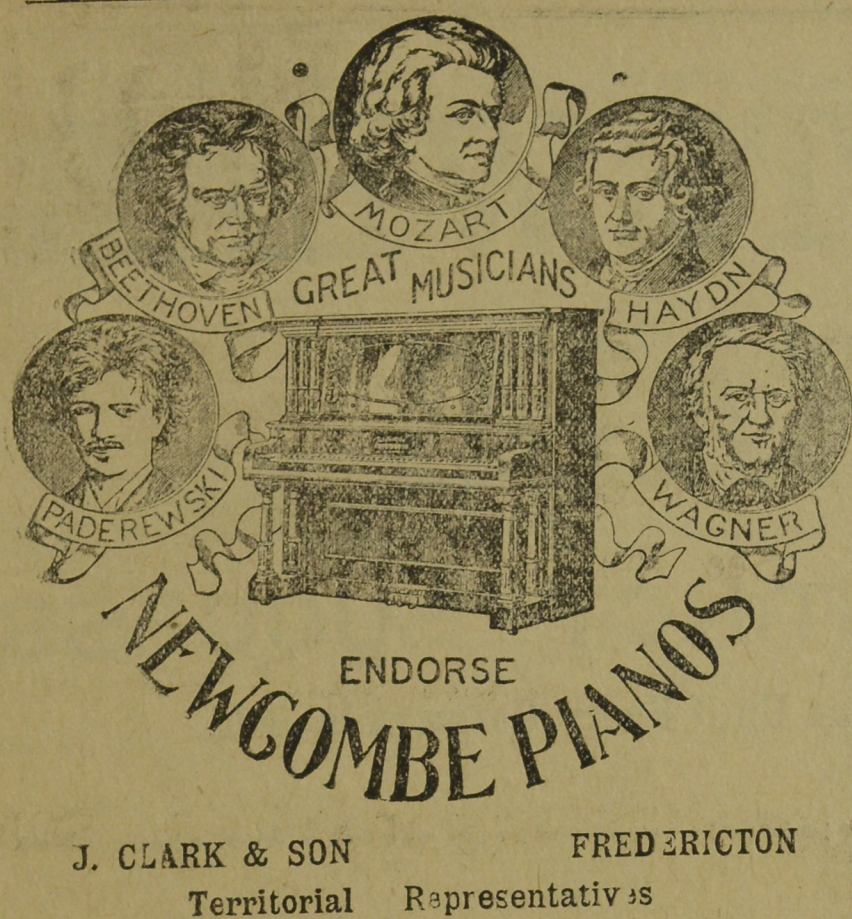




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40 cents Peck

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Large Sweet Floridas	30, 35 and 40c doz.
California Seedless Navels	35c "
Large Grape Fruit	9c, 3 for 25c
Lemons	20c doz
Malaga Grapes, Choicest Quality	15c lb.
Bananas	20c doz
Northern Spy, Baldwin, Greening and Russets	
Apples	40 and 50c peck.

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3 Cans E. D. Smiths Corn	25c
6 " " " " Tomatoes	55c
4 " " " " Peas	3c
14 lbs Silver Skinned Onions	25c
3 " Raisins or Currants	25c

THE SANCY DIAMOND

Legend of Louis de Berquem and the Celebrated Gem.

A NIGHT LAMP FOR A KING.

Checked Career of the Brilliant Stone After the Death of Charles the Timid. Some Facts About the Invention of Diamond Cutting.

Louis de Berquem, says tradition, was a poor jeweler's workman, but he fell in love with the daughter of a wealthy jeweler. This ambitious father would not give his daughter in marriage to any man not possessed of gold. Louis, having neither "expectations" from relatives nor favor at court, sought to make his fortune. He had often heard the father of his beloved remark that the man who discovered a method of cutting diamonds would become very wealthy, for up to that time they knew nothing more than to scrape off the gravel, and the diamond was left in its native state. Neither time, fire nor the mill could affect the diamond.

After many investigations and deep thought Louis bethought himself that iron is fashioned with steel, which is only hardened iron, and it occurred to him that perhaps the diamond would yield to the diamond. He made an experiment, which was at once crowned with success.

A few days later he presented himself before the rich jeweler with two diamonds cut into facets. He obtained the hand he sought and amassed a great fortune by his secret, which he divulged only after he had become wealthy.

King Charles the Timid was the principal customer of Louis de Berquem. The fastidious enemy of Louis XI, then possessed a large diamond, since become celebrated, accounted among the finest of precious stones. But this diamond was ill shaped, and the fires which it held burned in vain.

Louis de Berquem cut and polished this stone, and nothing could equal the joy of Charles the Timid when the jeweler brought him the great diamond, so glittering with light that it lit up the darkness, and this to such an extent that the prince said, "It will serve me as a night lamp." Berquem received 3,000 ducats for his work.

As for the diamond, this is the one which was found in January, 1477, on the body of Charles the Timid after the battle of Nancy. A soldier picked it up, sold it for one gold piece to a priest, who in turn sold it for three pieces of gold to a merchant, who took it to the Duke of Florence.

From the hands of this prince it passed into the possession of the king of Portugal. He sold it for 70,000 francs to one of the companions of Henri III, Nicholas de Harlay, baron of Sancy. Since this time the first large diamond to be cut is known as "the Sancy."

This legend leads to other considerations of the cutting of diamonds ascribed to Louis de Berquem at Brussels in 1465.

Hardly any one will assert boldly that no diamonds were cut before that date, but it is reasonable to suppose that Louis de Berquem regulated cutting by arranging the facets.

Long before the birth of Louis de Berquem cutting was known in India. Even in Europe we find among the treasures of the churches thick diamonds cut into table and cabochon, the upper sides beaten into sections. In 1360, according to the inventory of the jewels of Louis, duke of Anjou, is found an entire series of cut diamonds. There is mention of a flat diamond with six sides, of a heart shaped diamond, of a diamond with eight sides, of a lozenge shaped diamond, of a diamond pointed on four sides and of a reliquary in which was set a diamond cut in the shape of a shield.

History informs us that 150 years before the first work of Louis de Berquem there were at Paris, at the corner of the Corroyerie, several diamond cutters.

The Duke of Burgundy, after a fastidious repast given at the Louvre to the king and the French court in 1403, offered to his noble guests eleven diamonds estimated to be worth 750 pieces of gold, the money of the period.

It is hardly possible to suppose that these were uncut diamonds; all of which goes to prove, notwithstanding some opinions, that Louis de Berquem did not invent the process of diamond cutting.

It is no less interesting to follow the fortunes of the Sancy a little further. It remained in the Sancy family some time, and Henri III. took it from them. It was destined to serve as a pledge for the raising of a body of Swiss soldiers, but the servant entrusted with bringing this diamond to the king was attacked, put to death, and the diamond was thought to be lost. Finally it was discovered that the servant had been assassinated in the forest of Dole and through the care of the priest had been buried in the village cemetery. Then the Baron de Sancy resolved that the diamond must not be lost. In fact, they found it in the stomach of the hapless, faithful servant, who swallowed it at the moment that he fell. According to the inventory of 1701 the Sancy weighed 33 3/4 carats.

It disappeared in 1792 to reappear in Russia. Its value is estimated at a million francs. Before the revolution it was among the French crown jewels.—New York World.

Silence is sometimes the severest criticism.—Baxter.

RELIGIOUS ACROBATS.

Dangerous Aerial Slide Annually Performed in India.

India offers many curious things in the way of religion, and the strangest of them all is the aerial slide, which is performed annually at Kulu, in the Himalayas. At a point where there is a cliff overhanging a precipitous gorge several hundred feet in width and a hundred feet in depth a rope is made fast to the rock. The other end of this is carried across the gorge and there secured to a stake. The total length of the rope between the two points is when drawn taut 2,500 feet, and the end attached to the cliff is several hundred feet higher than that fastened on the opposite side of the ravine. Thus a slide is contrived, and it is a dangerous one to all appearance.

It is down this incline that the performer has his path. For the lofty journey a sort of saddle is provided made of wood, with holes in it, through which the rope passes. But before a start is made the whole length of the rope is wet to prevent the saddle from catching fire from the friction. The performer sits astride this seat, and to his legs are fastened bags of sand, which serve two purposes—they enable him to maintain an upright position during his lightning-like descent, and they increase the momentum. The lower end of the rope is carefully wound with bits of carpet to check the speed before the stake is reached. Without this precaution the performer would be dashed to pieces.

The terrific velocity of the descent for the first few hundred yards is shown by the stream of smoke that trails from the wake of the saddle, despite the fact that the rope has been wet. Afterward the incline diminishes somewhat, and the pace becomes correspondingly slower. By the time the goal is reached the performer is called, is not to come to a standstill without disaster.

This slide in the air is supposed to reveal the will of the gods as to the crops of the approaching season. If the perilous trip is accomplished for safety a plentiful harvest is assured. Naturally, therefore, every care is taken to minimize the dangers of the performance. The ceremony is of ancient origin, and those who engage in it as a form of small caste apart.—New York Tribune.

Masculine Trials.

Harry is six years old. "Pa," he asked one day, "if I get married will I have a wife like ma?"

"Very likely," replied his father. "And if I don't get married will I have to be an old bachelor like Uncle Tom?"

"Very likely." "Well, pa," he said after a moment of deep thought, "it's a mighty tough world for us men, ain't it?"—Success.

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The following is a detailed statement of the Election expenses of Hugh H. McLean, a candidate for the Electoral District of the Counties of Queens and Sunbury in the General Election, held on the 27th day of October, 1908:

JAMES HOLDEN, Returning Officer. DETAILED STATEMENT OF ALL ELECTION EXPENSES INCURRED BY OR ON BEHALF OF HUGH H. McLEAN, CANDIDATE AT THE LAST DOMINION ELECTION.

To paid United Typewriter Company, Limited, rent of typewriter and supplies	\$13.65
To paid Sun Printing Company, for newspapers and posters	73.75
To paid postage on campaign literature and letters to voters	87.00
To paid St. John's Globe Publishing Company, printing posters	57.25
To paid travelling expenses	19.00
To paid board in October	48.00
To paid horse hire in October	36.00
To paid for hire of special train	48.00
To paid for hire of automobile and supplies for auto, namely, gasoline, etc.	197.00
To paid for copies of voters' lists	10.00
To paid for books to paste lists in, 51 books at 15 cts.	7.65
To paid clerks for preparing books	6.00
To paid clerks addressing campaign literature	36.00
To paid expenses charges on campaign literature	7.00
No contributions, payments, loans, advances, debts or promises of money or its equivalent were made to me, the said Hugh H. McLean, or to me the said Hugh H. McLean.	

HUGH H. McLEAN, Liberal Candidate. OSCAR RING, Official Agent. Dated at St. John, N. B., the 24th day of December, A. D., 1908. Jan. 4, dii.

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All persons having any claims against the estate of Catherine E. Coy, late of the City of Fredericton, N. B., spinster, deceased, are requested to file the same, duly proven by affidavit, with Havelock Coy of the said City of Fredericton, Barrister-at-Law, within three months from this date, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are authorized and requested to make immediate payment to the said Havelock Coy. Dated December 8th, A. D. 1908.

LAURA S. WOOD, Administratrix of the Estate of Catherine E. Coy, deceased. Dec. 22—Dlm.