

The Daily Tribune.

VOL. I.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 29, 1871.

NO. 7.

A Merry Christmas,
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Hanington Bros.
APOTHECARIES AND DRUGGISTS,
Foster's Corner,
KING STREET,
SAINT JOHN, N. B.

We have great pleasure in tendering our hearty thanks to the Citizens of Saint John and the Province generally, for the very liberal support which we have received since issuing our first "CHRISTMAS CARD" in 1867.

GENUINE GOODS,
AT FAIR PRICES.

we feel we can honestly claim, and we take this occasion to mention, that we shall strive in the future, by every means in our power, to merit the continued and increased confidence of all.

OUR STOCK
Is Large and well assorted.
OUR GOODS ARE ALL
Genuine, and of the Best Quality.

HANINGTON BROS.
dec 22
CHRISTMAS, 1871.

FANCY GOODS,
AT ABOUT HALF PRICE.

EVERITT & BUTLER,
King Street.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

HANDSOME SETS in Solid Ivory, for the Toilet, with and without Cases; Wagon Cut Glass Bottles of FRAGRANT ESSENCES, in Morocco cases and stoppers.

Choice Toilet Soaps of every description.

Badger and Hair-Shaving Brushes, PERFUMED GRAPES, in large and small bunches.

FLORIDA WATER, HUNGARY WATER, TERIAN COURT PLASTER, Real Russia Leather Parasol, bound with French Gilt; Handsome Cut Glass SWEET BOTTLES, with acid tops; CRYSTAL CREAM, for the hair; Mother of Pearl and Tortoise Shell Black Hair Brushes; Dalman's "Curious Essence," &c. &c.; imported expressly for the holidays, and for sale by

Bank of British North America, Incorporated by Royal Charter.

THE Court of Directors have given notice that a half yearly dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, on the Capital of the Bank, will be paid on the 31st day of January, 1872, to the Proprietors of Shares registered in the Colonies. The dividend is declared in sterling money, and will be payable at the rate of 10/- to be held by the Local Board.

No transfers can be made between the 23rd instant and the 31st proximo, as the books must be closed during that period.

By order of the Court,
R. W. BRADFORD, Secretary.
No. 21, Highgate street, within
London, 5th December, 1871. / dec 21 21

FOR A CHRISTMAS PRESENT,
There could be nothing more useful and appropriate than
A BOOK.
J. & A. McMILLAN,
Booksellers, Stationers, &c.,
75 PRINCE WM. STREET.

Have a very large stock of BOOKS, the greater portion being ENTIRELY NEW, comprising

ELLEGANTLY ILLUSTRATED BOOKS, in fine Bindings.
THE WORKS OF STANDARD AUTHORS, in History, Fiction, Poetry, &c.

THE POETS in various Editions, with and without ILLUSTRATIONS, from the most expensive to the cheapest editions.

BOOKS FOR GIRLS OF ALL AGES.
BOOKS OF TRAVELS AND ADVENTURES FOR BOYS.
BOOKS FOR YOUNG LADIES.
BOOKS FOR YOUNG MEN.

Books for Children of all ages, including a fine assortment of PICTURE BOOKS FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

Books adapted to the Ages and Tastes of all Persons.
And a large assortment of CHOICE FANCY GOODS.

Watches, Jewelry, &c.,
FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

PAGE BROS.,
41 KING STREET.

Invite special attention to their stock of RICH GOODS,

Suited to the requirements of the Season, in FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES,

ENGLISH GOLD CHAINS, JEWELRY,

Silver and Electro-Plated Goods, Clocks, Bronzes, &c., &c.

PAGE BROS.,
41 KING STREET.

WE HAVE RECEIVED,
AND HAVE NOW IN STOCK,

1000 pieces Grey Cotton,
200 PIECES WHITE SHIRTING,
500 pairs Blue, Grey and White Blankets,
500 PIECES WINCEYS,
500 pieces Red, Blue, Grey and White FLANNELS,
1500 bds. White and Blue Warps,
100 PIECES BLUE, BLACK, BROWN and FANCY BEAVERS, WITNETS, PILOTS AND RAZORS OF EVERY KIND.

A FULL AND COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF READY-MADE CLOTHING
A well assorted stock of SMALL WAISTS, AT THE LOWEST PRICES.

T. R. JONES & CO.
dec 22

Christmas Groceries,
LOGAN & LINDSAY

TEAS, ORANGES, RAISINS, GRAPES, CURRANTS, APPLES, LEMONS, FIGS, SUETS

CONFECTONARY, CANNED PEACHES, BON BONS, ANCHOVIES, COSSAQUES, POTTED MEATS, LUSKAGE, do. MACKEREL, CHUTNEY'S, WREATHS, do. STRAWBERRIES.

CANNED OYSTERS, SARDINES, do. LOBSTERS, do. SALMON, do. PICKLED MEATS, do. MACKEREL, CHUTNEY'S, SPICED SALMON, CURRIES

PICKLES, FANCY BISCUITS, SAUCES, CHOCOLATES, OLIVES, COFFEES, CAPERS, SPICES, DRIED HERBS, PRESERVED GINGER, And all seasons Goods.

dec 21-31 / 6 KING STREET.



Christmas Stock
OF
PIANO-FORTES,
From the most Celebrated Manufacturers of BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

C. FLOOD'S WAREHOUSES,
75 Prince Wm. Street.

Special Inducements to purchasers during the Holidays.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER,
AS SUITABLE FOR

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,
A FINE SELECTION OF NICELY BOUND

MUSIC BOOKS,
FOLIOS AND WRAPPERS,

OF DIFFERENT DESCRIPTIONS,
E. PEILER & BRO.,
64 Prince William Street,
ST. JOHN, N. B.

THE LOCKMAN
FAMILY
Sewing Machine.



THE best and most useful CHRISTMAS BOX SEWING MACHINE.

Special Discount for the Holidays.

HOOP SKIRT FACTORY,
DAVID MILLAR.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

OPENED AT THE
SHEFFIELD HOUSE,
Market Square,

A large assortment of NEW AND ELEGANT GOODS,
SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS.

To enumerate the different articles would occupy too much space for the limits of an advertisement.

THE STOCK OF
Watches, Jewelry, Silver Plate, CUTLERY,
Paper Machic Ware,

AND
Fancy, Ornamental, and Useful Goods, are offered at reasonable prices.

An inspection of the Stock is respectfully solicited.
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RICHARD THOMPSON
CHRISTMAS GOODS!

H. CHUBB & CO.,
Beg to call the attention of the public to their Stock of Goods suitable for the Holiday Season, consisting of

Writing Desks,
Work Boxes,
Jewel Cases,
Dressing Cases,
Work Baskets,
Glove Boxes,
Bibles,
Prayer Books,

Wesley's Hymns,
Catholic Prayers,
PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS,
in great variety.

OPERA GLASSES in PEARL, &c. and a Great Variety of other Goods.
Remember 65 Prince William Street.
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"THE DAILY TRIBUNE"
the opening number of which we present to our readers to day, is intended to be a journal worthy of the patronage of all respectable classes of our community. It shall be the Editor's aim to conduct it so that the commercial, industrial and social interests of the Dominion may be advanced, while its management shall know neither party, nationality nor sect. The Daily Tribune will support all sound legislative measures, wherever they may originate, and oppose every scheme prejudicial to the public good, by whatever political party it may be upheld. While Dominion and Provincial affairs will thus be fully and impartially treated, special attention will be given to matters relating to the City and County of St. John. That our City may retain its present pre-eminence as a commercial centre, greater ability and energy must enter into its corporate management. Its Harbor interests require the most vigilant scrutiny, and not less, but more, important are those guarantees which should be, but unfortunately have not been, taken for securing the Public Health. The Construction and Lighting of our Streets, the Water Supply, the Sewerage Question, the proper distribution of Taxation, the support and management of the Public Schools, are also matters of great moment and are intimately related to our City's commercial prosperity. With such questions we shall deal faithfully, although we do not propose that their discussion shall wholly overshadow the many interesting topics that will engage the attention of the inhabitants of other Provincial towns, whose more important local news will be chronicled, from day to day, in these columns.

Special Correspondence, from leading Political and Commercial centres, will be laid before our readers, as circumstances may require; and Letters from the People when brief, dignified and "to the point," will be welcomed. (Contributions from long-winded and prolix letter writers will be respectfully declined.)

Arrangements are progressing for a full and regular supply of Telegraphic News; and when exciting and important Foreign News may be expected, ample Special Telegrams will be forthcoming in THE DAILY TRIBUNE.

The Shipping Reports of THE DAILY TRIBUNE will be found, after the present issue, unusually full and reliable, and such as to secure for the paper a place in the offices of the thousands in the Province who are interested in this important element of our commercial prosperity. A weekly financial Report will also be published—one we trust, that our Merchants will find valuable for reference at home, and for the information of their correspondents abroad.

To Advertisers we offer a sheet whose circulation we propose to extend by all honorable means. We shall not rest satisfied until THE DAILY TRIBUNE finds a place and a welcome in every counting room, and in the home of every newspaper reader, in the City. With Editorials treating of a variety of subjects; with Foreign and Domestic News intended to interest most of the numerous classes of which the reading community is composed; with copious Telegrams, bringing under view the latest intelligence from all parts of the world; and with those other elements that enter into the management of a live newspaper, and which need not here be more particularly referred to, THE DAILY TRIBUNE anticipates a favorable reception at the hands of the Public; and this favor can best be shown by rapid sales and well filled advertising columns.

WHERE SOLD.
The Subscription price of THE DAILY TRIBUNE is \$5 per annum, invariably in advance. Carriers will deliver early in the evening at the houses of City Subscribers, and Country Subscribers will be served by the first mails leaving after the hour of publication—say 4 P. M. Postage (except when the paper leaves the Dominion) must be paid at the office of the Subscriber.

That THE DAILY TRIBUNE may be placed within the reach of all who may desire to read it, it has been decided that, in addition to sales by the street News-boys, and on the Railroads, and delivery by our Carriers, the paper shall be offered for sale at the following central points in and near St. John:—

In ST. JOHN:—At the Book-stores of Messrs. T. H. Hall, W. K. Crawford, J. D. Landry, H. S. Beak, J. & A. McMillan, H. Chubb & Co.
At Roberts' Variety Store, King street.
At Ryer Hunter's, Dock street.
At W. Hawker's Drug Store, Read's Point.
At J. D. McAvilly's Grocery, Bustin's Corner.
At James Adams' Grocery, cor. Orange and Carmarthen.

At Mr. Lorimer's Grocery, corner Duke and Sidney.
At Mrs. Bowen's, Princess street, (above Carmarthen).
At C. F. Burns's, corner Wentworth and Main.
At James Lemon's, corner St. James and Carmarthen.
At James McKenny's, Main street, near Carmarthen.
At Miss Campbell's Pitt street, near King.
At John Smith's, corner Union and Coburg.
At R. E. Puddington's Grocery, 44 Charlotte St.
At John McArthur's, Charlotte street.
At Geo. Williams's, Coburg street.
At J. B. Fenwick's, Railway Station.
At C. Manston's, City Road.
At W. J. McGowan's, Marsh Bridge.
At L. Curry's, Waterloo street.
At H. C. Frost's, Brussels street.
At Emory & Sons, Golden Hall corner.
At John Morey's, Union street.

In PORTLAND:—By Mr. Shields, druggist, Main street.
Capt. Speight, Main street.
W. G. Brown, P. M., Indian town.
R. S. Matthews, Indian town.
In CHARLOTTE:—At the Agency of H. Chubb & Co., and on the street.
In FAIRVILLE:—At C. F. Tilton's, Post Office.

THE DAILY TRIBUNE may also be obtained at the Stations of the E. & N. A. Railway. We have only space to add the names of a few of our country agents, such as Mr. A. H. Clewley, St. Stephen, Mr. J. S. Magee, St. Andrews, McLaughlin & Sons, Fredericton, Mr. W. Eberly, Woodstock, Mr. J. W. Pitfield, Moncton, Mr. Ovid Chapman, Shediac, Mr. T. G. Barnes, Ousekeng. A complete list, however, will be given in another issue.

RATES OF ADVERTISING.
THE DAILY TRIBUNE will unite, when requested, with the other City Newspapers in treating all Advertising as "transient;" that is, it will regard with favor the abolition of agreements for advertising "by the year." The latter practice has gone out of fashion in all well managed newspaper offices; and being a most unjust arrangement, both for the Newspaper and a majority of the Advertisers, should have ceased to exist in this City many years ago. Such a step might place the Tribune at a disadvantage, for a time, in the race with its older and more vigorous Daily competitors, such as the Telegraph and Journal, Globe, and Morning News; but it would establish a just principle, and, in the end, prove advantageous both to the Advertising Public and the Press. Until a change of the character proposed, however, be consummated, the rates for Advertisements in THE DAILY TRIBUNE will be as follows:—

A limited number of yearly contracts will be made on the basis of \$30 for one inch of space, several changes being allowed, say, \$30 Two inches, with changes, 50 500 For a Card of 5 lines, 1 year, unchanged, 12 For Advertisements of Government, Corporation, Railway, and Steamboat Co's., and other public bodies,—for Theatres, Concerts, Lectures and other public entertainments, say first insertion, 60 cts Each subsequent do. 40 cts For ordinary mercantile transient advertising, say, first insertion, 60 cts Each subsequent do. 30 cts For condensed advertisements, to occupy 5 lines, such as Wants, each and every insertion, 25 cts. A few special agreements, having reference to position and extra space, will be made at paying rates.

OTHER MATTERS.
We shall be pleased to receive from any of the friends of the TRIBUNE Local News for its columns, and suggestions in reference to subjects requiring journalistic treatment. The news items should be reliable, and the remarks of a practical character. Special contributions will be received, and when their public value appears to warrant, will be paid for. Extracts from the business letters of Merchants, which in many instances, contain valuable facts and statistics, might frequently be supplied to Editors with advantage to the public. A corner in the DAILY TRIBUNE will be reserved for such Correspondence.

In conclusion, the subscriber would ask for this new enterprise the countenance and practical support of the reading and advertising community. If, in the past, he has been so fortunate as to assist, even to a limited extent, in furthering those interests which have at that grand career of prosperity and influence which appears to lie before her, he has been amply rewarded for the labor of many years. For the promise of the future he can only refer his readers and friends to the performance of the past.

JOHN LIVINGSTON,
"THE DAILY TRIBUNE" Office,
St. John, Dec. 21, 1871.

Business Arrangements.
The fact that this journal is issued nearly a fortnight earlier than was anticipated, with a view to participating in the Holiday advertising, which the merchants of St. John deal out so liberally, will probably be accepted as reason sufficient for any imperfection that may appear in the initial number. The printing paper is not as heavy and bright as we propose to use; types now en route to us will improve its mechanical appearance; and the Editorial and business staff will be fully organized by the first of January. Offices, centrally located, have been secured in Prince William St. The southern half of Mr. George Philip's office has been taken for a business office, and the Globe's former editorial rooms and offices adjacent, will be occupied by the TRIBUNE Editor and Reporters. These, however, are at present undergoing renovation, and cannot be used for a few weeks to come. In the meantime, parties having business to transact with THE DAILY TRIBUNE will find us in the same building but in the third story.

Commercial Palace,
SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS
AT THIS GOLD SEASON OF THE YEAR.
French and English Imported
JACKETS AND MANTLES,
Reduced to one-half of the original cost
IN ALL THE
New Cloths and Colours.
To prove the correctness of the above
A CALL IS RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.
Also, a splendid assortment of
MILLINERY.
JAMES MANSON,
dec 22 21
C. E. BURNHAM & CO.,
55 Germain Street.

FANCY GOODS,
FOR
Christmas and New Year's Gifts.
CONSISTING OF
LADIES' CABINET DESKS;
LADIES' WORK TABLES, Plain and Enlaid;
BOOK CASES and SHELF BOOKS;
TOILET CASES, 2 and 3 rows, in Walnut;
W. H. TRAY, and best Cutlery;
HAT TRIMS, in different styles;
CHILDREN'S GREAT ASSORTMENT;
FRAMES in Oak—a selected variety;
BUTTER CUPS, CAKE PRINTS, &c.;
DOLL CHAIRS, Chairs and Rocking Chairs;
TOY FIGURES OF ARTISTS;
BAZARS, different sizes;
YOUNG MEN'S SUITS and COATS;
CHILDREN'S CHAIRS, in great variety;
VICTORIA HOUSE BOOKS, in Oak;
OAK OFFICE CHAIRS, Patent Seat;
do. do. with Sewing;
do. do. with Sewing & Spring;
With a variety of other useful articles.
C. E. BURNHAM & CO.
dec 21

REAL SOUTH SEA
SEAL SKIN
AND
BLACK DOG SKIN
JACKETS
JUST ARRIVED
In time for Christmas.

MANCHESTER,
ROBERTSON
& ALLISON
Have much pleasure in stating that the above
SEASONABLE GOODS
HAVE ARRIVED,
and are now open for inspection.
dec 21
25 KING STREET.

A. & T. GILMOUR,
Brown, Blue and Black
BEAVER, CHINCHILLAS,
MOSCOWS,
AND
HEAVY PILOTS.
(NORTH SIDE)
dec 22
25 KING STREET,

LABOUR MADE EASY.
Decalpiniana,
Or, TRANSPARENT PICTURES
OF A VARIETY OF PERSONS, VISI-
BLY MASONIC MEMBERS, FLOWERS, BRISTS
and BIRDS, LANDSCAPES, &c., &c., &c.
BY an easy and simple process can be trans-
FERRED from wood, marble, stone, or any
hard substance, and for 10 or 20 cents, will
produce an ornament which would cost ten
times that amount.
A supply consisting of nearly 100 varieties
now on exhibition and for sale by
R. D. McAVILLY,
Medical Hall,
No. 46 Chaucery Street,
Op. King Square.
dec 21-31

JEWELRY.
A NICE ASSORTMENT OF
COLORED AND BRIGHT
JEWELRY,
WATCHES, CHAINS,
&c., &c.,
AT
A. & J. HAY'S,
60 KING STREET, (next door to Logan & Lindsay).
dec 22 21

NEW GOODS.
IMPORTED ESPECIALLY FOR
CHRISTMAS
AND THE
HOLIDAY SEASON!
Ladies' Head Lace Collar, Handkerchief, Sleeves,
Fronts and Bows.
Elegant Styles in LADIES' SILK SCARFS,
with new.
Ladies' and Misses' High Roman Stripes; all
Wool Scarfs.
Ladies' Morocco Travelling Stokols and
Fitted Bags.
Real South Sea Sealskin Purse and Shopping
Bags.
Ladies' Hand and Hem Stitched Handkerchiefs
in Fancy Boxes.
All Wool Fancy Shawls in the last new styles.
NEW BERLIN WOOL AND BRAD WORK
in Cushions, Ottomans, Brackets, Feather
Stools, Chairs, Camp Chairs, and Break-
fast and Tea Stands, with Wood
Mountings.
FANCY WORK BASKETS; FANS.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's SILK UMBRELLAS.
GENTLEMEN'S NEW SCARFS,
GLOVES, MITTS, BRACES,
SLEEVE BUTTONS, SHIRT STUDS,
in full sets.
Handkerchiefs in 25, Fancy Boxes of dozens or
half dozens.
TRAVELLING COMPANIONS, Empty or
with Fitting Complete.
SMOKING CAPS, SLIPPERS.
DRESSING CASES AND CIGAR CASES.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
The whole of our Large Stock of
NEW AND RICH SILKS
IS GREATLY REDUCED IN PRICE FOR
THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.
SILK DRESSES of former Season's importa-
tion marked at HALF PRICE.
*This reduction in prices will not be con-
tinued after Christmas.

MANCHESTER,
ROBERTSON &
ALLISON.
dec 21
PRESENTS.
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
GIFT BOOKS,
In Handsome Binding,
AT VERY LOW PRICES.
38 KING STREET.
W. K. CRAWFORD.
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The Daily Tribune

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 29, 1871.

Kleptomaniacs.

A leading New York journal, somewhat given to the development and pursuit of scientific subjects and the collection of scientific facts, has been at considerable pains in gathering the statistics of Kleptomaniacs, and discovering the causes of this singular mental disease.

Public H. Lidsays.

FROM CAUSES WHICH, AT THIS SEASON, ARE obvious I have been turning my attention to the subject of public holidays, with the special object of discovering by what manner of people and to what extent they are enjoyed; and I have come to the conclusion that as a rule, a man prefers respite from labor at times and seasons selected by him self when others are working round him, when consequently there is a direct contrast between his own freedom and his neighbor's servitude; to that secured by the general stagnation of all business. My present reference is exclusively to public holidays as regards men, though my belief is that women hold the same view as men upon this subject, and there are weighty reasons to induce them to arrive at similar conclusions. The leading objection to public holidays in general, may be stated in few words; indeed, the whole ground may be covered in the single proposition, that it is not to be desired for a whole community, suddenly to throw up all its work, and occupy its time profitably or even innocently, for an hour later and a volume of bells and whistles summons the rested operatives to work; later still merchants and after them bankers and professional men begin their labors, while at intervals all through the day, preconcerted signals inform the busy workers everywhere that they may eat, labor or rest. Sundays and Christmas, of course, somewhat similar to working days, with respect to the qualities to which I have referred; for on these occasions religious services are provided for all, and a certain routine of duty or pleasure is prescribed by that governing institution, society. Formerly the practice of making morning calls on the first of January occupied the time of many persons during that day, but happily the custom is almost amongst the things of the past, and it seems probable that New Year's day will soon fall just as heavily upon our hands as any other public holiday. It is true, in summer, when there is fishing or shooting, sportsmen find limited amusement at a day's distance from the city; while in winter, if there is snow, a doubtful contingency of rain, or a light-sleigh behind a good horse; but these enjoyments are not platable to all, and are accessible to only a limited number; and as the great bulk of the population is obliged to remain in the city, it is almost inevitable that the principle laid down by Dr. Watts in regard to idle hands, is applicable to the masses.

THE PROGRAMME OF THE HOLIDAY-KEEPER.

carries with his position in society, but I think I am not far out of the way in stating that, on occasions when there is nothing of importance to attract popular attention, his majesty the people sleeps late than usual, and in consequence reads yesterday's newspapers, looks at his watch and wishes the post-office was open; then, by a gigantic effort, he assumes that he is to find one of his friends in their accustomed haunts, and thereupon retreats to his lodging-house or home to smoke, gamble, and attempt to read light literature till dinner. After that period, if it is, of course, difficult to follow the people, which, resorted into its varied and original elements, plays billiards, gets drunk, falls into the hands of the police, breaks lamps, remains at home for the evening, or goes abroad making love, in porties, or simply in the most modern and approved manner. This description is, of course, inapplicable to many persons, rich in their own resources and supplied with appliances for amusement; but it should be remembered that we are not all clever; we are not all well off; and we are not all adapted for holidays. Neither should it be forgotten that the far greater number of men, by nature, by education, and by business habits, is restrained from exercising, or is never induced to exercise the inventive faculties or exercise the fancy to any great extent. Take, for instance, the case of the clerk, tied to a ledger; the penman, compelled to copy formal manuscripts; the mechanic, whose sole duty is to produce pin heads, or to cut shoeks their proper length, and it can be readily understood that, as a general rule, subject, of course, to exceptions, it is as necessary that the pleasures, as well as the tasks, of the people should be planned beforehand. It is of course far easier to suggest defects than remedies, but I do most assuredly believe that a great deal of harm is done to a number of unsettled, but not evil-minded persons on every public holiday, and that it would be possible to prevent such of this harm by removing temptations to evil and substituting in their place innocent recreations. And surely it is wicked, as well as inconsistent for a small community like this to throw open hundreds of dram-shops to an idle populace, and then to carry the victims of those dram-shops before an authorized tribunal and exact a penalty for their offences; surely our moral reformers should root out this disease and throw the medicine, as useless, to the dogs.

My idea upon this matter may be considered impracticable, and I will readily admit that I am not in a position to present a

complete, well digested plan for popular amusement, or even to suggest to whom the management of any plan should be entrusted. Private enterprise, however, and private wealth should both be willingly placed at the disposal of earnest moral reformers, and I am sure that if they saw the evil rightly, would attempt its removal.

A QUOTATION.

from an issue of the London Times of 1798, showing in what manner our English authors managed to amuse themselves on holidays; and the extract not only shows that social leaders saw the necessity of preconcerted action in cases of the nature discussed, but contains valuable suggestions, which may take this matter in hand, and it may be further mentioned, for the benefit of such an one, that on the occasion of the laying of the Atlantic Cable a song, with similar programme was successfully carried out at Fredericton. But here is the extract:—

"Weymouth, Sept. 29, 1798.

"This being the anniversary of the birth of our Royal Highness, the Duchess of Wurttemberg, their Majesties' eldest daughter, the morning was ushered in with the firing of the guns, and the colors and fired Royal salutes on the occasion."

"The King, Queen, and all the Princesses, with a number of the nobility, went to Maiden Castle, near Dorchester, to see the sports of the country people, which were most of 'em late in the afternoon."

"The sports were announced in the following handbill:—

"All persons of civil, friendly and loyal dispositions, are invited to be present at and to partake of the entertainment of country parties, which, with others to be declared upon the ground, are intended, if the weather be fine, to be exhibited at Maiden Castle, near Dorchester, this day, September 30, at 11 o'clock in the morning, in honour of the birth day of her Royal Highness the Duchess of Wurttemberg."

"To be played for at Cricket, a Round of Beef—each man of the winning set to have a Ribband."

"A Cheese to be rolled down the hill—Prize to whoever stops it."

"A Silver cup to be run for by Points."

"A Pound of Tobacco to be Grindled for."

"A Barrel of Beer to be carried to the Hill—Prize to whoever stops it."

"A Michaelmas-day Goose to be dived for in the sea."

"A good hat to be dived for in the sea."

"Half a guinea for the best ass in three miles in a sack."

"A handsome hat for the boy most expert in catching a Koll dipped in Treacle."

"A Leg of Mutton and a Gallon of Porter to the winner of a race of 1000 yards in a sack."

"A good hat to be wrestled for."

"Half a Guinea to be won by the Ass who Wins the best of three heats by coming in last."

"A Pig to be tried to whoever catches him by the tail."

Messrs. C. & R. Everett, having recently moved into Mr. Ruel's brick building, King street, may fairly claim to have the finest Hat and Cap Store in the Lower Provinces. The extent of shelving is enormous. The work-rooms in the upper stories are very spacious and well lighted. Additional rooms for employees will be secured in buildings in the rear.

The premises vacated by Messrs. Everett, immediately below their new store, have been taken by Mr. J. Saunders, who will corner shop as a retail boot and shoe store; and the shop on Prince William street, which Mr. Saunders is leaving, will probably be re-occupied by Mr. Valpey, who has a lease of the whole of the building.

SMITH'S NOTES.—The brig "Nereus," Capt. Kerr, arrived at this port yesterday from Savannah, bringing a cargo of pitch pine for Edwin Fisher, Esq. She was put on eight days making the passage.

The ship "Toscanini," owned by John Wishart, Esq., is loading Oil at Philadelphia for Antwerp.

Messrs. W. P. Fawcett & Son, Clifton, are building a bark of about 800 tons for Messrs. W. Thomson & Co. Merritt & Wetmore have two vessels in course of construction in their building yard at Clifton, namely, a ship of about 1,000 tons, for Messrs. Turnbull & Co., and a schooner for the coasting trade. On the opposite side of the River, Mr. Tins is building a bark of about 800 tons; and it is expected that all these vessels will be set afloat in the Spring.

This is the season of making rapid advances in ship owning, as well as in other branches of wealth and prosperity.

The brig "Barraouta" has at length been heard from. She was spoken when 40 days out in lat. 32 33 and lon. 49 19.

Mr. R. D. McArthur's brick building, the ship "Sea Star," which arrived at New York 29th inst., with a cargo of coal—57 days from Liverpool. This ship came by the Southern passage, and experienced a succession of West South West and N. W. gales and was 11 days West of Bermuda.

"How is it," said one of our Reporters to our Editor last evening, "that the papers are acknowledging Christmas boxes from druggists and fancy goods dealers (such as Hopkins), while nothing of the kind is mentioned in our Paper? Is it because we are not sufficiently known? Are we too new and young in the trade?"

"O," replied the Editor, "they understand our dislike of the 'Gift' business, and have the good sense to respect our prejudices. The older papers fear to offend their patrons by refusing presents. Be wise, they have grown accustomed to the usage, and may not see the strong objection to it that you and I do."

"The sanctum door opened and a messenger appeared bearing a package which, on examination, was found to contain a nice variety of Toilet Goods, such as Clever's Military and Naval Toilet Soap, Price 1/6; Balm, with perfume such as Jockey Club soap and the Lorna, and a handsome Hair Brush, but no Cigars. These articles, all the best of their kind, on enquiry we found were to be procured at Mr. R. D. McArthur's drug store, where may also be obtained a fine variety of home made Syraps and other goods in demand during the Holiday Season. The reporter, seeing that the editor held a very high opinion of the articles, remarking that these little articles were handy things to have, and 'McArthur was a brick,' forthwith assumed the responsibility of sending them yesterday at the meeting of the School B. C. it was decided to appoint sixty teachers, and the Secretary was instructed to advertise the parties selected. This meeting the Trustees applied to the Chairman for a list of the fortunate ones, but was informed that the Board had passed an order prohibiting the publication of the names of the parties selected. This meeting was held at the residence of Mr. McArthur, and was presided over by the Chairman, Mr. J. D. McArthur, and was attended by a large number of the trustees and members of the Board. The Chairman, Mr. J. D. McArthur, was informed that the Board had passed an order prohibiting the publication of the names of the parties selected. This meeting was held at the residence of Mr. McArthur, and was presided over by the Chairman, Mr. J. D. McArthur, and was attended by a large number of the trustees and members of the Board.

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL TRUSTEES, it appears they require \$2,000 for surrendering their building and school, the present staff of teachers to be retained.

The Carlton Masonic Hall can be procured for \$200 a year, fitted up, or \$150 on the Trustee's fit up.

The buildings actually engaged by the Trustees, and the number of schools to each are as follows:

Grammar School Building, Germain St. 3

High School, King St. 4

St. Mary's, Water St. 5

St. John's, Water St. 6

St. Michael's, Water St. 7

St. Peter's, Water St. 8

St. Paul's, Water St. 9

St. James's, Water St. 10

St. George's, Water St. 11

St. Andrew's, Water St. 12

St. Nicholas, Water St. 13

St. Basil's, Water St. 14

St. Constantine, Water St. 15

St. Helena, Water St. 16

St. Agatha, Water St. 17

St. Lucy, Water St. 18

St. Martha, Water St. 19

St. Mary Magdalen, Water St. 20

St. Elizabeth, Water St. 21

St. Ann, Water St. 22

St. Catherine, Water St. 23

St. Barbara, Water St. 24

St. Ursula, Water St. 25

St. Blaise, Water St. 26

St. Gall, Water St. 27

St. Vitus, Water St. 28

St. Modestus, Water St. 29

St. Eustachius, Water St. 30

St. Symon and Iudas, Water St. 31

St. Zeno, Water St. 32

St. Simeon and Judas, Water St. 33

St. Iude, Water St. 34

St. Thaddeus, Water St. 35

St. Matthias, Water St. 36

St. Barnabas, Water St. 37

St. Joseph, Water St. 38

St. Ignace, Water St. 39

St. Francis, Water St. 40

St. Xavier, Water St. 41

St. Vincent, Water St. 42

St. Anastasia, Water St. 43

St. Agatha, Water St. 44

St. Lucia, Water St. 45

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IMPROVEMENTS ON CHARLOTTE STREET.—Within the past few years, property on Charlotte street near the County Market has increased considerably in value. This is shown by the increase in rents and a disposition to invest in the locality.

The first of recent improvements was Mr. Horton's brick building, corner of Charlotte and Union, which replaced a wooden structure of Mr. Horton's. The latter change was much to be desired, and the improvement here is quite marked.

The corner shop is occupied by Messrs. McLaughlin & Sanborn as an Oil Depot; the other store by Mr. Horton as a Harness shop. The upper portion is used by the Young Men's Christian Association.

Subsequently Mr. S. F. Matthews purchased Dr. Fidler's property, corner of Sparrow's alley, and made sundry changes which considerably improved the building. The shop, formerly a grocery, is now occupied by Mr. Matthews as a candy store, and the upper flats supply a comfortable residence for Mr. Matthews.

Mr. Thomas Furlong's important purchase is still later. It extends from the County Market to Mr. Coffey's, including the alley-way adjoining the latter's property and is both very wide and very deep. On the rear of the lot is Mr. Hamm's Model Livery Stable, and Mr. Furlong's private stable, both of brick and admirably arranged and equipped. Excepting the necessary part of the building to the stable, the remainder of the lot is occupied by Mr. Furlong's new building, which supplies two fine stores on the ground flat, with ample cellars. One of these is occupied as a Grocery by Mr. S. S. McLaughlin, and the other by Mr. Furlong as a Wine Store. Two rooms on the second flat are adapted for billiard rooms or similar uses; besides a fine hall on the third flat which could be used for Society meetings or something of that description. The building has been well planned and thoroughly constructed, and is the most expensive and the most ornamental on Charlotte St.

Mr. R. E. Puddington's brick building, successively Mr. Furlong's in respect to its erection. It is of three stories, and well arranged. The ground flat, with a very large cellar, and part of the second flat, is devoted to Mr. Puddington's grocery business; the remainder of the second story is occupied by Dr. Frost, Dentist; and the third story and attic by Mr. Day as a Printing Office.

Dr. Livingston's brick building was erected simultaneously with Mr. Puddington's. It is occupied exclusively by Mr. R. D. McArthur as a Drug Store, and is well built and well arranged for this line of business.

Other improvements, we understand, are contemplated. It is stated that the wooden building which has been occupied for so many years by Mr. C. Sparrow, and the other buildings on the lot, have been purchased by a capitalist, with a view to the erection of a large and commodious building. It is also well understood that the Corporation contemplates the erection of a new market on Charlotte street, and that the new structure will probably be ornamental as well as useful, especially on its street faces. It will extend from Charlotte through to Government St., and is expected to be a real improvement to the whole city, both from commercial and aesthetic points of view.

The next work to be accomplished after that, will be to secure the influence of Public Opinion to compel Trinity Church Corporation to improve its property at the corners of King and Charlotte Streets. Their buildings are old and delapidated. Those on the north-west corner are the mere shambles. Improvements are going on all around them, but they remain as they were in the good old times, neither the Church Corporation nor its tenants (except Dr. Livingston and Mr. Puddington) making an effort to keep pace with the neighborhood, but leaving the whole to the neglect of others to enhance the value of this ecclesiastical real estate. The management of Trinity Church's property is a mystery to all who have any knowledge of its transactions, a puzzle, in fact, that it is difficult to understand. It ought to be early solved.

Other features in the improvements, or drawbacks, in real estate in Charlotte Street, will be referred to another occasion. It is satisfactory to find pleasure in some quarters, because of this abuse of a social privilege; yet the abuse might be stopped by a slight exercise of sound judgment, and the usage continued as practiced years ago, with advantage to all concerned. Public sentiment, however, is utterly opposed to including intoxicating stimulants among the refreshments provided, and it may be some years before the custom will recover from the disgrace into which it has temporarily fallen. Nevertheless, among intimate friends, who are fixed in their habits, New Year's visits will continue to be exchanged, regardless of what Society may think or say in the premises.

The Wilson House, SENECA, directly opposite the Railway Station, has been re-occupied by its proprietor, Mr. William J. Wilson; and having been thoroughly re-furnished throughout it is in a position to offer first class entertainment to all who favor it with their patronage.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

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FIRE, FIRE, FIRE.

Extensive Sale of Millinery and Fancy Goods!

MISS SHARP'S, 58 Germain Street, OPPOSITE TRINITY CHURCH.

Robinson, Lawrence & Co., 157 Water Street, St. John, N.B.

Unprecedented Low Prices cannot fail to secure a speedy and effective clearance.

STOCK OF GOODS AT 50 PER CENT OFF.

FRIDAY, 29th. Just received by Express this day, 2 CASES.

NEW YORK HAT SHAPES, AT 10 PER CENT OFF.

MOOSE PATH Driving Park Association!

LAURILLIARD & SON, DEALERS IN PIANOFORTES, Cabinet Organs, Sheet Music, Musical Instruments.

VIOLINS, FLUTE, CONCERTINAS, VIOLIN STRINGS, GUITAR STRINGS, BANJO STRINGS, &c.

Notice to the Public. THE following clauses of an Act respecting the Province of New Brunswick...

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. H. M. SYRUPS GUARANTEED PURE. Make a Cool and Refreshing Drink.

STEAM UP! Happy Family in Working Order.

NOTICE. A meeting of the FOUNDEDERS, held on the 27th day of December, 1871...

WILLIAM JONES, Merchant Tailor. BODIES to make after the first of January...

Green Grapes. 15 KINGS GREEN GRAPES. For sale by...

Brooms! Brooms! 15 DIXIE BROOMS. For sale by...

Family Tea. 20 Q. R. CHESTS FAMILY TEA. For sale by...

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PROMENADE AND SKATING CARNIVAL.

Victoria rink. THE Directors beg to announce that a Promenade Concert and Skating Carnival will be held...

CHICKERINGS' PIANOS have been before the public for half a century.

CHICKERINGS were the first to make Pianos in America.

CHICKERINGS have always stood first in the successive improvements which have rendered the American Piano so famous in the old world.

CHICKERINGS enjoy in both hemispheres the same prominence which they have always held.

SOLE AGENTS FOR CHICKERINGS' PIANOS, E. PEILER & BRO., 64 Prince Wm. Street, SAINT JOHN, N.B.

LIVE GAME WANTED. FIFTY MOOSE. ALSO: OTHER GAME.

Delivered alive to a Seaport. Address office, stating price, to office of Boarding House, Park Hotel, St. John, N.B.

Boarding and Hack Stables, (Next No. 3 Engine House), UNION STREET.

Money to Loan. \$10,000 ON REAL OR UNREAL ESTATE PROPERTY.

Regular Line of STEAMSHIPS. London to Halifax, N. S. & St. John, N. B.

Refined Sugar. 70 HDS. Refined Sugar, for sale low.

Flour. FLOUR. 200 B. B. HOUSEHOLD FLOUR.

Cod Liver Oil. 3 CASKS MEDICAL COD LIVER OIL.

Full Shad and Labrador Herring. 50 HALF BARRELS Full Shad.

HAVANA CIGARS - 5000 very fine Havana CIGARS.

CHRISTMAS GROCERIES - All orders received by the subscribers for Christmas Groceries will be promptly filled.

NUTS! NUTS! - A full assortment of Nuts including a recent arrival of Fresh Hickory Nuts.

Money to Loan. \$800 AND SMALLER AMOUNTS, on security.

CANNED FRUITS - A great variety of Canned Fruits.

MALAGA GRAPES - 10 kegs Grapes - 10 kegs Raisins.

CRANBERRIES AND PICKLES - 4 barrels Cranberries.

NAPKIN RINGS. A VERY large assortment in SOLID SILVER and ELECTRO PLATE.

IN STORE. 20 BARRELS CRUSHED SUGAR.

24 Water Street. Landing at Joliet from Halifax - 10 HDS. V. V. SUGAR.

FRANGES AND LEMONS - Fresh Oranges and Lemons.

PEARS! PEARS! - In Store - 20 kegs very fine Pears.

Mechanics' Institute.

HOME CIRCLE. MINSTREL TROUPE. THE ABOVE TROUPE WILL GIVE TWO GRAND CONCERTS.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY EVENINGS, December 28th and 29th.

Doors open at 7 1/2. Trouble commences at 8. Tickets 25 cents. To be had at the principal Bookstores and at the Door.

25,000 CIGARS. OF THE FOLLOWING CHOICE BRANDS.

2,000 CARANAS DE CARAJAL, 4,000 Habanos.

JEWELRY. A NICE ASSORTMENT OF COLORED AND BRIGHT JEWELRY.

WATCHES, CHAINS, &c., &c. NEW PLATED WARE.

Received To-Day. BUTTER COOLERS, CARD RECEIVERS, CANNERS, TEA SERVICES, WATER PITCHERS, &c.

PAGE BROS., CHRISTMAS CARD.

HANINGTON BROS., Foster's Corner, KING STREET.

TOILET ARTICLES for ladies and gents, PERFUMES, TOILET SOAPS, POMADES.

STOCK OF SUNDRIES, W. K. CRAWFORD, NEW YEAR'S BAZAAR.

R. S. STAPLES & CO.'S NEW YEAR'S BAZAAR.

Toys and Fancy Goods. IS NOW OPEN. A Grand Display.

R. S. STAPLES & CO., 46 Prince Wm. Street.

\$1.00 STORE, No. 28 Germain Street, JOHN McARTHUR.

To his Patrons and the Public. THE Second Anniversary of a Christmas...

Co-Partnership Notice. THE Subscribers have this day entered into a Co-Partnership...

HANINGTON BROS., Foster's Corner.

ALL FOR SALE VERY CHEAP. HANINGTON BROS., 3 and 4 Market Square.

PICKLES, PICKLES AND SAUCES - Sole Agents for Pickles and Sauces.

ARTISTS' MATERIALS, SHEET WAX, OIL TUBE COLORS, GUM COLORS, SABLE, CHAMBERLAIN'S ARTISTS' BRUSHES.

PERFUMES, AROMATIC CACIQUES, HAIR BRUSHES, FANCY SOAPS, COMBS, &c., &c.

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Sheet Wax, in White and Fancy Colors, OIL TUBE COLORS, GUM COLORS, SABLE, CHAMBERLAIN'S ARTISTS' BRUSHES.

Great Variety Colored Powders, DIAMOND DUST, BLOOM, Bronze Wire, Crayons, COLORED PENCILS, &c., &c.

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AUCTION SALES.

J. B. HAMM'S LIVE STABLE, Charlotte Street. TOMORROW, SATURDAY, 10 o'clock, HORSES, SADDLERS, FURNISHINGS, & ROBBERIES.

Notice of Sale! To be sold by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 29th day of December, 1871, at twelve o'clock, noon, at Clark's Corner, (so called) in the City of Saint John, in the County of Saint John, the premises of the late John Bruemer, deceased, in consequence of a deficiency in the personal Estate of the deceased, for that purpose assigned to a trustee, chosen from the Probate Court of the said City and County of Saint John, the Lands and Premises following, to wit: To wit:

A LOT of LAND situate in the said City of Saint John, and bounded as follows: On the South by Saint James Street, on the West, by land owned by one John Leitch, on the North by the rear of the lot, and on the East by land occupied by one Thomas Brown, forty feet by one hundred feet, with a Dwelling House and appurtenances, thereto, situate in the said City of Saint John, and in the County of Saint John, the Lands and Premises following, to wit: To wit:

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