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BUSINESS CARDS. JOHN H. BARBER, Book-Binder and Manufacturing Stationer! MACHINE RULER. Over Taylor & Wilkinson's Flour Store, corner of York and Sussex Streets.—Entrance on Sussex Street. OTTAWA, Dec. 18, 1865.

MACDONALD & BRO. Auctioneers, & General Commission Exchange and Real Estate Agents. No. 40, Sussex Street. OTTAWA, Dec. 18, 1865.

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THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT Auction or Private Sale punctually attended to. Consignments received and sold. Parties wishing to purchase Real Estate will receive all information free of charge by calling at the office. OTTAWA, Dec. 18, 1865.

E. MILES, PROPRIETOR OF THE Parliament Hair Dressing Saloon! RIDEAU STREET.

BEGS MOST RESPECTFULLY TO INVITE the gentlemen of Ottawa and vicinity to visit his New Establishment, No. 8, Depot Street, which has been fitted up in most desirable style, at a very considerable expense.

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W. M. DOW & CO'S CELEBRATED MONTREAL ALES—XX, XXX, and India Pale ALES, in Wood and Bottle. JAS. BUCHANAN, Sussex and Wellington Streets. OTTAWA, Dec. 18th, 1865.

TO THOSE WHO RELISH A CUP OF REALLY FINE COFFEE—T. BUCHANAN'S unrivalled mixture of Mocha, Java and Jamaica. Roasted and Ground, Daily, on the Premises, by Steam power; consequently always to be had in the highest state of perfection. JAS. BUCHANAN, Dealer in fine Tea and Coffee, Sussex and Wellington Streets. OTTAWA, Dec. 18, 1865.

MORTIMER'S Apothecaries Hall! 41 Sussex Street, Is the Place to Buy Your Medicines! FULLY ASSORTED AND FREE FROM ADULTERATION! JUST RECEIVED! FULL IMPORTATIONS OF Pure English & French Drugs and Chemicals; English & French Perfumery, Toilet and Fancy Goods, Soap, Sponges, &c., unexcelled in the City. I would also call the attention of the public to my incomparable Crystalline Compound FOR THE HAIR. Call and see it and judge for yourself. Canadian Cough Emulsion, a sure cure for Coughs and Colds—Testimonials from prominent citizens will be shown on application. Agents for the popular Patent Medicines of the Day. To Farmers and Gardeners! Just Received—a consignment of the Canadian Super-Phosphate in Boxes and Barrels. GEO. MORTIMER, Chemist and Apothecary, 41 Sussex Street, Ottawa, Dec. 18, 1865.

OTTAWA DRUG WAREHOUSE. GREAT Medical Emporium OF THE CITY. HAVE JUST RECEIVED A GOOD Assortment of Photographic and Medical Chemicals, Canadian Hair Dye, Bogie's ditto, Matthews' ditto, and a full assortment of Druggists Sundries. Family Prescriptions prepared with accuracy. JOSEPH GARVEY, M.D. P. M.—Advice to the poor gratis. OTTAWA, Dec. 18, 1865.

PROPERTY FOR SALE. LOOK HERE! VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE! FOR SALE 4 BLOCKS WOODEN Houses, 4 Houses each tenement. One Block, 4 tenements, Five Rooms and a Kitchen to each. Three Houses, 2 tenements, Five Rooms each; all well placed and in good condition. Also, 13 Town Lots. The above Property will be sold on Reasonable Terms. FOUR NEW HOUSES to Rent on Sand Hill, On 1st of May next. Hardware! Hardware!! Constantly on Hand a Splendid Assortment of Shelf and Heavy Hardware! CHEAP. Sign of the BIG ANGLE, Sussex Street. FRANCIS McDUGALL, Ottawa, Dec. 18, 1865.

VALUABLE FARMS FOR SALE! No. 1. 100 ACRES OF THE PROPERTY known as the OMBAS HALL FARM, situated in the Township of Gloucester, County of Carleton, being the East Half of Lot No. 2, in the 2nd Concession, Rideau Front. There is an extensive clearing on the lot of at least 50 acres, and the remainder is covered with a fine Hardwood Bush. The Farm is within few miles of the City, and is beautifully situated on the banks of the Rideau River, thus having an approach to the City either by land or water. The land is of a superior quality and yields excellent crops. No. 2. 200 ACRES OF LAND, SITUATED in the Township of Gloucester, County of Carleton, being Lot No. 12, in the 7th Concession. There is about 20 acres of this Farm cleared, the remainder is covered with a good Hardwood Bush. This is a good Farm and will be sold at a reasonable rate. No. 3. 200 ACRES OF LAND, SITUATED in the Township of Osgoode, County of Carleton, Rideau Front, being Lot No. 20, in the 4th Concession. There is about 25 acres of this Farm cleared, the remainder is covered with a good Hardwood Bush. This is a good Farm and will be sold at a reasonable rate. No. 4. 100 ACRES OF LAND, IN THE Township of Osgoode, County of Carleton. This Farm is situated within two miles of the Gloucester Church, and within Eleven miles of Ottawa City. There is about 40 acres of this Farm cleared and under cultivation. No. 5. 100 ACRES OF LAND, IN THE Township of Gloucester, County of Carleton, being the East Half of Lot No. 21, in the 2nd Concession. This is a good Farm, and will be sold cheap.

A 21 STORY STONE HOUSE, SITUATED on Lots 6 & north side of Cartwright Street. The building is newly new, and finished—30x36. There is also a good Frame Dwelling on the Lot—24x24. Frame Dwelling on the Lot—24x24. This is situated in the immediate vicinity of the Railway Terminal, and is a very desirable place for a private residence. Also—LOTS NOS. 2 AND 3, ON THE NORTH side of Wilbroad Street. These Lots are situated opposite St. Joseph's College, (Sandy Hill), and are well suited for the erection of private dwellings. A NUMBER OF LOTS SITUATED in different parts of the city, well adapted either for private residences or business purposes. For further particulars and terms of Sale, Apply to H. J. FRIEL & CO., Or to H. McLEAN, Land Agent. Ottawa, Dec. 18, 1865.

Ordinance Lands—Ottawa. PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a large number of building lots, situated in north Rideau street, north Bolton street, east Nelson street, east Gloucester street, east Cobourg street, west Cobourg street, east Wilmbergh street, south Barry street, Franklin street, north and south, south Ottawa street, south Park street, and Rideau street, will be offered for sale on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 1866, at the hour of noon, day of FEBRUARY, 1866, at the City Hall, at the Russell House Hotel, Ottawa, by H. McLean, Auctioneer. Lists of the lots and terms of payment may be had on application at the office of the undersigned, in Ottawa. By Order of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, WILLIAM F. COFFIN, Crtn. Lands Agent, Ombudsman, Leade Branch, Crown Lands, Ottawa, Dec. 14th, 1865.

ESTABLISHED 1844. "OTTAWA TIMES" Extensive Fall and Winter Stock! O'MEARA & CO., WHOLESALE AND RETAIL Dealers in Dry Goods READY-MADE CLOTHING, &c., 50 Sparks Street, - Central Town, OTTAWA.

PRINTING WORKS! THE "TIMES" WILL AFFORD A SUPERIOR MEDIUM TO BUSINESS MEN IN THE LINE OF ADVERTISING. IF YOU HAVE DRY GOODS, Groceries, Crockery, Glassware, Or Hardware TO SELL, ADVERTISE! Let the World Know It. IF YOU HAVE PROPERTY TO SELL, ADVERTISE! Do You want to Buy? ADVERTISE!! No Matter what your Business, ADVERTISE! This is the Motto of every Real BUSINESS MAN. ADVERTISE! NOW is the TIME AND THROUGH WHICH IT WILL REACH THE PUBLIC.

ALL GOODS MARKED IN Plain Figures! NO ABATEMENT. Any Goods purchased at this Establishment, not approved, will be exchanged within a reasonable time if not sold or worn. Experienced Cutters Kept on the Premises. Prompt and Particular Attention given to orders. ALEX. DUFF, Ottawa, December 18, 1865.

BROUGH & CO., HAVE RECEIVED THIS DAY, DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURERS, A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF THE VERY NEWEST DESIGNS IN CARPETINGS! KIDDERMINSTER, TAPESTRY, MANILLA MATTINGS, DUTCH, HEARTH RUGS, HEMP and HOSSOCKS, and STAIR CARPETS, DOOR MATS. Also: FOUR CASES FLOOR OIL CARPETING! OF VARIOUS WIDTHS AND ENTIRELY NEW PATTERNS. American & Canadian Cotton Yarn, FOR SALE BY THE BALE OR BUNDLE. JAMES BROUGH & CO., 9 and 11 Sussex Street, Ottawa, December 18, 1865.

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"LE CANADA," A POLITICAL, COMMERCIAL AND ADVERTISING JOURNAL, PUBLISHED AT OTTAWA. AS THE FIRST Number of this Journal, a national will be widely circulated as a specimen number, this is a good opportunity for persons desiring of making known their business in the new Capital, as well as in the District of Ottawa, and in all Lower Canada, to send in, without delay, their advertisements. The first number will appear within the next fortnight. Advertisements are to be addressed as follows: "LE CANADA," OTTAWA, C. W.

DUVERNAVY BROS., Proprietors, "Le Canada," Ottawa, Dec. 18, 1865. Ottawa Stationery Warehouse! SMITH'S BLOCK, YORK STREET, OTTAWA, A FEW DOORS FROM THE MARKET, Lower Town.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THE PLEASURE to announce to the citizens of Ottawa that they have just opened a new Stationery Warehouse in this city, where they will always have on hand an assortment of every kind of Stationery; also School Books, ENGLISH AND FRENCH. DUVERNAVY BROS., Ottawa, Dec. 19, 1865. PHOTOGRAPHS by NO-MAN. OTTAWA STATIONERY WAREHOUSE, York Street, Ottawa, Ottawa, Dec. 20, 1865.

PRAYER BOOKS, OF EVERY KIND. WE CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE Ladies of Ottawa to our assortment. DUVERNAVY BROTHERS, Ottawa, Dec. 20, 1865. COAL OIL AND LAMPS! At 62 Sparks Street. PARSON'S No. 1 PENNSYLVANIA ROCK Oil. The Best Burning Oil in the Market. It is Free from all Offense (Gases) and burns with a clearness almost equal to Gas. Does not Crust the Wick, and is NON-EXPLOSIVE! Parties using Coal Oil should be sure to ask for PARSON'S No. 1 PENNSYLVANIA ROCK OIL. As it is the only Oil made in Canada exclusively from the product obtained in Pennsylvania. In large quantities a Reduction will be made. A large assortment of Lamps and Chimneys constantly on hand, and for sale at Low Prices. Goods Delivered Free to all parts of the city. A. C. BEACH & Co., Ottawa, Dec. 18, 1865.

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The singing was continued during the greater part of the night, whilst the Yule log and Christmas candles shed their cheerful glow in the hearth, and the merry voices of the children, most of these antique customs have departed, leaving the Yule log still continued in England, more particularly in the north. Carol singing is of very ancient origin, and yet prevailing in the Cotswolds, in Essex, and in the fishing is nearly discarded; where it is retained it has lost much of the original character, and is now confined to the humbler classes. Letland remains in the middle of the hall set the dame and those of the king's chapel, which incontinently after the king's first course sing a carol. Instead of the psalm for Christmas being being read, it was customary, particularly during the evening service, for these festive hymns to be chanted when the voices of the whole congregation were raised, the clerk concluding by wishing in an audible voice: "A merry Christmas and happy New Year" to all the parishioners. The earliest known collection of carols supposed to have been published, was in 1521. In the days of our forefathers Christmas day was that on which not only relations assembled, but the baronial hall was filled with retainers of every degree, keeping their Christmas holiday; all partook of the bounty of their lord, which was bestowed with no sparing hand. Besides the prodigious baron of best roasted venison, peacocks, and innumerable other good things, the festive board was graced by a peacock, which, according to a manuscript in the possession of the Royal Society, was roasted, after which the feathers were raised by a skilful attendant. The manuscript says: "Let him (the peacock) goe awhile, and take and some lyme in his skin and gyde hys come, and serve hym for the last course." The small bowl, whose merits are the theme of many an old Saxon ballad, was garlanded with holly and divers-colored ribbons, and it honored by the "godlike" company; the evergreens which decorated the grained roof of the "lannered hall"; "Looked down while pleading draughts were poured" and methagen and hippocres were freely round. After the feast, entered merris dances, the Le of Mairal, with its stately and gorgeously attired, exhibiting their "merris sports" amidst minstrelsy and mirthful sounds. Then followed the dance, in which moved in succession, the stately Queen Elizabeth "brawle" were much in fashion. There were figure dances, in which Sir Christopher Hutton greatly excelled; to this circumstance, and his great figure, much of his advancement in life has been attributed. Of this gentleman the poet Gray speaks in the following line—"My grave Lord keeper led the brawle" Youth and age—rich and poor—all participated in the mirth attendant upon the season. The classes are generally more thoroughly renovated, and the rooms littered with snow in memory of the birth place of our Saviour being a stable. Every comfort and luxury, as an usages will permit, are provided; and in the midst of their own rejoicing, the presents never forget the inferior order of the creation. An almost universal custom exists among them of tying an unthatched shaft of corn to a pole in their gardens for the benefit of little birds which always suffer severely from the inclemency of the weather at this season. These kind-hearted and hospitable people assign as a reason for this act of charity, that on this great anniversary all creatures should have the means

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THE MARRIAGE OF JOHN SMITH. (A PARODY.) Not a sign was heard nor a funeral note, As the man to his bridal was hurried; Not a woman was charged for a farthing, On the spot where the fellow was married. We married him just about eight at night, Our faces pale with the "Boring Day"; By the shivering moonbeam's misty light, And the gas lamp's steady burning. No useless watch-chain covered his vest, Nor ostentatious we found him; But he looked like a gentleman wearing his best, With a few of his friends around him. Few and short were the things that we said, And we spoke not one word of sorrow, But we steadily gazed on the man that was wed, And we bitterly thought on the morrow. We thought as we silently stood about, With spite and anger dying, How soon that time would be past, as it is, With only half our trying. Lightly we talked of the fellow that was gone, But little he'll rock, if we let him live on. In the house where his wife was conveyed him, But our heavy task at length was done, When the clock struck the hour for retiring; And we heard the spiteful sniffs and puffs, "The girls were suddenly firing." Slowly and sadly we turned to go, We had struggled and were weary; We shed not a tear, as we left our room, But we left him alone with his woman. CHRISTMAS IN OLDEN TIMES. A loud and laughing welcome to the merry Christmas bells, with happy gladness to the well-known chant that swells; We list the pealing anthem chanted, we hear the minstrel's strains, as they are sung, And love the things that proclaim Old Christmas once again. But there