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Poetry.

REPLY TO "A WIFE WANTED."

It pleased the much to read your rhymes,
About the kind of wife you wanted,
But should you see this "ideal" girl,
I'm sure you would be disappointed.

You care not for a handsome face,
Or so you state with much decision,
But two bright eyes and smiling lips,
Would put your precepts in derision.

Thought of within a faultless form,
You find a heart devoid of feeling;
Yet sometimes ekelets rich and fair,
The purest gems may be concealing.

And should you get, as you desire,
This gentle, unaffected creature,
Who would not look into a glass,
Or even glance at any feature.

When you come home you scarce would find,
A beaming face all wreathed in smiles,
But you might find one smothered with woe,
Her hair a tangle, her face in wrinkles.

And should she always stay at home,
To brew and bake and make the butter,
She soon would smothered in grief,
And have alas, no nerves to flutter.

You think I'm talking very queer,
And that my wits have all departed;
But to my mind, a wife should be,
A woman, loving, noble-hearted.

And one whose mind is richly stored,
From wisdom's fount, and who is able,
To talk with ease and grace, as well,
As she knows how to set a table.

Miscellany.

THE TWO VALENTINES.

BY MARY FORMAN.

It is such a bother to be poor!
There had been a long interval of silence
in Mrs. Jameson's little sitting room when
Gertie made this exclamation.

What is the new bother, Gertie?
The pleased voice and a look of kindly in-
quiry made the young girl blush deeply, as
she replied:

O mamma, never mind. I was only think-
ing aloud.

Of some Velvet flowers I saw yesterday
at Lee's which just matched this ribbon," and
Gertie held up a bonnet she was trimming.—
Velvet flowers are so lovely for a winter bon-
net, and this one needs something.

I'm sure it looks very nice, Gertie.
Nice! said the girl, with scornful emphasis;
yes, it is very nice, and that turned silk is nice,
and that short sack made out of your old cloak
is nice, and cleaned gloves are nice, and—

Why, Gertie! cried her mother in a voice
of amazement.

But there is nothing stylish or handsome in
cleaned gloves, and retreined bonnets, and
old cloaks turned into sacks, and so I say pov-
erty is a bother.

Gertie, put away the bonnet, and come here.
Now, little daughter said the widow, gently,
tell me the meaning of this sudden tirade
against poverty; of the reckless tossing I heard
from your room last night; of the nervous an-
guish of my contented little girl since yester-
day?

There was no answer.

Gertie, what did Leon Payne say to you
last evening?

He asked me to be his wife. The words
were jerked out hastily.

And you answered—
Jane came in and shut up the parlor, not
knowing he was there, and she stayed, so he
had no answer at all.

But he must be answered, Gertie. He has
spoken to me, and I told him it must rest with
you.

Mamma! this was after a long deep silence.
He is very rich. When he marries his wife
can have every luxury. If—if it is me, we
can have you with us, and Jane need not teach
that horrid school any longer. We were of
—Street the other day, and stopped to
look in a jeweler's window, and she pointed
out the kind of jewels he wished his wife to
wear. I need not wear old silks then, mam-
ma?

Even you intend to accept his offer?
I don't know. You see, there is Harry.
But Harry cannot offer you jewels.

No, poor Harry! If he had only 3,000 dol-
lars, Mr. Ingraham would take him into the
city. He told me all about it last week.—
But think how long it will take him to save
three thousand dollars, and of course his wife

must save and pinch, and economize, till he is
able to spend more freely.

Yes, dear, there would be no variation on
the turned cloth and retreined bonnets; no
velvet flowers, no jewels.

But such a noble, true heart; such tender
love!

Leon Payne love you.

As much as he loves anything beyond his
own pleasures and comfort. He is so thorough-
ly selfish, so hard, and thinks so much of him-
self. It is his wife that must be handsomely
dressed, ride in her carriage, and receive credit
upon his choice. Mamma, he loves me be-
cause I am pretty and can sing well, and can
manage his house nicely. Harry loves me
because it is me.

There was a sudden violent jerk at the door
bell at that instant, that called Gertie to the
door. She came back with fifty feet.

Two Valentines, mamma! I had forgotten
it was the fourteenth.

Two? O mamma, look!

She had torn off the cover from a dainty
package in her hand, and opened a morocco
case inside. Upon the black velvet lining lay
a pair of glittering diamonds flashing up
where a stray sunbeam fell upon them into a
glorious sea of color.

Leon Payne! cried Gertie. Are they not
exquisite?

Mrs. Jameson's lip quivered a little as she
looked at her daughter's flushed face and bright
eyes, and her heart sent up a fervent prayer
for the future trembling before her eyes.

Look at the other, she said quietly.

Only a copy of verses, said Gertie. Violet
eyes, and all that sort of thing. But are not
not these diamonds magnificent? It is the very
set I admired so much when we were out the
other day.

Gertie, it is eleven o'clock and I must go
to Mrs. Lewis'. Little daughter, you may
have callers while I am out; she drew her
child into her arms and looked with anxious
love into her eyes, Gertie my darling, be true
to your own heart. And so she left her.

True to her own heart Gertie Jameson
sat down to ponder over the words. The dia-
monds flashed out their glorious waves of light
before her eyes; the copy of verses lay open
upon the little worktable, and Gertie sat un-
moving. Pictures of the past came in rapid suc-
cession into her memory.

It was ten years ago, but she could still re-
member the day, when her father had been cal-
led to the shadow land. The luxurious coun-
try home where she and Jane, her eldest sis-
ter, were born, was sold, and they had come to
the city. Her mother one of the finest am-
ateur pianists of her time, had begun to teach
music, and they had lived upon her earnings,
until Jane was old enough to take the French
class in a large Seminary and Gertie to have
singing scholars at home, but even with these
additions, their income was very limited. Close
economy, and a frugal and quiet
dress. Gertie could recall much more dis-
tinctly than the wealth her father had squan-
dered and lost. Where did Harry Clarke
come upon the scene? Gertie scarcely knew.
—He was a stepson of her mother's brother
and had come to the city to make his fortune.
Fair away in the central part of Pennsylvania,
nestled a small farm where Harry was born,
where father and mother had died, and which
was the boys' sole patrimony.

The rest of this domain scarcely sufficed to
clothe the young clerk, but he had been win-
ning his way in the house of Ingraham & Co.,
and now if he could make three thousand dol-
lars, he might be a partner. The farm might
sell for part of that sum, but where was the
rest to come from? queried Gertie. Yet,
upon Harry's memory picture the list of her
life life so pleasant to dwell upon as that where
he figured. Long walks and talks, duets over
the old piano, chats by fire-light, moon-light,
and gas-light. He was so tender and loving,
so honorable and true, so respectful to her
mother, so tender to Jane, and so ready to ad-
vise or assist Jane's betrothed, a fellow clerk,
who was waiting the turn in fortunes woeed
that would enable him to marry. Was not
such love as he offered worth any sacrifice?
Leon Payne came in only six months before
this musings fit fell upon Gertie. She had
met him at a musical party. She had be-
witched him by her pretty, piquant beauty,
her grace and her voice; he had dazzled her
by his handsome face—Harry was not hand-
some, poor fellow, Gertie sighed—and wealth.
But the young girl knew with a woman's in-
stinct, that under the courtly manner, flatter-
ing attentions, and devoted air, there was hard,
selfish nature, a cruel jealousy, and a suspi-
cious and hot temper.—Yet, he was so rich,
and Gertie knew all the misery of genteel pov-
erty.

Be true to my own heart! She said the
words aloud as she rose and walked across
the room. Do I love Leon Payne? If he
should lose his wealth, would I be a true lov-
ing wife to him still? Could I wear old bon-
nets and tattered dresses for his sake? She
looked up the diamonds, put them on while she
spoke. They flashed brilliantly against her

deep crimson of her neat dress, and heighten-
ed the effect of her young, fresh beauty. If
he were poor and ill, could I work for him as
—as I could for Harry? It burst from her lips
in a sort of cry, and she tore off the jewels
and replaced them on their velvet bed. I
could bear all this from Harry, but not for
Leon Payne. I will be true to my own
heart.

The winter was gliding into spring when
Mrs. Jameson sat in a luxurious house on
—Street, waiting the home coming of
two brides. The parlor in which she waited
was richly furnished. Velvet carpets cov-
ered the floors, velvet curtains draped the win-
dows, long mirrors threw back the light of
large chandeliers, costly pictures in heavily
gilt frames hung upon the walls. Above
large bed rooms were filled with handsomely
appointed furniture. In one room laces, vel-
vet, flowers, and silks fit for a royal trossau,
filled drawers and wardrobe; the dining room
was spread for a rich and varied repast, and
the widow's dress, though only black silk, was
rich and handsomely made.

My little Gertie, said Mrs. Jameson, softly,
how will she reign over her palace.

A quieter home, but pleasant, too, was wait-
ing for Jane, whose husband had received an
anonymous gift, that enabled him to accept a
business opening long looked upon as an unat-
tractive felicity.—But Jane was to spend a
few days with Gertie before going to her own
home, and the mother looked for two brides,
as I said before.

It was nearly mid-night when the carriage
drove up. Gertie was first in her mother's
arms, and then as Jane took her place, the lit-
tle bride stood in the long parlors pale with
astonishment.

Where am I? she gasped at last.

At home, darling. And her husband passed
his arm around her waist.

The arm, Gertie, he said, softly was full of
oil.

Oil?

Petroleum! I sold it for more money than
Leon Payne ever possessed. Now get, run up
stairs, mother will show you the room, and
now let me see how some of the finery suits
you.

But it is nearly midnight.

Never mind. We want a queen to preside
over the supper.

Mrs. Jameson led her away, while Jane
and her husband stood as bewildered as Ger-
tie had been. Suddenly the bridegroom start-
ed forward to grasp Harry's hand.

Then it was you, he said, who sent me the
bundle of greenbacks?

Are we not brothers? said Harry quietly.

There was a little talk then, with husky
voices and moist eyes, Jane was still looking
gratefully into Harry's face, when the door
opened and Gertie flashed in. Upon the clus-
tering curls rested a wreath of white flowers,
and rare bracelets clasped her wrists. She
made a low reverence to her husband.

Lovely! he cried. But, get, wear the dia-
monds to-night.

What diamonds?

The ones I sent you for a Valentine.

You sent me! Harry! I sent them back to
Leon Payne.

It was certainly ten years, when one even-
ing at one of Mrs. Clarke's receptions, Mrs.
Leon Payne came to her, pointing to her
jewels:—

It was the oddest thing about these dia-
monds. Somebody sent them to Leon for a
Valentine, years ago. He could never guess
where they came from, for of course the lady
must have been wealthy; though why she
sent a lady's parure to a gentleman is a mys-
tery. Are they not lovely, Mrs. Clarke?

Very lovely, and Gertie smiled, as she
thought of the day ten years before, when she
was true to her own heart.

THE BURNING SHIP.

One beautiful evening, in the autumn of
1846, seated around a table, on which the
choicest wines, were seven persons chatting
gaily, among whom was the author of this
tale. The table was placed on a lawn in front
of the country-seat of Senor Arguella, situated
about a mile from Santiago de Cuba, then the
capital of the Queen of the Antilles. Three
of the guests were American merchants from
the far South, who were in commercial rela-
tions with Cuba, and who proposed—wind
and tide favorable—to sail for the bay of Mo-
rumbay, in Jamaica, in the bark Neptune, com-
manded by Captain Starkey. The fourth
guest was a Spanish lieutenant of artillery,
the nephew of our host. Then there was a
Senor Castro, a rich young creole, who aspired
to the hand of Dona Antonia, a graceful girl
of sixteen, the only daughter and heiress of
Arguella. The sixth was Captain Starkey,
of the Neptune, an English officer about thirty
years of age, of most elegant manners and ap-
pearance. The seventh, and last, was your
servant, then quite a youth. I had just re-
covered from a dangerous illness, which had
rendered necessary my removal from Jamaica
to Cuba, as the climate of the latter place is
much more genial and less variable than that

of Jamaica, although the two islands are only
separated by an interval of two degrees of lati-
tude. I also had taken passage in the Nep-
tune, together with Senor Arguella, who had
business in Kingston, and who was to be ac-
companied by wife and daughter, the young
lieutenant and Senor Castro.

The Neptune had brought to Cuba a mixed
cargo of hardware, cotton goods, and other ar-
ticles, and was now about leaving with a half
cargo of merchandises. Amongst this mer-
chandise, belonging to the three American
merchants, were several barrels of gunpowder,
which had failed to command a good price in
Cuba, and which they hoped to dispose of more
advantageously in Jamaica.

Captain Starkey's vessel was provided with
every accommodation and comfort for passen-
gers, and the delightful weather promised a
passage both short and agreeable. We were
all in the most agreeable frame of mind, and
talked gaily of the morrow's voyage, the pos-
sibilities of Cuba, America and Europe, of the
relative merits of French and Spanish wines,
and of the cigars of Matanzas and Havana.

The night was one of rare beauty and clear-
ness. A gentle breeze, which Captain Starkey
declared ought to carry us along at the
rate five or six knots an hour, waited toward
us the perfumes of the rich and odorous valleys
which spread out beneath us, and slightly rip-
pled the rivers, or rather streams that litteral-
ly furrow the island, reflecting the dazzling
splendors of the myriads of stars, which, in
these regions, crown night with their fiery
diadem.

Most of the guests had drunk freely—per-
haps even too much; nevertheless the conver-
sation, which was in French (a language spok-
en more or less fluently by us all), was kept
up, while the mistress of the house and her
daughter were present, in a tone not likely to
profane the majestic calm of the landscape.

I should have mentioned before that Senor
Arguella had been detained in town by some
business matters which he wished to settle be-
fore his departure.

Do not leave here, I beg of you, without
seeing me again, said the Senora Arguella to
Captain Starkey, as she rose to retire. When
you are ready to leave ring the bell, and a
servant will inform me of the fact. I wish to
have a few words with you concerning our
preparations for to-morrow's voyage.

The captain bowed. It seemed to me that
the love Antonia had never smiled so radi-
antly as when she swept away to join her
mother.

I cut scarcely tell, at this day, what next
took place, or what was the turn taken by our
conversation; but one thing is certain, it soon
began to assume a very disagreeable character.
I fancied that perhaps Antonia's expression on
taking leave of the captain had displeased
Senor de Castro. This, however, was not the
ostensible cause of the difficulty which soon
arose. The captain of the Neptune was to
transport to Jamaica several families of free-
negroes, familiar with the cultivation of the
sugar-cane, and who, on this account, had
been engaged at much higher wages than they
could command in Cuba. The American
merchants, who had not dissimulated the fact
that this companion-ship for the voyage was
little to their taste, revived this subject in some
manner, and began to banter Captain Starkey,
who was so charitable as to suppose that mis-
erable negroes had, like other human beings,
the right to dispose of their own souls and
bodies.

This slight cloud, however, would have
passed over without leaving behind any un-
pleasant traces, if, in the course of conversa-
tion, the captain had not the imprudence to
mention that he had formerly served as a vol-
unteer on board an English man-of-war to put
down the slave-trade.

This avowal at once inflamed the anger of
Senor de Castro, which seemed only awaiting
some pretext to burst forth; and I fancied,
from a few words which escaped him, that the
prizes captured by the English had caused
him some heavy losses.

Bitter words were exchanged. The mo-
tives of the English in wishing to destroy the
slave-trade were questioned, and attacked with
scorn and bitterness, and were defended with
energy and haughtiness.

At last—the fact is, the two adversaries,
heated by too frequent libations and carried
away by anger, we scarcely conscious of what
they were doing and saying—at last Senor de
Castro applied to the Queen of England an
epithet which incensed the captain that he
dashed a glass of wine in the offender's
face.

In a second every man was on his feet, per-
fectly sobered by this unexpected termination
of the discussion.

The captain was the first to break the sil-
ence. His features, still bearing the traces
of anger, were suddenly covered with a livid
pallor.

I ask your pardon, Senor de Castro, he
summoned; I was wrong—very wrong to
have done this, although, perhaps there was
some excuse for the action.

Pardon you! A thousand devils I exclaim-
ed, De Castro, who, in a perfect paroxysm of
fury, was wiping his face with a handkerchief.

Pardon you! Yes, I will pardon you
with a bullet through your heart—nothing
less!

No way seemed to present itself to any of
the party to avoid a duel, particularly as at
that time the code of honor was very rigorous
in Cuba. Lieutenant Arguella hastened into
the house, and soon returned with a case of
 pistols.

Let us go into that copse below, he said,
quickly, and in a low tone; we will not be
disturbed there.

As he uttered these words, he took De
Castro's arm, and the two turned in the direc-
tion of the grove.

At the same moment Mr. Desmond, the old-
est of the three Americans, approached Cap-
tain Starkey, who, having his composure, stood
aloof with his arms folded, and said:

My dear sir, I am not, notwithstanding my
commercial occupation, an entire stranger to
these matters, and if I can be of service to you
in this affair—

Thanks, sir, interrupted the captain, I shall
not put your offer of service to the test—
Lieutenant Arguella, he continued, it is use-
less to proceed a step further. I am not a
duelist, and will not fight with Senor de
Castro!

What does he say? cried the lieutenant,
glancing around with an air of stupefaction—
that he will not fight?

I saw the Anglo-Saxon blood boil in the
veins of the Americans, on seeing an individ-
ual of the race from which they had sprung
show thus the white feather.

You will fight, Captain Starkey? rejoined
Mr. Desmond, after a painful pause in a
grave tone; you, whose name figures in the
list of the Royal British Navy—you say you
will not fight? You must be joking.

I am not at all in jest. It is on principle
that I am a foe to duelling.

The gentleman then, toward on principle!
cried De Castro, with a savage burst of mock-
ing laughter, at the same time slaking his fist
at the English officer.

This bitter sarcasm seemed to wound the
captain like the sting of a serpent. His dark
eyes literally flashed fire; he made a step-
ward De Castro, but then restrained himself.
It is well! said he; I must endure all this.
I have already admitted, sir, that I was wrong
in proceeding to such extreme measures with
you, although your impertinence certainly
warranted some chastisement; but I repeat,
I will not fight you.

And I, exclaimed Lieutenant Arguella,
who seemed a prey to the most violent excite-
ment—tell you, that you shall give satisfac-
tion to my friend, or, by heaven, I will brand
you as a coward, not only over all Cuba, but
throughout Jamaica as well!

Captain Starkey's only reply to this bravado
was to touch the bell, and order the servant
who answered it to inform the Senora Arguella
that he awaited her orders.

The brave Englishman is about to seek pro-
tection behind the petitions of your son,
Lieutenant, cried De Castro, in a tone of tri-
umph.

In truth, I begin to have doubts whether
Captain Starkey is really an Englishman, said
Mr. Desmond, who, in common with his two
friends, had now become considerably excited;
but anyhow, as my parents were born and bred
in England, if you pretend to insinuate that—

At this moment Senor Arguella advanced,
and the irritated American with difficulty re-
strained himself.

The Senora appeared astonished at the un-
usual expression of every face. Nevertheless,
at the request of the captain, she entered the
house with him.

Ten minutes afterward we learned that Cap-
tain Starkey had left the house, leaving word
that the Neptune would sail next morning at
nine precisely.

This intelligence was received with a per-
fect volley of invectives against the unfortu-
nate Englishman in particular, and Englishmen
in general; and at one time there seemed
danger of a personal encounter between Lieu-
tenant Arguella and Mr. Desmond, the latter
manifesting an intense desire to kill some one,
it mattered not whom, in order to vindicate
the honor of his Anglo-Saxon origin. But
this satisfaction was not afforded him, and the
company soon after separated.

[Concluded in our next.]

A young man in Indiana cut down a tree
that contained two coons and six large rattles-
nakes.

This winter appears to be a severe one
in Europe. A large quantity of snow has fallen
in the neighborhood of Madrid, and has been
followed by severe cold.

What a striking coincidence, said the Yan-
kee to the elephant when he hit him a chip
with his trunk.

When is a clock like the discontented wo-
men. When it strikes.

What dust is most binding to the eyes—
Gold dust.

Who was the oldest lunatic on record—
Time out of mind.

JOHN S. MAGER,
dious of calling the attention of the Pub-
lic and varied stock of Goods received
from "United Kingdom," "New" and
consisting in part of
MERINOS,
COBURGS,
BLANKETS,
NS, in white & unbleached, very cheap,
es, Sentags, Clouds, Garibaldi,
Stewart Hoods and Opera Mantles,
FLANNELS,
OSNABURGS
Red, white, blue & grey twilled Flannels
Plain Flannels in all colors,
in confidently recommended Flannels as
d will sell cheap.
e and varied stock of
BOOTS and SHOES,
rens, youths, Boys, Mens, Misses and
of warranted manufacture.
d call special attention to his white Warps
e made from the very best Southern foot
warranted sound, well made and good
the St. John Warps, "Paris" make, pre-
re the Loon.
I want good value for your money, come to
BION HOUSE,
JOHN S. MAGER.

3,000 Gallons
BERTIN OIL,
received from the manufactory at Saint
nd will be sold wholesale or retail at the
ates, by the Subscriber. Please enquire
selves, before purchasing elsewhere.
JOHN HALLSON,
Kennedy's Arcade, Water St.
ndrews, Aug. 20, 1866.

Gar & Molasses.
Loyalist from Barbadoes via St. John.
Choice
Barbadoes Sugar,
do do Molasses,
27, 1866. J. W. STREPER.

7. Almanacks 1867.
ILLIAN'S New Brunswick Almanac and
register for 1867, can be obtained singly
ents, or by the dozen for retail from
LOCHARY & SON,
copy of the old Farmers Almanac always
ndrews Nov. 30, 1866.

Resolution of Partnership.
ICE is hereby given, that the partnership
betwixt James A. Moran and
A. Moran, of St. George, in the County of
ite, under the firm of James Moran & Son
a day dissolved by mutual consent.
lets owing to the said partnership are to
be paid by the said James A. Moran, who is
ed to settle all debts due to and owing
said firm.
JAMES MORAN,
JAMES A. MORAN,
St. George, September 16, 1865.

Rubber.
Rubbers
AT THE
Albion House,
JOHN S. MAGER,
Has received an assortment of
Gents',
Ladies',
Misses',
Rubber Overshoes.
Ladies Rubber Balmoral Boots, a pair
for the present season, which with a
children and Ladies Boots,
SKELETON SKIRTS,
and the balance of stock of
INTER DRY GOODS,
It sell CHEAP for Current Money
and Bills taken at the usual discount.

MORE NEW GOODS.
IT RECEIVED and now open for sale
at the very lowest prices:
Hats, Bonnets,
Hairs, and Ribbons.
HAWLS, MANTILLAS,
FANCY DRESS GOODS
Grey and White Cottons,
ting, Stripes, and Regattas
s, slippers,
and COAT CLOTHS
Crashes; Towel-
ling & Table Li-
nens, Shirt-fronts,
Collars, and Fan-
cy Neck Ties,
lars, Rubbers,
Boots and Shoes.
ance of Summer Stock daily expected
teamer "Europa" and when received
e sold at a very small advance on cost
D. BRADLEY.

FOR SALE.
Hosiery, Gloves,
and Worked Col-
r Garments for Boys & Girls
Boys Jackets, Sacks, Pants,
Waists, &c. &c.
ch pattern can be used with ease.
JAS. MCKINNEY.

TELEGRAPHIC.

LONDON, Feb. 20. The Princess Alexandra has been safely delivered of a daughter.

The War Estimates as presented in the Ministerial Budget are largely increased over those of the preceding year.

Berlin, 20. Reports from all portions of Northern Germany indicate that the Liberals have carried the Prussian Parliamentary Elections.

Athens, 20. News has been received here that the Turkish government is about to send a man-of-war in pursuit of the Greek ship Panhellion at the Island of Corfu.

London, 21. Consols 91. 5-20 x 74.

New York, Feb. 20. It is now stated that James Stephens is not and has not been in Ireland.

London, Feb. 21. The national troops are posted at various places in Kerry and Cork Counties.

London, Feb. 21. The English Government announces that it will not sign any act of retaliation as a reprisal.

London, Feb. 21. Consols closed at 91 for January. United States Five-twos 74. Illinois Central Railroad shares 37.

New York, Feb. 21. President Roberts has called a Convention of the Fenian Brotherhood in the State of New York for the 26th inst.

San Francisco, Feb. 20. The Fenians held a large and enthusiastic meeting here last night.

Liverpool, Feb. 22. The repairs to the steamship Great Eastern having been completed, she was successfully launched today from the griddles at Birkenhead.

Vienna, Feb. 21. The restoration of the constitution of 1848 to Hungary by the Emperor Francis Joseph heretofore existing in that country.

Verona, Feb. 22. Baron Von Bismarck, Minister of State of the Austrian empire, says that Austria is in favor of the evacuation of Serbia by the Turkish forces so far as Cretan affairs are concerned.

Berlin Feb. 22. Count Bismarck is much better today and it is now thought that he will recover.

Intelligence has been received from Vienna that serious apprehensions are entertained there of a rising of the peasants in the Austrian provinces of the Danube and a large number of arrests have been made by the government authorities.

London, Feb. 22. The proposed Greek loan is on the market here.

The English Government promises to issue the Blue Book giving a complete account of the Postal Service between Great Britain and the United States.

New York, Feb. 23. Gold 138 3/4.

London, Feb. 23. The news from Spain is of an exciting character. Though the government of that country is seeking to keep from the public the course of events, there is no longer any doubt that a serious insurrection is impending.

Montreal, C. E. Feb. 23. A cable despatch announces that the Confederation Bill had passed a third reading in the House of Lords.

London, Feb. 23. Consols 91 for money. 5-20's 73 1/2.

Berlin, Feb. 24. The session of the first Parliament of the North German States was formally opened yesterday by the King of Prussia.

New York Feb. 25. Gold 138.

The Quebec Chronicle, referring to the celebrated salmon fishing ground at Fox Island, in Miramichi river, says: "In the Miramichi New Brunswick, the season [last year] was most productive. The nets on Fox Island, at the mouth of the river, produced a thousand fish in one day. About 200,000 pounds were put up in this, and 50,000 pounds pickled and smoked. As the loss of weight in preserving is about 50 per cent, the catch must have been over 450,000 pounds. The fish in that river average about 8 lbs. We almost shrink from giving the number of salmon thus arrived at but it is upwards of 50,000, or about equal in number, though not in weight, to produce of all the Canadian salmon river put together."

TABLE ROCK GONE.—St. Catherine's papers report the fall of the famous Table Rock long one of the objects of interest of tourists who visit the Falls of Niagara. It will be remembered that some years since a very large section of this rock, which had been hanging in a very threatening position for some time

broke off with a loud noise, and tumbled down the precipice into the bosom of the Niagara, and that only a few years since another large slice of this once famous rock went the way of all rocks about the Falls. It is thought probable that the heavy snow-storms and sudden and violent "thaws" of the past month or six weeks had loosened the balance of the rock, and thus caused its disappearance.

To the Editor of the Standard.

MY DEAR SIR.—

In an interesting article in your last issue on "Island Groups in the Pacific Ocean," the inhabitants of the Fiji group are represented as "an energetic, but savage race, addicted to cannibalism, who amazingly enjoy a roasted missionary for a side dish; but are thought to be capable of great improvement."

While Christianity is recognized as existing and wielding a beneficial influence in the Society and Friendly Isles, its existence in Fiji is quite ignored. As Methodists we are in the habit of referring to the glorious triumphs of the gospel in these islands; such a statement is certainly misleading. Knowing that you desire to make your journal a medium of correct information, allow me to say; that in the Fiji group we have some 400 church edifices, 40 Ministers—some European, some natives; 320 by Preachers, all natives; 400 Catechists; 1,300 Sabbath School Teachers; 13,000 Day School Teachers; 29,000 Sabbath School Scholars; 36,000 Day Scholars; 15,000 Church members, and 100,000 hearers.

In addition to this we have a collegiate institution for the training of a native clergy, where last year 35 young men were receiving a regular college education.

With these facts before me, allow me to observe, that if the writer of the above named article, knew these things, and kept them in the background, he was guilty of perpetrating a great injustice on the noble men labouring in Fiji, and their supporters generally; and if he knew them not, his statements respecting the other groups may be presumed to be equally unreliable.

Yours very truly,

ROBERT WILSON.

GOODS IN TRANSIT.—The following notice is published in the Royal Gazette, and should also be more generally communicated to the mercantile public through the medium of the press in commercial centres.

NOTICE.—The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs do hereby give notice, that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have directed that on and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, a duplicate Shipping Bill of all Goods entered or required to be entered in transit, under the transit Regulations now in force, from the United Kingdom to the British Possessions abroad, shall be furnished by the person or persons entering such Goods to the proper Officer of Customs at the Port or Ports in the said Kingdom at which such Goods may be entered for exportation in transit.

CUSTOM HOUSE, LONDON. Dated this sixth day of December, 1866. GEO. DICKEYS, Secretary to the Commissioners of Customs.

Subscribers in arrears, will oblige us by paying at their earliest convenience, as we dislike to dun, and have waited in some cases for years.

The Standard.

ST. ANDREWS, FEB. 27, 1867.

Confederation.

From intelligence by the Cable, we learn that the Bill for the Confederation of the British Provinces of North America, has passed the House of Lords, and has been read twice in the Commons. We trust the news is true; without doubting its correctness, it cannot be denied that some dispatches within the past month proved unreliable Confederation is now however, a "fixed fact," and out of danger. It signifies but little now, what one held or the other thought; Opposition and Government supporter will share alike in its benefits. It is to be hoped that our Anti friends will gracefully fall into the ranks, as a few of them did, when they ascertained "which way the wind blew," at the last Election; of course they will willingly yield to prior claims now and then.

The standing of the Ministry with reference to the Reform question has not interfered with the "Union Bill." The delegates have fought their battle and won; and from what we have seen and read, there will be no appeal to the people, they having decided the question at the polls here and in Canada. There is a report in a letter, which perhaps it will not be out of place to mention, although it has not yet been alluded to by any of our contemporaries—that the Hon Mr. Tilley is to be knighted, or made a Baronet? His numerous friends in the Province will be delighted, should the news prove correct. It is also said that one each of the delegates from the other Province will likewise receive a similar honor. Early in January we drew attention to the choice of an Ottawa representative and invited the Electors of this County, to cast their eyes around, and select their man. Upon this topic we will have something to say soon, and will speak plainly. The old prejudices and party

ties, should be cast to the dogs. A man of talent is required.

CONCERT.—From a notice in our advertising columns it will be seen that a Concert in aid of the new Wesleyan Church, is to be given in that Church, on Monday Evening next, the Amateurs have presented an attractive programme, and it is to be hoped will have a full house.

Public Meeting.

From the following Report it will be seen that a Meeting of the Rate Payers was held on Saturday last in the Parish School Room. The utmost harmony pervaded the meeting, and a unanimous opinion expressed that the present Parish School House is unfit to teach in, being unhealthy for teacher and pupils. It will be seen by referring to our advertising columns that another meeting has been called, to be held on Friday 15th March in the Parish School House.

ST. ANDREWS, 23d Feb. 1867.

Which day a meeting of the Ratepayers of St. Andrews was held in the Parish School for the purpose of appointing a School Committee—of taking immediate measures to provide improved school accommodation for District No. 1, and considering any other matter connected with the Parish School. A. W. Smith, Esq., Sen. Justice, occupied the Chair. The meeting having been called to order, the following resolutions were proposed and carried.

1. It was moved by J. H. Whitlock, Esq., seconded by Dr. Ross and unanimously adopted.—That Messrs. James Russel, C. E. O. Halliway and J. Stevenson be appointed a School Committee for District No. 1, Parish of St. Andrews.

2. It was moved by Robert Stevenson, Esq., seconded by James Russel, Esq., and unanimously adopted.—That the present accommodation in District No. 1, Parish of St. Andrews is decidedly inadequate to public requirements, and that requisite steps should immediately be taken to provide a sufficiently commodious school room and play ground.

3. It was moved by Mr. Fitzsimons, seconded by S. H. Whitlock, Esq., and unanimously adopted.—That the Committee be instructed to provide suitable accommodation for District No. 1, Parish of St. Andrews either by purchase or building.

4. It was moved by Wm. Whitlock, Esq., seconded by Mr. Fitzsimons and unanimously adopted.—That the School Committee be authorized to draw the money held in trust by the General Sessions of the County for use of the Parish School in this District.

5. It was moved by S. H. Whitlock, seconded by Mr. Alger and unanimously adopted.—That Mr. Chandler be requested to draw up a Bill to be laid before the Legislature authorizing the investment of the money arising from the sales of the School lands in other lands of the Town plat of St. Andrews for the benefit of the Parish School.

6. It was moved by Mr. Fitzsimons, seconded by Wm. Whitlock, Esq., and unanimously adopted.—That it is the opinion of this meeting the Town should be assessed for supplementary funds.

7. It was moved by R. Stevenson, Esq., seconded by Dr. Ross, and unanimously adopted.—That a copy of Res. 4th, properly certified under the hand of the Chairman be forwarded to the Clerk of the Peace to be laid before the General Sessions. After a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the meeting separated.

JOHN HOME, Acting Sec.

On Monday Evening last, a Quadrille party was held in the Town Hall, which we learn was well attended and passed off very pleasantly. Indisposition prevented our accepting the kind invitation extended to us.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Lines in reply to "A Wife wanted," will insert them in our next issue.

"VOLUNTEER," under consideration. It is probable that the whole matter referred to will receive a thorough ventilation. As there are reflections in Volunteer's letter, the writer had better call at our office. His name will be kept secret.

Owing to the large amount of Money Orders drawn on St. John Post Office, and the increasing responsibilities, devolving on Mr. Howe, the Post Master General, is about to remove Mr. Hale the Secretary of the General Post Office, to the St. John Office, to take charge of the Money Order department.

At a Meeting in the Mayor's office yesterday, to consider a proposition to send two racing boats and crews to contest in the great Regatta during the Paris Exhibition, Hon. R. L. Hazen, Hon. J. H. Gray and Sheriff Harding were appointed a Committee to correspond with the Regatta Commissioners and ascertain whether the boats can be entered, and with the Government in regard to furnishing pecuniary assistance. An estimate of the probable expense was submitted, which fixes it at from \$5,000 to \$6,000.—[Tel.]

We understand arrangements have been made for a daily train from here to Woodstock to take effect on the 1st March. The Branch line will connect every alternate day with the main line, as at the present, and run a through train on the intervening days.—[St. Croix Courier]

A NEW BANK, under the name of "The Canadian Bank of Commerce," has been organized in Toronto.

Yesterday afternoon a meeting of leading citizens was held in the commercial rooms of Messrs. Blake & Alexander; and before the meeting closed about \$150,000 of capital was subscribed. The capital of the Bank is limited to \$1,000,000, and \$400,000 must be subscribed before commencing business. The whole of the capital must be subscribed and paid up before the 1st January, 1870; but it is expected that this will be done long prior to that date. The increasing demands of commerce render additions to the bank capital necessary, from time to time. Besides, a gap being made by the destruction of the capital of the Bank of Upper Canada; and most banks get more or less of their capital locked up and ineffective after they have been a considerable time in operation. The capital of the banks is less than it was a year ago; and even if it did remain the same, the effective capital generally decreases as years roll on, a portion being locked up one way or another. These considerations seem to show that employment for additional bank capital can be found.—This point we presume has been well considered.

The country is rich and money plentiful; capital difficult to invest in any thing above seven per cent on mortgages, thought it is probably the ruling rate. The present is therefore a favorable time to get the capital of a new bank taken up. The agents for obtaining subscriptions to stock are Messrs. Blake and Alexander; and many of our wealthiest citizens are among the subscribers. It is thought that the Canadian Bank of Commerce will be in operation by the 1st of May next.

FRIGHTS LOOKING UP.

There are at present a large quantity of shooks on hand for the Cuban Market, but no vessels are offering. Rates have advanced to 25.

Freights from Cuba to the United Kingdom and American ports are active and advancing. Sugar 52s. 6d. to United Kingdom, 56 a cask U. S. currency to New York.—[Journal.]

Fifteen years ago Flour sold in San Francisco at \$75 a barrel. The other day Messrs. D. O'Brien, Pierce & Co. of Portland, Me., received a lot of flour direct from California. It was shipped in sacks and was received in good order.

The Bishop's party at St. George's Church, Carleton, took possession of the building on Saturday evening, and maintained it in spite of the remonstrances of the Wardens. There were about sixty persons present at the services on Sunday morning, but no disturbance occurred, although it was evident from the countenances of some that such an event was not unlooked for.—[Journal.]

ITEMS.

For winter bonnets the latest style consists of a postage stamps with strings of green ribbons; the hair is carefully combed back, so as to give the air uninterfered access to the roots.

The manufacturing of sugar from beet root will be commenced on a large scale in Canada this fall.

Sir J. Manners Sutton is steadily winning the good opinions of the colonists of Victoria, Australia.

Mr. Pike has secured from Congress a grant of \$15,000 for the river and harbor of St. Croix, provided New Brunswick will give a similar amount.

The Halifax "Express" says that Mr. Brookfield of this City has taken a contract from the British Government to build a casemate battery on George's Island, Halifax harbor, and the work will cost about \$150,000. This does not look like "abandoning the Colonies."

H. R. H. Prince Alfred (Duke of Edinburgh) has hoisted his flag on board the Galathea, a screw steamer, at Devonport. The Galathea is the finest in the British navy. It is probable that the Galathea will be placed on the North American Station.

A Company has been organized at the Falls of Niagara to construct a foot bridge across the river from Bender's Quarry, a little below the Clifton House, to Victoria Point.

Railway traffic in Canada since the first of January has been very much interrupted by the severe snow storms, and the receipts of nearly all the lines show a falling off as compared with 1866. The aggregate receipts of the Grand Trunk Railway from Jan. 1st Feb. 2nd, 1867, were—\$508,843; a decrease of \$36,346 as compared with the corresponding period of 1866.

The Contractors on the Woodstock rail way advertise for five hundred men, to whom the highest wages will be given.

The Woodstock Branch Railway folks are driving their work on with great energy. Arrangements have been made in England for the purchase of sufficient iron for the whole road on very satisfactory terms.

It has been a hard year for Maine lumbermen on account of the deep snow. The Machias Union say it is the worst remembered on that river.

It is understood that the Committee for publishing the Debates of the House of Assembly, for the ensuing Session, have accepted the tender of Messrs. March and Dixon, for reporting, and Mr. G. W. Day for printing.—[Journal.]

British Government are about to expend five millions on iron clads. Three millions of this will be invested in the purchase of iron a fact which ought to cause iron "to look up."

The Hon. Mr. Cauchon Mayor of Quebec and a large party of Canadians are off on a tour in Europe.

The last ball at Government House seems to have been a very pleasant affair, and

those present enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

MARRIED.

At the Congregational Church, Union St. St. John, on Thursday morning, by the Rev. Frederick Hastings, Mr. Robert C. Adams, of Carleton, to Anne M., youngest daughter, of George Eaton, Esq., Merchant, of that City.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.

Feb. 20, Schr. Emilie, Fuller, Calais, Mead, C. F. Clinch.

22, Reclab, Mowatt, Eastport, Express Co. goods.

Daisy, Carson, St. John, ballast, master.

23, Emeline, Fuller, Calais, Mead master. CLEARED.

Feb. 20, Reclab, Mowatt, Eastport, passengers, R. Ross.

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23, Harriet Brit, Boston, old iron &c. H. Osburn.

27, Daisy, Carson, Portmouth, 2000 sleepers, R. Ross.

Reclab, Mowatt, Eastport, Passengers. Arrl at Carleton's (no date) Bright Marion from St. Andrews, N. B.

ST. ANDREWS, 23d Feb. 1867.

THE undersigned Ratepayers of School District No. 1, Parish of St. Andrews, request the Trustees of Schools for said Parish to call a meeting of Ratepayers of said District for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of providing a sufficiently commodious Parish School House for said District, by Assessment upon the inhabitants, being Ratepayers.

J. W. WHITLOCK, and Eleven others.

Public Notice.

In compliance with the above Requisition, we do hereby give Public Notice, that a Meeting of the Ratepayers of School District No. 1, will be held in the Parish School House, on FRIDAY, the 15th MARCH, at 3 o'clock, P.M.—To take into consideration the propriety of Assessing the Ratepayers of said District, for said purpose.

A. W. SMITH, J. LOCHARY, Jr., Trustees. St. Andrews, Feb. 26, 1867.

NOTICE.

OUR AMATEURS to whom we have so often listened with much pleasure and satisfaction, intend giving a Concert in New Wesleyan Church, on MONDAY EVENING, 4th MARCH. PROGRAMME.

Wake the song of Jubilee, Anthem. Too Late—from Parable of Ten Virgins. Duet. Glory be to God on High, Anthem. Pass under the Rod, Solo. Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah, Anthem. Evening Song, Anthem. Thanksgiving Anthem. Easter Anthem.

PART SECOND. Tramp Chorus. Beautiful Moonlight, Duet. Happy be thy Dreams, Solo. Departed Days, Solo & Chorus. Daisy Dean, Solo & Chorus. On to the Field of Glory, Duet. Row, Row, Row, Quartet.

Doors open at 7 o'clock—Concert to commence at 8 o'clock. Tickets to be had at A. D. Stevenson's and at the door. St. Andrews, Feb. 27, 1867.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of EDWARD WILSON, Esq., of St. Andrews, deceased, are requested to present the same duly attested within three months; and all those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to

Z. CHIPMAN, R. R. STEVENSON, Executors. St. Andrews, Feb. 26, 1867.

Cases Brandy.

100 Cases Pale and Brown Brandy, '64, just Received. J. W. STREET, Feb. 6, 1867.

Notice.

ALL parties having accounts against the County of Charlotte, are hereby notified to send duplicates thereof to me, on or before the 1st day of APRIL, next for audit.

JOHN S. MAGRE, COUNTY CLERK. St. Andrews, Feb. 20, 1867. Courier 4i

Western Insurance Co. (Limited) of England. Capital £1,000,000 Sterling. Losses promptly adjusted and paid, without reference to England. The Subscriber has been appointed Agent of the above Company, and is prepared to take Risks against Fire on liberal terms. GEO. D. STREET, 1m Feb. 19, 1867.

FOR SALE.

THE Corporation of St. Paul's Church (Grand Manan, will offer for sale at Public Auction, at the Church Gate, on Wednesday, the 25th day of MAY next, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon, and 3 o'clock P. M. Half an Acre of Land more or less, situated at Grand Harbour on the West side of the Creek near the Public Landings, and being a part of the Globe Land granted said Corporation. Terms and further particulars at sale. GEO. T. CAREY, Rector. COCHRAN CRAIG, Church PHILIP NEWTON, Wardens. Grand Manan, Feb. 1, 1867.—2m Feb 18

To Merchant.

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