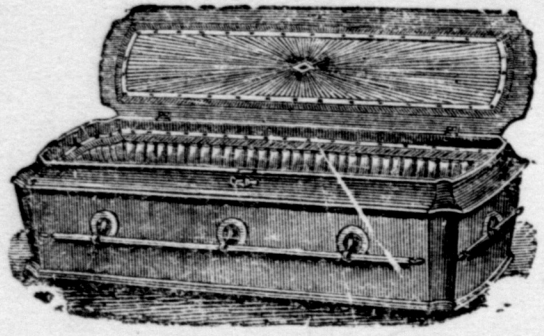


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THE DIRTIEST CITY IN THE WORLD

Is in China, and Its Streets are From Two to Six Feet Wide.

Amoy, in China, bears the unenviable reputation of being the dirtiest and most unhealthy city on the globe. The reputation is thoroughly deserved. What is a more unpleasant fact is the promise of the present tendency of affairs to a lower and worse condition. The reasons are obvious to a new comer at a glance.

The city is built on the edge of a mountainous island and is exceedingly old. Inscriptions on ancient tombs run back as far as the beginning of the Christian era, and coins found in accidentally discovered graves date dynasties from 500 to 1,000 B. C. During all this period the hillsides of the city have been used as burying grounds. As the population increased the houses encroached upon the cemetery land, until finally the two became hopelessly intermixed.

The United States Consulate is regarded as a very superior locality, but it is surrounded by over a hundred tombs. A score of the large blocks of granite used in and about it are old tombstones. On the hill, immediately behind the residence of F. Malcamp, the graves touch one another at every point and form a solid white surface of rock, brick, porcelain and cement, covering more than 1,000,000 square feet. Near the Lampado-joss-house 30,000 bodies are said to have been buried vertically to save space. They lie, or stand, on a plot of ground of as many square feet. Amoy proper and its suburbs have a living population of about 1,000,000 and a dead one of four and a half times as many. The wells are shallow and are sunk on the edges of the graveyards and even among the tombs themselves. I have not seen one whose water is not muddy and discolored by the perpetual turning up of the soil.

The city is a relic of the past. It is walled the same as it was in the time of Confucius. It has no sewers whatever. The streets vary from two to six feet in width; no wheeled vehicles can use them. An equestrian would experience great difficulty in turning a corner. Here and there is an open space or plaza, dug out so as to be a huge open cesspool; into it the streets discharge their filth.

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Christmas Novelties and Beautiful Goods in Endless Variety.

Among our many advertisers there is one place that we take great pleasure in recommending to our readers; that is W. T. H. Fenety's Bookstore. All who are looking for Christmas presents should not fail to call and look through his splendid stock, it embraces books of every grade in all kinds of bindings. A very important part of his stock also consists of

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In the assortment of toys and games Mr. Fenety has given special attention and is this season carrying just the kind that are liked by the boys and girls, including all the choice lines such as parchesi, halma, bagatelle, cat and mice, military games, fasinator, stepple chase, fish pond, errand boy, nations, old maid, authors, Nellie Bly, parlor quoits, ring toss, tiddlywink, tennis, ten pins and hundreds of others.

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The Goods are Well Displayed

and all purchasers have an excellent opportunity of selecting just what they require. Already a large quantity of the leading lines have been picked out and put aside which will make many hearts rejoice at the approaching Christmas tide. Nevertheless there is always something new coming and going at this establishment so you are sure of getting suited no matter when you call. But do not put off until the big rush comes, for then it

For Sunday Reading.

STAR OF BETHLEHAM.

O star of wonder!

Star of night!

Oh star of wondrous beauty bright!

Onward leading,

Still proceeding;

Guide us to that perfect light.

The more others are untrue the more God needs loyalty in us.

Every kindness done to others is a step nearer to the life of Christ.

Thank God for sympathy; it has a wonderful power of turning keys in rusty locks.

A watchful soul is a soul upon the wing—a soul out of gunshot—a soul above the clouds.—Phillips Brooks.

Happiness is a sunbeam which may pass through a thousand bosoms without losing a particle of its original ray.—Sir Phillip Sidney.

From David, learn to give thanks in everything. Every furrow in the Book of Psalms is sown with seeds of thanksgiving.

A true faith can no more be separated from good works than the light of the candle can from the heat or the heat from its light.

Lost, yesterday; somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours, each set with 60 diamond minutes. No reward is offered as they are gone forever.

A man who owes an honest debt ought to be willing to give his note for that amount. And on the same principal of honesty, one who owes to God a service ought to be willing to pledge himself to render that service.

If we wait until we have more than we want before beginning to give, we shall die without giving. But if we give out of our scanty portion to those whose need is greater than ours, we shall live as givers, and shall enjoy living. The man who gives from his surplus never knows the real joy of giving.—S. S. Times.

A PARABLE.

"Who sang that strain that thrilled my soul last night?"

Queried the King, his courtiers bowing low

Before the throne with gold and gems alight,

Answered him, musing: "Sire we do not know."

"We heard the song. It echoes in our heart—

The singer from our vision passed away;

We deemed him only of his song a part;

And then, it is so long since yesterday."

The singer heard, nor hearing felt regret;

What could it matter where their praise might fall?

The song, at least, they did not quite forget.

Naught is the singer, but the song is all.

will be hard to give you that attention which the proprietor would desire to. In conclusion we again remind you that you cannot make any mistake in giving Mr. Fenety a call at this festive season.

LEMONY & SONS.

The Display of Goods Suitable for Christmas is Immense.

We called our readers' attention in a former issue to a descriptive account of the beginning of the firm of Lemont & Sons of our city. Through pluck, energy and perseverance they have succeeded in establishing a business that is becoming wider and better known throughout New Brunswick. They state that their goods are bought for cash, and that therefore they can give excellent value in the lines of merchandise they sell. Perhaps more than one hundred firms have begun and closed their business in Fredericton since this firm started, some 48 years ago—and yet they have plodded on, and have been rewarded by the public in having more customers each year to call at their emporium and buy goods. This firm deserve well of the public, for their record is an unblemished one, and we ask our subscribers and the general public to call and see their immense variety and assortment of goods, especially at this Christmas season. If Santa Claus ever had a longing to get nice goods for his children and wasn't gratified, surely this Christmas he will be and the stockings will be well filled.

What York County wants to know is that the best place in Fredericton to buy Holiday Goods is at Blackmer's.

A DANGEROUS QUOTATION.

Never Use a Newspaper Joke as Your Own.

Kitty Winslow had been struck by a joke she read in a newspaper. It read something like this:

She—Oh, you dear boy, I could hug you for that!

He (enthusiastically)—Come on, then!

She (backing off)—Oh, I said I could—but I won't.

Kitty thought this joke was just too cute for anything. It was such an audacious playing with fire and then retreating with unscorched fingers.

She determined to use it herself at the first opportunity. Her chance soon came.

One afternoon Tom De Witt called and informed her that he had succeeded in obtaining tickets for an opera which she wanted very much to see.

Oh, you dear boy, she exclaimed brightly, I could hug you for that!

Such a hint to a man like Tom was as good as a formal invitation.

In an instant she was in his arms, and a liberal number of ardent kisses were pressed upon her lips.

Kitty was the color of a Harvard stand at a football game before she succeeded in freeing herself from his embrace. Then she said indignantly: How dare you! You had no right to take such an advantage of me! I was just getting off a joke I read in the paper the other day. I was going to say that I could hug you, but—I won't.

And was that the way the joke read?

asked he, with an amused smile.

Yes, answered Kitty as she caught her breath.

Well, inquired Tom reflectively, don't you think that fellow, the one in the paper, you know must have been dead slow.

And the moral of this little story is never to use a newspaper joke as though it were your own.

An Attractive Store.

An attractive store is that of Nelson Campbell, situated directly opposite the City Hall. Mr. Campbell commenced business at this stand in May, 1886, carrying at that time a line of gents furnishings, along with his present line of boots, shoes and hats. Finding, however, as his business increased, that he was unable (even in the spacious store he occupied) to keep the variety he wished to have, he decided to do away with gents' furnishings and devote himself entirely to hats, caps and footwear. Studying carefully the wants and requirements of his patrons and customers he has made an enviable reputation for his store for honest goods and fair dealing.

Those who have never made purchases from him should do so, as they are sure to be satisfied with the result.

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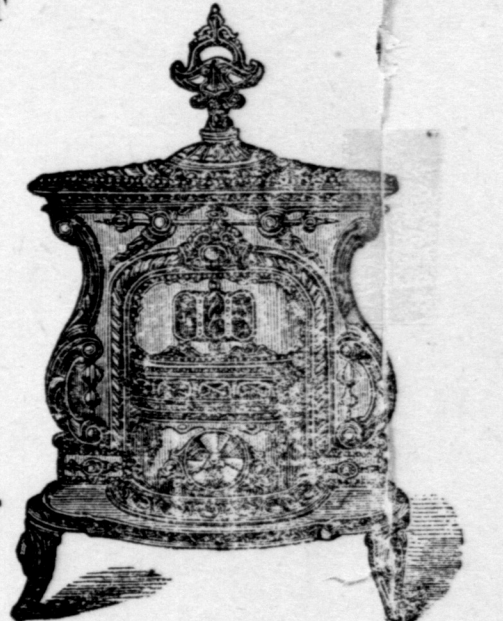
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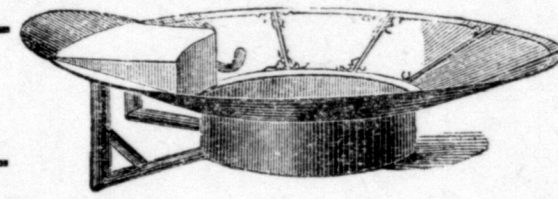
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