lace, composes the most *distingue* evening toilets.

The newest idea is to line the muff with a double casing of rubber, to be filled with hot water.

Among flowers the rose is still the favorite, with velvet and silk petals, and leaves of *chenille*.

LAZY lizardss, fat spidars, serpents, beetles, and slender eels are the latest designs for lace pins.

THE last mania is singing quadrilles, in which everybody who takes part has to warble nursery rhymes.

ONE LONG hair drawn from the back across the front frizzes, will hold them in place as effectually as an "invisible."

GREEK FILLETS of black velvet, with jewelled ornament above the forehead, now form part of the fashionable coiffure.

A GOLD vine tendril, one end blossoming into a pink pearl, with a black pearl for a leaf, is a charming "engagement" ring.

THE "shopping bracelet" is a heavy gold or silver chain, with a pencil at the end It is wound twice around the wrist when not in use.

FRINGES without ornament headings are sewed on the garment upside down, so that the fringe falls over and conceals the heading.

SOUTACHE braid is now sewed on with one edge upright, the design standing out in relief, and being more effective than when the braid is sewn on the flat.

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VARIOUS MATTERS.

The German estimates for 1878 show a deficiency of $900,000.

A man is under arrest at Montreal charged with bigamy.

A Brooklyn, N. Y, man with $50,000 has just died of starvation.

San Francisco is rough on Chinamen, A number of them were assaulted there last Saturday.

When Albert Grant was testifying in the Emma Mine investigation, some one shouted "Whoa, Emma," and the court laughed. The senseless phrase is in use everywhere in London, and is expected to make its advent here shortly, when "They all do it" will "Give us a rest."

Mrs Ellen E Sherman has published another terse and forcible letter against the evils of round dancing, in which she truthfully remarks "Young girls, who are unconscious of evil in the beginning, should reflect long enough to summon the moral courage to resist the allurements of the dance, unless with encouragement and support of their parents. To the honor of pure maidenhood be it said, however, that there are young girls who decline, from instinctive delicacy, even when their parents would have them join the throng who dance down the broad road of wordly pleasure."

There is nothing half so sweet in life as to sit in the second-story window and hear echoes from first society in the snatches of conversation between the young people of the best families who pass along in the obscurity beneath. We struck a sample this evening. He said:

"Haw—Aw nevaw knaw nefaw haw pawfecklaw chawming shaw was."

And we could see the glitter of her pearly teeth as her ruby lips parted to let her say:

"Ah deaw! Haw utterlaw prawpawsterous. Aw badlaw knaw haw to rawcawse hawf yaw saw."

And the star of society ceased sucking his cane long enough to say:

"Weally? Yaw cahnt be in sobah awnest?"

But she replied playfully:

"Hawsh, do! yaw hawwid creachaw!"

And their sweet voices melted away in the darkness, haw waw maw naw chaw-waw-kaycawwawpawwawwaw," and we withdrew from our perch in the window and wept. Such an aching void is life when a sweet vision passes over our pathway and is gone.

Dr. Mary Walker, of Bloomer renown, has won a great victory over the United States. She sued the Government for salary as a clerk in the Treasury Department, although she had never served a day. She passed the usual examination, and duly received her appointment at the hands of Treasurer Spinner, but when she reported for duty the ladies with whom she had to associate were shocked at her masculine attire, and resolved not to endure it They objected, and went so far as to carry a protest to Secretary Richardson, demanding that she should be requested to put on a more womanly costume. The Secretary listened to their appeal, and notified the eccentric doctor that she could not be assigned to a desk in the Department unless she conformed to the customs of her sex. This admonition was not heeded by the doctor, who refused to abandon her reform notions about women's dress. Consequently she was never assigned to duty. She reported for duty, all the same. Day after day she made her appearance at the Department but was never given ..., and during all she kept up for two years, and during all this time her appointment was not revoked. Her compensation, she claims, was $900 per annum from the date of her appointment to the date of her formal resignation. The Solicitor of the Treasury has just compromised by granting her one year's salary. In his report he naively says that he has been guided solely by the law in the case, and that he has not allowed himself to be swayed or in any degree influenced by the sex of the applicant, or by her well known peculiarities of manners and dress. So, after all, it is not a Woman's Rights victory to any extent.

IRISH NEWS.

Captain James A. St. Leger, R. N., Harbor-master of Kingstown, was found dead at his residence, Harbor Cottage, Kingstown, on November 20th. He had been ailing for some time, and congestion of the brain was the immediate cause of death.

A man named Patrick Carolin, of 206 Phibsborough street, Dublin, a smith in the employment of the Midland Great Western Railway Company, aged about 45 years, died very suddenly on November 18th.

On November 17th, Mr. Joseph Jenks, V. S., of Mountpleasant square, Dublin, who had been for some years connected with the veterinary department at Pitt street, committed suicide by cutting his throat in a yard close to the police barracks at Donnybrook.

The *Cork Examiner* is authorised by the Hon. Gerald Normanby Fitzgibbon to contradict, on his own behalf, and on the part of his wife, Lady Louisa Fitzgibbon, the rumor relative to the late Lord Fitzgibbon having reached that country, or that there has been anything whatever heard of him by Lady Louisa Fitzgibbon, his sister, or any member of the family since the publication of the official return of casualties at the battle of Balaklava.

On November 21st, a terrific rain storm swept over the Northern Part of Kings county. The entire country round Monasterevan and Clonnalle, and around Tullamore, was inundated. Many persons had their barley still unthreshed, and their potatoes still in the ground. To these the storm will be a serious loss, as the potatoes, at least were almost washed away by the storm and continuous rain. Some ricks of hay were blown down in the county districts, and many chimneys were injured, but neither in Tullamore or in any neighboring town did the storm occasion any loss of that nature.

The amount of money which is spent by the Government upon education in Ireland is considerable. The endowments of Trinity College are about £60,000 a year, while the Queen's Colleges get £40,000 a year. The College of Science in Stephen's Green, Dublin, which works more obscurely, and does less tangible good work than any such institution in the Kingdom, draws £8,000 a year. The Diocesian, Royal, Erasmus Smith's, and other endowed schools, obtain £42,000 a year, and the Training and Model Schools £57,000 a year, leaving out of the question altogether the immense grants made to the National system, which is concerned entirely with elementary education. Thus the high-er education alone absorbs to Ireland a total of between £150,000 and £200,000 per annum.

Cheap and nasty Novels.

Says the St. Louis, Mo., *Watchman*; "We caution our readers against this silly stuff. Time spent in reading such is so much valuable time lost, and so much of the thinking power enervated. If we require relaxative reading, let us adopt a grade, below which we must not descend be the attractions what they may. Let us never forget that our reading should not be purposeless. Reading for mere pastime is exceedingly pernicious. One who puts aside a book, having read it, and cannot assure himself of improvement in some manner, be it a greater love for virtue or a hatred for vice, a regard for truth or a fuller appreciation of principle, has been doing himself an injustice, for time which might have been spent in improving himself is now irretrievably lost. Three-fourths of our young reading population, we might venture to assert desire no real or appreciable benefit from their readings. They yearn for the exciting, breath-suspensive sort of books. They languish for hours over Indian quarrels; they follow the fortunes of an original Dick Turpin; they are absorbed in the delights of a runaway match or a ball room shooting scrape, and brood over humanity's crimes in general. Religious maxims are sometimes introduced by way of excuse for some crime or other. Piety is made to appear childish and avoidable. Ignorance of the most necessary Christian duties is made to appear deliciously humorous. Honesty and probity are introduced merely as a theoretic something, which people who desire may adopt, but which enlightened humanity has no need of. Be assured the devil chuckles at this homœopathic system of introducing vice into human society and damning souls; and we again warn our people to watch the books and papers which come under their notice, and peremptorily discard any thing at all objectionable, before it produces its baneful effects."

A puzzled poker player.

Four gentlemen were travelling from the Far West to New York City for the purpose of buying goods. As the journey was long and tedious, they concluded to while away the hour at a game of euchre. Fritz had been in the habit of playing draw poker; so every time he was dealt a good poker hand he would remark:

"Vell I plays poker mit you on dis hand."

The other parties would say; "Oh never mind poker; go on with the game we are playing."

Pretty soon Fritz would get another poker hand and out it would come:

"I plays poker mit you on dis hand,"

"Oh never mind poker; go on with the game."

He talked so much about poker that the party thought finally that they would give him enough of it. One of them left the table, got another deck of cards similar to the one they were playing *with* and "put them up" for the *occasion* Fritz left the table a moment for a glass of water, and while absent the new pack was substituted, and was being dealt as he returned. The dealer turned up a queen. On looking at his hand, Fritz found he had four kings. He said immediately:

"I plays poker mit you on dis hand."

One of the party who had dealt himself four aces, looked at his hand some time, then looked at the queen which had been turned up, then at his hand and again at the queen. Finally he said:

"Well now, Fritz, since you seem so anxious to play poker, I'll tell you what I'll do. If you will let me take that queen up, I will give you ... at poker." ... says Fritz; "all right; you ... up de queen."

The queen was taken up and the betting commenced. Fritz bet of $50. John N. ... him $50. Fritz raised that $100 ... went $500 better, and so the betting ... until poor Fritz had put up all the ... he had brought to buy goods with. ... came ... aces and ... Fritz didn't say ... the game of euchre ... exhausted, and it ... Finally he looked up ... and remarked inter... tenance, ... John I betinks all dis with four queen have to do mit dat hand."

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ST. PATRICK'S T. A. R. SOCIETY RALLY.

A temperance meeting was held in St. Patrick's Hall, Carleton, on Sunday evening last, under the auspices of St. Patrick's T. A. R. Society. The attendance was very large, some seven hundred people of both sexes being present. The platform was occupied by Rev. T. Connolly, V. G., Messrs. R. J. Ritchie, Esq., President of the N. B. Union, P. J. O'Keefe, President of the Society, and Thos. O'Reilly, Rec. Sec. Mr. Ritchie, the first speaker thought there was no necessity of his trying to picture to those present the many advantages to be derived from being a member of a total abstinence society, as many of them knew by their past experience more about it than he could tell them, and asked all those who had formerly been members, to ask themselves the question, had it been of any advantage to them? He was sure the answer would be a unanimous one in favor of total abstinence. He referred to the duty of young men in particular to at once renew the pledge they had formerly made, and to the many benefits conferred on them as citizens, making them better members of society, and a credit to their religion and to their parents. His speech lasted about three-quarters of an hour, and was considered by those present, as the best one he had ever delivered before the Society. The Rev. Father Connolly now came forward and said that he thought Mr. Ritchie had covered the ground so fully, that there was nothing to be added by anything he could suggest, but as he had promised to say something to them, they might not be surprised if they found him also saying something on the subject of Temperance, a subject always dear to him. The elevation of fallen man was a noble object, and if those who were instrumental in establishing total abstinence societies had that object in view, they would have the blessing of God on their labors, and of course be successful. Whatever we do, said the Rev. gentleman, let us do it for the greater glory of God. Let no selfish motives actuate us, let our corner stone be to "love God above all things and our neighbors as ourselves," and loving our neighbors as ourselves, try in every manner possible, by word and example, to make them, as well as ourselves, what God intended. The speaker next referred to Mr. D. Banks Mackenzie's visit here, and thought if Mr. Mackenzie was misunderstood by some, it was because they did not feel the same interest in their fellow men that he did. He then referred to the action of the several newspaper editors who had so much fault to find with Mr. Mackenzie, and the way he had of trying to convert drunkards, and asked why was it, if they knew so much about a better way of reclaiming inebriates, that they did not come forward on the platform and assist in carrying on the grand work. He here related an amusing incident about two men and a bear, and compared those editors to the man that had joined the bear. He thought they would have more credit if, instead of denouncing those men who are trying to do the best they can, according to their own manner of doing it, they would assist instead of finding fault with them. He here stated that as far as temperance speakers interfering with what the rumseller called his legitimate business was concerned, temperance men were doing them a favor, as from personal observation he found that the *average* life of the rumseller, from the time he started in the business, was *seven years*, and if they could do anything towards making them abandon such a traffic, they would be doing a meritorious act, and one for which God would reward them The lecturer then closed by appealing to all those who valued their happiness in this world and in the next, to renew their pledge, for another term of five years, and asked all those who intended to do so to remain. About ninety remained, principally men, and having knelt down, renewed their obligation for five years more. It is expected that at the next meeting of the Society at least one hundred more will be added. The people of Carleton seem much attached to their present pastor, as was plainly evident at the meeting. It is the intention, we believe, at the next regular meeting to select officers for the ensuing year. May St. Patrick's flourish is the HERALD's wish towards it.

For a man to break his leg in attempting to turn over in bed is certainly a most singular and unprecedented occurrence, yet it has taken place in this vicinity. About five miles from Londonderry, Vt., in the town of Landgrove, is situated a large frame hotel building that has almost an historic association in these parts, it having been built nearly fifty years since by Simeon Leland, father of the Leland Brothers, the celebrated hotel-keepers, and run by him a number of years as a hotel, under the name of "The Green Mountain Coffee House." Since the building of railroads this property as a hotel has become worthless, but ... retained by the Lelands on account of its early associations, and was, a few years since repaired and repainted by them. It is at present occupied by one Paul Sears, in whom is illustrated the old adage that "truth is stranger than fiction." It seems that Mr. Sears has had a long-standing ... upon one of his legs, and a few days ... in turning over in bed, snapped the ... twain about four inches above the knee. ... successful amputation was performed ... bone was found denuded of all ... ous matter, and completly hone... Mr. Sears is now doing well, with ... pect of recovery.

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SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 22.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

To all our friends and patrons we wish A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The 17th was the 70th anniversary of the birth of the Quebec Poet, Whitnier.

The effects of the late war are telling with even greater effect on Germany than France. The taxes in many parts of the former country are from seventeen to twenty per cent of ascertained income.

It has been suggested to the British Government that Constantinople should be a free city. A cause of much discussion and much bloodshed might thus be removed from the world.

It is again rumored that His Grace, Archbishop Lynch has placed his resignation in the hands of the Apostolic Delegate. The distinguished prelate is said to be in very poor health.

"Liquor started it, liquor kept it up, and liquor ends it," said Sharp, who was hanged at Auburn, N. Y., lately. Here is a whole temperance lecture in eleven words.

We hope the movement on foot to establish the Fifth Ward in Portland will be as successful as such a worthy reform merits. The promoters of the scheme have the best wishes of the HERALD for its success.

Since our note, with reference to our "Christmas Box" from Chatham, was put in type, we have received still another: seventeen new subscribers from Carleton. Who will beat this last testimony of good-will towards the HERALD?

Even according to the veracious telegraphers the Pope's health is much improved. When they send such good news the condition of the Holy Father must be much better than they are willing to acknowledge.

We learn from our Newfoundland exchanges that great distress prevails there, particularly along the western shore, the herring and cod fisheries having failed. This is alarming intelligence, but we still hope that affairs in the ancient Island are not quite as bad as thus represented.

Mr. George Stewart, jr., of this city, has another new book in press and nearly ready. Mr. Stewart's ardor in literary work is something of which all St. John people have reason to be proud. We hope the new work will be entirely successful.

Hon. Mr. Laurier has, it is said, fyled a protest against the return of Mr. Bourbeau for Arthabaska. Why does not some public spirited Conservative do the same in the Quebec East matter? The chances of success are, we should judge, equally favorable.

Can any member of the Common Council tell us why there is so little difference in the prices paid Mr. Levi Young and Mr. M. F. Ritchie for single and double sleds for the Corporation? Considering the amount of work on each kind of sled we think Mr. Ritchie should receive more or Mr. Young less for the contract.

What has become of the society for the protection of game? We have heard nothing of it for a long time. A similar society in Kingston, Ontario, is about to petition the Local Legislature for a repeal of the present game laws. Could not our own society find some work to do in the same line before the Legislature meets?

We hear that many applications will be made by the young men of Portland for the position of firemen, as it is understood that, in consequence of the purchase of a new steam fire engine, a larger force will be necessary. All the sober and active young men of Portland, without distinction, should take a lively interest in this matter.

... lady friend at Chatham sends us ... new subscribers, being, she writes, ... "Christmas box" to the HERALD. ... most sincere thanks to our ... correspondent for the great interest she manifests in the success of the HERALD, and we shall always endeavor to ... a continuance of her kindness. ... in the next "Christmas ... same nature?

... offer our congratulations to ... contemporary, the Montreal *Minerve*, ... change that has been made ... recently. We have ... *Minerve* with much pleasure ... will now be increased by ... dress in which it appears ... The *Minerve* is, per... the French-Canadian ...

... have been elected to ... the province of ... West, ...

... Liberals are confident of changing all that. We are not, of course, aware of the grounds there may be for such hope, but we may, perhaps, suggest that it would have been well to have commenced the work at once. Delays are dangerous.

A strange feature of the local election in Quebec West was the position taken by the *Journal de Quebec*, formerly the property of Governor Cauchon. Although Liberal in principle it declared in favor of Mr. Alleyne, the successful Conservative candidate, who was also assisted in his election by Mr. Bourbeau, the newly elected member for Drummond and Arthabaska. It would appear that the contest was almost a personal one into which Dominion politics did not enter to any great extent.

Miss Nannary's Life of the late Father Dunphy is, we are glad to hear, being readily taken by all upon whom the canvassers in the City, Portland and Carleton have called. The book should for many reasons find a cheerful welcome in every home where the name of the Rev. E. J. Dunphy is known. The success of the work so far must be very gratifying to the author, to whom it was evidently a labor of love.

As is usual during Christmas time, the streets present a lively and animated appearance just now. Large numbers of country people are to be seen daily bringing produce to the city for sale and carrying away with them to their homes articles of luxury and necessity. The stores are thronged with eager crowds of buyers intent on procuring the very best Christmas presents. Our readers will not forget to pay a visit to the stores of our friends whose advertisements appear in the HERALD.

The Citizens' Committee appointed to meet the Ferry Committee of the Common Council, have had an interview with that body. One of the members of the Ferry Committee is understood to have said that he favored free ferries. The Citizens' Committee will now lay the matter before the Local and Dominion Governments. We wish the members of the Citizens' Committee every success in their laudible endeavour to do away with that relic of barbarism—toll on a great thoroughfare within the limits of a free city.

A public meeting will be held to-morrow evening, under the auspices of the New Brunswick Total Abstinence Union, in St. Peter's Hall, Portland. On account of the hall being occupied until quite recently this meeting, which was intended to have been held shortly after the late Convention, could not be conveniently called. The honest, ardent Temperance men of the city and Portland will doubtless assemble in large numbers to hear the addresses of the officers of the Union and other gentlemen who are expected to be present on the occasion.

The *Philadelphia Catholic Standard* contains an account of the application of the Hoang-Nan, a new Chinese remedy for the cure of leprosy. In two cases of this disease at Cumana, Venezuela, it has been successful, procuring a partial, if not an entire cure. Any remedy that would even partially cure the loathsome sore of the poor lepers at Tracadie in this Province, or elsewhere, should be procured if possible. We hope this may induce the authorities at the Lazeretto to write to the *Standard* for further information.

Our new story, "The Mystery of Fulton Valence," will be found on the fourth page. We direct the particular attention of our readers to this very interesting tale, and assure them that it will, like all the literary efforts of the accomplished author, repay a careful perusal. We feel convinced that the succeeding numbers of the HERALD, containing the dramatic and interesting chapters of "Fulton Valence" yet to come, will be anxiously looked for, by all who begin reading it to-day. "The Mystery of Fulton Valence," the announcement of which, through the city, in such a mysterious manner, caused not little enquiry during the week, will soon be solved.

We do not think that it was necessary for Ald. Domville to make such a long speech at the recent meeting of the Common Council to inform the Council and the public that he had no contracts of any kind with the Corporation. That is so well known that no one questions it. Why did Mr. Domville look so straight at Mr. Cassidy when talking of lumber contracts, professional services in connection with Civic business? We are afraid the energetic Alderman for King's was somewhat personal in his remarks. He might, we think, have "looked straight" at a good many other members of the Board who have from time to time received odd jobs and fat contracts at the expense of the city.

The delegates from the Nova Scotia Government and Opposition on the question of Maritime Union arrived in St. John this week and proceeded to Fredericton, where our Local Government assembled to receive the delegates and, it is to be presumed, discuss the subject in all its bearings. We anticipate no ... ficulty in arriving at a satisfactory conclusion. It is to be regretted that the Prince Edward Island Government is not represented at this meeting. This is owing to the fact that so far no action has yet been taken in that Province in relation to ... proposed union. The advantages ... union of these provinces ar... that no argument ... vince the ... will ...

... that was first made public by the *Globe* of this city, that the Hon. Mr. Anglin would be the next Governor of New Brunswick, pays that gentleman a handsome and well-deserved compliment. Our contemporary remarks that Irish statesmanship is largely utilized abroad, even England giving a large proportion of her Governorships to Irishmen. The success of talented Irish Catholics in the British provinces and the liberal scope allowed them for advancement is exemplified in the case of the Hon. Mr. Anglin, who arrived in New Brunswick with his native Irish talent as his only resource. He has for many years conducted one of the leading papers of the province, and of late has occupied the position of Speaker of the Canadian House of Commons; and now it is stated that on the expiration of Mr. Tilley's term next year, Mr. Anglin will be appointed to the Lieutenant Governorship of New Brunswick. Such a movement, the *Pilot* further writes, would, we judge from New Brunswick papers, be popular, Mr. Anglin's fitness for the position being generally recognized.

CHRISTMAS, 1877.

Before the present number of the HERALD reaches its more distant readers, the glad Christmas Festival will have come and will be numbered among the many joyous anniversaries of the same feast that have brought peace and good-will to man, since first the Angels of the most high sang the grand pæan, when Bethlehem was glorified by that birth, which has changed the face of the world.

The story so old, yet ever so new, the story of the only Birth-day in the whole history of the world that has been solemnly and religiously kept for eighteen hundred years and more, will be told in places separated by immense distances, to persons of every clime and tongue, to the aged and the young, to the rich and the poor, the sick and the strong, to freeman and bondsman, to every condition and place of human life, and to all it will bring feelings that will prompt kind words, pleasant greetings, tokens of love and affection. By many a pleasant fireside,—ah, would there were all so at this glad Christmas time!—the moving story of the humble birth of the Virgin's Child in the Manger of Bethlehem, will be dwelt upon with love, gratitude, devotion. The young, listening in awe and wonder to the mysterious tale, will lovingly listen to the voice that tells of the scenes the quiet stars looked down upon on that far-off midnight, when the exulting song of the heavenly messengers astonished the listening world; in their simple, child-like faith and confidence they will listen for the murmur of those voices whose accents were so tender to the ears of the faithful shepherds around about the city where the great mystery was accomplished, and they will ask how they in their own humble way may imitate the love, the charity, the mercy of the Infant whose birth they welcome so gladly. As He was poor, their first thoughts will be of the poor and in their infantile goodness of their nature they will feel their hearts filled with compassion for the poor, the lonely, the wretched. In the churches the same grand story story will be told, it may be with words of varying eloquence, of more or less burning love, of greater or less ardent charity, but the effect will be soothing and peaceful and practical. The man of care and toil will forget for the time the difficulties of life, as the sufferings of his Saviour at his very entry into this world of ours are vividly and lovingly laid before him, and he will leave the Temple of Him whose birth was so humble, His life so sublime, His charity so immense with compassion in his heart for the miseries of his fellowmen, with a desire of making those around him happier, better, holier. While he rationally enjoys the things of the world which may be his by right, he will think tenderly, pityingly, practically of those who are not so fortunate, of the homes to which the joyous Christmas festival bring the least gladness and he will by thought, by word, but above all by work, endeavor to fill the homes of the poor with kindly tokens of the universal joy that should reign at Christmas time.

Thus and in many ways will Christmas be indeed the grand festival of the Christian man; thus will its influence for good be made clearly manifest. Our old uncharitableness will give away to better and nobler thoughts regarding all to whom this glad time brings peace; thinking of Him whose Birth we honor, enemies will forget their enmity, and peace and good-will will reign supreme, at least at this time, which recall the example of the most sublime devotion the world has ever beheld on the part of Him whose divine love, overlooked all offences against His Majesty and Omnipotence, that He might reconcile His creatures. The grand lesson taught from the Manger will have a humanizing and ennobling influence on the lives of all men; it will raise them to higher views of their duties and responsibilities as subjects of the King of Kings. The grand song of the angels will be heard in the hearts of all, and the words which Christians first taught the world will be be heard throughout the universe:

PEACE AND GOOD-WILL TO MEN!

TO OUR FRIENDS.

With this number the HERALD enters on the second year of its existence. Our appearance to-day is a sufficient indication that our efforts to please the public have not been altogether fruitless. The increased pressure on our advertising columns, and our own desire to meet the wishes of our many friends throughout ... renders this change necessary. We hope ... subscribers will show a proper appreciation of our efforts in their behalf by exerting themselves to increase the circulation of the HERALD. Although, as we stated in last week's issue, the success the HERALD has achieved ... exceeded our most extravagant hopes, ... a little aid, in the form of more subscriptions, would enable us greatly to increase its usefulness. As the amount we receive from our subscribers, and those who favor us with their advertisements, is the only source of revenue we have, we trust our friends will see the necessity of being prompt with their remittances. We understand it has been asserted that this journal is controlled by some prominent and wealthy gentlemen in this city, and we take this opportunity to emphatically contradict this statement. At its birth the founders of the HERALD resolved that so long as it continued under its present management it would never be truthfully said of it that any men or any party were in a position to compromise its independance. The dependant position occupied by some of our predecessors in the journalistic field is not so encouraging as to induce us to follow in their footsteps. The last two sentences we have written suggest a train of thought which, if indulged in, would extend this article beyond our original intention, and, perhaps, lead us to say some harsh things that would be displeasing to certain parties; but the softening influence of the tender memories that cluster round the Christian heart at this particular season of the year; the remembrance of what He, whose advent into this world proved the redemption of mankind, came to teach, cause us to close our remarks without giving expression to a more uncharitable sentiment than a wish that our readers, one and all, may enjoy a really Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

... referring to a rumor ...

PEACE AT LAST.

Notwithstanding the late ominous tidings from France, an amicable solution of the difficulty which threatened to throw that nation again into turmoil and revolution, and, perhaps, drench her soil with the blood of her best and bravest, has, it would appear, at length been reached. The Marshal-President, yielding to the wishes of the Constitutional majority, has in a manner which speaks well for his patriotism, succeded in forming a Cabinet, which will, doubtless, give satisfaction to all, except the extreme men in the different parties. The Ministry, as formed, and which should not, we imagine, find any great difficulty in governing in the best interests of the French people, is largely composed of moderate men of the different sections. Only one very pronounced disciple of the infamous Gambetta has found a place in it. With regard to the statement that much dissatisfaction has resulted from the appointment of Mr. Waddington as one of the ministers because he is Protestantant, we are inclined to think that it is groundless. If fault is found it is not, perhaps, that he is of the Protestant religion, but rather that his tendencies are rather liberalistic to be very pleasing to those who oppose him.

Those who imagined that President McMahon was on the point of having recourse to a *coup d'etal* to carry out certain views they attributed to him, will now see that his love of France was greater than his love of personal power. In the submission he has shown to the popular will, he has proved that it is his desire and determination to govern constitutionally and not otherwise. It is most gratifying to see a great soldier, with an obedient army at his back, thus making an unusual sacrifice of personal power in the interests of France and the world.

THE IRISH IMMIGRATION MATTER.

In answer to our inquiries as to the cause of the absence of Irish immigrants amongst those of other nationalities, who came to New Brunswick at the invitation of the Local Government, which offered them extraordinary advantages, the *Telegraph* replies that had Irish immigrants taken advantage of the inducements held out to the people of the British Isles generally, they would have been as cordially received here as the Scotch, Danes, or English. Captain Brown, who appears to have brought a great amount of enthusiasm to the work, and who labored in the interest of the Anchor Line, offered to bring out a colony if such terms as he asked were accorded. The same may be said of Capt. Heller, who formed the settlement known as Hellerup. The two settlements thus formed had the advantage of having a representative man to look after their interests. Through their influence, we suppose, better terms were granted a large body of immigrants than if such influence was not brought to bear on the Government. Had any gentleman interested in Irish immigration brought out a colony from Ireland at the same time, it would be difficult to see why the same advantage would not have been granted them that were given the Scotch and Danes. As no such attempt was then made, it is now difficult to determine what the result would have been. With regard to this part of the discussion, all will admit that a splendid opportunity for bringing Irish immigrants to this Province was allowed to pass unimproved, whether through the fault of the Government, or of those who should have been most anxious to attract numbers of the farming class from Ireland to New Brunswick, it is now hard to say. We have the assurance of the *Telegraph* that it will be found in the future ready to advocate any scheme for the advancement of immigration from Ireland to this Province.

As we look upon editors as gentlemen, and as gentlemen generally write what they think particularly when promises of this nature are made, we would look upon any prevarication ... a dishonesty ... sincerity ... reason why we should doubt the s... of the language of our contemporary. The Government, now it is true, on account of public opinion being against such a proceeding on its part cannot grant such favorable terms to immigrants of any nationality as were formerly given the Scotch and people of other countries. Moreover, the revenues of the Province, much reduced by the withdrawal of the annual subsidy of $63,000 given this Province by the terms of the Confederation Act, and the loan of $810,000 from the Dominion Government for immigration purposes, together with the refusal of that Government to pay a balance which, according to the *Telegraph*, is yet justly due this Province, would not now permit such lavish expenditure as was made at the time the Scotch settlers came here. This is the substance of a statement made by the *Telegraph* in answer to our enquiries as to the future prospects of colonists in the Province. Taking this all for granted, the Government can, and we hope will do much to settle large numbers of industrious people on the lands still open for occupation. The terms of the Lands Act are still very liberal, so liberal that we doubt if any of the other provinces offer such advantages. A determined effort should be made to induce our own people to settle in every locality where good land can yet be obtained. In many parts of the Province, notably at the North Shore, two or three families are now trying to live on, perhaps, a hundred acres of land, which have been so subdivided and so worked that the tillers are in almost abject poverty. If we cannot induce people to come here from Ireland, from which emigration is now small, as shown by the last return of emigrants arriving in New York last month, let us endeavor by means of colonization societies, or otherwise, to lay the advantages of the Free Grants Act before our own people, and encourage them to leave over-crowded localities, and become the independant owners of valuable farms. We believe the *Telegraph* will be only too happy to give its powerful aid to such a movement.

WARD MEETINGS.

Much disatisfaction is felt in the different wards of the city and Portland, with regard to the manner in which civic affairs have been managed in the past, and, if the people are in earnest in their endeavours to procure much-needed reforms, they should lose no time in setting to work to prepare for the next civic elections. A good example has been given in the Brook's Ward meeting. The electors there appear to be in earnest. It is useless to go on from year to year grumbling at a state of affairs, which only become worse as time passes away. What is wanted in this matter is real, honest, earnest work. It is not enough to get up a strongly-worded requisition for a public meeting and then calmly await for some one else to do the work. This was clearly shown by the result of the late public meeting, called to take into consideration the workings of the Fire Department of the city. Hundreds of our solid men of St. John signed the requisition to call such a meeting, and only a half-dozen of those who put their signatures to that document were present when the appointed time came. If we are ever to have any improvement in the management of civic affairs, this is hardly the right way to accomplish such an end. It is admitted on all sides that the business of the city has not been managed in a way profitable to the citizens at large. While there are some good, hard-working members at the Council Board, there are others who were never destined by nature, education, or the commonest ability, to hold the positions they now occupy. How will a change be wrought? The citizens—the electors of the city—have in their own hands the power of working a change beneficial to all. Let them take some real, lively interest in the management of the business of the city. Let them, following the example of Brook's Ward, assemble in every ward of the city and exchange views and opinions on the conduct of their representatives at the Council board; let men of influence attend these meetings and work with the people to obtain a better class of representatives at the Council; let the proceedings of such meetings be known, and, in a short time, public opininon will be formed, an interest be created in civic matters, which will go a long way to remove the evils so loudly complained of. If nothing is done in this way to create a healthy public spirit, it is not too much to expect that the citizens generally will make a sacrifice of the time so devoted to public matters. Their pride and ambition should be to make of St. John a model city.

THE PORTLAND POLICE FORCE.

Our readers must have often remarked that there has been, from time to time, much trouble among the members of the Portland police force. The men are being constantly changed; there appears to be a want of subordination, which recently has been painfully manifested; complaints are constantly being made in different quarters, which must have, at least, some little foundation on fact, or they would not so often appear in the press. Many of the policemen we know to be well fitted for their position, and if the proper encouragement were held out to them, greater efficiency would, we think, be the natural result. As the force is now constituted there is absolutely no promotion, and consequently hardly any incentive to the men to do more than just merely perform their duty; they have no inducement held out to them to excel in their work. If a proper system of gradual promotion were introduced, with an increasing amount of pay, the men would, we feel sure, do much better than in the past. Would it not be well to consider whether the Captain of the force should not be chosen from among the men who have been longest employed in the service? It appears to us that one of the men would make a better executive officer than an entire stranger, who must necessarily take some time to become acquainted with the Town, the characters to be dealt with, and the entire duties of the position. We believe there are no sergeants on the force. Would it not be well to appoint one or two of the most respectable of the force to that position? We think the complaints so often heard are the result of improper organization, coupled with the fact that the pay of the men—only a few cents over a dollar a day. It is impossible to get good men on the force at such poor renumeration. Those who would be competent will not accept the position, when they can earn much larger wages at nearly any other occupation. The smallness of the pay of the Portland force is, we imagine, the great cause of the many complaints continually made, and until there is an increase, it is utterly impossible to expect that good men will accept the arduous duties imposed on a conscientious officer.

The *Citizen and Evening Chronicle* says: ... Premier of the Dominion is a native ... man. All the other members of ... —The ... born ... Hon. Edward Blake, Hon. L. ... Hon A. J. Smith, Hon. R. ... Wilfred Laurier, Hon. R. J. ... Hon. C. Pelletier, Hon. David, ... W. B. Vail, Hon. R. W. Scott ... pee and Hon. T. Coffin—are ... Canadians. Of the late ministers ... fourths were natives of the mother ... including Sir John A. Macdonald. ... may well take a litle pardonable ... in the fact that nearly all the Ministers ... Crown are native born Canadians.

... Hanlan has challenged Scharff of Pitts... to row from three to five miles with ... for $1,000 a side.

[Written for the HERALD.]

LET THEM BE HAPPY.

All is bustle, all is noise
Hurrying home with Christmas toys,
Making little faces bright,
With a happy, joyous light,
Mark how heartfelt is their glee
As they gather 'round the tree.

Not a trace of care is seen
On this happy Christmas e'en;
Gathered around the cheery fire,
Arrayed in holiday attire;
Laughing in their childish mirth
None so happy here on earth.

Merry faces, merry hearts,
What a tale their life imparts,
All is sunshine, all is love,
True as the stars in the firmament above.
But the tree will wither and the holly fade
And the childish hearts grow old and staid.

The change that one short year brings forth,
May shroud in gloom your happy hearth;
So let them be happy while they may,
Nor cloud the sunlight of their day—
Too soon, alas! they'll learn to know,
That life is beset with misery and woe.

THE FERRIES.

[To the Editor of the HERALD.]

Sir,—It appears by the *Globe* that the ferry question—team tickets, &c.,—was well aired at the meeting which took place between the Ferry Committee and the gentlemen which were selected at the meeting held in the City Hall, Carleton, where different resolutions were passed condemnatory of the ferry management. It is to be presumed that the matter was well aired at the above meeting, but I rather think that the air to which the ferry matter was exposed was deficient in oxygen, as it appears that the gas, carbonic acid, undiluted, which the exposition of the question caused to emanate from the Ferry Committee, has consigned it, as other questions of importance to the people have been consigned, to oblivion. What about that compromise effected by a committee of the Common Council, and the Warden of the Penitentiary? But I need not ask, as it is to be opined it has preceded the matter of the ferry in being asphyxiated and will never be heard of again, without the people waken up from their apathy and demand from those gentlemen, who are supposed to attend to the general interest of the public, an account of how the ex Carletonian defaulter carried out his portion of the agreement.

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dec22 **H. BOWLES.**

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL NEWS.

THE Cunard Mills at Chatham have been purchased by the Hon. Mr. Muirhead.

A BOY'S REFORM CLUB has been organized in this City this week.

A FEMALE FORTUNE TELLER has pitched her tent near Fairville.

THE WORK of putting up the Portland Fire Alarm will likely be finished today.

THE GRAND MANAN POST OFFICE was broken into the other night and some registered letters stolen.

THE SUSSEX CORNET BAND gave a concert in Victoria Hall, on Tuesday evening.

DAMAGED.—The schooner "A. C. Watson," ran ashore in Courtenay Bay, Monday, and was badly damaged.

MR. GEO. E. MULHERRIN, a well-known pilot, died at Carleton, Tuesday, of heart disease.

A HOUSE on the Straight Shore, owned by Mr. Brayley, was slightly damaged by fire Saturday evening.

Diptheria has made its appearance at the Convent in St. Louis, near Richibucto.

Rev. F. X. MICHAUD was in the city during the week. He leaves for home this morning.

A FIRE at St. Mary's, opposite Fredericton, Tuesday night, totally destroyed a house belonging to Mr. John Hughes. The family were absent at the time.

A LOT of carpenter's tools belonging to Mr. Alfred Ritchie of Portland, were recently stolen from a Queen street building.

FREDERICTON had a grand procession, Saturday night, in honor of Mr. D. Banks McKenzie, the Temperance reformer.

A WINDOW in Mr. R. C. Gordon's liquor store, Main street, Portland, was smashed by a stone thrown by a blast from the side of Fort Howe, Wednesday.

A WALLET containing the sum of $55 was stolen from the mate of the schooner "Snow Bird" lying in York Point slip, Tuesday afternoon.

A PRIZE of $5 was given to the best walzter at a dance held in the City Hall, Carleton, Monday night. Mr. Wm. Irvin was the winner.

THE Dramatic and Musical Entertainment which was to have been lately given by the St. Dunstan's Society, Fredericton, has been postponed until after New Year's.

KNOCKED DOWN.—Chief of Police Marshall was knocked down by a team on Sydney st., Monday afternoon, and was severely bruised.

THE CONTRACTOR, Cutter, who absconded on Saturday night, and who took away with him $4,000, was followed by Smyth, the sub-contractor, who succeeded in recovering $1700.

UPSET.—A coach set on bob-sleds upset at the corner of Market Square and Water St. Tuesday morning. Two young ladies were inside the coach at the time, one of whom received severe injuries.

DIPTHERIA.—On Friday 7th inst., Mr. Henry Flieger lost a daughter eleven years old by Diptheria and, just a week after, another child, a little over two years old—also a daughter—died of the same disease.—*Advance.*

Mr. P. DEAN has shown us some excellent beef, of almost fabulous weight, which was procured near Amherst. Mr. Dean informs us that this beef is superior to any even imported from the Upper Provinces.

W. B. DELLA TORRE, Bell Tower avenue, King Square, calls the attention of the public to his large and well assorted stock of Toys, Fancy Goods, etc., suitable for Christmas presents.

A PORTION of the chimney of Mrs. Roach's house, cor. of Main and Simonds Sts., Portland, fell Sunday night. It is reported that one of the inmates was reading about the "Last Judgment," when the occurrence took place, and he thought on hearing the crash, that the time had come.

ON THURSDAY the annual meeting of the Kings Co. Board of Trade took place at Hampton. James Domville Esq. M. P., was elected President for the ensuing year. This gentleman, Mr. Robt. Marshall, and Geo. Barnes, were unanimously elected delegates to the Dominion Board of Trade.

AN ACTION brought against the Corporation by Mr. James Hayes of Carleton, has been settled, the Corporation paying Hayes $750 and $88 costs. Mr. Hayes brought this action in consequence of falling in Walker's slip one night last year, the fence being away.

ACCIDENTS.—Mrs. Nixon, an Erin street resident, broke her arm by a fall, Tuesday.

Henry Jackson fell of a new house in Acadia St. Portland, and was slightly injured.

By the fall of a staging on Coleman Flaherty's house, cor. of Main and Carmarthen St., Tuesday, two brothers named Moore were hurt

Mr. Wm. Hefferon of Portland, got his hand and face severely cut, Wednesday, by being shoved through a window by a fellow-workman named McJunkin.

Mr. John Doherty, Sr. aged about 60 years, fell from a scaffolding in his barn at Hammond, Kings Co., on Wednesday, and broke his neck.

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GENERAL NEWS.

The revolution in Equador has ended. The government party has triumphed.

On Tuesday two shocks of earthquake were felt at Beachburg, Ontario.

Over two thousand workmen on the Lachine Canal enlargement are on a strike.

It is reported that Secretary Evarts will retire from the cabinet at an early day.

Notice has been given to the iron workers of Sheffield, England, that their wages will be cut down after the holidays.

A statement just published shows that during the season of navigation the loss by accidents in the St. Lawrence River to ocean vessels and cargoes amounted to $685,650.

There has been an anti-Russian demonstration at Pesth, Hungary. The President of the Ministry refused to receive a deputation from the meeting, as it was accompanied by a crowd. The crowd becoming disorderly the police cleared the streets.

It is said that a disagreeable surprise awaits Mr. H. M. Stanley on his return home. A New York lady to whom he has been long engaged and to whom he was to be married on his return from the present expedition, has wearied of waiting, and taken to herself a mate more likely to stay at home.

John Stewart, who appealed against the return of Sir John A. MacDonald for Kington, ond was ruled out of court by Chief Justice Draper, gives notice in the *Canada Gazette* of an application to Parliament for an Act compelling the Queen's Bench to pay back $1,000, the deposit made by him on instituting the suit, his attorney having entered an action in the Queen's Bench instead of in the Election Court.

WAR NOTES.

The Russians have re-occupied it.

Elena has been burned and evacuated by the Turks.

New battalions of Russian troops are continually crossing the Danube.

Up to Dec. 13th, the total Russian loss amounted to 77,658 men.

It is reported that England has sounded Russia as to conditions of peace.

Osman Pasha in his Plevna sortie lost 6,000 men.

Suileman Pasha will probably be recalled from his command, as the [illegible] Constantinople are [illegible] authorities in [illegible] dissatisfied with his acts.

Turkey complains, by circular, that Italy is committing a breach of neutrality in allowing volunteers to join the Montenegrins,

The British Ambasador, Mr. Layard, denies that he has sounded the Porte as to the condition he will be willing to accept.

"I compliment you on the defence of Plevna, it is one of the most splendid military feats in history," said Grand Duke Nicholas on meeting Osman Pasha.

OUR ADVERTISERS.

Mr. John Coholan, Main St. Portland, offers Christmas Groceries and Fruits at very low prices for Cash.

Messrs. Thorne Bros., King St., have in stock a large assortment of Hats, Caps and Furs to which they invite attention.

Mr. H Bowles, Portland Boot and Shoe Store, has an advertisement in the HERALD calling the attention of its readers to Goods which he will sell cheap for Cash.

Mr. B. Cotter, will to day open a new Fruit and Grocery Store in Finn's Building, Mill St. He will then be in a better position to serve his customers than formerly.

Mr. John D. Harris has on hand at his store, Main St. Portland, (opposite Long Wharf), quite a variety of Goods suitable for the cold season, in the Hat, Cap and Fur line.

Messrs. H. & H. A. McCullough, corner Park and Court House Avenue, King Sq., and 59 Germain St., are offering during the holiday season great bargains in Dry Goods. Pay them a visit and be convinced.

Mr. P. Keenan, Boot and Shoe Maker, whose place of business is near the South side of the Fountain, King Sq., is prepared to supply his friends with custom made Boots and Shoes at low prices.

Mr. P. J. Quinn, 25 King Sq., has a well assorted Stock embracing many novelties for the season. His friends will find by calling at his place of business, that he is prepared to offer them great bargains.

Mr. J. J. Mullin, Merchant Tailor, Portland Bridge, keeps in stock a large assortment of Ready-made Clothing, Gent's Furnishing Goods, etc., which he will dispose of at low prices.

W. G. Lawton, 46 King St. is offering Dry Goods at wholesale prices during the Christmas season. This opportunity will be eagerly seized hold of by parties in want of really fine goods.

Messrs. Daniel & Boyd, London House, (Wholesale), have on hand an immense stock of Goods at their premises, Union St. Their holiday shipments to the country have been very large. Their new premises (old stand), Market Square, is not yet ready.

Messrs. McDonald & Hatfield, Custom Tailors and Clothiers, cor. of Market square and Prince Wm. Street, have had their premises fitted up in such a manner that they can attend with despatch to all orders they may be favored with.

Mr. Michael Walsh is now showing at his New Dry Goods Store, Misson Building, Portland Bridge, a large stock of Dry Goods and Novelties suitable for the present season. We assure our Portland friends that great bargains can be had by patronising Mr. Walsh.

Mr. Jas. McCullough & Co., 95 (Head of) King St., are offering splendid bargains to Cash customers in the Dry Goods and Millinery line. Since the fire the business of of this firm has materially increased, and those who patronize them may rely on gettting good value for their money.

Messrs. McCafferty & Daly show a varied assortment of Goods for the holidays. Occupying a good stand, and having any amount of friends, their business is rapidly extending. Their reputation for selling the very best of goods at reasonable prices is likewise becoming more widely known.

T. L. Coughlan has secured a good roomy store between Messrs. Adams and Manson's. The facilities for conducting his business will be much greater than heretofore. During the Christmas season he offers great bargains in Watches, Jewellry, and Fancy Goods.

Messrs. E. Hazey & Co. have in stock a large assortment of Books, Stationery, and Fancy Goods. Persons desirous of making their friends a suitable and elegant present would do well to examine their goods. The largest and Best selection of Catholic Prayer Books in the Maritime Provinces can be found at this establishment. Their stock of Fancy Goods is very large, and well worthy of inspection. If you want bargains call and see them.

Capt. Connolly's Navigation School Room 25, Magee's Block, Water street, is now in good working order.

Get your Holiday Pictures taken at Mr. J. S. Climo's, No. 13 Charlotte Street, Jack's Building.

The China Tea Store, No 24 Brussels st., is well worthy of a visit to all seeking Pure teas, Coffees and Spices.

McDonnell & Mindon, Main street, Portland, have on hand a lot of Fancy Ware suitable for the season.

Mr. M. A. Finn, Hazen Building, Charlotte street, advertises in the HERALD a large stock of Wines, Brandies, etc.,

Mr. J L. McCoskery, whose store is on the North side of King Square, keeps on hand a large assortment of Books, Stationery, etc., to which he invites attention.

M. J. Driscoll, Custom Tailor, 47 Brussels street, will be most happy to attend to his friends and others who may favor him with a call.

Messrs. Brockington & Co., Custom Tailors, Bell Tower Avenue, offer a reduction of 10 per cent. on all goods purchased from them during the Christmas season.

Mr. John McGourty, City Contractor, cor. of Elliot Row and Pitt street, will be ready to attend to any orders entrusted to him in his line of business.

Messrs. Landry & Co., Pianos, Organs and Music Dealers, will be ready to see their friends in their new building, King street.

Our friends desiring to have Coaches furnished for weddings, funerals, etc., would do well to see Mr. J. S. Stanton, No. 98 St. Patrick street.

Every purchaser of Colorado Pens will receive a present at the Gift store, Main street, Portland. These presents consist of Watches, Jewellery and money.

The Dominion Dining Rooms and Exchange are kept by Mr. Chas. Courtenay, Charlotte street. A first class caterer has charge of the Dining Rooms.

Mr. John Barron, Saw Manufacturer Main street, Portland, would be pleased to have his friends call andleave their orders for anything in his line.

Mr. Cornelius Gallagher, Imitator of Wood and Marble, Painter Glazier and Paper Hanger will guarantee satisfaction to those who may entrust with [illegible] description.

To any of our [illegible] of this Costiveness, [illegible] friends suffering from we would [illegible] Dyspepsia, Billiousness, etc., recommend them to try Harrison's Peristaltic Lozenges. They are a safe and effective remedy.

To all parties wishing to insure their lives against Accident, we would recommend them to see Mr. John F. Ashe, who is agent for the Citizens' Insurance Co. His office is at 178 Union street.

Mr. James. Manson is now properly settled in the New Palace, King St. The display of Goods in this establishment is very fine, and cannot fail to attract the eye of parties on the lookout for new and seasonable goods.

A Splendid Christmas Box would be a Ticket in the Irish Friendly Society's Lottery. The sum of $5,000 may be drawn for $5. Do not let this opportunity slip.

Mr. J. Chaloner, cor. of King and Germain streets advertises in the HERALD a large assortment of Cut Bottles, Perfumes, Flavoring Extracts. etc., suitable for the season.

Mr. R. J. Patterson, Germain street, opposite City Market, has the very best of Oysters always on hand, and would wish a call from his friends. Meals at all hours can also be procured here.

Vaughan & Donovan are selling Boots, Shoes and Slippers at low prices at No. 212 Union street. They offer to repair, free of charge, all goods purchased from them. This is something new and should be taken advantage of.

The United States Piano Co., No. 810 Broadway, New York, sell a First-Class Rosewood Piano for $290. They sell direct to families at factory prices. All instruments sold by them are warranted satisfactory.

Messrs. M. Walsh & Son, 97 King street, are offering decided bargains in Boots Shoes, Slippers, etc. This firm is quick to perceive the value of advertising. The consequence is their store is almost constantly crowded.

N. Percival's Bazaar, 155 Union street, should be visited by all persons desiring to purchase Christmas Presents. The stock embraces a large assortment of Gold and Silver Plated Ware, Watches Jewellery and Fancy Goods. A present is given to everybody who purchases goods to the amount of $1.00 or more.

It was our intention to have noticed all the advertizers of the HERALD in this issue but we are compelled to hold over the remainder until next week.

DEATHS.

At Spar Cove, Indiantown, Dec. 13th, ELIZABETH ANN McCORMICK, aged 10 years and 6 months.

On Sunday morning, sixteenth instant, JAMES McMANUS, aged 58 years, leaving a wife and nine children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and affectionate parent.

On Monday, 17th instant, after a long and tedious illness, BERNARD MULLIN, branch pilot, aged 37 years, leaving a wife to mourn his loss.

On Friday morning, 21st inst., after a lingering illness, Hugh Beck, aged 53 years.

At Fredericton, on the 12th inst., Annie, youngest daughter of John E. and Susan Perks, aged 5 years.

At the Alms House, on the 19th December, John Duggan, aged 68 years, a native of County Wexford, Ireland.

At Sand Point, Carleton, on Tuesday evening, 18th inst., of heart disease, Mr. George E. Mulherrin, pilot of this port, in the 56th year of his age.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY SALE!

During the present month, and preparatory to Stock taking, the Goods in all departments will be sold at vastly Reduced Prices, in most cases less than the Wholesale quotations.

In a few days the range of prices in

BLACK SILKS, DRESS GOODS, COUNTERPANES, VELVETS, BLANKETS, COMFORTERS,

Etc., Etc., will be published.

Irrespective of Purchasing, an Inspection of the Stock is solicited.

MACKENZIE BROS.,
47 King street.

LONDON-MADE TWEED OVERCOATS,

New and Fashionable.

In a splendid variety of mixtures; also, REEFERS, will be cleared out at Cost, as they form no part of our regular line.

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STOVES, RANGES and KITCHEN UTENSILS;
TINWARE in great variety
STAMP WARE "
FANCY WARE "

At Prices that defy competition, at

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Main St., Portland.

N. B.—General Job Work attended to as usual.

JEWELLERS' HALL,

No. 14 King Street,

PALACE BUILDING.

THIS new Store has opened with a full stock of

Fine Watches, Jewellery and

FANCY ARTICLES.

Also, a good assortment of TOYS, expressly imported for the Christmas Trade. Owing to the lateness of their arrival, the FANCY GOODS and TOYS will be sold at cost so that none will remain over.

dec22 T. L. COUGHLAN.

CHEAP DRY GOODS.

DURING the Holidays we intend to offer our whole stock of DRY GOODS

At Wholesale Prices.

We direct particular attention to the following goods which are the best value yet shown:—

Colored Dress Goods in all the new shades;
Black Dress Goods, a full assortment;
Cloth for Coatings, Mantles and Ulsters;
Tweeds and Doeskins, Serges and Waterproofs;
Table Linens; Wool Table Covers;
Lined Kid Mits and Gloves;
Rich Black Silks and Velvets;
Wool Shawls, black and colored;
Blankets, Blankets, Blankets.

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KING SQUARE, AND 59 GERMAIN STREET.

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Boots and Shoes,

FELT & RUBBER GOODS,

For the Holidays,

AT

STEVENSON'S,

19 CHARLOTTE STREET.

LADIES' Skating Boots;
" Button, Oil Goat Boots;
" Kid, Side Lace "
" " Button "
" Straight Grain But'd. "
" French Kid " "
" Grain Calf " "

Men's (hand made) Balmorals and Congress in French Calf, Kid, Alligator and Patent Leather.

Misses' and Children's, in Kid, Oil Goat, Grain, Calf and Felt.

Men's, Boys and Youth's Boots, in Canadian and Domestic.

Men's Calf, (hand made) Boots.

A first-class assortment of Ladies', Gents, Misses' and Chilnrens Rubber Boots, (American.)

A first class stock of Overshoes, of all kinds AT LOWEST PRICES for cash.

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SINCE THE FIRE

130 PACKAGES,

And this day per Stmr. Hibernian,

42 PACKAGES

GENERAL GOODS,

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Christmas Groceries & Fruit,

AT

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To where a child, beloved of Heaven,
Who first the earth did scan,
Was born, to take upon himself
The sins of guilty man.

Who lying in a manger small—
The gift of poor men given,
Was "King of Kings and Lord of Lords;"
Master of earth and heaven;
The Maker and the chief of those
Who journed to meet him there,
And from their homes, on Bethlehem's eve
Refused their helping care.

Oh! may we think, when at this time
We cast a thought afar,
He Man, whose birth was but the step
That opened up the bar,
Which kept us from that promised land;
That we are poor and weak,
And in His loving care and guard
Do all our comfort seek.

[Written expressly for the HERALD.]

THE MYSTERY OF FULTON VALENCE.

BY MRS. BEATRICE MCGOWAN.

CHAPTER I.—MISS CARLEON.

Beneath the leafless oaks and maples in Valence Park, a young lady saunters leisurely. Every now and then her gaze turns to the great pile of buildings, the pet show place of the county, from which the village of Fulton-Valence—near the old town of Hythe—takes its name.

It is a dull, sunless day in the late autumn. The dead leaves and withered grasses but too plainly showing that the warmth of the summer days are past.

The only bright specks in the midst of this grey scarness, are the scarlet feather in the girl's hat and the cardinal ribbons at her throat.

A girl of scarcely nineteen, one would think, looking at her. With a bright, *piquant*, sparkling face; not pretty, not at all pretty you would say, feeling disappointed, until you saw her eyes; the brown, fearless eyes that had made so many turn and look at her again—to own they were mistaken.

She walks through numerous paths, until coming into a broad gravelled carriage drive, brings her again in full view of the house. [illegible] out of Bayes, the same troubled look comes into them once more.

The trouble and the doubt were mine, for the young lady was myself—Di Warwick.

Alice and Lady Valence had been from home all day, and Sir Reginald had been closeted with his steward since luncheon. The great House was miserably dull in spite of its rare magnificence.

I had been a year at Fulton-Valence as nominal governess to the only daughter of the house—or such I presumed she was and no one had ever taken the trouble to contradict me—and I knew as much of the people with whom I was living at the end of that time as I had in the beginning.

Lady Valence proud and stately—but kind withal. Her son, Sir Reginald, and Alice, a dark, gipsy looking child of eight, comprised the family; with the exception of a niece—Miss Florence Carleon—who spent the greater part of her time with them, and who was now staying indefinitely.

"Miss Warwick, it grieves me, but I am compelled to say that you have been guilty of most unmitigated selfishness."

"In what way, sir?" I asked, surprised.

"By depriving us of your society of course. What business had you to come wandering away here by yourself, like some love sick Elaine? What have you been doing?" he added quickly, "Carving your name on myrtle, rinds and telling your secrets to the—woods."

"Secrets, sir, I!" I answered, pointedly. "I have no secrets that all the world may not hear if it so wished."

No wonder the warm blood rushed to my face at the base falsehood.

"Then, my dear Rex, don't you see that under the circumstances you are crediting Miss Warwick with an impossibility. Miss *doubts* it is only your lazy people who know how to be selfish, Diane, you are not lazy!"

"I trust not, Miss Carleon."

"Then, you hear, sir. If you want further confirmatory evidence, apply to Auntie. I fancy that she would be your best authority, she appreciated the perfections."

I thought—or was it only fancy—for the words had been spoken in a light, jesting tone—but I thought that Sir Reginald looked annoyed. However, he answered quickly, before I had time to speak.

"We have been looking for you," turning to me. "Knowing that you have been left to your own resources pretty much all day, I am come to have compassion on you. Florence wishes to ride over and meet Lady Valence and I have ordered a horse round for you. A canter across the downs will do you good, Miss Warwick."

"I am sorry, but—"

"Sir Reginald wishes it, Diane. Do you not understand."

I bowed, without looking at her. Too well did I recognize the tone—coming from her. They had come upon me suddenly; she, in her fair, sweet loveliness; he, in spite of all my doubts of him, looking—as he always did—brave and handsome.

Why was Miss Carleon so eager for me to join them to-day? At any other time she would have endeavored to resent such a proposition.

"I will go up to the house with you, to get your habit," she said gaily. "Rex, have the horse brought round by the time Diane is ready. I hate to be kept waiting."

"You forget, Florry, that I must go back with you, in order to do that."

"True," she answered, laughing; "what a simpleton I am."

Sir Reginald looked at her wistfully. I had often caught him doing so of late. Did he so love her that even her faults were dear to him!

"Rex, we will go on to the castle, and the water."

"Not to-day, Florence."

"Yes, to-day," she retorted, wilfully. "Was did you ever climb up into the [illegible] and watch the sun shine on the [illegible], wide ocean that we can never see [illegible] Fulton Valence? And the ships look such tiny specks from where we [illegible] them—sailing away to far off coun[illegible]. Did you ever watch them and long [illegible] sailing away, too, Diane?"

"[illegible]," I answered, surprised at her [illegible] gravity.

"[illegible] have. I have yearned to go to one [illegible]—a sunny, far off country, where [illegible]range and the citron grow—and [illegible] once lost what I loved most in the [illegible]

"Florence!" exclaimed the Baronet, sharply.

She raised her head and looked at him.

"Where's the harm?" she said; "I never look at the ships but they put me in mind of *him*. If there had been no ships he would never have gone there. Am I not foolish to say such a thing, Diane! But then you see that little word 'if' sometimes means so much. It has often changed the course of a life before now. It did mine."

"My dear Florence, you make a pretty philosopher, but hardly a practical one. Speaking of Cranmer Castle, Miss Warwick," he added abruptly, as though eager to prevent her from answering him, "Did you ever take particular notice of the old Norman well in the court-yard, to the left as you enter by the gate tower?"

"No, sir," I replied, "but I have heard of it as being connected with a dreadful tragedy some years ago. I have never been to Cranmer."

"Never been to Cranmer! Then that decides it of course. You cannot very well refuse now, Rex."

"Pray, not on my account," I said, hastily. "If Sir Reginald does not think we can go, any other time would do, you know. I hardly think there would be time to-day, if we wish to meet Lady Valence."

"But I *wish* to go to-day, and Sir Reginald never objects to anything I very *very* much wish. Do you, Rex? As for Auntie, I am afraid she will find herself a second consideration for once."

I waited anxiously for his answer. Would he give in to her now, when he had refused so firmly before? It was his one failing that I could not help despising. His vacillating weakness wherever his cousin was concerned.

"Say 'yes' quick" she cried, eagerly "if we go I must give an order to ring, in case Lady Valence reaches home before our return."

"Are you really so determined Florry?" he asked, only—as I thought—to gain time.

"Yes, yes. Can't you see that I am, Rex?" with all the petulance of a spoiled child.

"I'll tell you what I'll do," he said, looking at her, and speaking very gravely; "If you would wait until to-morrow, I will beg a favour of her ladyship and Miss Warwick. and ask that Alice may go, too."

"Would you? Would [illegible] really do that?" [illegible] and will. Now will you [illegible]

"O! you know that I will," was her strange answer. "Am I not very ungrateful to be so headstrong, Diane? When he is always so good, even to—Alice."

We had reached the steps of the portico by this time, and before I could make any reply—which indeed would have puzzled me sorely how to begin—she sprang lightly up ahead of us and entered the house.

I could hear her singing gaily as she ran along the hall and ascended to her own rooms in the east wing.

"I have another favor to ask of you, Miss Warwick, beside, begging a holiday for the child" Sir Reginald said hurriedly, as we stood for a moment before I followed Miss Carleon. "You have been with us nearly a year. You know, for you must have seen—without understanding its cause—the mystery there is in this house, and you may guess how weighty it is, and what good cause we have for keeping it concealed, when it may not be imparted even to the daughter of Colonel Warwick. I could trust you with my life: in this I am powerless. But so much I may say, that Florence once had some very great trouble to bear, years ago. You look surprised. Although so fair and childlike, she is not nearly so young as you may suppose. And it is for the sake of that trouble I intreat your kindness and forbearance, however she may try you. That she will and does try you very often, I am sure, for her strange impulsiveness frequently amounts almost to impertinence. But you will not mind? You will do this for—for *my* sake, Diane?"

"I have seen trouble myself, sir," I answered quietly, although my heart beat wildly at his concluding words. "To know that Miss Carleon has suffered also, would certainly insure every consideration from me."

"Thank you. Now congratulate me," heedlled, in a different tone. "for I have won a signal victory to-day. Florence has promised to—"

No, I could not let him go on. I could not answer for myself, were I to listen to what he was going to say. I did not dream until then how hard the reality *could* be. Was she *quite* worthy of him? Even doubting him as I did, I did not think that she was.

"I *do* congratulate you, sir," I cried, growing strangely faint and dizzy, but looking up at him bravely, "and I trust it may be for your happiness."

"As to that—" he was beginning, when I left him. The second piece of rudeness of which I had been guilty within the last two minutes. Was I very much to blame?

CHAPTER II.

WHOSE CHILD IS SHE?

When I had gained the little dressing room appointed to my own use—for my life at Fulton-Valence differed essentially from that of most governesses—a fire was burning brightly in the grate. Removing my hat and sacque, and quite regardless of Sir Reginald's injunction to make haste, I sat down in front of the blaze and took myself to task.

That he had bade me congratulate him upon his engagement with his cousin, I never for one moment doubted; and that he had read the foolish secret—against which every honest feeling within me cried out in reproach—I was only too sure. I who had ever lived in the midst of uprightness and honour, to forget, for a moment, the shameful mystery by which I was surrounded on every side. And then through it all came a vague longing for the free, happy life I had lived with my dear father. A yearning—childish, but irresistible—to run unchecked through the tangled old garden and teeming orchard; to wander through the deserted rooms of the old manor house; to be in very deed among the scenes—if only for one brief hour. I thought, which a happy childhood had hallowed.

O! in all the world is there any such feeling as that of homesickness! when the home and those who *made* it home have both gone from us.

They were all kind to me in Valence House, but had my own home been the meanest hut in all fair Kent, I would gladly have sought it in that moment.

My father, an officer in the East India company's service, had sold out some time before his death; which happening so suddenly as to give him no warning, left me—his only child, with all the tastes and education of a gentlewoman—worse than penniless.

Then it was that an old schoolmate of my dear mother's had come forward and offered me a home at Fulton-Valence.

I was startled from my reverie by a hasty tap on the door. I had been sitting with my back to it, but rose at once.

"If you please, Miss, Sir Reginald and Miss Florence are waiting for you. My young lady bade me tell you that they had been ready some time."

"Help me to dress, Marjory, like a good girl, I had forgotten all about it."

The maid looked at me in unfeigned surprise, though she strove to hide it. And well she might. Such a request and such an assertion were alike strange coming from me now-a-days.

"Miss Florence wanted to go on, but the master wouldn't hear of it," she rattled on as she brought me my habit, "and then my young lady got quite warm over it. Don't you think, Miss Diane, that there seems something rather—rather strange about Miss Florence to-day?"

She, too, had noticed it then. No wonder. When we are very happy we are so apt to be careless who sees it.

"I should not have kept them waiting," was my answer. "My gloves, Marjory, please, and thank you very much."

Five minutes later I was enjoying the one great pleasure of my life, the keen, delicious excitement of being on horseback. I had been considered a good rider in the old days, and as we cantered over the smooth, breezy downs, it seemed almost as if I were back in them again.

"What do you say to a race, Diane?" Miss Carleon cried, gaily. "The old druid stones, you know—a mile further on, are they not, Rex?—*they* shall be the winning post. Whoever gets there first, provided it is not myself, shall have *this*."

And she held up her riding whip—a costly jewelled toy—as she spoke.

I looked at Sir Reginald. He had grown white to the lips, and if ever I saw "No" stamped on any one's face I saw it upon his lips then.

The sight maddened me. He was so foolishly anxious over her. So utterly regardless of any one's pleasure or comfort save hers. "I am afraid that 'Gipsy' would not be equal to it," he said, gravely; "James told me before we started that she has barely recovered from a bad sprain in one of the forefeet. You know you have not ridden her lately, Florence."

"What odds," was the careless reply; "James would not trust me with a horse that he did not think perfectly safe, so you are caught in your own trap, my *Your* horse is Diane, *you* are not afraid?"

"By no means, enough."

"on the contrary, I answered, laughing; win your whip, Miss Carleon—my anxious to—"

"God forgive you, Diane," [illegible] Sir Reginald whispered through closed lips, as I passed him.

On we flew, our horses at their utmost speed. Miss Carleon's fair face glowing with excitement and her laugh ringing out in keenest enjoyment.

"This is like the old times," she cried, the soft turf causing the clatter of the horses feet to be perfectly noiseless. "It almost seems, Rex, as though Guy were riding beside me, and I could hear him give the 'tally-ho!' I used to ride to the meet, then, Diane. Times are, indeed, changed now at Valence house."

Somehow I felt uncomfortable. Beyond that one choking whisper, Sir Reginald had vouchsafed no further notice of me. I might have been riding in the wilds of Arabia for all he seemed to remember my presence; all his care was of his cousin. Then I remembered my broken promise. No wonder I said to myself that he should despise me. For I knew—even when she dared me—that Miss Carleon was no rider.

Once, as her horse shied, she had come near falling had it not been for his prompt aid. After that he kept a firm hold of her bridle, although she lifted her hand to him—in jest—as they gallopped on.

I was first at the ruin. A poor triumph I thought just then.

"Who taught you to ride like that?" Miss Carleon asked, peremptorily, as they came up. "You are a perfect amazon."

"Papa," I answered meekly enough now. "You know he was most always in the saddle."

"How should I know anything of the sort. I thought he was in the army. But then you have won it fair enough I dare say," and she tossed the whip almost in my face.

I could feel the hot blood burning there. Her manner was often intolerable, but never so capricious and insulting as today. My first impulse was to throw the bauble beneath my horse's feet, when I caught a pair of dark eyes fixed imploringly upon me.

"Thank you," was what I said, struggling bravely to steady my voice. "It shall be another trophy of my skill as an amazon, and of—Miss Carleon's generosity."

Sir Reginald thanked me with a look. "Then, if you are ready, Rex, we will ride on to meet your mother, that is—" turning to me, a queer glitter in her blue eyes—"if Miss Warwick still cares to ride with so poor an incentive."

Lady Valence can never be any other than first with me," and I could not help my voice being resentful. "You are very much mistaken if you ever think differently from that."

Heaven knows what would have been her answer—for I saw her face actually turn pale—when at that moment we caught sight of a carriage and its occupants, who—to my intense relief—proved to be her ladyship and Alice.

"Were you not imprudent, Rex, to ride to-day?" she said—as we rode up—and then catching sight of me, "Miss Warwick was complaining only last night of having a severe sore throat."

"Was she?" he answered quickly, "she said nothing about it, and Florry was so anxious to come."

"Of course," was the strange answer; "you might have known it."

Thus it was every day. Their conversation even was a perpetual enigma to me.

"Come into the carriage with me, Florence," she went on, gently. "It is much too bleak and cold for you to ride to-day. Roberts can lead your horse."

"No, thank you, auntie," was the careless reply. "I am enjoying myself far too well. Do you know it seemed like a glimpse of the old days come back again only that there was no Rex and no Diane then, you know."

"Rex; get down and help Florence into the carriage," Lady Valence said in a calm, restrained voice. "I cannot allow her to face the wind going back."

"O! I should smother if I were cooped up in the carriage now."

"Nevertheless, my dear, I wish it. I have brought you the wools and silk you wished for from Hythe, and you may see them as we drive home."

There was no resisting her ladyship's quiet authority, when she chose to exercise it, and the change was at once made, although Miss Carleon's fair face wore a very sullen aspect over the transfer.

Sir Reginald closed the carriage door—its panels bearing the imposing arms of the Valences of Fulton-Valence, surmounted by the badge of England's bar-ontage, the bloody hand—and motioned the coachman to drive on.

We rode home in comparative silence. "Why did you break faith with me, Diane?" he asked, as he lifted me from the saddle. "Was the promise so hard to keep for one day?"

"I did keep it," I answered. "You said nothing to prohibit my acceding to any request that Miss Carleon might make. Why should you?"

(To be continued.)

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BROILED CALVES' HEART.—Cut it lengthwise, and not thicker than half an inch. Broil with a piece of fat or bacon ten minutes. Serve with a little currant jelly and butter in the dish under the piece of heart. Ox's, pigs', lambs' and sheep's heart may be cooked in the same way, also the livers, cut the same thickness, and broiled with bacon, a little melted butter with ketchup in it serving as a good sauce.

CHICKEN JELLY.—Half a raw chicken, pounded with a mallet, bones and meat together; plenty of cold water to cover it—it will take almost a quart; heat slowly in a covered vessel, and let it simmer until the meat is in rags and the liquor reduced one-half; strain and press through a colander and then a coarse cloth; salt and pepper to taste; return to the fire and simmer for five minutes longer: skim when cool, as this is principally for the sick. It should be eaten cold; keep it on the ice. It can also be made into sandwiches by putting the jelly between thin slices of bread spread lightly with butter.

STEWED CARROTS.—Cut the green tops of short-horn carrots, scrape them slightly, cut off the filaments and throw them into cold water. Brown in butter a very small quantity of chopped onion and flour; if onion be objected to, some other browning, as caramel or burnt sugar, may be substituted; but so little will suffice, that it will hardly be suspected. Then stir in as much good stock as will cover the carrots; when it boils throw them in; season very slightly with pepper and salt. As the stock reduces keep stirring them, to prevent sticking and burning. By the time they are done, the gravy should be reduced almost to a glass. Transfer them to a hot gravy dish, and pour the gravy over them.

APPLE SNOW.—Pare and core tart juicy apples, stew with just enough water to keep from burning, sweeten with white sugar, and beat perfectly free from lumps. When cold add the juice of half a lemon, and, for a dish large enough for eight or ten persons, the whites of two eggs, beat the mixture until it is stiff enough to stand alone, and then "white as snow," and you will have a whipped cream, elegant dessert. Eat with

MACCAROONS.—To a [illegible] pound almonds, take four tea-spoons of orange of flower water, the whites of six eggs, and one pound sifted white sugar. Blanch the almonds (remove the brown skin) and pound them with the orange flower-water, or some of the white of an egg; then whisk the whites of the eggs and add them gently to the almonds. It is important that these two ingredients should be carefully added, or they will "oil" or separate. Sift the sugar into the mixture until the whole forms a paste, not too stiff to drop upon the the white paper, which should be placed in a tin or on a plate, and the whole baked in a slow oven till done.

BREAD SAUCE.—Boil a moderate sized onion with some black pepper and milk till the onion is quite soft. Pour the strained milk on grated white stale bread, and cover it closely to keep in the steam. In an hour put it into a saucepan with a good piece of butter mixed with a little flour; boil the whole up together and serve.

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An exceedingly remarkable surgical operation has recently been completed at St. Catherine's Hospital, Williamsburg. On Friday, August 2, 1876, while Dora Conrad, of No. 340 Mangin street, was attending a jenny in Waterbury's bag factory, in Bushwick, her hair, which was hanging loose, caught in one of the spindles, and in an instant the hair and scalp on one side of her head were torn out. It was done so quickly that she only felt a tug. The overseer took her to St. Catherine's Hospital, on Bushwick avenue, where the doctors said they could not do anything for her. Two days after the physician in charge said, "I can save her, and if she can stand the operation I can give her a new scalp by transplantation."

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