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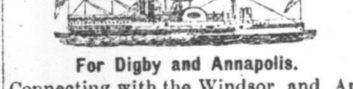
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Poetry. THE DEATH OF THE PRINCESS ALICE.

O world! how flow fleeting is thy joy, Here care, distress, and pain annoy, Bereavement sore; Want comes and earthly riches flee, And those we loved most tenderly Are here no more.

Dear Princess Alice, though with pain We weep, we know that Death is gain, A portal to a brighter and purer sphere, Where in Christ's Haven your father dear Will welcome you.

Kind deeds while you on earth did live A fragrance to your name; Which never can die; A conscientious Christian life As Consort, mother, friend and wife, Lived faithfully.

Dear Queen Victoria, may God bless And comfort you, in your distress— Let me be sure that you are happy, For on that blissful shore, Like Angels, they can die no more 'The Saviour said.

And to Lord Lorne, and loved Louise, Our earnest sympathies, In their great grief, We give, and they will love and bless And may God's grace and tender love Give them relief.

Think on his death and love sublime, Who died for all, Be loyal to him, help the poor, Their heavy burdens to engage, Sleeping in his quietude, And heed their call.

LINES ON THE DEATH OF AN INFANT. Little blue eyes, now are closed, Little hands are now at rest; Little cheeks are now ashy, Sleeping the deep sleep of death.

Ab! white as chiseled marble Are his eyes, and his hair bright, And his cherry lips are faded, E'er the coming of the night.

God the treasure now has taken, From this earth of work and pain; To be a Cherubim in Heaven, To praise the Saviour, who was slain.

Ab! you weep not, fairest mother, For you know God heard your prayer; That your babe lies in His keeping, In that bright home, 'O'er There.'

It is well thou mighty Maker, Thou, who guide us so discreet, Thou hast seen our imperfections, And beholdest, that we are weak.

And to make us strong and mighty, In thy Holy Path and Love, Thou hast sent us many sorrows, To guide us to thy home above.

Clouded Life and a Sunny One. BY MRS. E. WELMONT. 'It is a long time which has no more,' remarked neighbor Fairwell, to Mrs. Gadsby; 'your good days will come by-and-by; I never knew a person that worked on in patient trust, but God sent them some token for good before they died.'

obligations. My rule is to impart to others, if I have anything to spare; it makes me happier than you are to receive—and I get my pay beforehand.

'What has happened? You may as well communicate to me your trials. Who knows but I can relieve you?' Mrs. Gadsby was moved by the warm, sympathetic appeal and countenance of her friend, and as she had been brooding all the morning and for several days over her uncomfortable mode of living, she gladly availed herself of this opportunity of narrating all her grievances.

'Neighbor Fairwell,' said Mrs. Gadsby, 'it's a dreadful vexatious thing to be surrounded by disagreeable circumstances. Nobody but the poor understand this. Here you are, full of contentment, because you are well off; no matter whether you are a shilling in your lifetime, you are happy.'

'And in their Crown of Righteousness And to the good enjoyment give These deeds remain, As gems which ne'er will fade away, Through Heaven's light, bright, eternal day. A precious gain.'

With music, banners, arches green, We hail the daughter of our Queen, With joy sincere; With pomp of earthly pageantry As symbols of our loyalty, And welcome here.

And now her sister, loved by all— Lies cold beneath her funeral pall— Her spirit pure, Has gone to join her much-loved sire, Who never in those deeds did tire, Which will endure.

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'But we shall encounter a good many east winds first. There will be snow, squalls yet. For my part, I think it the most cheerful season we have. We are obliged to keep a fire nearly all the time, and it's about as expensive as winter time. Mrs. Gadsby had not shaved out yet.'

'Well, well,' continued Neighbor Fairwell, 'I've got a bit of good news to tell you. What do you think it is?' 'You've got me a profitable job of work, I suppose.'

'Yes, and it's one that don't require stitching, either. My husband finds by the newspaper that, as the widow of John Gadsby, you are entitled to a land warrant of one hundred and sixty acres of government land, in pay of his services in the war of 1812.'

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A CURIOUS SPECTACLE.

The Atlantic Mutual Life Insurance Company has now been eighteen months in the court, and notwithstanding the law expenses and various delays it is still declared solvent. An actual examination in March last showed a deficiency of some \$40,000. While in the hands of Receiver, this impairment has not only been made good, but the company is now shown to have a surplus of \$200,000.

PROVERBS FROM POOR RICHARD. Take this remark from Richard— poor and lame; whatever begins in anger, ends in shame.

Law, like cobwebs, catches small flies; great ones break through before you fly.

If pride leads the van, poverty brings up the rear. He that would live in peace and at ease must not speak all he knows, nor judge all he sees.

He that can travel well asleep keeps a good horse. The worst wheel of the cart makes the most noise. Against disease, virtue, the strongest fence is the defensive fence of abstemiousness.

Tart words make no friends; a spoonful of honey will catch more flies than a gallon of vinegar. Keep thy shop and thy shop will keep thee.

Beware of little expenses, a small leak will sink a great ship. An ounce of wit that is bought is worth a pound that is taught.

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The Standard Medical Work in China is entitled 'The Golden Mirror, and compass about forty volumes. Turning to this treatise for information concerning the structure and position of the internal organs, the student of medicine discovers that the lungs are six in number, and are suspended from the spine, four on one side and two on the other. It is from the lungs that the human voice is supposed to emanate, while the breath, as well as one's emotions of joy and sorrow, originates in the pit of the stomach. The liver, so writes the ancient Chinese Ecceplap, is the residence of the human soul, all a person's plans and projects being there devised and thought out. The brain seems to be considered of no account whatever in connection with any intellectual processes. Of the circulation of the blood the native practitioner knows comparatively nothing, although in every ailment, however trifling, the pulse is very carefully examined, the wise doctor putting on a most scrupulous expression of countenance while engaged in its examination. The state of the pulse is considered of so much special importance because the five points at which it may be felt are supposed to include Mercury, Venus, and three other next the earth. The elements are water, metal, fire, earth, and the colors are white, black, yellow and red. All Chinese, from the highest to the lowest, believe in astrology, and when taken ill, consult the almanac at once to discover what would be the most auspicious day on which to send for a doctor. The delay caused by waiting for an auspicious day, however, is a most disadvantageous to the patient, giving time to the disease to spread, and the physician puts in an appearance, and does the poor-victim to death with his vile remedies.

THE MURDER OF A YOUNG WOMAN BY HER STRAHER.—York, Penn., Dec. 8.—A search for Miss Hoffman, a young lady of Pottsville, Pa., resulted in the finding of her dead body. She was undoubtedly murdered, as her head was crushed in as if by a very heavy blow. Miss Hoffman left the house of her father on Saturday last and started for Hanover on a visit. She was absent all night, and when the morning came she had not been seen or heard from. A search was immediately instituted and the body was discovered at Pottsville on the morning of the 21st. Suspicion points to the betrayer of Miss Hoffman as the murderer. It is thought that he followed her and that he hid the evidence of his guilt, or to escape the consequences.

MEMPHIS TELEGRAPH OPERATORS.—The Memphis telegraphers stood by one another and at their posts like heroes during the weeks of the plague. Out of twenty-five men employed in the service, only one died, nine recovered and five escaped, but, inasmuch as there were several new comers only one man has had the good fortune to hold his ground from first to last. This man was named Putnam, and many a long night while the fever was raging, he was the only one in the operating room, and the clerks went down one after another until he was the only man left to cope with the enormous press of business.

Mr. Spurgeon having been urgently invited by the churches of Canada to visit them, has written a characteristic letter declining the offer on the ground that the claims of the work at home are so great and pressing to permit of his leaving. When he sees the eagerness of the people to hear his message, and to refrain from doing so is a greater strain to deliver his soul. Hence he could only go to Canada when he felt able to work hard, and that also is the reason he has the most desire to be at home.

New discoveries of rich silver deposits continue in the vicinity of Leadville, Colorado. Among the latest and most remarkable is one made by Lieut. Gov. Taber on Saturday of a sand carbonate vein, from which \$5,000 worth was taken that day, and the discovery of a very rich deposit on Ten Mile Creek, where a fissure vein is found. It is reported that nearly 2,000,000 pounds of base-bullion was shipped from Leadville in November, and upwards of twice the quantity high grade silver ore.

A large quantity of jewelry has been found in the mattress of a bedroom in the Windsor Hotel, occupied during the Vice-Regal reception by two thieves, who were captured by the Police, but escaped. One of these, Guerin, has been again arrested in Ottawa. A local jeweler claims the goods, but Chicago firm believes it is their goods.

The Russians are likely to have a war with China on their hands very shortly. The Chinese are mustering in force on their western frontier and masters look ominous.

The latest thing in furniture made of glass. We are assured that glass is more durable than wood, can be worked into the most extraordinary lovely forms, and is very cheap.

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BRIDGETOWN, DECEMBER, 25, 1878.

CHRISTMAS.

To-day is the most universally observed anniversary of the whole year. To-day all Christendom, with retrospective vision, is turned to a small town—Bethlehem—in Palestine. It was the scene of our Saviour's advent. Several hundred years before that momentous event, the prophetic announcement was made:

"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

In fulfillment of that marvellous prophecy, at the divinely appointed time, the child was born. The hour was midnight. Darkness was resting on the Judean hills. A few rustic shepherds were watching over their drowsy sleep folds. The stillness of night was suddenly broken by a seraphic choir in the air. The song which they sang was a heaven-born anthem. The utterance of its initiatory notes were "Glory to God in the highest." These words, in the spirit of celestial worship, were addressed to the Most High. They were followed by an announcement for human ears: "On earth peace, good will to men." This song, which the shepherds heard many centuries ago, is still reverberating through the earth. It is a song which is awakening heathenism from the spiritual slumber of ages. It is heard by the Esquimaux of the Arctic regions; by the Negro in Africa; by cannibals in the isles of the Pacific; by the Karens in Burmah; and by the Telogons in India.

Moreover, the "Holy Child" was born and cradled in a manger. But in this lowly external condition, he was visited and worshipped by "wise men"—oriental sages—who were directed to the hovel where the young Immanuel lay by a guiding star—a heavenly light. Divines tell us that none who seek Jesus, can find him, except guided by light from heaven.

To-day these wonderful incidents will be in the minds of millions; and within the walls of many an ancient cathedral will sermons be preached in amplification of everything connected with the day which is now being celebrated. In those time-mossed ecclesiastical structures, from smoking censurers, the aromatic fumes of incense will float, where "through the long-drawn aisle and fretted vault the pealing anthems swells the note of praise." Churches, too, which have not yet been rendered venerable by the hallowing touch of antiquity, and which are not remarkable either for architectural magnificence or beauty, will be festooned with evergreens, and decorated with flowers in recognition of this universally observed Christian holiday. Some Christian denominations regard Christmas as equal in sanctity, if not superior, to the Holy Sabbath itself. In this matter, however, there are differences of opinion in the Christian world; but nearly all acknowledge that the day has a legitimate claim upon the special regard of all who admit the divinity of Prince Immanuel, who was once a babe in Bethlehem's manger.

Apart from religious observances, Christmas, by almost every body, is regarded as a day sacred to festivity, to kindly greetings, and to gatherings beneath the family roof-tree. We will draw a picture. An affectionate group are once more come together in their dearly remembered childhood's home. Conspicuous among them, in the hoariness of years, are the venerable grand-sire and grand-mother, enfeebled by the usual infirmities of far advanced life, with their countenances to-day wreathed in smiles, like snow-topped hills brightened by the parting rays of the setting sun. Their progeny, perhaps of two or three generations, are around them. Those who, in mid-life it may be, have been separated for a while, are now actively engaged in different pursuits, are once more drawn together by the cords of filial love and family affection. For one day at least their usual toils, cares, anxieties and vexations are apparently forgotten. They are conscious that their presence in the old homestead to-day dispels from the minds of their parents the mental shadows that are the usual concomitants of old age.

Christmas is a day which expands the heart and opens the hand of charity. Those who, perhaps, are usually cold and selfish, are melted into kindness by the spirit and influences of the day, and their benefactions are extended to the poor and the destitute. The poor man's table, on which luxuries are seldom seen, may exhibit to-day a truly enjoyable repast. How easily can wealth, in its munificence, gladden the hearts and brighten the homes of the needy. "Good will to men" on Christmas day is peculiarly appropriate.

The family banquet, usual on this high holiday, is generally enjoyed with more genuine zest than any other in the whole year—not that the edibles are more abundant and palatable than on many other occasions, but because it awakens pleasant memories of by-gone seasons of social mirth and festivity. To-day every variety of meat and poultry, as well as the inevitable plum-pudding, are the elements of the noon day repast; but they are

more heartily enjoyed than they would be a month hence, unaccompanied by the spirit of Christmas.

The juveniles—God bless them!—are perhaps merrier to-day than any body else. They rose this morning (right early too) and found that Santa Claus had made them richer, in heart at least, than the richest of the Rothschilds. Toys of every variety—confectionery—fruits—nuts—picture-books, and every other object that childhood craves and values, are theirs to-day. The whistle, the horn and jowhar, with marvellous discordance, are sounding wherever the juveniles are grouped, and none are better pleased with their music than are aged grandies, who are, provisionally, too deaf to hear.—The pastimes, frolic and joyousness of childhood on Christmas day, are like the waters of a river overflowing its banks. Juvenile merriment cannot be controlled while the gifts of Santa Claus are matters of exultation.

We, who are farther advanced in life, and whose minds have been chafed with cares—have been annoyed with vexations—and have been fretted by disappointments, sometimes look retrospectively to the merry days of juvenility, and sigh over the remembrance of departed enjoyments; and perhaps these thoughts often intrude into our minds on this anniversary than on any other day in the year. We cannot, however, roll back the wheels of time; our days of juvenility and its jollity have passed forever away.

But to-day, with all our hearts, we wish our readers "A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!"

ECONOMICAL EXPENDITURES.

Old Ben Franklin, the New England philosopher, one hundred and thirty years ago, was scattering grains of wisdom through the medium of "Poor Richard's Almanac." Among them was the following: "A penny saved is a penny earned." The phrase is homely, but it is a gem of truth. A large proportion of the poverty and financial embarrassment which are now being felt in the commercial world, as well as in the domestic circumstances of individuals and families, might have been prevented by saving. A man earning five dollars per day, may be said to be remuneratively employed; but if the same man is spending six dollars as often as he earns five, he, notwithstanding his ample income, is drifting astern, and is verging towards insolvency. No matter how capacious may be a reservoir of water, and how large the stream that is flowing into it, if not more than ten drops per day, are drawn from it, then run into it, in time it will become exhausted. The same principle is apparent in a man's income. If its diminution overbalances increase, exhaustion, soon or late, is inevitable.

Perhaps the reader may think, (and very truly think) that the foregoing paragraph contains nothing but truisms, with which everybody is familiar. The admission of the soundness of a theory avails nothing while it is practically ignored. Any truth, though apparent to the vision of common sense, does no good if it is unheeded in the every day duties and concerns of human life. No one will deny that a penny saved is equivalent to a penny earned; but multitudes in practice run counter to the principle involved in this aphoristic saying. Income and earnings should always overbalance expenditures. Continual saving is an effective safeguard against poverty and financial embarrassment. For instance, there is our industrious neighbor, Mr. Peter Farley, who is an excellent ditcher, and by the dexterous use of his spade, he may probably earn one dollar every day; but if he every night should spend ten cents more than he earns, he would soon become entangled in the meshes of debt. On the other hand, if Peter only saves five cents every day, he is in the road to wealth. In this way we have chosen to illustrate the principle of personal economy; and nobody can misunderstand us.

Where there is no saving, it is manifest, there can be no increase of wealth; and where outgo is greater than income, ultimate poverty is certain. These facts should be remembered by every body who is engaged in industrial pursuits or mercantile enterprise. They should also be kept in view by legislators and statesmen.

In our own Province, there is little doubt, there might be a considerable diminution in expenditures, connected with legislation, and administration, without impairing efficiency in the public civil service of the country. The necessary expense of legislation might be decreased, at least fifty per cent. The number of officials might be decreased, and their salaries lessened. One branch of the Legislature might be wholly abolished, and the other diminished in numbers by at least one half. Perhaps, too, there are more clerks and other subordinates in the civil service than are necessary. We are not very conversant with these matters; but those who are better informed and wiser than ourselves in our provincial expenditures, are of opinion that there may be much saved in the way indicated without detriment to the public interests. Our educational institutions—our roads and bridges—and aids to navigation should not suffer on account of exorbitant salaries paid to unnecessary officials. Our revenues are small, and the most should be made of them.

LAWRENCE TOWN.

Education is a topic which is interesting to all, as it must always go hand in hand with our advancing interests. Allow me to invite the attention of the patrons of the Monitor to the general working of the High School now in operation at Lawrence-town.

The supporters of this institution feared lest its first year's success might be ephemeral, but this is far from being the case, as the number at present is nearly double what it was last Christmas. The teacher's course is carried on with the same interest as last year. In addition to this, it may not be generally known that a complete course of commercial work may be obtained under Mr. C. F. Hall, who has received special training in this work. Day and evening classes are formed which are working successfully.

A literary course especially adapted for young ladies, which extends over three years, has been commenced. Two young ladies have already entered upon the third year's course, and will be entitled to a diploma next June. The studies during the third year include Ethics, Aesthetics, English Literature, Botany, Chemistry, Mental Philosophy, Latin, Greek or German, and monthly Essays. The only "B" licenses granted last year were from the High School. Pro. McDonald is fast winning a reputation with the pupils. Miss Brown is thoroughly in sympathy with her work, and has the esteem and confidence of pupils in her classes.

AMONG THE BREAKERS.

The Drama, in two acts, of which the above is the title, was put upon the boards as announced on Saturday evening. Long before the hour for commencing the Hall was comfortably filled.

At eight, precisely, the curtain rose and the play commenced. For amateurs, we confess to a degree of pride that we have so much talent in our town. As usual, the part assigned each performer was well sustained. Owing to our limited space and desire to let our boys have Christmas to themselves, we must clip our notice much shorter than usual. There is but one feeling in reference to the performance and that is that it was all that could be desired or expected from amateurs.

INQUEST.—An inquest was held at Lawrence-town last week on the body of the girl Letty, by Coroner Woodbury, and the jury returned a verdict "that the deceased came to her death through the carelessness of Charles Taylor and Hiram Letty." These two men have been arrested "for building a fire in the mill," are now in Annapolis jail.

The above is from the Herald of the 23rd inst. The statements made by the Lawrence-town correspondent of the "Herald," and which appeared in that paper on the 21st inst. are far from the truth, and, therefore, are not worth trusting by us. We shall endeavor to get the evidence as given before the coroner, and when obtained, will publish the same.

The Rev. W. H. Warren wishes us to make the announcement that the regular monthly Conference Meeting of the Baptist Church, at Bridgetown, will be held, D. V. next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Conference at Centreville will be held on the Saturday following at the same hour. A full attendance of members at both meetings is requested.

One of the workmen in J. B. Reed's Furniture Factory, had a narrow escape from serious bodily injury one day last week, by the bursting of an emery wheel on which he was at work.

DEATH.—The subscriber is agent for the Gilbert Lane Dye Works of St. John. B. Work sure to give satisfaction! Fabrics paid for by us will be returned in perfect condition. H. S. PIER, Bridgetown.

The meat supper and fancy sale held by the ladies of the Church of England, on Monday evening, realized some \$30.00 towards the object for which it was intended.

A heavy rain storm prevailed here on Sunday. From the despatches in morning papers, it appears that we turned to snow in the Upper Provinces.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

[For the Monitor.]

DEAR MESSRS EDITORS, Will you kindly allow me a corner of your paper this week wherein to publicly acknowledge and to sincerely thank a number of my parishioners worshipping in the district church of St. Mary, Belleville, for the very generous Christmas donation which they have lately sent me. I would avail myself of your permission to assure them that their present is not only acceptable in itself but is appreciated by me far beyond its intrinsic value, on account of the kindly feeling towards me, personally, which it indicates. In addition to these Christmas offerings, I may also mention that they have this year supplied me with several tons of good hay for my horse. All this, in addition to a greater regularity in the payment of my stipend has made my position, so far as they are concerned, a much more comfortable one. My thanks are also due to Mr. Phineas Chesley, Mr. E. C. Harte and Mr. Wm. Muir, of the Bridgetown congregation, for generous Christmas offerings. Hoping that I have not trespass too much upon your space, I am, Dear Sirs, Yours truly, Lewis M. Wittkop. Rectory, Dec. 25, 1878.

Mr. Eborak.

While on my travels down the country, I stopped at Melver Square, and receiving an invitation to be present at the Melver Base Ball Club's first sociable. I accepted. At about 7 o'clock I found myself in the very cozy hall of the place. At about 7 1/2 o'clock the hall being full, the entertainment commenced. The programme was very nicely arranged and carried out in the following manner:

- 1. Music, Instrumental, Mrs. Augusta Gates.
2. Reading, John Maynard, A. A. Gates.
3. Solo and Chorus—'Whoo Eema.'
4. A short address on the Club, 'Its objects and interests,' Mr. Bentley Jacques.
5. Old Sugar's Courtship, Mr. Chas. Grogan.
6. Song, 'Old Woman of eighty,' Col. Jacques.
7. Reading, Miss Minnie Mayer.
8. Music, Violin and Organ.
9. Reading, Mrs. C. W. Hall.
10. Comic Song, Mr. C. W. Hall.
11. Song, 'On the Ball,' Mr. Chas. Jacques.
12. Duet, 'The Man in the Moon,' Miss Gates and Jacques.
13. Reading, The Vagabonds.
14. Comic Sketch, The Arkansas Traveller, Messrs. Chas. Hurd and Col. Jacques.
15. Instrumental Organ, Mrs. A. Gates.
16. Comic Quartette.
17. Song, 'Nancy O,' Col. Jacques.
18. Reading, Mr. E. Hall.
19. Willard Gates, Stage Manager.

The entertainment was carried out as above, and showed considerable talent. All were good in their several parts. A word of praise is due Messrs. Col. Jacques, A. Priestly, Chas. Grogan, and Mr. Bentley Jacques, for their parting performances. Mr. C. Willard Gates gave several selections in his own peculiar style. His reading of 'The Vagabonds' showed much dramatic force and power. After the programme had been carried out, speeches were made by Messrs. H. S. PIER, S. Squire, B. Magee, and H. Van Buskirk, after which the sociable closed with singing 'God save the Queen.' This ended a very pleasant evening, and our correspondents, and I, think to every one present.

A ROMANTIC WEDDING.

We give facts but reserve the names for the sake of the parties, who being quiet people might not care to be brought to public notice. A short time ago a young man and a young lady of Belmont, went to Brooklyn to be married, and just as the ceremony was begun to be read, the young lady, falling upon the floor, was holding the hands and carrying her daughter off home again. But the disappointed lover did not lose courage, for the next day he and his bride, both in full Windsor for the Avondale boat and returned to Burlington by Captain Card's packet, leaving the impression that the bride had been kidnapped. On Monday the young lady got two men to ferry her across the Kennebec River to Burlington, where she met her husband, and, retaining the name of the Methodist Parsonage, were indisputably united in the holy bands of matrimony. The young lady was soon after the deceased one, but it was too late to again overtake her. The happy couple returned to Belmont, where a jolly evening was spent with their friends. The wedding was a worthy of great happiness.

BARBERED HIS WIFE FOR SIX MONTHS AND A LIQUOR BILL. Jessy City, Dec. 15.—Some years ago Joseph Loupi, a wealthy Italian, while travelling in Brazil met a handsome English girl, several years his junior. They met and loved and lived happily. Loupi was rendered poor by reverses, and he and his wife emigrated to this country and located in Bonaventure in Maine. He made a pretensions living at making pocket-books. To reduce expenses, Frederick Erick, a nobleman, was received as a boarder. Loupi, being an attractive, gentleman, her affections from her aged husband to the younger boarder, and did not hesitate to show her decided preference, even requesting her husband to leave. Loupi, since his reduction from affluence to poverty, had taken to drink. Rather than create trouble for his wife, Erick, he paid her \$5 and settle a bill of \$5 for liquor consumed. Justice Buckens drew up the agreement of separation. Erick paid the \$5 and the rum-bill, and Loupi boarded the cars for this city.

The fish plague on the Florida coast has extended to the island of Key West. During the last week in November, a strata of dark reddish water passed through the inland channels, carrying on the surface thousands of minute, fish-like, many of them of the largest specimens of shark, Jew fish, barracuda, etc., with a few fresh water varieties. The men on the island, who are used to the phenomenon happened in the heat of summer a plague must have followed. It is even yet feared. The people of the island, however, are not suffering for want of food.

During a severe storm on the night of Sept. 12, a sea gull, all wet and exhausted by the storm, alighted upon the rail of the light-house at Flying-Pan Shoals, on the coast of North Carolina. One of the men took the bird and dried it in his bonnet, for it and then placed it in a little net improvised for the occasion. The next morning he set the gull at liberty, never expecting to see it again, but the next night, at the same hour, the bird reappeared, and has continued to do so every night since, and has been kindly fed and cared for.

A NOBLE DONATION.—The late Joseph B. Eaton, of Boston, left to the young Men's Christian Union, of that city, a donation of \$50,000, on condition that within six months of his disease there shall be raised and added to it a sufficient sum to pay all the debts and liabilities of every kind of the Union, so that the institution shall be entirely free of debt. The debt of the Union is said to be \$100,000, and the Treasurer has \$2,000 on hand, so that the balance required to be subscribed is only about \$100,000 which will, of course, be secured without difficulty.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having any legal demands against the Estate of Samuel Turley, late of the County of Annapolis, are hereby notified to present the same, duly attested, to the undersigned, within eighteen months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to FRED LEAVITT, Administrator. Lawrence-town, N.S., December 21, 1878. SHEEP ASTRAY. STRAYED into the enclosure of the undersigned, two ram lambs, marked square crops of right ear, hole in same ear, slit in jaw, and left. The owners have the same by giving property and paying expenses. FOSTER FARNSWORTH, Thimney Cove, Dec. 25th, 1878.

New Advertisements.

ANNAPOLIS, S.S.

In the Supreme Court, 1878.

IN EQUITY.

John W. Nicholson, Plff. vs. Sarah McFadden, Administrator of William McFadden, Deft.

TO BE SOLD AT

Public Auction!

by the Sheriff of the County of Annapolis, or his Deputy, at Annapolis Royal, on the premises, on the

25th Day of January,

Anno Domini, 1879, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to an order of foreclosure and sale, made herein, dated the 16th day of December, Anno Domini, 1878, unless before the day of sale the said defendant shall pay the plaintiff or into Court, the sum due under the mortgage, debts and costs.

All the estate, right, title and equity of redemption of the said defendant, and of all persons claiming or entitled by, from, or under the said late William McFadden, of, in and to all that lot of

LAND,

situate, lying and being in the town of Annapolis, described in the following words: that is to say, On the South by the main street of Annapolis Royal, on the East by lands belonging to the estate of the late Thomas Ritchie, Esq., on the West by lands belonging to James Gray, Esq., and on the North extending to low water mark by the Annapolis River, measuring on the said street thirty-six feet, and containing—the same width to low water mark, with all and singular the appurtenances and privileges thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

TERMS:

Ten per cent deposit at time of sale, remainder on delivery of the deed.

PETER BONNETT, Sheriff.

E. RUGGLES, Atty. of Plff. 5w143.

NOTICE!

ALL persons having any legal demands against the estate of William L. Leonard, late of Paradise, in the County of Annapolis, deceased, are requested to render the same, duly attested, within eighteen months from this date; and all persons indebted to said estate, are requested to make immediate payment to JULIA M. LEONARD, Executrix. Paradise, Dec. 19th, 1878. 2w140

Cheap Freight

FROM GLASGOW

To Annapolis.

The Bark "George E. Corbett" will carry a Freight from Glasgow to Annapolis at the rate of Fifteen Shillings per Ton; we are also advised by the Windsor and Annapolis Railway Company that they will give a special rate to all Stations on the line, on Freight by this vessel. All parties wishing to ship, Apply to Glasgow in March, by this vessel, will please apply immediately as space is limited.

A. W. CORBITT & SON.

Annapolis, Dec. 17, 77.

Berwick Star, Kentville Chronicle.

FARMERS TAKE NOTICE!

The undersigned desires to inform the Farmers, or any persons that wish to improve their Breed of Swine, that he has A SUPERIOR THOROUGHBRED ELLESMERE BOAR, which will be kept for that purpose. Terms of service \$1.00 per week. F. N. NORTH, December 6th, 1878. 41330

GRAND

Olio Entertainment

New Year's Night.

THE Ladies of St. James' Church, assisted by several well known amateurs, purpose giving an entertainment of a novel and very pleasing character, consisting of Exhibitions of Statuary, Pantomimes, Tableau, with musical accompaniment, &c. A pleasant time may be expected. Don't forget the first night of the New Year. Programme and further particulars next week. Doors open at 7.30. Admission, 25c, Children, half price.

LOST.

BETWEEN Bridgetown and Starratt's Hotel, Lawrence-town, a plain Lap Robe. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at J. Warden Beckwith's Livery Stable.

Xmas Confectionery

For 1878.

Choc Drops, Grecian Cake, Barley Tots, Gum Drops, Kisses, Coconut Cake, Mixture, &c. &c. NUTS, best London Raisins, preserved Citron, and General Groceries—all of which are

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Boots & Shoes,

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which we offer at the LOWEST MARKET PRICES.

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SOLE LEATHER.

Merry Xmas!

Middleton Corner!

Cheap Cash Store.

Grand Annual Clearance Sale.

COMMENCING this day, and to be continued until the first day of January, 1879. As usual, we take account of stock at end of year and wish to have as little on the shelves as possible to save work. We are convinced the only way to make a clearance these hard times is to mark down goods to the very lowest point, so that our customers will buy all they require, thereby economizing. There is no doubt we can satisfy you in price, so please call on us and examine the goods.

We offer our entire stock at the reduction and would remind you that we have a full line of Dry Goods, Ready Made Garments for Ladies and Gents' underwear, Millinery Goods, Furnishing goods, etc. Also a nice stock of Boots and Shoes, which we offer at special bargains. Next week we open our importation of Holiday Goods, consisting of useful and fancy articles, suitable as presents for old and young. Large assortment of Toys for the children. Remember we are head quarters for Candy, Fruit, Nuts, etc.

Terms Strictly Cash.

J. HENRY SMITH & Co. Middleton, N.S., Dec. 11th, 1878.

Thos. P. Connolly's

CENTRAL BOOK STORE.

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Cheapest and best Series now in use, and every article used in the School Room, for sale low. Wrapping Paper, Paper Bags—all sizes and qualities, Taylor's, Carter's and Stephens' Celebrated Lids, Lead Pencils of every stamp. Paper, Paper, Green paper and Paper shades.

Wholesale and Retail.

VISITING CARDS.

Neatly executed at the office of this paper.

New Advertisements.

Christmas

Presents!

CHRISTMAS TOYS,

Fancy Confectionery

Canned Goods, Oysters, Lobsters, Peaches and Green Corn.

Oranges, Lemons, Nuts,

Figs and Raisins

OF THE BEST QUALITY!

Fancy Vases, Cups & Saucers, Maps &c.

AND A FULL STOCK OF

Lamps and

Glassware.

Cheapest ever offered.

Cloth and Clothing to Suit All!

J. W. Whitman.

Dec. 16, 1878.

Farm for Sale.

THE Subscriber offers at Private Sale that very desirable farm situate in Clarence, in the County of Annapolis, the property of the late Joseph Rumsey; consisting of

Miscellaneous.

OPERA AT POMPEII.

A somewhat startling announcement recently appeared in a English paper to the effect that the theatre at Pompeii after having been closed for eighteen centuries, and being full repaired, will soon be opened to the public...

CHANGES OF LIFE.

Change is the common future to all life. The years convert the population of schools into men and women the young into fathers and matrons, make and mar fortunes, and bury the last generation but one.

Toward the end of her reign the Empress Catherine of Russia found the civil list of her son Paul much in debt. Several thousand bottles of brandy were charged as having been used by him, although he never tasted brandy.

Jewelry is made in Germany from the pure blood of the ox. The blood is dried, reduced to powder, and then moulded and polished. What next?

The first woman preached in India is Mrs. Monamma Mosogbar, wife of Baboo Ghanshyam Mosogbar, Minister of the British Residency at Calcutta.

The Indians presented Lord Lorne with a handsome bead cap at Ottawa.

NO WAY OF ESCAPE.

The time is close at hand when men who make big steals will not be able to hide themselves and escape capture as they once did. Every one remembers the flight and capture of Tweed, Charles W. Angell, the defuncting secretary of the Pullman Palace car company, who absconded with a very large sum of money, and was recently captured in Portugal, is another illustration of the way the great globe is being encompassed with a police detective force.

THE RIGHT WORDS.

The Sunday School Times says: "Closely connected with the subject of the power of plain speech is that of the use of the right words in the right place. When cumbersome or extravagant forms of speech have been abandoned in favor of simple and straightforward language, it is still necessary for the speaker to consider carefully whether he is expressing what he means. The lack of a nice discrimination in the choice of words frequently makes ridiculous an otherwise well-timed piece of English. It is better to know the meaning of a few words than to guess at the meaning of many. No word is so common that some new force may not be found for it by consultation of the dictionary— an exercise which often proves to be a proper definition of all. It is surprising to see how persistently some early misapprehensions, or some erroneous definition given by parent or teacher, will cling to the memory. Again, even when the rough meaning of a word has been ascertained, there still remains something to be done in searching for the finer distinctions between it and kindred words. Something more than mere strength is needed; there must also be skill and discretion in the use of language. A great writer is almost always an apt writer."

DESOLATION OF PALESTINE.

In Palestine you are as much in the wilderness as in Arabia; as to inhabitants, they are precisely the things which do not exist, for all you can tell, except in the towns and villages you pass through. You can strike a hillside after day, and you rise over each hill, and sink into each valley, and except an occasional solitary traveller with his servant and his muleteer, or a Turkish officer with his party, rarely does a moving object appear upon the landscape. No cattle are on the land, and no passengers on the highways. The loneliness strikes you more like that of the desert, for it seems unnatural, because here there should be life, and there is none. Sometimes you make out at a distance on the hillside a single figure, a man on a donkey. It is the only moving thing you can detect all around you. There is no life, the country was full of people and children, and flocks and herds—a rejoicing picture of pastoral existence in all its health, while here, in the country of hills, and towns, and villages, the whole land seems to lie under a spell. —Luth's Wanderer in Arabia.

"God bless all good women! To their soft hands and pitying hearts we must all come at last." In the final radiance of the story, Kant, which recalls the "Kiss me, Hardy" of the dying Nelson, De Quincey reads an indication that the last necessity is the necessity of love, is the call for some penetrating care, which may stimulate for a moment some phantom image of female tenderness, in an hour when the actual presence of women is impossible.

THE PERUVIAN'S CAROO.—The steamer "Peruvian," which arrived at midnight after a fine passage from Liverpool, G. B., via Havre, brought a cargo of 136 tons for Halifax and Lower Provinces and 600 tons of the steamer "Circassian's" cargo, making a total of 1477 tons. Her unloading she will leave for Baltimore.

MINING IN BRIDLEWATER.—A coal mine has been discovered about a mile from Bridgewater, toward Mahone Bay, and parties have applied for the necessary right to search. There is also a copper mine being worked at East Dalhousie, under the superintendence of an American mining engineer, with good results.

Truth can hardly be expected to adapt herself to the crooked policy and wily sinuosities of worldly affairs; for truth, like light, travels only in straight lines.

A Word to the Wise!

Just received at Moir's Musical Warehouse from the first makers and largest factories in England, Germany, America and Canada, \$5,000 worth of PIANOS AND ORGANS, consisting of— First Class Grand, Square and Cottage PIANOS, First Class Palace and Uxbridge ORGANS; FIRST CLASS GOOTH ORGANS, Made especially for Churches, Schools, Lodges, Public Halls, etc. Persons wishing Organs for the above purposes will find it to their advantage to call and examine for themselves.

BRIDGETOWN Marble Works.

ENCOURAGE HOME MANUFACTURE. FALCONER & WHITMAN are now manufacturing Monuments & Gravestones of Italian and American Marbles. Granite and Freestone Monuments.

Men's, Women's and Children's Boots and Shoes.

Having erected Machinery in connection with J. B. Reed's Steam Factory, we are prepared to Polish Granite equal to that done abroad. Also: Men's, Women's and Children's Boots and Shoes, in great variety. At Low Prices. B. STARRATT. Paradise, Oct. 20th, 1878.

NEW STOCK!

Dry Goods, Groceries, Ready-Made Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Crockeryware, AT LOW PRICES, to suit the times. FRED. LEAVITT. Lawrencetown, Nov. 7th, 77.

KNOW THYSELF!

By reading and practicing the inimitable truths contained in the best medical book ever issued, entitled SELF-PRESERVATION, you will receive the most valuable and profitable information in the world. This book was written by the most extensive and probably the most careful practitioner in America, to whom was awarded a gold and jeweled medal by the National Medical Association. A Pamphlet, illustrated with the very best Steel Engravings—a marvel of art and beauty—sent free to all. Send for it at once. Address: FRED. LEAVITT, 100 N. 2nd St., Boston, Mass.

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BOILER MAKERS, NEW GLASGOW, N. S. Manufacturers of PORTABLE & STATIONARY Engines and Boilers. Every description of FITTINGS for above kept in Stock, viz: Steam Pumps, Steam Pipes, Steam and Water Gages, Brass Cocks and Valves, Oil and Tallow Cans, &c. &c.

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A gentleman, having tried in vain every advertised remedy, has discovered a simple means of self cure. He will be happy to forward the particulars to any sufferer on receipt of a stamp and directed envelope. Address: T. T. SWEET, Esq., Life Insurance Office, Belmont, London, England.

VISITING CARDS.

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MORSE & PARKER Barristers-at-Law.

Solicitors, Conveyancers, REAL ESTATE AGENTS, ETC., ETC. BRIDGETOWN, N. S. L. S. MORSE, J. G. H. PARKER. Bridgetown, Aug. 16th, 76. 17

GILBERT'S LANE DYE WORKS.

It is a well-known fact that all classes of goods get soiled and faded before the material is half worn, and only require cleaning and dyeing to make them look as good as new. Carpets, Towels, Curtains, Dress Goods, Shawls, Waterproof Mantles, Silks and Satins, Gentlemen's Overcoats, &c. &c. dyed on reasonable terms. BLACK GOODS a specialty. Agents—Annapolis, W. STANSON, Merchant; Digby, Miss WAGNER, Millinery and Dry Goods. A. L. LAW. May 76.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

In order to meet the demands of our numerous customers, we beg to announce that, we have now on hand a large stock of the following: Slipper and Larrigan Factory, Men's, Women's, Misses', & Children's BOOTS AND SHOES, in all the leading styles. By continuing, as in the past, to use first quality material, we hope to merit a liberal share of public patronage in our new branch of business, as well as a continuance of public favor in our old business.

Vincent & McFate, NOTICE.

ALL persons having any legal demands against the estate of ZACHARIAH DANIELS, Esq., late of Lawrencetown, in the County of Annapolis, deceased, are requested to send the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

300 BLS. FLOUR just received.

300 BLS. FLOUR just received, including the well known brands of— Gilt Edge, Star, White Pigeon, Major, Arrowhead, Clarkburg, Rosewood. J. & W. F. HARRISON, 30 1/2 Portland Street, St. John, N. B.

Paper Bags,

direct from the Paper Mill, made to our order. The stock comprises all sizes used by the trade viz—4lb, 11b, 15b, 21b, 31b, 41b, 51b, 61b, 71b, 81b, 91b, 101b, 121b, 141b, 161b, 181b, 201b, 251b, 301b, 351b. Store Keepers supplied at LOWER PRICES than they can import them. Send in your orders. SANCTON & PIPER. Monitor Office, Bridgetown, Jan. 27th, 1878.

Queen St., Bridgetown, September 27th, 1877.

JUST RECEIVED. A Fresh Supply of TEA & SUGAR.

Bankine's Celebrated BISCUITS CONFECTIONERY, &c. Also a lot of LAYER RAININS BY BOX OR RETAIL, VERY LOW. MRS. L. C. WHEELLOCK. BRIDGETOWN, Sept. 26th, '77. 1878. FALL. 1878.

THE Subscriber has just opened a full assortment of STAPLE AND FANCY GOODS.

suitable for the season, viz: Ladies' Cloth Jackets, Ladies' Gossamer Waterproof Cloaks, Felt and Quilted Skirts, Wool and Paisley Shawls, Cloths in Beaver, Serge, Melton, and Waterproof, Printed, Grey, and Bleached Cottons, Flannels, Wines, Silks, Velvets, &c. Also a general Stock of Hats, Feathers, Flowers, Buttons, Trimmings, Haberdashery, Hosiery, Gloves, &c. All of which will be offered low for cash. MRS. L. C. WHEELLOCK. BRIDGETOWN, Oct. 24th, 1878. 4133

Bill Heads in all sizes and styles executed at this office at reasonable rates.

The Winter Term OF THE HIGH SCHOOL WILL OPEN JANUARY THE 2ND.

COURSES OF STUDY: Teacher's Course, Literary Course, especially arranged for young ladies. Classical Course, Commercial Course,—Day and Evening Classes. Dept. of Music, Dept. of Fine Arts. For information address, H. B. HALL, Prin. Lawrencetown, Dec. 9, 78.

Middleton Station. 50 BLS. SUPERIOR FLOUR.

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Lumber and Shingles for Building purposes always on hand.

Persons wishing quotations, please call on the subscriber. N. F. MARSHALL.

50,000 Superior pressed Brick, 50,000 common.

enquire of Job T. McCormick at Lower Middleton, or the subscriber. N. F. MARSHALL. n42 y

Dental Notice.

Dr. S. F. Whitman, Dentist, WOULD respectfully inform his friends that he is now in BRIDGETOWN, to fill engagements previously made, persons requiring his professional services will please send orders to the subscriber. Jan. 16th '77. n36

BETTER STILL

THE Subscribers have lately received per "Arrow"— 100 BLS. Choice Flour, 100 lbs. K. D. Corn Meal, "Gold Drop," 100 BLS. Fresh Graham Meal, 50 " Cracked Corn. Arrived today per "T. B. Harris," direct from Mills—200 BLS. Flour, "Mustard," "White Eagle," and "Avastache." Also in stock—30 Boxes Layer Raisins, do. 4 boxes "Porto Rico" Sugars, Tea, Electric Spices, &c. Salt, coarse and fine, Pickled, Dry and Smoked Fish. A few casks of Kerosene, by the cask. Agent for Higgins, Crow & Co., Contractors. RANDALL, HIGGINS & CO., Opposite Railway Station. Annapolis, Jan. 16th, 1877.

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THE temptations were great, and the gentle tramp had his eggs and coffee, and a large triangle of frosted cake as a bonus.

AN FRESHMAN'S WELL.—"I will bequeath to my beloved wife Bridget all my property without reserve, and to my eldest son Patrick one half of the remainder, and to Dennis, my youngest son, the rest. If anything is left, it may go to Terence McCarty."

"What are you about?" inquired a lunatic of a cook who was industriously picking the feathers from a fowl.

"Dressing a chicken," answered the cook. "I should call that undressing," replied the crazy fellow. The cook looked red-die.

The Wheeling Leader says the champion this man lives in South Wheeling. He is fond of music and sometimes makes an "Eolian harp" out of himself by standing in the crack of the door.

Joker's Corner.

JAKIE ON WATERMELON PICKLE.

Old lady Jones borrowed Mrs. Brown's recipe for making watermelon pickle this morn'g, and being hard of hearing, and as she couldn't see to read well, she got her grandboy, Jakie, to peruse it for her. Jakie took the paper, read it up, and holding it upside down, commenced: "Take a green watermelon— "Why, Jakie ain't you mistaken; thought the melon must be ripe." "O, what's the matter wid you; jaw over see a watermelon that wuzn't green?" "Cut the watermelon into four halves." "But there ain't only two halves to any thing; I don't believe you are reading that right, Jakie." "Well, I don't halve to. But anyhow that's what the resket say. Then soak the watermelon in a pint cup 'o' salt water, and being hard of hearing, and as she couldn't see to read well, she got her grandboy, Jakie, to peruse it for her. Jakie took the paper, read it up, and holding it upside down, commenced: "Take a green watermelon— "Why, Jakie ain't you mistaken; thought the melon must be ripe." 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