

## Desultory.

## THE FOUR FISHERS.

(WHO CAME NOTHING.)

(The verses are headed by a representation of four anglers in a sail plight, attempting, with the assistance of a French dictionary, to decipher the Emperor's letters.)

Four persons who thought themselves wisest and best of all the folks in Liverpool town,

To the Emperor Louis a letter addressed,

Intended to do him uncommon good,

From Liverpool brokers no secret it kept,

Said they, in their Lancashire town.

Four Boobies were sniggering round all day

Among the folks in Liverpool town,

And thinking that none were so clever as they,

And how they should come to a great renown:

"We'll strike Lord Palmerston all at a heap,

And show we can catch a French woad asleep,"

Said they, their impudence owning.

Four Ases they hang down their lolling ears,

From the post came to Liverpool town,

And brought them a letter which it appears

Those dokeys couldn't translate a now,

For Loony knows well how his secrets to keep,

And the Liverpool brokers unlikeliest reap

A harvest of jarring and groaning.—Punch.

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marvelous inventions which American Genius has

produced within the last few years, are the following,

compiled from the Patent Office, which

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Hubb's Lock. Its "unpickability" depends

upon a secondary or false set of tumblers, which

touches the real ones. Moreover, the lock is powder

proof, and may be loaded through the key hole and

fired off till the burglar is tired of his fruitless

work, or fears that the explosion will bring the

thief to the door. The inventor claims that the

lock is more perfect than any other. It is calculated

for every ton of coal put into the furnace, it

will make a ton of iron.

From Dr. Dale's examination of the report, we gather

some idea of the value of the patent. A man who has

made a slight improvement in straw cutters, took

out a patent for his machine, and within a few

months after a year or eight months, returned with

\$40,000. Another man had a machine that cut

clean grain, which in fifteen months he sold for

\$60,000. These are ordinary cases—while such

inventions as the telegraph, the plowing machine,

and the India-rubber patents, are worth millions

each.

Examiner Lane's describes new electrical

inventions. Among them is an electrical whaling

apparatus by which the whale is literally "shocked

to death." Another is an electro-magnetic alarm,

which rings bells and displays signals in case of

fire and burglars. Another is an electric clock

which wakes you up tells you what time it is, and

lights a lamp for you at any hour you wish.

There is a "sound gathering," a sort of huge

trumpet, to be placed in front of a locomotive,

bringing to the engineer's ear, all the noises ahead

perfectly distinct, notwithstanding the noise of the

train.

There is an invention that that picks up pins

from a confused heap, turns them round with their

heads up, and then sticks them in papers in

order rows.

Another goes through the whole process of cigar

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cigars.

One machine cuts cheese; another scours the

knives and forks; another rocks the cradle; and

seven or eight take in washing and ironing.

There is a parlor chair patent, which cannot

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Another patent is for a machine that counts

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a very fat gentleman gets in it counts two and

charges double.

There are a variety of guns patented that load

themselves; a fishing line that adjusts its own bait

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then baits itself, and stands in the corner for another.

There is a machine also by which a man prints

instead of writes his thoughts. It is played like

a piano forte. And speaking of pianos, it is

estimated that nine thousand are made every year

in the United States, giving constant employment

to one thousand nine hundred persons and costing

over two millions of dollars.

THE MOST CURIOUS BOOK IN THE WORLD.—The

following account of this truly wonderful specimen

## NEW SPRING GOODS!

THE Subscriber begs to call the attention of purchasers

in this County and Halifax, to his

SPRING SUPPLY

STAPLE & FANCY DRY GOODS!

being unusually large, and having been selected with

great care, it will be found well worth the

trouble of an inspection.

It consists in part of a SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of

Silk, Mohair, and Cloth

Mantles and Shawls,

English and American BONNETS and FLATS;

Boys' Girds, and Infant's Muslin, Cashmere and Straw

HATS;

A beautiful assortment of

Ribbons, Flowers and Feathers,

Marine Collars, Sleeves, Curtains and Short Blinds;

Nett and Tulle Curtains and FRINGES;

Marine, Gloves and Hosiery;

An elegant lot of Muslin and Merino Dresses, Challies,

Colored Barges, Delaines, Norfolk Stripes, Challies,

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GOODS;

Grey, White, Striped and Printed COTTONS;

Onaburgs, Duck, Drilling and Tanned Cord, &c.;

Great variety of Men's and Boys' HATS and CAPS;

Any quantity of SMALL WARES, such as Tassels,

Brands, Belts, Bows, &c.;

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## St. John Advertisements.

To the Inhabitants of Woodstock and

Surrounding Country.

THE Subscriber begs to inform the

Woodstock and the surrounding Country, that he

has purchased business at No. 24, Dock-street, St. John,

where he will keep constantly on hand,

Flour, Pork, Meat, Liquors and General

Groceries,

and flasks himself that can sell at Cheap Purchases as

low, and better than any other in the trade; and knowing

the wants of the Country, he feels confident that he

will be able to give satisfaction. Still adhering to his old

maxim, "Quick Sales and Little Profits,"

Please give me a call before buying elsewhere.

JOHN BRADLEY,

No. 24, Dock-street.

St. John, June 25, 1859.

Notice to Emigrants.

PARTIES wishing to get their friends from

England, Ireland and Scotland, will find desirable

information by calling on the subscribers, who are appointed

Agents for the MERCHANTS' LINE of PACKETS from

Liverpool to Boston. Passengers forwarded to St. John

per steamer. Vessels sailing from Liverpool every four

night. Any information given on the subject.

St. John, mar. 2.

Transit Shop Window Blinds.

THE Subscriber is prepared to furnish TRANSPARENT

SHOP WINDOW BLINDS cheaper than

any imported from the United States; and they have

made such improvements that these Blinds when rolled

up are as light as air, and can be used in any weather.

Also—Fresco, and all kinds of Gilding, Marbling,

Decorating and Ornamental SIGN PAINTING done with

neatness and dispatch.

Estimates sent free.

References—Mace Brothers, Dry Goods Merchants;

Wheeler & Putnam; Barnes & Co., Stationers, Saint

John; and C. S. Beverly, Fredericton.

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St. John, Nov. 12th, 1859.

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THE Subscriber has received per Eastern City and R. H.

Moulton from Boston, and Restless from New York—

200 bbls. Extra State FLOUR;

A small lot of Choice Family and Pastry FLOUR;

15 packets best JAVA COFFEE;

5 bags Java do;

10 cases Rice; 4 cases Nutmegs;

15 cases Currants; 40 boxes Trull's Salmagundi;

10 bbls. Trull's Salmagundi;

10 boxes Ground Pepper; 20 boxes GINGER;

5 boxes each PIMENTO and CASIA;

2 bbls. SCOTCH WHISKY, in casks;

10 boxes, each 2 dozen Van Pelt's Powders;

20 boxes extra LOGWOOD; 2 bales CORNS;

15 boxes patent STARCH; 45 dozen COLORED TINS;

10 dozen Wash Boards; 15 dozen TUBS;

35 dozen Wash Boards; 15 dozen Scrubbing BRUSHES;

15 dozen Black Lead Brushes; 15 dozen, Clothes & Shoe;

12 dozen KERS, in 2, 3, 4, and 5, casks;

30 dozen Black CURBS; 20 dozen Lines;

Per Admiral from Boston, and brings, Loanna and Salma

from New York—

80 bbls. chests Souchong and Congou Tea;

40 chests Oolong Tea; 50 boxes LAYER RAISINS;

75 boxes Choice BROWN TOBACCO;

1 case extra Cheving;

2 half chests Natural Leaf do;

20 boxes in Tin Foil, very superior Cheving TOBACCO;

150 M. Cigars, a good article;

150 bbls. FLOUR, New Wheat; 50 bbls. CORN MEAL;

20 bbls. Heavy New MOSES;

15 puns Superior Molasses ALCOHOL;

To arrive ex Portland from London, and daily expected:

6 bbls. and quarters HENNESSY'S BRANDY;