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September 19, 1856.

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CHARLES W. WELDON, Attorney at Law & Notary Public
OFFICE—Over Messrs. Ranney, Sturdee & Co Prince William-street, St. John, N. B.
May 28, 1852.

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August 22, 1856.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.—The Subscriber having been lately appointed a Licensed AUCTIONEER for Queen's County, trusts from the Public a Share of Business which shall receive his prompt attention, on most reasonable terms. ARCHIBALD McALLISTER.
Gagetown, August 22, 1856.

GEORGE WHITMAN, Auctioneer, Commission Merchant
AND DEALER IN DRY GOODS, GROCERIES AND HARDWARE.
CLEMENTSPORT, N. S.

DOOLEY'S
MERCHANT'S EXCHANGE HOTEL, State Street, Boston. Conducted on the European Plan.
Rooms per day, - - - - 50 cts.
Rooms per week, - - - $3,00
Lodging - - - - 37 1-2 cts.
N. B.—A Restaurant is attached, where Meals will be served at all hours of the day.
January 11, 1856. 1y.

SOAP & CANDLE MANUFACTORY.
GEORGE WOODS,
Princess Street next adjoining Dunn's Steam Saw Mill, a few doors from the corner of Germain Street.
ST. JOHN, N. B.
August 29.

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, &c.
Ex *Ann Rankin*, and *Courier*, from London:—
1000 KEGS Brandram's No. 1, White LEAD;
230 Kegs Yellow, Red, Black, Green, and Blue PAINTS;
50 Kegs Zinc Paint;
35 Hhds. Boiled and Raw Linseed OIL;
3 Bbls. Copal and Oak VARNISH;
7 Cans Carriage and White Copal do.;
1 Cask Brandram's Liquid Dryer;
5 " do. Patent do.;
50 ddz. Deep GOLD LEAF;
5 " Patent Glaziers' DIAMONDS.
For Sale at No. 1, North side Market Square.
Nov. 14. W. O. SMITH.

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JUST received per steamer "Adelaide," from Boston:—12 bbls. Prime OYSTERS—fresh from the beds. Also—On hand, a few barrels of Fresh Shediac Oysters, which will be served up in any style required, at
JAMES KENNY'S
Eating House Water street.
N. B.—MEALS served up at the shortest notice—Day and Evening. J. K.
St. John, N. B., August 29.

COALS.—On hand ex Yard: 100 Chal. Orre COAL; 50 do Newcastle do.; 250 Scotch do For sale low by
Feb. 9. JOHN WALKER.

FUR CAPS—In every variety of Fur—made up on the premises, in the latest styles.
D. H. HALL,
October 24. 41, King-street.

TEA.—Just received, and imported expressly for Family use:—
10 chests Souchong TEA;
10 catty boxes do do;
10 chests Breakfast Oolong do;
10 catty boxes do. do;
10 chests good retailing do—For sale low.
August 29. JOHN McCOSKERY.

Beans and Shad.
40 BUSHELS N. S. White BEANS; 20 half-barrels good SHAD. For Sale by
JOHN MARVEN,
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RUBBER CLOTHING.
COATS, CAPES, PANTS, LEGGINGS, Caps, &c., &c., of the very best quality just received from the manufactory.
—ALSO—
A new and superior article of RUBBER COATS, *price only* 20s.
THOS. R. JONES,
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Oct. 3.

MEDICAL REVOLUTION!
THE WORLD UNANIMOUS.
HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT.
THE GREAT COUNTER IRRITANT!

The virus of disease often makes its way to the internal organs through the pores of the skin. This penetrating Ointment, melting under the hand as it is rubbed in, is absorbed through the same channels, and, reaching the seat of inflammation, promptly and invariably subdues it, whether located in the kidneys, the liver, the lungs, or any other important organ. It penetrates the surface to the interior, through the countless tubes that communicate with the skin as summer rain passes into the fevered earth diffusing its cool and regenerating influence.

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Every species of exterior irritation is quickly reduced by the anti-inflamatory action of this Ointment. Angry ERUPTIONS, such as SALT RHEUM, ERYSIPELAS, TETTER, RINGWORM, SCALD HEAD, NETTLE RASH, SCABIES (or ITCH) &c., die out, to return no more under its application. Hospital experience in all parts of the world proves its infallibility in diseases of the skin, the muscles, the joints and the glands.

ULCERS, SORES, AND TUMORS.

The effect of this unrivaled external remedy upon Scrofula, and other virulent ulcers and sores, is almost miraculous. It first discharges the poison which produces suppuration and proud flesh, and thus the cures which its healing properties afterward complete are safe as well as permanent.

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In cases of the fracture of the bones, injuries caused by steam explosions, BRUISES, BURNS, SCALDS, RHEUMATISM, STIFFNESS OF THE JOINTS, and contraction of the sinews, it is employed and warmly recommended by the faculty. This marvellous remedy has been introduced by its inventor in person into all the leading Hospitals of Europe, and no private household should be without it.

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Both the Ointment and Pills should be used in the following cases:

Bunions,	Rheumatism,	Sore Throats,
Burns,	Ringworm,	Sores of all kinds
Capped hands,	Salt Rheum,	Sprains,
Chilblains,	Scalds,	Stiff Joints
Fistula,	Skin Diseases	Tetter,
Gout,	Swelled Glands,	Ulcers,
Lumbago,	Sore Legs,	Venereal Sores,
Mercurial Eurptions,	Sore Breasts,	Wounds of all kinds.
Piles,	Sore Heads,	

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☞ There is a considerable saving by taking the larger sizes.

N. B.—Directions for the guidance of patients in every disorder are affixed to each pot.

S. L. TILLEY, *Provincial Agent*, No. 2, King Street, St. John, N. B.; A. Coy & Son, Fredericton; W. T. Baird, Woodstock; Alex. Lockhart, Quaco; James Beck, Bend of Petitcodiac; O. K. Sayre, Dorchester; John Bell, Shediac; John Lewis, Hillsborough; John Curry, Canning; and James G White, Belleisle.

☞ CAUTION!—None are genuine unless the words "HOLLOWAY, NEW YORK & LONDON," are discernible as a WATER-MARK in every leaf of the book of directions around each pot or box; the same may be plainly seen by "holding the leaf to the light." A handsome reward will be given to any one rendering such information as may lead to the detection of any party or parties counterfeiting the medicines or vending the same, knowing them to be spurious.

S. K. FOSTER'S,
Fashionable SHOE STORES,
"FOSTER'S CORNER,"—*Saint John.*
"QUEEN STREET,"—*Fredericton.*

Received per Packet ship John Barbour and recent steamers from Boston—

LADIES' BOOTS and SHOES of the best English manufacture, suitable for the season; Gentlemen's Black and Drab Cloth BOOTS; Misses', Boys', and Youths', and Children's Boots and Shoes, of English and American make. Ladies', Misses' and Children's American make BOOTS and SHOES in great variety.
—ALSO—
Men's, Women's, Boys', Youths', Misses' and Children's Rubber Boots and Shoes.
—DOMESTIC MANUFACTURE.—
Gentlemen's Dress Elastic side BOOTS
Do. Calf and Patent do.;
Do. Calf, Morocco & Patent BOOTEES;
Boys', Youths', and Children's BOOTS, Bootees and SHOES, with many other varieties.
September 19. S. K. FOSTER.

North American House,
No. 7 North side of King's Square,
ST. JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK.

IS now kept by the Subscriber, who having recently refitted and furnished the same in a thorough and most comfortable manner, and now is prepared to entertain Residents in this City, Farmers, and Travellers generally, by the day or for any period, in an agreeable style and on satisfactory terms. *Good Stabling* is attached. Experienced Attendants are employed in every department.

The Daily and other Newspapers are regularly taken and fyled. Every information with regard to the Markets, and other business of the City, is promptly afforded. Purchases can be made for Strangers.

EXTRA MEALS, when called for, are provided without delay. In short nothing is wanting at any hour that can be reasonably required.
May 22.—1m. HUGH CHISHOLM.

Ship Chandlery.
LANDING EX "JOHN DUNCAN:"—
63 BALES CORDAGE, (assorted;) Spunyarn; Marline; Houseline; Ambroline; Log Lines; Tar Brushes; Wool Mop Heads; Ship Scrapers; Patent Deck Lights; Cork Fenders; Liverpool Oakum.
The above are the Manufacture of that well known firm Hutcheson & Jarvie, of Liverpool, and are warranted to be of a superior quality.
10 brls. Black Varnish; 1 Bag Carpet Thrumbs;
4 kegs Countersunk Nails, (assorted;)
1 case Flags and Bunting; Cod Lines;
Connecting LINKS, (assorted.)
The above, together with the Subscribers Stock of General SHIP CHANDLERY, are for Sale at lowest Market rates. JOHN WALKER,
May 22. Ward Street.

M. N. POWERS, Undertaker, &c.
Fourth Door North Trinity Church, Germain-st ST. JOHN, N. B.,
WOULD inform the public that he has purchased that beautiful and much admired Gothic Hearse from the Messrs. Lawrence, which he will furnish to parties requiring the same, with a careful driver.
He likewise attends to Funerals and furnishes every article in the above line in a superior style, and at prices more moderate than any other establishment in this City.
Orders from the Country attended to with care at the shortest notice.

FURNITURE.
M. N. P. will make to order all descriptions of MAHOGANY, WALNUT, BUTTERNUT, and PINE FURNITURE, at short notice, of superior material and workmanship. Prices moderate.
☞ Every description of Upholstery, Curtains, Carpets, &c., attended to at short notice. Old Furnituer cleaned and repaired.
N. B. On hand a beautiful lot of Coffins.

Brandrams No. 1, White Lead and Coloured Paints.
RECEIVED per "Ann Rankin," and For Sale by the Subscriber—
4 Tons Brandram's No. 1 White LEAD;
1 Ton assorted COLOURS;
4 Casks Dry Red and White LEAD;
Raw and Burnt Umber; Raw and Burnt Terra do.; Sienna, Drop Black, Ultramarine Blue, &c. &c.;
1 case Deep Gold Leaf; 6 cases Florence OIL.
IN STORE—9000 feet Window GLASS, assorted sizes.
Oct. 24. S. L. TILLEY.

THE SECRET INFIRMITIES OF YOUTH AND MATURITY.
Price 1s. sterling, with numerous Engravings and Cases.
NERVOUS DEBILITY: its Causes, Symptoms, and Cure.—An Essay on Spermatorrhoea, and the various forms of premature Decay, resulting from imprudence and vicious indulgence, with plain directions for perfect restoration to health; and practical Observations on a new mode of detecting Spermatorrhoea and other Urethral Discharges by Microscopic examination.—
BY SAMUEL LAMERT, M.D.
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Sold by MORTON AND COGSWELL, Halifax, Nova Scotia, and by H. CHUBB & Co. St. John's, New Brunswick. *Price One Shilling sterling.*

31st March, 1857.
RAILROAD LUMBER YARD,
PORTLAND BRIDGE.
THE Subscribers grateful for the patronage extended to them during the past year, now offer for sale on reasonable terms a varied Stock of Seasoned LUMBER, comprising:—
PINE BOARDS and PLANKS;
Planed and Rough FLOORING;
Spruce and Pine Refuse BOARDS & SCANTLING;
CLAP-BOARDS, Siding, LATHS, &c. &c.
WHITING & PENALAGON.
J. M. F. WHITING, }
J. T. PENALAGON. }
May 1 1m.

French Paper Hangings.
Ex "Zurich" from Havre, thence by "Charles," from New York:—
2 CASES containing a very rich assortment of French PAPER HANGING—all new styles. B. O'BRIEN.
May 1.

NEW MEAT SHOP.
THE Subscriber thankful to his friends and the public generally, for the liberal patronage bestowed on him since his commencement in business, begs leave to inform them that he has taken the SHOP No. 11 Market Street, where (in connection with his Stall No. 4 City Market,) there will always be found a general assortment of MEATS and POULTRY of the best the market affords.
VEGETABLES of all kinds when in season.
☞ All orders left at either place will be strictly executed on the Square.
Jan. 22—1m. WM. C. GODSOE.

Notice.
ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of Andrew Sherwood late of the Parish of Upham, in King's County, (deceased) are requested to present the same duly attested within eighteen months from this date and all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make immediate payment to
RICHARD C. SHERWOOD, } *Executors*
JOHN F. SHERWOOD, }
Upham, K. C., March 7th, 1857.

REMOVAL.
THE Subscriber has removed his Entire Stock in-Trade from his old stand, to 27 North side King street, next to Mr. Frost's Shoe Store, and directly opposite Canterbury street, where will be found a general assortment of HATS and CAPS, Foreign and Domestic.
A. MAGEE Hatter, &c.,
27 North side King street.
☞ The Latest Fashions always on hand.
Feb. 27.

S. K. FOSTER'S Shoe Store.
Just received per steamer from Liverpool:—
A Large assortment of Ladies, Misses, Boys, Children's, and Infants CLOTH BOOTS, of all qualities, suitable for the season.
A great variety of Men's, Women's, Misses, Children's and infants FELT BOOTS, Shoes and Slippers of every quality.
ON HAND—A large lot of Women's Prunella BOOTS, suitable for wearing under Rubber Shoes in Winter—for 3s. to 4s. 6d. a pair.
Oct. 17. S. K. FOSTER.

HOLLOWAY'S MEDICINES.—Now landing from the "John Barbour," one case London Holloway's PILLS and OINTMENT, warranted genuine. For sale by
S. L. TILLEY,
April 17. 35, King street

WANTED, by a young man belonging to the City, a situation in a Grocery Store, having some knowledge of the business would be willing to make himself generally useful, will give good refference. Apply at this Office. April 17.

Oysters. Oysters.
4 BBLS. Prime Shediac OYSTERS, which will be served up in any style required.
Also—MEALS and LUNCHEONS served up at the *shortest notice*—Day an Evening—at
JAMES KENNY'S,
Sept. 26. Eating House, Water-street

Confectionary.
THE Subscriber has just received per Pilgrim from Glasgow—150 lbs Choice CONFECTIONARY, consisting of Conversation, Peppermint & mixed LOZENGES, Morro HEARTS, Ginger & Polka Seals, Rosebuds, Bracelets, Polka & Princess Balls, Horehound, Acid, Rose Acid, Pine Apple, Pear, Fish, Strawberry, and Alphabet Drops, Almonds, BARLEY SUGAR.
July 11. S. L. TILLEY,

LIVERPOOL OAKUM.—Landing ex "John Duncan"—5 Tons Liverpool OAKUM. For Sale by JOHN WALKER,
May 22. Ward-street

LIVERPOOL HOUSE COALS.—Landing ex "John Duncan"—60 chals. Liverpool House COALS, which will be sold low if taken from alongside. JOHN WALKER,
May 29. Ward-street.

Poetry.

THE SONG OF THE MOUNTAIN STREAM.

List to the song of the mountain stream,
From its old rocky chamber springing;
Hailing the earliest, morning gleam,
With its frolicking—sparkling—singing!
'Oh, 'tis a glorious thing to bound
Through a world of such wondrous beauty;
The flowers are breathing of sweet odours around,
And hark! the old woods with gay music resounds;
Pleasure is glancing,
Sunbeams are dancing,
Life is a boon and enjoyment a duty!"

List to the song of the mountain stream
As its murmurs are gently swelling,
Bounding along with its noontide theme,
Of the glory of labour telling.
'I'll water the land, and cool the breeze,
And set the grass leaves growing;
I'll creep round the roots of the old oak trees,
And call to the cattle their thirst to appease,
Lambs shall come skipping,
Birds shall stoop sipping,
All shall be glad for my pure limpid flowing!"

List to the song of the mountain stream,
As it rolls with its heavy motion,
Calmly reflecting the sun's last beam,
Ere it loses itself in the ocean,
'No more through the vale I'll wend;
I have finished life's changeful story;
Peacefully—thankfully seeking the end,
Where with the main, my small tribute shall blend,
Mingling—not dying,
Smiling—not sighing,
Singing for ever *His* greatness and glory!"

O, BRIGHTLY BEAMS THE SUMMER SKY.

O, brightly beams the Summer sky,
And rarely blooms the clover:
But the little pool will soon be dry—
The Summer soon is over!

O, light and soft the west wind blows,
The flower bells gently ringing;
But blight will fall upon the rose,
Where now the bee is swinging!

A smile is on the silver stream—
A blush is on the flowers;
But the cloud that wears the golden gleam
Will waste itself in showers!

O, little hearts with gladness rife,
Among the wavy grasses,
A deeper shade will fold your life
Than o'er the meadow passes!

O, maiden lips! O, lips of bloom!
Unburdened saved by singing;
Pale grief shall leave his seal of gloom
Where kisses now are clinging!

O, hope is sweet! O, youth is near!
And love is sweeter, nearer!
O, life is sweet, and life is dear,
But death is often dearer!

O, shield the little heart from wrong,
While childhood's laugh is ringing!
And kiss the lips that sing the song,
Before they cease their singing!

O, crown with joy the brows of youth,
Before their brows are older!
O, touch with love the lips of truth,
Before those lips are colder!

For the little pool will soon be dry—
The Summer soon be over,
Though brightly beams the Summer sky,
And rarely blooms the clover!

—*Boston Transcript.*

Miscellaneous Selections.

(*From the Scottish Messenger.*)

A FAITHFUL SERVANT'S REWARD.

Prayers and pains will do anything.—*Chalmers.*

Among the many pleasant places and beautiful scenes in Scotland, there is one which has often been greatly admired by travellers when they have had occasion to pass that way. In their drive from an ancient and castellated town, they wend their way eastward, having a fertile plain on their right, and on their left a range of verdant hils (one of the most pleasing groups, perhaps in Scotland,) along the base of which the road proceeds intersecting some thriving manufacturing towns, and on each side exhibiting to view a variety of elegant mansion houses and country seats. At the distance of twelve or fourteen miles, they reach a peaceful valley and suddenly their comes in sight a handsome Grecian building, which they find to be a literary academy, situated in the centre of a straggling village, and having a very interesting history connected with it. The village is overlooked by the grim ruins of an old castle, which also has a history associated with, times long gone by.

About half way down this drive the travellers cannot fail to observe an elegant mansion-house and park, and, near the side of the road, a small enclosure, which is the burial place of the family who formerly inhabited the house.

Within that mausoleum reposes the ashes of a lady, once the mistress of the mansion—the pride and ornament of the place—a person of most estimable character—accomplished, thoughtful, and devout—who, in giving life to a son, lost her own and was most sincerely lamented by the rich and poor of the whole district, and throughout the circle of her many friends. There can be no doubt that, "as her soul was departing," she committed her infant to the care of Him who when father and mother are removed, takes the children up.

Circumstances led to an arrangement by which that child came to be the special charge of a "wise and faithful servant" of the family, who watched over him with an assiduity and affection which could be surpassed only by those of a mother. He grew up, and was sent to school, and the only preceptor or private tutor that he had during the earlier period of his education was this excellent and worthy women. When he entered upon the higher departments of youthful learning, she could not indeed, as in his earlier years, follow or guide him in his studies, yet she contrived to make sure that he never went to any of his classes without his having been perfectly prepared for the exercises of the day, and she strictly superintended everything connected with his food, his clothing, and his comfort in all respects.

Under the wise and faithful training of this person, the young man, possessing naturally excellent abilities, acquired that without which, however, the highest talents are of no avail—the strictest habits of dilligence and application. He became a pupil in two distinguished classical seminaries in the Scottish metroplis, and in them he attained the very highest distinction. One of these institutions, particularly, feels the utmost pride and gratification in having contributed to rear such a youth, whose highest honors he gained while attending its classes, and at whose annual exhibitions, he has frequently since then attended and presided.

From his high position at the academy he removed to one of the Scottish universities. Thither his faithful female attendant accompanied him, and watched over him during a course of study, characterized by all the steadiness that had marked his former years, and where also he secured the greatest distinction.

From the Scottish college he proceeded to take his place in one of the English universities. To this place however, his faithful guardian could not accompany him, save with her wishes and her prayers. She had done her best to prepare him for all the future of his life, and ushered him upon his new path with the firmest confidence in his character, and the highest anticipations as to his after history. She lived for several years in the family to whose youngest scion she had been such a signal blessing, respected by all, and at her death was mourned over by none more sincerely than by the object of her early, long, and watchful care.

At the English University, the young man became also distinguished, and his whole course was one of uniform and steady progress. He took orders in the Church of England, and from his high attainments in classical learning, and the general weight and depth of his character, was selected to be the head of one the most celebrated schools in England, and was afterwards called to an eminent position in connection with one of its cathedrals, where the value of his services, the excellence of his public discourses, and his exemplariness in private life have secured for him the veneration and esteem both of the Church and of the whole community.

With what deep and sympathetic sorrow did every one, during the last winter and spring, hear of the successive bereavements which this good man had to suffer in his family—five daughters being cut off, by one fell disease, in the course of a few weeks! Very seldom has such an aggregate of affliction fallen upon one household. Now, of what places—of what persons—is all this recorded? The question shall be answered with all plainness. The old castellated town is Stirling—the drive eastward from it is by what is called the Hill-foot-road, at the base and on the south side of the Ochils—the valley, the village, and the Provincial Academy are those of Dollar—the overtopping ruin is Castle Campbell—the modern mansion house is Harvieston—the lady that adorned it was the daughter of Sir Hay Campbell, formerly the President of the Supreme Court of Scotland—her husband a gentleman of extensive practice in the profession of the law—the metropolitan seminaries are the High School and Academy of Edinburg—the Scottish university that of Glasgow—the English one, that of Oxford—the school of learning, Rugby, formerly presided over by Dr. Arnold—the cathedral office, the Deanery of Carlisle, once held by the celebrated Dr. Milner—the name of the "wise and faithful servant" was Betty Morton, whose name and worth can never be forgotten by Him who was so much and so long the object of her wisdom and fidelity—and who himself is no other than Dr. ARCHIBALD TAIT, now the Bishop of London.

A NEW WAY TO COLLECT AN OLD BILL.

We have known many expedients resorted to to collect bills; but we think the following adopted by one Joe Harkins is an original one. We have a few credits on our books against doubtful customers, of long standing, and which we have so far failed to get in. We should like to make an arrangement with some Joe Harkins or other to collect the money—that is, provided he will give us security that he will pay it in after he has collected it, like an honest man.

Old squire Tobin was a slow walker, but also a slow payer. Blessed with abundant means, he was of course considered *ultimately* good for any little debt; he contracted a habit of holding on to his money, until forced by extra importunity to fork over.

'There goes the old squire,' said Brown the merchant. 'I've had a bill of five dollars and fifty cents against him for eight months, and if I have asked him for it once, I have done so twenty times; but he has either not got it with him, or he will call to-morrow, or if not in good humor he will swear like a trooper at my impudence in dunning him at unseasonable times.'

Now there was one Joe Harkins, a waggish sort of a fellow, who heard the complaint of merchant Brown, and resolved upon some fun.

'Come now, Brown,' said Joe, 'what will you bet I can't get the money from the old squire, before he gets home?'

'A new hat,' said Brown.

'Enough said,' said Joe.

While Brown was hunting the bill, Joe disguised himself in a striped blanket and a slouched hat. Thus equipped, and with the bill in his hand, he took after the squire.

'Hello, is your name Squire Tobin?'

'Yes,' answered the squire with a snarl, 'What's that to you?'

'I have a little bill, sir—collecting for merchant Brown, sir.'

'Merchant Brown can go to thunder, sir,' said the Squire. 'I've no money for him, you must call again.'

Joe bowed politely, slipped round the alley, just in time to head the old fellow at the next corner.

'Oh, sir, said Joe,' stopping suddenly, 'is your name Tobin?'

'Here is a little bill, sir, from merchant Brown.'

'Zounds! sir,' replied the Squire, 'didn't I meet you just now around the corner?'

'Meet me?' replied Joe, 'guess it was B., another of Brown's collectors.'

'Then I suppose merchant Brown has two red striped collectors dogging my steps. I wont pay it sir, to-day—begone!' The old Squire, as he said this, brought down his stick hard upon the pavement, and toddled on.

'Joe, nothing daunted, took advantage of another alley, and by a rapid movement, in a few minutes placed himself once more in front of the Squire. The old man's bile was making him mutter and growl, as he walked along, now and then giving point to his anger by very emphatic knocks of his cane upon the sidewalk. When within about twenty feet of each other the old Squire espied his striped friend once more in front. Squire Tobin stopped, and raising his cane, exclaimed:

'You infernal insolent puppy, what do you mean?'

Joe, affecting great astonishment, checked up within a safe distance, and then replied:

'Mean, sir?' You surprise me, sir, I don't know you.'

'Ain't you merchant Brown's collector, that dunned me five minutes ago?'

'Me, sir,' replied Joe; 'I am one of Merchant Brown's collectors, to be sure; but I don't know you, sir.'

'My name is Tobin, sir,' rejoined the irritated Squire, and you look like that fellow that stopped me twice before.'

'Impossible, sir!' replied Joe, 'it must have been some other of merchant Brown's collectors. You see, sir, there are forty of us, all wrapped in red striped blankets—and, by the bye, Mr. Tobin, I think I have a small bill against you.'

'Forty red striped collectors, and each one after me,' ejaculated the Squire. 'Darn me, I must put a stop to this; they will all overtake me, before I get home.' Saying which, he pulled out his wallet, and quietly settled merchant Brown's bill of $5,50.

Joe thanked the Squire, and moved off; but as the Squire had another square to travel before reaching home, Joe could not resist the inclination to head him just once more. He accordingly made another circuit, and came in collision with the angry old man, ere he was noticed.

'Zounds! Zounds! stranger,' vociferated the Squire. 'What,——'

Here he caught sight of the red striped blanket, as Joe, disengaging himself from the old man, took to his heels. Squire Tobin's cudgel was fiercely hurled after Joe, accompanied with a hearty curse upon merchant Brown, and his forty collectors in red striped blankets.

It is unnecessary to say, that Joe Harkins was seen topped off the next day with a bran splinter new hat.

THE HIGHWAY TO THE EAST.

THE Sultan, and his most independent vassal, the Pasha of Egypt, appear to be outbidding each other in their offers to accommodate Europe with a route to the Indian Ocean and the new world of Australasia. The one guarantees a dividend of six per cent. for ninety nine years on the capital, whether it may be required by the Euphrates Railway Company for the construction of their Iron highway between Selencia on the Mediterranean, and Bassorah on the Persian Gulf. The Parsha has not only conceded to M. de Lesseps a tract of territory on the Isthmus of Suez, for the construction of a Ship Canal between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, but he has subscribed nearly a million and a half sterling of the capital required. These are the two most practicable of a variety of schemes which scientific speculation and commercial enterprise have suggested between them, to obviate the necessity of the long passage round the Cape. The long anxiety for the North West Passage was the dream of early adventurers, who desired to glean the wealth of India without incurring the perils and delays of the African coast; and the other year gave the world the magnificent conception of an enterprising captain of the British navy, who proposed to make a new sea, entirely for the benefit of Eastern commerce, by laying a great part of Syria under water—by the not impracticable process of letting the Red Sea and the Mediterranean in upon the low region of the Jordan, where the Dead Sea and the Sea of Galilee lay far under their level. Another proposal was to carry a canal across the Nile, which, being of a much higher level than either the Red Sea or the Mediterranean, would make it necessary to get the proper elevation by means of enormous locks of a piece with the Lake of Mœris and the Pyramids, and the grand old remnants of Egyptian architecture.

Of all the schemes proposed, the only one which the British Government has shewn of late years disposition to countenance, is the railway route from Selencia to the Persian Gulf, and there is no doubt the positions occupied by the British troops in Persia; and the tenor of the late treaty, point to the possession of the Persian terminus of his grand highway. Lord Stratford de Radcliffe has his finger in the pie, and when he put his finger into everthing his whole hand generally follows, especially if he is encouraged by the excitement of a little opposition, or a rival scheme in the hands of a rival minister, and the French minister at the Porte no doubt favors his countrymen. It is Lord Stratford who has managed to make the Porte so complaisant in the matter as to guarantee a per centage on an indefinite outlay, which, it is supposed, cannot be less than twelve millions sterling for the construction of some 800 miles of railway; and it is no doubt a prepossession in favour of the Euphrates Valley Company, which led the *Edinburgh Review* lately to devote its energies to running down the project of a canal across the Isthmus of Suez. It is strange how much individual enterprise has projected, and how little public authorities have done hitherto to carry out the schemes proposed, notwithstanding the eager efforts of a couple of centuries. Lieut. Waghorn's overland route,