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Since Canadian Nationality — New Mechanics' Hall. Masonic Celebration

REMOVAL
OF THE
Montreal Herald Printing Office,

THE Proprietors of this Establishment have REMOVED their PRINTING OFFICE to those large, central and commodious premises, in Notre Dame Street, formerly known as Beaudoin's Buildings, near St. François Xavier Street, and immediately in rear of the New Post Office.

ADVERTISEMENTS AND ORDERS FOR EVERY DESCRIPTION OF
BOOK AND JOB PRINTING,

will be received on the above premises, or, as formerly, at the *Herald* Office, No. 23 St. Gabriel Street, where the Editors and Clerks' Offices will remain until May, 1854.

☞ Entrance, to the Printing Office, by the Gateway.

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HOTELS, &c.

Russell, Brothers'
HOTELS,
QUEBEC, AND **TORONTO,**
(Late Albion.) (Late Beard's.)

RUSSELL, BROTHERS, grateful for past favors, whereby they have been enabled to extend their business to the Ancient Capitals of both sections of the Province, respectfully inform their numerous friends, and particularly the traveling community, that they have made such arrangements for the coming season, as will entitle them to a continuance of the liberal patronage they have hitherto possessed. Their whole study will be to make their patrons feel—whether their stay be long or short—that their Establishments are the embodiment of luxurious comfort and a quiet home.

Both their TORONTO and QUEBEC Establishments are entirely furnished anew, repainted and papered, and refurnished and fitted with new Carpets and Floor Cloths throughout, imported direct to their own order from the manufacturers.

Their LIQUORS, French, German and English Bonded WINES, and Imported ALES and BEERS, &c., have been selected expressly for *them by connoisseurs* in the different articles in Europe.

They have also secured the services of *Chefs de Cuisine* from the United States, who stand unrivalled in their Art, and their entire staff of Assistants, Stewards, Waiters, &c., have been selected solely with regard to their abilities, attention and civilities.

PRIVATE SUITS of SUPERBLY FURNISHED APARTMENTS may be always secured by timely application.

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UNION HOUSE,
Opposite Union Railroad Depot,
ALBANY STREET,
TROY, NEW YORK.

THE undersigned has FITTED UP and OPENED for the reception of the traveling public the above named HOTEL. The building is entirely new, and will amply accommodate two hundred guests. It has been furnished elegantly throughout, regardless of expense, and it is not wanting in any of the comforts or conveniences which make up a FIRST CLASS NEW YORK HOTEL. And it is designed to render the Tables, Attendance, &c., in all respects equal to those establishments. The House is situated directly opposite the south end of the new Depot of the Union Railroad, and within a few steps of the same. Passengers need have no apprehension of being left by the Cars.

☞ Porters at all times in attendance at the Depot, to receive checks and to convey baggage to and from the House, and save delay.

Warmth will be the aim of the Subscriber to deserve, he hopes to receive a share of the Traveling patronage.

J. W. STARNS,
Proprietor.

Troy, April 14, 1854. 3m 46

St. Lawrence Hall.

THE PROPRIETORS of this ESTABLISHMENT beg to inform their friends and the Traveling Community, that, in consequence of making improvements, and adding a large number of ROOMS, have CLOSED THE HALL until the 15th APRIL next.

Montreal, March 30th, 1854. 3m 38

REAL ESTATE.

NOTICE.

W. E. HOLMES,
ADVOCATE,

HAS made arrangements which will enable him to devote a portion of his time to all matters connected with the PURCHASE, GENERAL MANAGEMENT, and SALE OF REAL ESTATE, as well as the obtaining of Loans upon the Security of Real or other Property. Mr. H. has now several desirable Properties on Sale.

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Perfect Security from Loss by Fire or Robbery.

RICH'S SALAMANDER SAFES,
WILDER'S PATENT.
Triumphant Test in Montreal!

THE SAFE taken from the Ruins of Messrs. J. & D. Lewis's Store, in Montreal, after the Fire in December last, may now be seen and examined,—and the fact *that Mr. D. Lewis has now in use the Books and Papers* that were preserved in this, the most decided proof which can possibly be given of the perfect security which these safes afford for Books and Valuable Documents.

(From the MONTREAL GAZETTE.)

"At an early period of the fire it became known that Messrs Lewis had in their Safe over £10,000 worth of securities, besides their books, and the exertions of the firemen were tremendous to save it, but without effect. It was afterwards found in the ruins, and all its documents safe. It proved to be one procured from Mr. Hutton, hardware agent, a short time ago."

The Subscriber has now the greatest confidence in calling the attention of Merchants, Bankers, Brokers, Railroad Contractors, and others, to the Safes of this manufacture,—and he would remind them that *Messrs. Lewis, having fortunately one of these invaluable Safes, intend to perfect confidence in the safety of their Books, Money and Bills* from the Fire which consumed every vestige of their Stock. These facts should convince every person in business that it is willful improvidence not at once to procure so invaluable a security.

A large assortment of Safes constantly on hand

JAMES HUTTON,
Agent to STEARNS & MARVIN.

The only Makers of Safes *containing both Wildder's and Rich's Patents.*

Montreal, 29th April, 1854. 51

CHEAP PAPER WAREHOUSE!!
NEW STOCK
OF
PAPER HANGINGS!
WEIR & DUNN

RESPECTFULLY intimate, that they will OPEN their LARGE ROOM, above the Warehouse, on MAY next, with an Extensive and well selected Stock of

PAPER HANGINGS,

Of the Latest Designs, purchased from the Best Manufacturers in ENGLAND and UNITED STATES. Most of their English purchases are Prize Patterns, of the latest Designs, and surpass any that have been hitherto produced, for Brilliancy and Harmony of Color.

From arrangements made with the makers, they will be enabled to Supply the Trade and other Dealers in Canada, with the above Goods at the net imported prices.

Orders for importations, direct from the Manufacturers, at their list prices.

W. & D. beg also to state, that although STATIONERY GOODS have been considerably advanced in price, they have succeeded in purchasing the greater portion of Stock for their Spring Trade at last year's rates, and will be enabled to Supply their Customers at the same cheap prices as formerly.

The New Encaustic Tiles,
For Ornamental Flooring of the most Beautiful Designs,
MANUFACTURED BY THE PATENTEES,
MINTON, HOLLINS & CO.,
STAFFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND.

An Assortment of the Latest Patterns are now on hand, and may be seen at WEIR & DUNN'S, Great St. James Street.

March 9. 29

Important to Timber Merchants,
NOW READY,

A TABLE to facilitate the MEASUREMENT of TIMBER, and enable Lumber Merchants, Shippers and others to ascertain the CUBICAL CONTENTS and BOARD MEASURE of any size and length of Scantling in a few moments,

BY S. P. BIDDER, ESQ.,
General Manager Grand Trunk Railway.

The publication of this Work will supply a desideratum long wanted in the offices of every person engaged in the Lumber Business.

To be had of the principal Stationers and Book-Sellers, done up in pocket form, or in frames, varnished, for Counting Houses.

PRICE 2s. 6d. 11

WEIR & DUNN,
Great St. James Street.

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THE Subscribers have received, ex "Aides" via Boston, 1000 Pieces ASHTON'S BEST PRINTS, which they offer to the Trade low.

GILLESPIE, MOFFATT & CO.

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TIN PLATES—Just received and for Sale by the Subscriber—
500 boxes IC } Charcoal Tin Plates
350 boxes IX }

JOSEPH N. HALL,
105 St. Paul Street.

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FOR SALE.

CHOICE BOTTLED WINES,
&c. &c. &c.

THE Subscribers are now receiving and offer for sale, a choice assortment of BOTTLED WINES, &c.,

Port.
Prime Old and Tawny
Sandoman & Co.'s
Q. Haris & Co.'s
Graham & Co.'s
Hunt & Co.'s

Sherry.
Pale, Gold and Brown
Colors—Dry and Full
Flavored.
Amontillado
Pemartin & Co.'s
Gordon & Co.'s
P. Garvey's
Widow Perdilla

Madeiras.
East and West India.
Bucnet, Houghton & Co.'s
Blackburn's
Howard, March & Co.'s
Leaycock's

Sparkling Wines.
In Pints and Quarts.
CHAMPAGNE.
Moets
Ruinart, Pere & Fils
De Brimont
Bouzy
Heidseick
Himsle
Jockey Club
Sillery
Vin d'Ay
Russian Eagle

Scotch Whiskey, London and Dublin Stout,
Cinnpbell's Strong Ale, Bass's Pale Ale,
In Wood and Bottle, Liqueurs, &c.

N.B.—All Wines in Bottle from our Cellars are guaranteed as represented, and if not approved of may be returned.

ROBERT CLARKE & CO.
2 Peddle's Building's, LeMoine Street.

April 22. 48

Teas, Tobacco, Rice, &c.

RECEIVING and FOR SALE by the Subscribers—
350 boxes Fresh Teas, in the usual varieties
150 do Choice Tobacco, do
15 tierces Carolina Rice
50 bags Patna do do
100 boxes Muscatel Raisins
Green and Roasted Coffee, Pepper
Pimento, Starch, Mustard, &c. &c.

ROBERT CLARKE & CO.,
2 Peddle's Building's, LeMoine Street.

Nearly opposite Messrs. J. & J. Mitchell's.

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Fruit! Fruit!! Fruit!!!

JUST RECEIVED---CROP 1853,
EX "GLEANER," FROM MALAGA.

LAYER RAISINS, boxes, half-boxes and quarter-boxes
Bunch Muscatel do do do do
Muscatel Raisins, barrels and firkins
Prunes, in fancy boxes and glass jars
Turkey Figs, in 2lb and 5lb drums, and 7lb boxes
Soft Shelled Almonds
Valencia and Jordan Almonds, in boxes
Oranges and Lemons
Olive Oil, in cases 1 doz each

ALSO ON HAND,
Double Gloucester Cheese
Cheddar Loaf
Queen's Arms
North Wiltshire Cheese

—AND—
Best American Cheese
Abbott's London and Whitebread Porter and Ale
Champagne Brandy, in cases, vintage 1848
French Mustard, in tins
Stilton CHEESE, from Parsons, or Cuxhy,
Coopers Arms
130 boxes of Candles, expressly made to order for Family use,
With a first-rate assortment of
Grocceries, Wines & Brandies,
From first class houses in the Trade.

DANIEL LANIGAN,
178, Notre Dame Street,
Sign Three Sugar Loaves.

December 24. 238

GROCERIES.

IN STORE—"Hennessey" Brandy
"DeKuyper & Sons" Gin in hhds and cases
"Jamaica" Rum, puns and hhds
Sherry Wine, Pale and Gold Colored
Boiled Linseed Oil, Madras Indigo
Belmont Sperm Candles, Congou Tea
Pepper, Cassia, &c. &c.

—ALSO,—
To arrive by first spring vessels from London, Liverpool, Marseilles, Antwerp, Cadiz, &c. :
Refined Sugar, 6 and 10 lb loaves, in hhds and tierces
Crushed and White Bastard Sugar, in barrels
Cognac Brandy, "Hennessey's," "Otard, Dupuy & Co.'s" Pale and Dark, in hhds, pipes and qr-casks, "Vintage of 1851"
"DeKuyper's" Gin, in hhds and cases
Sherry Wine, Pale and Gold Colored, of finest vintages
Champagne, pints and qts do
London Porter and Pale Ale, pints and qts do
Madras Indigo, Jamaica Ginger, Cloves, Nutmegs, Sperm and Belmont Sperm Candles, Congou, Twankay and Hyson Teas &c. &c. &c.

For Sale by
HUGH FRASER,
30, St. Sacrament Street.

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No. 38 NOTRE DAME STREET, **No. 38.**
Opposite Old Donegana Hotel.

JUST RECEIVED and for Sale, the following Articles, which we can recommend :—
Gruvere Cheese, first quality
Pates Foie Gras Truffes
Saussiaen de Boulogne
French Mustard in small pots
Superfine Olives in large bottles
Absente Suisse, first quality
Small Green Pease Preserved—natural
Tomatoes do do
Asparagus do do
Truffes do do

—AND—
The usual assortment of REAL CHATEAU LAFITE, other CLARETS, LIQUORS & CUIL de PERDRIX (Champagne Rose)

DELAGRAVE & CO.

N.B.—Shortly expected, the CHAMPAGNE Monet and Chandon.

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Brandies.

THE Undersigned are Commissioned by the old established house of JULES ROBIN & Co., of Cognac, to take orders for their favorite BRANDIES, deliverable at Cognac in the ensuing spring. Prices will be made low if early application be made.

HENRY CHAPMAN & Co.,
A gents for Canada.

March 11. 30

CHAMPAGNE!

THE Celebrated "LONDON CLUB" Brands,
MAY SUTAINE & CO., of Rheims, Superior FLEUR de CHAMPAGNE, which obtained the preference over all other Wines at the Banquet given by the Legislative Corps to His Imperial Majesty Louis Napoleon.

TORRY & CO.

October 15. 196

IN STORE and for Sale—
JAMAICA GIN GER, finest
REFINED SALTPETRE, 1 cwt kegs
BLACK PEPPER, double sifted
PIMENTO, CASSIA
DeKUYPER'S GIN, in hhds
LIVERPOOL SOAP, W. C. & G. Casey
Now landing ex "St. Lawrence,"
500 sacks Liverpool COARSE SALT

D. TORRANCE & CO.

May 4. 55

JUST RECEIVED and for Sale by the Subscribers :—
Genuine Bermuda Arrowroot, direct from the Island

—ALSO, ON HAND,—
Candied Lemon, Orange and Citron Peels
Isinglass and Gelatine, of various descriptions
Capers, Mustards, Worcestershire Sauce
Cocoa Paste, of superior quality, in pots
Ground Spices, &c.

CARTER, KERRY & CO.,
St. Paul Street.

December 22. 237

FOR SALE—
54 qr casks } SHERRY WINE
40 octaves }

G. KINGAN.

November 15. 221

FOR SALE—
Martell and Hennessey's Brandy, in bond and duty paid
DeKuyper's Gin, do
Port and Sherry Wines, Teas, &c. &c.

G. D. STUART.

March 7. 28

FOR SALE.

First Arrivals.

THE Subscribers have received, per R. M. Steamer "Canada",

THREE CASES OF GOODS,
CONSISTING IN PART OF :
SPLENDID SILVER TEA AND COFFEE SETTS.
CASES OF SILVER KNIVES AND FORKS
ELEGANT PLATED STRAWBERRY BOWLS AND BASKETS
ELEGANT PLATED CASTERS in Great Variety
ELEGANT PLATED TEA AND COFFEE SETTS.
—AND—
SILVER LEVER HUNTING WATCHES, of Very Superior Finish
—ALSO—
GOLD BRACELETS AND BROACHES
Do MALECHITE AND PEBBLE BRACELETS
Do SCARF PINS
Do GUARDS AND CHAINS, &c. &c.

SAVAGE & LYMAN.

April 13. 44

NEW GOODS.

THE Subscriber begs to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has just received a few cases of FANCY ARTICLES, consisting of Ladies' Papier Maché Work Boxes, Companions, Portfolios, Jewel Cases, Dressing Cases, Work Baskets, Coral Bracelets, Mounted with Paris Brilliants, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Gold Watch Chains, Brooches, of various Patterns, Silver Thimbles, of all descriptions, with his usual assortment of Gold and Silver Watches Jewellery, &c., &c.

All kinds of Repairs done with neatness and despatch.

H. PEACOCK,
96¾ Notre Dame Street.

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LAVENDER,
Merchant and Military Tailor, and General Outfitter,
No. 30
McGILL STREET,

RESPECTFULLY thanks his Customers and the Public in general, for the liberal support he has received during the past year, and avails himself of this occasion to state that he is now provided with all necessary articles for SPRING CLOTHING, in great variety and superior quality.

LADIES' RIDING HABITS, SERVANTS' LIVERIES, &c. made to order in the best style.

READY-MADE CLOTHING, WHOLESALE, Cheap for Cash.

April 25. 49

ON SALE—
Grey and Bleached Cottons
Stays, Umbrellas, Stay Bone
Tailors' Canvas and Linings
Bonnet Canvas, Bonnet Wire and Cane
Cotton, Merino, and Woollen Hosiery
Sashes, Gloves, Braces
Lace Goods, Muslins
Lastings, Baize, Hard Tartans
Woollen and Cotton Shawls and Hdfs
Batting, Striped Cottons, Ticks
Flannels, Blankets
Threads, assorted Small Wares

Lately received per "Achilles"
Dress Buttons, Gimps
And Children's Woollen Hoods

ROBERT ADAMS,
301 St. Paul Street.

December 1. 228

China, Glass, and Earthenware,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,
171, ST. PAUL STREET,
AT VERY LOW PRICES,

THE Subscribers offer for Sale a large assortment of GILT and PLAIN TABLE, TEA, BREAKFAST, and TOILET SERVICES of the newest styles, with a great variety of useful articles for Housekeepers.

Assorted Crates by the Package.

ROBINSON & HIGGINS,
Successors to ROBINSON & LYMAN.

March 14. 31

China, Glass and Earthenware.

THE Subscribers have on hand a large and complete assortment of DINNER, DESSERT, TEA, BREAKFAST, and TOILET SETS, in all the new flown Colours, and in superior White Stoneware.

Plain, Preat and Cut Glassware, Decanters, Tumblers, Wines, Water Carafs, Dishes on Stand, Covered Preserve Dishes, Decanters, Jugs, &c.

—ALSO,—
A complete assortment of WARE, for Wholesale Trade, all of which will be sold at Low Prices.

CHARLES HAGAR & CO.,
No. 223, cor. St. Paul & St. Peter Streets.

February 16. 207

CROCKERY, &c.

THE Subscriber has just received by the "SARAH MARY,"
an Extensive and well Selected Assortment of CROCKERY, expects in a few days, a further and larger supply by the
"WHITE CLOUD," "WATER LILLY," and other vessels, all of which he intends to offer at Low Prices, and respectfully encourages the Country Merchants to give him a call and judge for themselves.

ADOLPHUS BOURNE,
120 St. Paul Street.

May 17. 66

Champagnes.

EDOUARD MASSON,
No. 150, *SAINT PAUL STREET*
Sole Agent in Canada for
Belbeck & Lelegard's Superior Brands
Eugene Cliquot's do

—ALSO ON HAND,—
Moet's Fleur de Sillery
Cardinal de Richelieu
Heidseck, No. 1
March 9. 29

FOR SALE—
Brandies, Gins, Ports, Sherries, Madeiras, Bordeaux Clarets and White Wines, Burgundies, Champagnes, Cigars, &c. &c. Salad Oil, Sardines, in Oil, Refined, Crushed and Muscovado Sugars, Teas, Coffees, Spices, Tobaccos, Belmont and Sperm Candles, &c. &c.

EDOUARD MASSON.

December 22. 237

SPRING IMPORTATION.
GROCERIES.
JOHN LONG,
224 St. Paul Street,

HAS received and offers for Sale—
100 hhds Bright Muscovado Sugar
1000 packages TEA, viz:—Hyson Twankay, Twankay, Gf Hyson, Young Hyson, Gunpowder, Imperial, Souchong, &c &c
250 packages Tobacco
50 cases Matches
300 boxes Digby Herrings
1000 sides Glasgow Sole Leather, middling Weights

—ALSO—
Coffee, Green and Roasted, Pepper, Allspice Ginger, Nutmegs, Cloves, Cinnamon, Mustard Pepper Sauce, Rice, Starch, Blue, Blacking, Lampblack, Black Lead, Indigo, Liquorice, Pipes, Brooms, Pails, Bristol Salts, Filberts, Brazil Nuts, Almonds, Raisins, Currants, Salad Oil, Vinegar, Pickles, Fancy Soap, Salaratus, Sperm Candles, Wrapping Paper, Demijohns, Segars, Snuff, Cut Tobacco, Castor Oil, Baking Powder, Bed Cords, Liverpool Salt, Stoved Salt, &c. &c.

JOHN LONG.

May 9. 59

FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBER—
TEAS—Young Hyson, Imperial and Gunpowder, Boxes and Catties
TOBACCO—Henry Deane and Cavendish, 5's, 8's, 20's and lb lumps
RAISINS—Prime Fresh Muscatels, Bunch and Layers, in Boxes, Halves and Qrs
WINES—Sherry, Madeira, Burgundy, Port and Malaga
Muscovado Sugar, Black Pepper, Pimento, Nutmegs, Belmont Sperm Candles, Button Blue, Refined Saltpetre, Steele's Liverpool Soap, Labor Saving Soap, Ground Pepper, London Mustard, ½ and ¼ lb bottles, Mushroom Ketchup, Brandy, Wine and Syrup Coloring of superior quality, Havana Cigars, Black Lead, Lamp Black.

—ALSO—
German Sheet Window Glass, from 6½x7½ up to 44x30 ; Boiled Linseed Oil ; Putty, in bladders and bulk ; Pale Seal, Machinery and Tanners' Oil ; White Paint, in kegs and tins, different qualities ; Yellow, Green, Blue and other Colored Paints, in great variety ; Zinc, White Paint and Patent Driers ; Rose Pink ; Dry White Lead, Orange Lead ; Brunswick Green and Blue ; Chrome Yellow ; Vermillion ; Drop Black ; Paris Green ; Sienna ; Umber ; Spanish Brown ; Chinese Blue ; Furniture and Coach Varnish, Sand Paper ; Paint and Varnish Brushes ; Whitewash Brushes, &c. &c. &c.

THOMAS WILLIAMS,
St. Sacrament Street.

January 21, 1854. 9

FOR SALE.

SPRING 1854.
NEW GOODS JUST OPENED.

PLAIN and FANCY STRAW BONNETS, 4¾d to 15s.
PAISLEY SCARF SHAWLS, from 7s 10½d upwards.
Several Cases FRENCH AND ENGLISH FLOWERS.
NEW DRESS GOODS in every variety.

MORISON, CAMERON & EMPEY,
202, Notre Dame Street.

April 20. 47

SPRING GOODS.

THE undersigned have just received via PORTLAND and BOSTON, Thirty Cases SPRING GOODS, consisting in part of—
Black and Colored Glaces, Berages
Black and Colored Sarsnet and Belt Ribbons
Ladies' and Gent's Neck Ties
Curtain and Fancy Nets
Imitation and Thread Laces
Worked Chemizettes, Collars, Sleeves, &c
British and French Delaines, French Demity
Ladies' & Children's White and Colored Stays
Cambric Pockets, Sarsnets and Persians
Fancy Vestings, Habit Shenery, &c. &c.

ALEX. MOLSON & CO.

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LACES, EMBROIDERIES, HOSIERY AND GLOVES.

J. PARKIN

RESPECTFULLY invites attention to a numerous assemblage of NOVELTIES, in LACES and EMBROIDERIES, now receiving, via Boston and Portland, consisting of MALTESE, GUIPURE, LIMERICK, HONITON, VALENCIENNES, and other LACES, with a Superior Assortment of EMBROIDERED MUSLIN GOODS, and the usual Extensive Variety of LADIES', GENTLEMENS, and CHILDRENS HOSIERY and GLOVES.

116 NOTRE DAME STREET.

April 15. 45

NEW SPRING GOODS,
VIA PORTLAND & BOSTON.

THE Subscribers have Just Opened One Hundred and Twenty Cases BRITISH and FRENCH GOODS, ex "Ottawa", "Arabia", and "Canada" Steamships, consisting in part of :
Straw Bonnets and Straw Trimmings, Rich French and Coventry Bonnet Ribbons, Parasols, Gloves and Hosiery, Laces,

DRESS GOODS, SHAWLS AND LONG SHAWLS,
Broad Cloths, Cassimeres, Scotch Tweeds and Fancy Trowserings, Silks and Brocades,

SEWED MUSLINS.
A full assortment of HABERDASHERY and FANCY SMALL WARES, &c. &c.

CLARK, THOMSON & CO.,
168 St. Paul Street.

April 4. 40

West of England Black Broads.

THE Subscribers beg to call the attention of the Trade to the above Goods, which they have just received.

CLARK, THOMSON & CO.

April 4. 40

TO IMPORTERS & JOBBERS
IN
DRY GOODS.

THE undersigned, AGENTS FOR MANUFACTURERS, are prepared to Sell, by the package, the following articles, at prices (in Currency) equivalent to the Sterling Cost, with charges of importation :—

ROBERT ASHTON'S well known CAMBRIC PRINTS,
J. RADCLIFFE & CO.'S, Rochdale, FLANNELS and BLANKETS,
YORKSHIRE WOOLLENS, CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, TWEEDS, DOESKINS, WITNEYS, BEAVERS.
GERMAN LISLE Socks & Stockings,
GERMAN COTTON VELVETS, for Ladies' Dresses—a perfect imitation of Silk, &c.

W. WHITEFORD & CO.

September 7. 163

CHEAP SALE
OF
FANCY AND STAPLE DRY GOODS.

AS Messrs. J. & M. NICHOLS purpose REMOVING on the 1st of May next, to the Premises now occupied by

MESSRS. MORGAN,
(NO. 204, NOTRE DAME STREET),

They beg to inform their Friends, that they are wishful to dispose of their present Stock at

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

THE STORE WILL BE CLOSED ON Saturday and Monday Next,

in order that the Goods may be re-ticketed.

N.B.—The price of each article will be marked in plain figures, from which no second abatement can be made.

March 31. 39

CLOTHING! CLOTHING!!

THE Subscriber begs to call the attention of intending purchasers, that he is now Manufacturing, a large Stock of SPRING & SUMMER CLOTHING, which he will continue to get up in the very best style, in consequence of which he is disposed to sell off the remainder of his Winter Stock at greatly reduced Prices.

Constantly on hand a good assortment of Shirts, Collars, and other furnishing Goods.

F. X. LOISELLE.

March 9. 29

WINTER WOOLLENS.

FOR SALE :—BLANKETS
FLANNELS
KERSEYS
CLOTH
BEAVER
WITNEYS
CASSIMERES
SATTINETS
LION SKINS
DOESKINS
CARPETING

JEAN BRUNEAU.

November 29. 227

FOR SALE—
CANADIEN GREY ETOFFE, Best
ENGLISH KERSEY, Assorted
IRISH FRISE
STUFF GOODS

JEAN BRUNEAU.

November 29. 227

BAGS.

FOR SALE—CANADIAN LINEN
DUNDEE TWILLED
FORFAR, Best
OSNABURGH
AMERICAN, Best

JEAN BRUNEAU.

November 29. 227

To Rail Car Builders and Furniture Makers.

JUST RECEIVED, ex "Sarah Sands," ONE CASE URECHT VELVET, for Covering Car Seats, Sofas, Chairs, &c. This article is quite new, and exceedingly elegant in pattern and style.

For Sale by

MILLAR, GLASSFORD & CO.,
14 and 16, St. Sacrament Street.

October 27. 206

FOR SALE by the Subscribers, in Origina Packages :—
Whitney, Beaver and Pilot Cloths
W E and German S E do
Fancy Cassimeres & Doeskins
Blankets and Flannels
Marbled Coatings and Verona Cords
Black Cadet, Mixed and Fancy Printed Satinetts
Printed and Drab Moleskins and Cords
Velvet and Velveteen, Plain and Printed
Wool and Cotton Fancy Linings
Grey Sheetings, 33 and 36 inch, English and American
White Shirting, do
Regatta Shirting, 5-4 and 7-8, Two-Blue, Blue and Orange, and other Prints
Sheeting, Stripes and Ticking
Eagle and Columbian Denims
Chicopee Blue Drills, &c. &c.

MILLAR, GLASSFORD & CO.,
5, St. Sacrament Street.

October 3. 185

THE Subscribers have now received from Britain, via Boston and the St. Lawrence, a large and well assorted Stock of STAPLE and FANCY DRY GOODS, comprising in part :—
Blankets and Flannels
Cloths and Shawls
Domestics, Shirtings
Prints, Cashmeres and Stuffs
Linens, Silks and Ribbons
Hosiery, Gloves and Laces
Small Wares, &c. &c. &c.

GILMOUR & CO.,
9, St. Sacrament Street.

October 5. 187

FOR SALE.

JOHN HENRY EVANS,
General Hardware Merchant,
CORNER OF ST. PAUL & ST. NICHOLAS STREETS,

INVITES the attention of Purchasers from Canada West and elsewhere, to his LARGE STOCK of BIRMINGHAM, SHEFFIELD, GLASGOW and LONDON HARDWARE, comprising—

Bar, Hoop, and Sheet Iron ; Nail Rods, Boiler Plates ; Tin and Canada Plates ; Coil, Log, and Trace Chains ; Clout, Rose, Patent Pressed, and Horse Nails. Sickes ; Scythes, Sickles, Hay and Straw Knives, Anvils and Vices, Smiths' Sundries, Wire ; Mill, Cross-cut and Circular Saws ; Bar & Sheet Copper and Tin'd Sheets ; Brass Rods and Sheets ; Bunser, Spring, Shear and Cast Steel ; Shovels, Spades and Grain Scoops ; Hooks and Hinges ; Sad irons, Iron Weights ; Pig and Sheet Lead ; Zinc, in pigs and sheets ; Spelter, Block and Bar Tin ; Lead, Composition, Iron, Brass and Copper Tubing ; Thicoli, Quicksilver, Fowling Pieces, double and single ; Hollow Ware of all descriptions, Black, Tin'd and Enamelled ; Iron Chests, Iron Weights Grocer's Mills, Potash Ladles; together with

SHEL GOODS,
Including AMERIC GERMAN, making a complete assortm every branch of the Line, to which Wholesale Purchasers in invited.

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PERKINS'
Patent Upright Refrigerators.

THE Subscribe, having been appointed Agent for the above celebrated REFRIGERATORS, has now on hand Samples, and will receive in a few days a large supply of various sizes. They are made in the best manner, and of the best material Richly painted, they may be placed in the dining room, if required. For convenience, they cannot be surpassed ; being upright, and having shelves of slate on the right and left, dishes can be put in and removed, without displacing oters, and ice can be taken out at all times without removing anything. This Refrigerator need only to be examined to be approved. No family should be without them.

Call and see fo yourselves at the Old Stove Warehouse, 146 S. Paul Street.

GEO. HAGAR.

April 27. 50

Iron Bedsteads & Cooking Stoves.

The Largest Stove Warehouse in the City

T. M. RODDEN,
NO. 51 GREAT ST. JAMES STREET,
Nearly Opposite the Ottawa Hotel.

ORNAMENTAL GILT and BRONZED IRON BEDSTEADS
Cribs, Cots, Coaches, Chairs, Settees, Brackets, Hat and Umbrella Stands, Tables with Marbleized Iron Tops, Ornamental Iron Framed Mirrors, Fire Iron Stands, Flower Stands, Spittoons, Iron Pedestal Store Scoals, with Plush or Morocco Tops to revolve, for Dry Good and Fancy Stores, Iron Railing for Cemeteries, Desks, Cemetery Lots, Public Grounds, &c., Iron Farm Fencing, Hot Air Furnaces, Registers and Ventilators, Marbleized Iron Mantle Pieces, with Grates.

April 20. 49

STEAMBOAT & HOTEL COOKING STOVES
Extra Large.

T. M. RODDEN,
51, Great St. James Street.

April 22. 48

JAMES R. HUTCHINS,
HARDWARE MERCHANT,
No. 155, Saint Paul Street,
Three Doors from the Corner of Saint Jean Baptiste Street,

SIGN OF THE MILL SAW,

IS now offering for Sale, at the lowest possible Market prices, a full assortment of BIRMINGHAM and SHEFFIELD HARDWARE, viz :—Bar, Hoop and Band Iron; Canada Plates, Tin IC and IX, Axes, Spades and Shovels, Saws, Hollow Ware, of all kinds, Oils, Paints, Brushes, Cut and Wrought Nails, Well Pumps, Hay Knives, Double and Single, Fowling Pieces, GOODS, from English, United States and German markets, which he found a well selected Stock of Carpenters, Blacksmiths, and other Tools of the best quality.

—Also,—
150 sides Slaughter Sole Leather
60 doz Sides Canada Calf
60 do do Kip
Upper and Harness Leather, &c.

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MAIR'S
Portable Steam Engines,
FOR
CANAL, RAILROAD, OR GENERAL MANUFACTURING PURPOSES.

THESE ENGINES are constructed on a new and improved principle, with Wrought Iron Heads in Boilers, Patent Cut-off, &c. They are warranted to do more work with less Fuel, than any Steam Engines now in use, and can be had from three to thirty Horse Power.

Apply to

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Montreal, August 19. 183

SEWING MACHINES,
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To any ever offered to the Public.

THE Subscribers are Manufacturing these LABOUR-SAVING MACHINES at their Works in Montreal, and are prepared to furnish purchasers at Reduced Prices.

They also Finish NEEDLES, THREAD, SILK, &c. &c.

N. B.—Full direction for use accompany each Machine.

J. W. McLELLAN & CO.,
Office—1 Wellington Street.

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LOOK!

THE Subscriber has now on hand, an Extensive Assortment of REFRIGERATORS, or PORTABLE SUMMER ICE HOUSES, both of Box and Cupboard Shape, of a very superior description, well adapted for Private Families, at Low Prices.

—ALSO,—
WATER COOLERS, a very handsome and useful article for Summer use.

G. F. PROWSE,
38, Great St. James Street.

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TO CARRIAGE MAKERS.

FOR SALE:
Hickery, Oak and Ash Felloes, Spokes, Shafts, Poles, Bows, Whiffletrees, &c., OF ALL SIZES.

—ALSO,—
ELM (MORTICED) HUBS,
From 3½ to 20 inches in diameter.
With other Articles, for Carriage Maker's use.

JOHN M. GILBERT.

April 13. 44

GAS SHADES.

THE Subscriber is prepared to take orders from parties fitting up Shops for GAS SHADES, of any Pattern, with Name Cut in the Glass, or otherwise Lettered, as may be required. Orders should be given *at once*, to secure early execution.

GAS FITTINGS.

A few Sets PLAIN SHOP FITTINGS, PENDANTS, and BRACKETS, for Sale Low to close Consignment of Samples.

W. R. HIBBARD,
No. 161, St. Paul Street,
Corner opposite Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.

April 11. 43

JUST RECEIVED,
Via New York and Boston,
20 TONS GENUINE DRY and GROUND WHITE LEAD, and OXICHLORIDE WHITE, at

RAMSAY & McARTHUR'S
Oil, Paint, and Glass Stores,
55 and 60 McGill Street, Montreal.

☞ A SALESMAN WANTED, who can speak both languages.

March 21. 34

Three Rivers Pot Ash Kettles.

A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT of these very superior KETTLES for Sale by

FROTHINGHAM & WORKMAN.

February 2. 14

Bolting Cloth & Mill Stones.

FOR SALE by the Subscribers—
Bolting Cloth (branded Anchor)
Patent Bolting Cloth, assorted numbers
French Mill Stones
French Burr Blocks

E & V. HUDON.

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Boiled Linseed Oil.

50 QUARTER CASKS "Blundell's" Best

For Sale by

FROTHINGHAM & WORKMAN.

February 2. 14

Russia Sheet Iron.

10 TONS, just received in prime order, and for Sale by

FROTHINGHAM & WORKMAN.

February 2. 14

NOTICES.

PARTNERSHIP.

A PARTNERSHIP having been formed between WILLIAM DARLING and THOMAS DAVIDSON, the business formerly carried on by WILLIAM DARLING will be CONTINUED under the Firm of WILLIAM DARLING & CO.

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HARDWARE.

THE Subscribers, have in Store a very large and well assorted Stock of ENGLISH, GERMAN, and AMERICAN HARDWARE, SHELF and BAR IRON, STEEL, CUT, WROUGHT and HORSE NAILS.

Also, expected per first vessels, large additions to the above, all of which will be offered for Sale at low prices and favorable terms.

W. DARLING & CO.

May 4, 1854. 56

Writing and Wrapping Papers.

THE Subscribers are receiving per first vessels a large and varied assortment of ENGLISH, FRENCH and GERMAN WRITING and WRAPPING PAPERS, as well as a complete assortment of PLAIN and FANCY STATIONERY, BRUSHES, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS and FANCY GOODS, which will be sold on favorable terms wholesale only.

W. DARLING & CO.

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NOTICE.

THE undersigned have formed a CO-PARTNERSHIP for the transaction of Business as GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS, under the Name and Style of FORESTER, MOIR & CO.

ROBERT FORESTER,
ARCHIBALD MOIR,
JAMES MOIR.

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FORESTER, MOIR & CO.,
General Commission Merchants,
262, ST. PAUL STREET.

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THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between J. R. SMITH and NORMAN S. FROST, under the Firm of J. R. SMITH & CO., having been DISSOLVED by the death of Norman S. Frost, all Debts due to and by the late Firm will be settled by the Subscriber, who will continue the Business, solely on his account, under the name and style of J. R. SMITH & CO.

J. R. SMITH.

Montreal, May 1, 1854. 53

NOTICE

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing in this City between SAMUEL MATHEWSON and JAMES ADAMS MATHEWSON, under the Firm of SAMUEL MATHEWSON & SON, having been dissolved by the death of Samuel Mathewson, notice is hereby given that all debts due to and by the late Firm will be settled by J. A. & H. MATHE

MONTREAL HERALD AND DAILY COMMERCIAL GAZETTE, FRIDAY, MAY 12, 1854.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

No notice can be taken of anonymous communications. Whatever is intended for insertion must be authenticated by the name and address of the writer; not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of his good faith. We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

Notices of marriages, births and deaths, can only be inserted when authenticated by some party known to be connected with the event.

☞ TAKE NOTICE.—We take no letters out of the Post Office unless they are PRE-PAID.

☞ Our Correspondents will take notice that we refuse all letters received through the Post Office, unless the postage is prepaid.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

ALL ADVERTISERS by the Year or Agreement are charged extra at the usual rates of advertising, when they exceed the limits of their agreements.

☞ TO ADVERTISERS.—Our Advertising Friends will oblige us by letting us have their favors on the evenings previous to publication not later than Six o'clock. Advertisements received later than that hour cannot receive so prominent a position in the paper.

THE MONTREAL HERALD

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 12, 1854.

☞ TO THE PUBLIC.—The Proprietors of the DAILY HERALD would inform the public that none of their NEWSPAPER CARRIERS are allowed to sell Papers in the streets.

Subscribers who do not receive their papers regularly will please notify us.

☞ *Pay your Gas Rents on or before the 14th instant, and save 25 per cent account.*

CANADIAN NATIONALITY.—INSTITUT CANADIEN.—We have headed this article with a double title, because we have in view a double object. First, to impress upon our readers in Lower Canada the importance of cultivating a well conditioned and liberal spirit of Canadian nationality: and next, to point out, as a definite means to that end, the support of, and the concurrence in, the Society known as the *Institut Canadien*. We believe that no rational man can think for one moment upon the position of this country, without feeling that sectional differences should be got rid of as soon as possible, in order that we may have peace among ourselves, and continued prosperity, as a consequence of that peace. There are countries to which men go from the British Islands, simply to make fortunes, and as speedily as possible to return. There, among semi-barbarians, or among men, who, though calling themselves civilized, boast of bigotry in religion, and attachment to despotic government, such as would be worthy of the middle ages, it is not only natural, but even laudable, to roll oneself in an exclusive armour of home feelings, or home prejudice, and refuse contact which may tend to degeneration. In such countries the parent seeks not to establish his children, except, perhaps, as he has established himself, as a temporary sojourner. But all this is reversed in those countries, properly called British Colonies—We use, we hope without irreverence, words relating to a far more solemn subject, but singularly appropriate to this: they who come here "declare plainly that they seek a country,"—a country for themselves and a country for their children. Round their own hearts entwine all those affections historical, and local, which make up the love of country; and truly that heart must be cold, which can remember the flowery lanes, the wooded heights, the embowered churches, and quiet villages of the "old country," without feeling that no prosperity elsewhere, can destroy that first love. The descendants of emigrants to this Province, however, will have none of these sentiments. If they possess patriotism at all it must be Canadian patriotism, and this if it be not a miserable, contracted feeling of caste and party must embrace all who reside upon the Canadian soil. We feel this to be right in the case of posterity: we know that it sooner or later it must take place, and that the true greatness of the country will not begin until distinctions of race and particular objects give way to the united desire to work out one common which five centuries after they became one nation on her soil, find themselves again in juxtaposition, in a world then unknown. With these conclusions of our reason all that we demand is that our conduct should as much as possible agree. Let the fathers begin that which they know, must be accomplished by the children. In saying this we expect no chimerical changes. We have no idea that an Englishman, Scotchman, Irishman, or French Canadian, can be induced by a newspaper article, nor even by the most thorough conviction of his own intellect, to abandon at once those peculiarities, which form as much a part of his being, as the limbs of his body. We must all understand this, even as a means to the union which we seek for; unless we do, we shall each expect too much from the other.—While unconscious of our own tenacity of adherence, we shall blame the stubborn obstinacy which will not adopt our ideas and our customs. The growing up of a broad national sentiment out of a variety of national peculiarities is a process that requires time, and in order that it should not be checked, during the period of progress, we must be disposed to overlook or indulge some antagonist notions, knowing that we have the same need for indulgence ourselves. Indeed it is probable that the desired end is to be gained not so much by effacing present impressions, so as to reduce all to the same level, as by raising up objects of overflowing interest, to which the exertions of all may tend. In order to this, social and intellectual intercourse between all classes must be cultivated as much as possible, and this brings us to the second object of this article—the propriety of joining and supporting the *Institut Canadien*. It would seem not to be a very high object of ambition—and though not essential to nationality would certainly be a striking badge of it—for every person born in Lower Canada or arriving here in early life to speak with tolerable fluency the two languages of the country, and to know something of the history, the literature, and the predominant ideas of the two nations by which this colony has been peopled. We believe that, perhaps, circumstances, more than any direct bent of the will, have made our French Canadian fellow citizens a great deal better versed in English and English history, than those of English origin are in French and French history. Whatever may be the cause, the fact admits of little doubt. But the *Institut* provides a means of correcting this inferiority on the part of the inhabitants of British origin. For a small subscription all may become members of a society, which, while it excludes none, is yet, and will long be essentially French in its leading characteristics. It is an institution which seems especially adapted to draw together the different classes of society; but especially to place our young men of British origin in a position to know, understand and appreciate their neighbors of another origin. Those who read our report of the recent opening of the new rooms of the *Institut*, will not want any assurances that in its library and its discussions there is the utmost freedom for all opinions, as well as for all classes of members. For young men of education especially, who wish to perfect themselves in speaking one of the two languages of the country, the discussions of the Society offer an excellent field, which we hope will be extensively made use of.

THE LEGISLATURE.—The *Pilot* says yesterday: "We learn from Quebec that the Music Hall has been taken by the Government, and that there the ensuing Session of Parliament will be held. The accommodations, with the necessary alterations and improvements that can be made in the *interim* between the present time and that of the opening of Parliament, will be sufficient to enable the public business to be got through without much inconvenience."

MAP OF THE BALTIC.—We are indebted to the issue of the New York *Journal of Commerce* of Tuesday last for a large, very distinct and, we doubt not, correct map of this, at present, interesting part of the world.

LADIES' WEEKLY JOURNAL.—The second No. of this weekly will be issued Saturday morning, May 13th, filled as heretofore, with a large amount of choice reading.

Terms, $2 per year, single copies, two pence.

The Instalment of Ten per Cent. on the Stock of the Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company is payable this day at the City Bank.

MONTREAL MECHANICS' HALL.

This Building, situated upon and forming the South West corner of Great St. James and St. Peter Streets, in the City of Montreal, was erected by voluntary contributions for the use and purposes of The Mechanics' Institute of Montreal, in the year of our Lord Christ, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-four, and in the Seventeenth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Queen Victoria, His Excellency the Right Honorable James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K.T., Governor General of British North America, &c., (under the administration in this Province of Lieut.-General William Rowan, C.B.)

The Mechanics' Institute of Montreal was founded in the year 1828, and was incorporated by Act of the Legislature of the Province of Canada, in the year 1845. Its object is to afford to its Members instruction in the principles of the Arts and in the various branches of Science and useful Knowledge, by means of a Library, a Reading Room, Lectures and Classes.

The Office Bearers for the year 1854, are:—

Henry Bulmer, President.
Alexander Bertram, 1st Vice-President.
James A. B. McGill, 2nd Vice-President.
Charles F. Ladd, 3rd Vice-President.
James Hayes, 4th Vice-President.
Alexander Murray, Corresponding Secretary.
Alexander A. Stevenson, Recording Secretary.
Henry Lyman, Treasurer.
Thomas D. Reed, Librarian.

COMMITTEE.

Alexander Ramsay, Robert Goodwillie,
Edward Maxwell, John Fletcher,
William Spier, Robert Mitchell,
William Hutchinson, David Brown,
James Mavor, John Lambert,
Alexander Affleck, James Wells.

E. H. Richardson, Superintendant.

The Building is erected under the Superintendence of the following Building Committee:

Henry Bulmer Chairman.

William Hutchinson, Robert Goodwillie,
Henry Lyman, Charles F. Ladd,
William Spier, James Wells.

Messrs. McKay & Austin, Advocates; Isaac Jones Gibb, Esq., Notary, and Messrs. John Wm. Hopkins and James Nelson, Architects, contributed their Professional services gratuitously.—Messrs. Badgley & Abbott, contributed from the Kingsey Saw Works a sufficient quantity of Slate to cover the Building.

And the other Contributors to the Fund up to the 24th May, 1854, when the Corner Stone of this Building was laid with solemn Masonic Ceremony, comprise most of the leading commercial and professional men of the city.

The general order of the procession has been already published. The Masonic procession was composed as follows, and which was directed and arranged by V. W. Brother Shipway, Past Master of St. George's Lodge.

ORDER OF MASONIC PROCESSION.

Tyler—with sword.
Music.
Brethren, not members of any Lodge, two-and-two.
The Lodges according to their numbers,
Juniors going first.
Architect or Builder, with the plans,
(A Cornucopia, with corn, borne by the Master of a Lodge. P. G.
Steward. Two Ewers, with wine and Steward.
oil, borne by Masters of Lodges. P. G.
P. Grand Poursuivant.
Assistant P. Grand, Director of Ceremonies.
Grand Director of Ceremonies.
Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, with the Plate bearing the inscription.
Past P. Grand Sword Bearer.
Past P. Grand Deacons.
Provincial Grand Secretary with the Book of Constitutions.
Provincial Grand Treasurer, bearing a phial containing the coin to be deposited in the cornucopia.
Past P. Grand Wardens.
Past Deputy-Provincial Grand Masters.
Visitors of distinction.
The Corinthian Light, borne by the Master of a Lodge.
Past Master of a Lodge.
The Column of J. G. W. borne by a Master Mason.
The J. G. W. with the Plumb-rule.
The Doric Light, borne by the Master or Past Master of a Lodge.
The Column of S. G. W., borne by a Master Mason.
The S. G. W. with the Level—the I. G. Deacon.
The Provincial Grand Chaplain, bearing the Sacred Law, on a Cushion. P. G. Chaplain.
Deputy-Provincial Grand Master, with Square.
The Ionic Light, borne by the Master or Past Master of a Lodge.
A Past Provincial Grand Master or other Brother of eminence, bearing the Mallet.
Provincial Grand Sword Bearer.
The Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master.
The S. G. Deacon.
Two Provincial Grand Stewards.
Provincial Grand Tyler.

On arriving on the ground the President of the Institute, H. Bulmer, Esq., addressed the Grand Master as follows:—

Most Worshipful Provincial Grand Master and Brethren,

we hope to see completed and occupied—the Mechanics' Hall, the corner stone of which building we have asked you this day to lay in solemn form.

Before requesting you to proceed with that ceremony, I would wish briefly to allude to the Institution, the purposes of which this Hall is intended to subserve, and the circumstances under which this building has been commenced, and the manner by which we have been enabled to do so.

The Mechanics' Institute of Montreal was founded in the year 1828, for the objects common to such associations, and has, ever since that period, continued gradually to increase in prosperity, and the means to provide increased accommodation for members is now 600, and the annual revenue averages £400. It possesses a well-selected Library of about 2000 volumes, a Reading Room, supplied with the principal newspapers and periodicals of the day, and it has continued to organize each season courses of lectures and winter classes.

In the year 1845, an Act of Incorporation was obtained for the purposes of the Province, authorizing the Association, among other things, to hold real estate to a certain amount, and before, and ever since that period, it has been the desire and aim of the Institute to procure suitable and permanent premises for its uses, as the deficient accommodation and many inconveniences attendant on their want, had long cramped the energies and limited the usefulness of the Institution.

After much preliminary effort and consideration this lot of ground was purchased, and an appeal for the necessary means made to the members of the Institute and the public in general, which appeal has been responded to by all classes of the community in the most generous and liberal spirit, and thus encouraged by success, the plans were prepared, and contracts entered into, during the latter portion of the past year; and now, at this day, I do not consider that the committee are over-sanguine in thinking, as they do, the principal difficulties surmounted, and the success of the enterprise secure.

It is estimated that when completed, the building and lot on which it stands will cost £7,500. A sum exceeding £3,500 has already been subscribed; and although a large sum has thus still to be provided, yet, as the largest portion of the purchase money of the lot forms a constitue, it is confidently expected that the subscriptions which will yet be obtained, and the revenues which will be derived from the building itself, will in a very few years, entirely liquidate any debt which may be on the building on its completion. Then, when the whole revenue of building and Institution are devoted towards the increase of its library, reading room and museum, and the organization of an effective system of classes and public lectures, I feel confident that the success of the Institution, and the good which it will effect, in being the means of disseminating widely among a large and important portion of our community that desire for useful information and taste for literary recreation that makes the mechanic not alone the working, but the reading and the thinking man, I am confident that the success which we anticipate will richly reward every effort which has been made, and justify the liberal assistance which, irrespective of profession or occupation, the citizens of Montreal have extended to the Mechanics' Institute of this city.

Under these circumstances, then, and in consideration of the purposes to which this building is to be devoted, the members of the Institute desire that the chief corner stone should be laid with all the ceremonial honors appertaining to your most ancient and honorable fraternity, and I have now, Most Worshipful Sir, to convey the desire to you, and to request that you will be pleased to accede to it.

The Grand Master consented, and forthwith delivered to the people the following:—

Men, women and children here assembled to-day to behold this ceremony, know all of you that we be lawful Masons, obedient to and recognized by the laws of the State, true and hearty in our love for our country and our loyal attachment to our Sovereign. We have been established of old in most civilized countries with peace and honor, for the purposes of our enlarged benevolence, to do good unto all men, but especially our Brethren of the Order, to build great buildings, to fear God who is the Great Architect of all things, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We have amongst us, concealed from the eyes of all men, secrets that may not be revealed, but these are lawful and honorable for Masons to know who only have the keeping of them to the end of time. Men, ignorant of the real objects of Free Masonry, may misrepresent us, but whilst we are good and peaceable citizens, and whilst men the most renowned for honor and science—men of unquestionable piety and religion—men who have lived in the practice of every public and private virtue, and who all, in all ages, have been most zealous for the present welfare and future prosperity of our Order, we may justly claim the respect and confidence of the community for our ancient Fraternity, as being the opposite to anything wicked, trifling and irreligious. From the remotest times, no other institution has been permanent or universal; whatever were its laws, however excellent its system, it could not be extended into every age and every country. It had chiefly in view victories and conquests, and the elevation of one people above another. It could not, therefore, be rendered congenial to the interest, nor reconciled to the fancy, of every nation. Philanthropy was not the basis upon which these systems were founded—the love of country badly understood and carried to excess frequently destroys the love of humanity. Mankind are essentially distinguished by the difference of the language they speak, the garb they wear, or the dignities with which they are invested. The whole world is one great republic, of which every nation is a family and every individual a child: to revive and spread abroad these maxims drawn from the nature of man is one of the great ends of our Institution, and thus are our principles identified with those of all mortals; and hence the boundless extent, unceasing duration and remote antiquity of our Order. Unless, therefore, our craft were good and praiseworthy and our calling honorable we should not have existed for so many centuries, nor should we have had so many Royal, Noble and Illustrious Brothers in our Order, ready to sustain the laws of the Craft, and promote our interests. To-day, we are assembled in the presence of you all to build a house for the encouragement of mechanical skill and industry, which, we pray God may prosper if it seem good to Him, that it may become a building not only for the promotion of cultivated science, and artistic skill, but for good men and good deeds and advance the intelligence of the Mechanics of Montreal to the end of time. So mote it be.

By the request of the Grand Master, Mr. Footner, the Provincial Superintendent of Works, then read the following

INSCRIPTION ON PLATE:

MECHANICS' HALL,
Erected 1854.
ARCHITECTS,
Hopkins & Nelson.

The Building Committee Superintending,
BUILDERS:
Mavor & McDonald do
Carpenter.....Edward Maxwell do
Bricklayers.....Wyatt & Jackson.
Plasterers.....Aitken & Morrison.
Painters.....Ramsay & M'Arthur.

The plate was deposited in a crypt in the stone, together with the following objects:—

A Sovereign of the present reign; British Silver Crown, Half Crown, Florin, Shilling, Sixpence, Fourpence, Threepence; One Half Penny, One Penny; Shilling Geo. 3rd.; East India Two Annas; Copper Penny Geo. 3rd, do Wm. 4th, do New Brunswick, do Canadian Queens Head, do do Bank of Upper Canada; Half Penny Geo. 3rd, do Victoria Jersey, do Isle of Man, do Model, Silver Centre, do Canadian Quebec Bank, do Bank of Upper Canada; Penny Geo. 3rd, do Wm. 4th, do Victoria; Half Farthing Victoria; Bronze Service Medal of Mr. A. Perry, for Services Industrial Exhibition, 1851.

NEWSPAPERS OF THE DAY.—Herald, Gazette, Transcript, Advertiser, Commercial Journal, Minerve, Witness, True Witness, Temperance Advocate, St. Johns News, Herald of 18th February, with Plate of New Buildings in Montreal, Thompson's Colin Chart, Inclosure, Clarke's Almanac for 1854, Copy of Last Annual Report Mechanics' Institute, do Act of Incorporation and By-Laws, do President's Address on the occasion of laying the stone, with Programme of order of Procession.

There was also deposited a manuscript with the following Masonic inscription:—

In the seventeenth year of the reign of Her Majesty VICTORIA, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and during the administration of His Excellency, the Right Honorable James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Governor General of British North America, &c. &c. &c, the Foundation Stone of this Building, the Mechanics' Hall, was laid, with full Masonic honors, by the Right Worshipful Brother, the Hon. William Mercer Wilson, Q. C., Provincial Grand Master of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, for the District of Montreal and William Henry; the other officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge being:—

R. W. Brother, the Hon. Peter McGill—Past Provincial Grand Master.
R. W. Brother Frederick Griffin—Deputy Provincial Grand Master.
V. W. Brother Calvin P. Ladd—Senior Grand Warden.
V. W. Brother A. G. Fenwick, M.D.—Junior Grand Warden.
V. W. Brother the Rev. Joseph Scott—P. Grand Chaplain.
V. W. Brother George Moffatt, Jr.—P. Grand Treasurer.
V. W. Brother Strachan Bethune—P. Grand Registrar.
V. W. Brother John Ogilvy Moffatt—P. Grand Sec.
Brother Alfred King Lavicount—Assistant Grand Sec.
W. Brother Robert Denny Collis—Senior Grand Deacon.
W. Brother Murdoch Morrison—Junior Grand Deacon.
W. Brother William Footner—P. Grand Superintendent of Works.
W. Brother Francis Crispo—P. Grand Director of Ceremonies.
Brother H. W. King—Assistant P. Grand Director of Ceremonies.
W. Brother Joseph Walker—P. Grand Sword Bearer.
W. Brother Gilbert Scott—P. Grand Poursuivant.
Brothers James H. Springle, Aldis Bernard, S. [illegible]
Brother Thomas Spiers—Asst. Grand Tyler.

Montreal, 24th May, 1854.

The Rev. H. Scott, Grand Chaplain, pronounced the following prayer:—

May the Almighty Architect of the Universe, who has disposed of all things in order, according to the excellency of His will, who made the heavens for His majesty, the sun and the stars for His glory and our comfort, and the earth for a place for our habitation, graciously look down upon us Master Masons now endeavoring to erect a house according to the rules of Charity, by the bond of Love, for the adornment of Art and Science. May this house, of which we have now laid the foundation stone, be a habitation for good and scientific men, meeting together to do good for the common advantage and the formation of taste and skill. May the work done here be to the glory of the Most High, and impertinents be comforted. May no strife or unseemly words be heard within its walls. May the members of the Institute love and esteem each other, and maintain and support the Association. May their going out and coming in be blessed for ever more. May their baskets be filled with plenteousness, and the voices of joy and thanksgiving abound, and be mingled with the acclamations of workmen rejoicing in their skill. O Lord prosper Thou our works, yea prosper Thou our handiwork, and teach us in all times and in all places to build up in beauty that temple of our souls which Thou hast given us to adorn with all good works till we arrive at the Grand Lodge above, where all things are perfect, and there is no more labor, but peace and happiness for ever more. So mote it be.

The corner stone having been then gradually lowered to its place, the band meanwhile playing the National Anthem, it was tried by the Grand Master, assisted by the Junior and Senior Masters, with the square, level, and plumb rule, and was formally laid by three knocks with the mallet.

After which, the stone was sprinkled with corn, wine and oil; and a dirge was offered by the Grand Master as follows:—

May the All-bounteous Author of Nature grant an abundance of Corn, Wine and Oil, with all necessaries, conveniences, and comforts to this city;—and may the same gracious Providence preside over and preserve it from decay to the latest posterity. So mote it be.

The Architect presented the plans of the building to the Grand Master, who, having examined and returned them, presented also various masonic implements to the Architect, with a few appropriate words.

The foundation stone of this building, to be erected under your superintending skill, being laid by me, and the implements of masonry duly applied to lay it according to the most ancient practice, rejoicing in the full confidence that as a faithful and skilful workman you will cause the building so to rise in order, harmony and beauty, as to unite perfection of strength, that it will answer every purpose for which it is intended, to your credit and to the honor of the Society by whom you have been selected.

He then, on behalf of the Masons, deposited on the stones £25 in gold, for the workmen, to which J. Papin, Esq., Acting Mayor, added £5.

The Grand Master then made a final address to the assembly as follows:—

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Institute,

In compliance with your request, and in the presence of our civic authorities and fellow citizens, I have now had the honour in capacity of Provincial Grand Master for this important district of Canada, to lend my aid in conjunction with my Brethren of the Ancient Fraternity, towards laying the stone on which it is your intention to erect a Mechanics' Institute. It will ever be considered by us as a most auspicious event, that the craft of Free and Accepted Masons should have been invited to assist in this work, so useful to the inhabitants of this City, so creditable to its originators and supporters, and so laudable and praiseworthy in its objects and intentions. I must congratulate you Sir, and Gentlemen, that your original Association has expanded into the great and influential Society now before us, and I trust and hope with confidence, that your successors,—stimulated by your perseverance and zeal in the path of true science, will follow your good example, and that in so creditable a commencement, it will be gladly acknowledged to be the interest, and evidently the duty of the wise and skilful men of every trade to sustain it and cause it so be wisely and beneficially conducted. No one can be insensible to the advantages of such an institute, promoting competent skill in the various ranks of science, offering instruction to all who may be disposed to profit by the offer, and affording facilities for acquiring practical information, which are not at all times within the reach of the skilful and prosperous workman. Permit me, therefore, to congratulate you and the Members of the Institute, in the work in which we have been engaged, and the Citizens of Montreal likewise, upon the erection of a building which will be ornamental to the City, advance its welfare and increase its fame.

In the name of the craft of Free and Accepted Masons, and in my own personally, I trust that this building may be long preserved in usefulness and prosperity, and that you Mr. President and your colleagues in this good work, may long be preserved to promote the prosperity of your Institute, and to give encouragement and assistance to other public structures for the convenience and beauty of our important and rising city.

H. Bulmer, Esq., President of the Institute, and Jos. Papin, Esq., Acting Mayor, then delivered short addresses, after which cheers were given for the Masonic Order, for the Queen, for the Acting Mayor, and for the Army and Fleets and the procession having reformed, the company shortly after broke up.

The whole ceremony was conducted under the able management of Mr. Shipway with true Masonic precision, and we congratulate the Institute on the commencement of its building under auspices so congenial to its objects and typical of its future career.

POPULATION AND COMMERCE OF RUSSIA.—The following extract, from an able article in the *United States Economist*, will afford, to some of our readers, a somewhat unexpected commentary upon the so-much-talked-of resources of the great colossus of the North:—

That the commerce of Russia has been greatly developed since the peace of 1815, is doubtless the case; but her commercial progress has been far less than that of the Western nations of Europe, and to this circumstance may be ascribed the present power of its government to disturb the peace of the world. Were the numbers of merchants, and the aggregate of their interest in foreign commerce, in a large proportion to the rest of the people as those of other governments are to the respective population, the government could not lightly sacrifice them to a mere whim. The classified account of the population, as published officially in 1836, was as follows:—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Clergy	272,905	281,472	554,377
Nobles	130,700	265,145	1,115,845
Merchants	121,347	120,734	242,081
Shopkeepers, artisans, &c.	1,339,434	1,433,982	2,773,416
Townspeople	76,222	74,062	150,404
Slaves of the Crown	10,441,339	11,022,594	21,463,933
Slaves of the Nobles	11,403,722	11,953,873	23,362,595
Tribes	245,715	261,982	507,697
Jews-Caucasians	683,47	689,100	1,372,597
Poland	2,072,311	2,110,911	4,183,222
Finland	662,858	668,604	1,331,462
Colonies	30,761	30,322	61,053
Total	28,896,223	30,227,343	59,123,566

There are twenty-one and a half million slaves, male and female, in the villages, the property of the crown, and rather a larger number the property of the nobles. Of the male nobles of the crown, therefore, an average of forty slaves each, living in feudal state. The "shopkeepers and artizans" comprise the inhabitants of towns. The small number of "merchants," or they who transact the commerce of Russia, is divided into three classes. The first, or they who report themselves worth 10,000 to 50,000 roubles, or $7,500 to $37,500, are *exempt from corporeal punishment*, and are allowed to drive two horses; but these include Jews, who are subject to poll-tax; foreign merchants. The second are worth 5,000 to 10,000 roubles, and transact *inland* trade only. Third, those who are worth 1,000 to 5,000 roubles. None but native Russians transact inland trade, and those who import goods into Russia must sell them to Russian merchants. As capital is scarce in Russia, imported goods are sold on long credits; but cash is now more the custom than formerly, and the exports are mostly paid in cash. From Nov. to May, usually, produce is sold to merchants to be delivered after May, the shipping season. This linen manufactures generally sell for cash. In this state of affairs, commercially, much external commerce could not be expected; and the value of the exports compare with those of other nations, as follows:—

	Population.	Exports.	Per cent.
Great Britain. 1850	30,322,016	415,000,000	$13.8
United States. 1850	23,263,490	233,000,000	10
France. 1850	35,789,594	135,750,000	4.5
Russia. 1850	59,123,566	75,186,000	1.25

Petersburg and Riga, in the Baltic, are the chief ports. This is but a small result for a power which boasts such resources.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

DEBOW'S REVIEW—DAWSON.

We have just received the May number of this excellent Southern commercial periodical. It is full of valuable information on a large number of commercial subjects, especially connected with the South and West.

ANGLO-AMERICAN. R. & A. Miller.

The May number has reached us. All who have once seen this magazine will be desirous to see it again, and we need do no more for it than to announce the appearance of the current number.

Latest News from the Pacific.

(From the N. Y. Advertiser.)

The steam ship George Law, Lieut. G. Y. Fox commanding, left Aspinwall at eleven o'clock on the evening of the 30th ultimo, and arrived at Sandy Hook at half past eleven last evening. She brings the Californian mails of April 15th, $2,878 in treasure on freight, of which $10,878 from Australia, and 584 passengers.

Our San Francisco papers are to Saturday, the 15th of April.

An extra from the office of the San Francisco of the 15th of April, furnishes the following particulars of a loss of life by a steam boat explosion:—

This morning, about 10 o'clock, the steamers Secretary and Nevada were about to start, bound for Petaluma. At 12 o'clock precisely, while crossing, San Pablo bay, the Secretary burst her boiler, carrying death and destruction in every part of the boat to the passengers, of whom a large number were on board. So great was the force of the explosion that the boat was literally blown to pieces. The Nevada happened to be near, and immediately rendered every assistance. She immediately put about after rescuing for the survivors and attending to the dead. Many persons were blown overboard, and their bodies not recovered. The Nevada arrived at San Francisco at 3 o'clock, with the survivors and the bodies of those who died