The Times

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Dry Goods.

HICK & CO.

Have removed to their NEW STORE, in Stewart's Block, Corner of Rideau and Sussex-sts., where they will offer, in connection with their goods,

$30,000 WORTH OF DRY GOODS

Purchased at Public Auction lately, from the immense Bankrupt Stock of the late firm of DESMARTERY, JORDAINE & CO., of Montreal, and Boston account of T. JAMES CLAXTON. The goods are all new and of very superior quality, being imported expressly for a fashionable Montreal trade; and, as they have succeeded in purchasing the goods far below the sterling cost, they are prepared to offer bargains never before offered in this city. The following are some of the lines of goods offered, viz.:

		s. d.	s. d.
100 pieces	different qualities Black Silks		
80 do	Single width plain Wincey	5 worth	8
100 do	Fancy, single width Wincey	7½ "	1 0
62 do	Double width plain Wincey	7½ "	1 0
80 do	Double Delaines	7½ "	1 3
70 do	do Poplin	7½ "	1 0
150 do	do Cobourg	7½ "	1 3
150 do	Assort'd Dress Goods	9 "	1 6
33 do	Empress Reps	1 6 "	3 0
60 do	Bl'k French Merino	1 6 "	3 0
75 do	Fancy Colors—your choice for	2	
200 do	Black Empress Rep only	10 "	2 0

Also, a splendid assortment of Hannibal Cloths, Oriental Lustres, Livini Poplins, Alberteena Cloths, Princess Alexandra Embossed Poplins, Mandarin Lustres, Eugenia Reps, &c.

1,000 doz. FRINGED TOWELS, all Linen, 6d each.

SHAWLS.

35 Filled Shawls.
83 Shepherd Long Shawls
101 Fancy, all wool Longs
167 Assorted Square Shawls.

COTTONS.

120 pieces	Grey Cotton, 14 yards wide, for		6 d
160 do	Bleached Horrocks and Millars		6½d
165 do	Good Prints		4 d
303 do	Best English Prints, Hoyle's and Ashton's		6½d
159 do	French Calicos, in choice patterns		8 d

CLOTHS.

		s. d.	s. d.
20 pieces	Waterproof	3 9	
80 do	Double Width Overcoating	2 9	worth 7 6
25 do	Scotch Tweed	2 6	do 5 0
100 do	Canadian Tweed	1 3	do 2 6
100 do	Full Cloth, very heavy	2 9	do 3 6

Also, a splendid lot of

BROAD CLOTHS, BEAVERS, Witneys, Mantle Cloths, *BLACK DOES, &c., &c., &c.,* at correspondingly low prices.

85 PIECES DOMINION TWEED, Something New—one of the heaviest cloths made—*at a great sacrifice.*

1,000 doz. TABLE NAPKINS, all Linen, only 6s 3d per dozen.

SHIRTS! SHIRTS! SHIRTS!

1,000 Flannel Shirts, only	2 6	
200 White Cotton Shirts, only	3 9	
500 Under Shirts, only	3 3	
300 Hespler's heaviest make Ribbed	5 0	worth 8 9

Paper Collars—100 collars for 3s 9d.

500 pieces 2¼-yards wide Linen Sheeting	3 3	worth 5
5 do 2-yards wide, Union Sheeting	1	do 3
81 do Table Damask and 300 Damask Table Cloths, at a frightful sacrifice		

Also, Red and White Flannels, Canadian Shirting Flannels, Hoop Skirts, Crash Towellings, Irish Linen, Clouds, Breakfast Shawls, Hemp Carpets, &c., &c.

CORSETS, 2s 6d.

Blankets—A large lot of slightly damaged Blankets for about half price.

1,000 Linen Bags, 1s. worth 1s 6d; 40 cases Men's Heavy Boots, very low; 3 cases Men's Heavy French Calf, (2s 6d. Also, a heavy stock of Gentlemen's Clothing.

$3.50	OVERCOATS.
4.00	heavy OVERCOATS.
90 cts up	PANTS.
50 cts to $1.25	VESTS.
$8.00	Black Broadcloth FALL SUITS.

A large staff of polite and attentive salesmen will be in readiness to wait on customers.

H. HICK & CO.

Customers will please report any inattention on the part of salesmen.

AT CUNNINGHAM & LINDSAY'S

The greatest novelty of the season is the

BOULEVARD FELT UNDERSKIRT,

Unsurpassed for

BEAUTY, ECONOMY & DURABILITY

AT

CUNNINGHAM & LINDSAY'S

No. 14, RIDEAU-ST.

REMOVAL TO NO. 34, SPARKS-ST.

T. RAJOTTE

having removed to more commodious premises, takes pleasure in announcing to his numerous customers and the public generally that he has now a large and well selected stock of STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS, consisting of

Flannels, Black Cloths, Wineys, Beaver Cloths, Cottons, Meltons, Prints, Tweeds, &c., &c.

We have also on hand a large assortment of READY-MADE CLOTHING, which, being manufactured on the premises, we can recommend, and sell cheaper than any shop in this city.

THE TAILORING DEPARTMENT. This department is under the superintendence of a well-known first-class cutter and workman. All orders punctually attended to.

Don't forget the place, No. 34, Sparks-st. Store lately occupied by G. Fetherston & Co., next door to Magee & Russell's old store.

88ly T. RAJOTTE.

FLOWER BULBS.

Shipped per *Hibernian*, and to arrive in a few days, a very superior assortment of

HYACINTH, TULIP AND OTHER FALL BULBS.

These Bulbs will be found superior to anything yet imported.

WILLIAM HEARN, Market Drug Store, York-st.

Ottawa, October 17, 1868. 874tf

Groceries.

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS

—FROM—

OPORTO, SPAIN, COGNAC AND LONDON,

Consisting of

PORT, SHERRY, BRANDY, GIN AND SCOTCH WHISKEY, &c.

PICKLES, SAUCES, JAMS & JELLIES &c., &c., &c.,

FROM CROSSE & BLACKWELL.

—LIKEWISE,—

A FULL assortment of FRESH FRUIT, the BEST in market.

TABLE and Cooking RAISINS, CURRANTS, &c.

FLAVOURING EXTRACTS and SPICES—Genuine.

PRESERVED and CAN FRUITS, assorted to suit the holiday season.

ALMERIA GRAPES, FRESH FIGS and PORTUGUESE ONIONS.

50 TINS NEW HONEY, in 5 lb. and 8 lb. tins.

200 STILTON CHEESE, 6 lbs. to 8 lbs. size, from Reesor Brothers' celebrated factory.

SHERRY WINE—Good Table Wine—$1.25 to $3.00.

PORT WINE—Good Table Wine $1.50 to $4.50.

ALL KINDS of GENUINE LIQUORS. Price according to age and quality.

100 BOXES DIGBY HERRINGS—large boxes at 75 cts. each.

LABRADOR HERRINGS, the very best, in barrels and half barrels.

10 CASES SCOTCH LING—Good.

TEAS—Black, Green and Japans—Warranted Good, and selected for family use.

SUGARS and SYRUPS of all grades.

COFFEES—Always Fresh—Best Brands—Try them.

TOBACCOS—The Finest Qualities—Virginia make in cut, tin foil and plug.

A GENERAL assortment of the different kinds of *GROCERIES AND LIQUORS* on hand, Wholesale and Retail, at the *LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES* for Warranted Goods. A trial of the articles will recommend them.

For sale at

THOS. PATTERSON'S, No. 26, Rideau-street.

Ottawa, November 27, 1868. 878

JUST RECEIVED, AT THE

INDIA WAREHOUSE, No. 15, RIDEAU ST.,

And for sale cheap, by

D. T. BROWNE & CO., Wholesale and Retail

Grocers, Wine and Spirit Merchants,

FRESH OYSTERS, in Tins,
PRESERVED OYSTERS do
FRESH HALIBUT do
FRESH SALMON do
FRESH MACKEREL do
FRESH LOBSTERS do
GREEN PEAS do
LEMON, GINGER, ORANGE, Banana, Peach, Blackberry, Raspberry and Strawberry Syrups.
RASPBERRY VINEGAR,
FRY'S Chocolate and Cocoa,
MOTT'S Cocoa Paste,
MORTON'S Bloater Paste,
TOMATO and other Catsups
ANCHOVY Paste,
STRASBURGH Meats,
POTTED Beef and Tongues
PRESERVES and Jellies, a great variety,
ORANGE Marmalade,
MORRISON, TAYLOR & Co.'s Celebrated Sugar Cured Hams and Breakfast Roll Bacon.
PICKLED Salmon,
PICKLED Mackerel,
PICKLED HERRINGS, In Half Barrels, Barrels and Tierces,
DRY Codfish,
DRY Haddock,
FINNAN Haddies, &c., &c.,

And a full stock of Choice Family Groceries.

Ottawa, Nov. 3, 1868.

BOTTLED ALE,

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The subscriber would called the attention of Families and others to his

FINE BOTTLED ALE

Which is in splendid condition. Also,

SCOTCH, IRISH, OLD RYE,

And other Malt Whiskies,

PORTS, SHERRIES, BRANDIES, GIN, &c., To other with a General Assortment of FIRST-CLASS GROCERICS.

A call duly solicited.

D. WHELAN, 44, Rideau-street, Opposite Allan's Crockery Store

Ottawa, Jan. 20, 1868.

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JONES & HOLLAND Have for sale

Carpenter's Penny Readings, in Cloth and Muslin.
Hillgrove's Illustrated Ball Room Guides.
Photograph Albums, *Very Cheap.*
The Modern Pocket Hoyle.

And take subscribers for Mrs. Beecher's New Monthly Magazine; the Manufacturer and Builder; the American Builder, &c., &c.

HORSE INFIRMARY, AND VETERINARY ESTABLISHMENT YORK-STREET, OTTAWA, Next to Salmon's Hotel.

A. J. E. COLEMAN, V. S (Member of the College of Veterinary Surgeons Toronto; by appointment, V.S., to the Co. of Carleton Agricultural Society.)

Orders or communications promptly attended to and medicines sent to any part of the Dominion. Charges moderate. 812y

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BLYTH & KERR, No. 25 RIDEAU-ST.,

Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters, Tin and Copper Smiths, Bell Hangers, &c., &c.

A large stock of materials for the above branches of business constantly on hand.

Importers of HOUSE FURNISHING HARDWARE.

STOVES! STOVES!

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Hall, Fancy, Parlour and Cook Stoves, in great variety.

Agents for Eaton's Patent Automatic, Self-Ventilating, Wood and Coal Stoves. Also Beecher & Co.'s celebrated

HOT AIR FURNACES,

for Public and Private Buildings, Conservatories, Vineries, Manufactories, &c., warmed by Steam, Hot Water, or Warm Air, on the latest and most approved principles.

SKATES, SKATES, SKATES, AT THE

SIGN OF THE ANVIL, No. 24, RIDEAU-ST., where you can get a complete assortment of SKATES of all sizes, and at any price to suit purchasers, from 25 cents to $5.50 per pair. In the assortment will be found

The celebrated Sheffield Club,
" " Canadian Favorite,
" " Central Park do
and all other English and German Patterns.
Skate Straps, all patterns, &c., &c.

Also, a general assortment of SHELF & HEAVY HARDWARE, consisting in part of

GENERAL HOUSE FURNISHING, Butcher Knives, Knives and Forks, Pocket Knives, Table Spoons, Tea Spoons, Tea Trays, Table Mats, Buts, Screws, Locks, Bolts, Catches, Latches, Axes, Saws, Planes, Squares, Hammers, Spokeshaver, Gouges, Chisels, Augers, Auger Bits, Steel Bits, Bevels, Levels, Boring Machines, Draw Knives, &c., &c., &c.

Together with PAINT OF ALL COLORS, Rose Pink, Burnt Umber, Terra de Sienna, Chrome Yellow, Yellow Ochre, Celestial Blue, Paris Green, Brunswick Green, Magnesia Green, Venetian Red, Red Lead, White Lead, in oil or dry, Drop Black, Ivory Black, Lamp Black, Boiled Oil, Raw Oil, Turpentine, Benzole, Coal Oil, Paint Brushes, Varnishes, &c.

THOS. BIRKETT, *Sign of the Anvil,* No. 24, Rideau-st.

P. S.—All goods delivered free to any part of the city. 408y

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Such is the character given of every stove sold during the past year at the "CAPITAL" STOVE DEPOT, 35 Sussex-street, Ottawa.

H. MEADOWS & CO.

We beg to notify the public that our stock for the season is now complete; our

STOVES

are of the latest and most improved patterns, and the most extensive assortment shown in Ottawa.

COOKING STOVES, of the good old-fashioned kind,
COOKING STOVES, of the latest and most modern designs,
PARLOR STOVES, for elegance of design cannot be surpassed,
BOX & HALL STOVES, that are unrivalled for heating purposes,
DOUBLE STOVES, the best in use,
HOTEL STOVES, large and extra strong made, expressly for Hotel and Boarding Houses, complete with large Copper Water Reservoirs and Plate Warmers. We call special attention of Hotel Keepers to these stoves, they will last as long as any six ordinary stoves. See them and judge for yourselves. Price lists sent free on application.

COOKING STOVES, DOUBLE STOVES, BOX STOVES, HOTEL STOVES, PARLOR STOVES, COAL STOVES, BEDROOM STOVES, DUMB STOVES, STOVEPIPES! ELBOWS! STOVEPIPES *Common, Bright and Russia Iron,* and everything in the Tin, Sheet Iron and Copperware Line, on hand or made to order.

Hot Air Furnaces, Eave Troughs, Building Job Work and Repairs attended to punctually. We keep none but the best and most experienced mechanics.

HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS, of every description in stock, suitable for the smallest family, or the largest hotel.

ARE YOU GOING TO BE MARRIED? If so, call and see our large assortment of necessary House-keeping Goods, suitable for Kitchen, Dining Room, or any room in your house.

YOUNG MAN, see that your house is well furnished with useful articles before you spend your money in mere showy ornamental things.

IRON BEDSTEADS, LAMPS, COAL OIL, SAUCEPANS, Brass and Enamelled Kettles, Tinware, Toilet Setts, Baths, Flour Sieves, Brushes, Dish Covers, Table Mats, Sad Irons, Table Cutlery, Tea and Table Spoons, Preserve Jars, Mincing Knives, Wash Tubs and Boards, Refrigerators, Egg Beaters, Crust Stands, Ash Pails, Table Bells, Tea Trays, Tea and Coffee Pots, Soup Tureens, Jelly and Pudding Moulds, &c., &c., &c., &c.

COUNTRY MERCHANTS Supplied with STOVEPIPES AND TINWARE, At reduced figures,

CAMP KETTLES, SHANTY PLATES, AND BASINS,

BIRD CAGES! BIRD CAGES! BIRD CAGES

All of the above at the

"CAPITAL" STOVE DEPOT, Sussex street, Ottawa.

62y H. MEADOWS & CO.

"LAMPS" FOR THE MILLION.

D. R. LEAVENS

Is now offering at the OIL DEPOT, 73 Sussex-st., every description of

CHANDELIERS,

PARLOR,

BED ROOM,

KITCHEN,

HALL AND SIDE LAMPS,

At prices which defy competition. Who will want light where a Coal Oil Lamp, Wick and Chimney can be got for 25 cents.

CANADA ROCK OIL,

PENNSLYVANIA ROCK OIL,

PORTLAND KEROSENE OIL,

Oil Depot, 73 Sussex-st.

Boots & Shoes.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

W. A. LAMB,

KEEPER OF THE RED BOOT, &c., &c.

To all the loyal inhabitants of the Metropolitan and surrounding Counties, sends greeting:

And while thus publicly wishing to all

"A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,"

takes pleasure also in announcing that he will hold

PUBLIC RECEPTIONS DAILY,

at from 7:30 a.m., until 7 p.m., when he will be pleased to meet with those who desire to call upon him.

N.B.—As all will probably wish to retain a Souvenir of their visit, it will be satisfactory to know that there is a magnificent assortment of Boots and Shoes on hand to choose from, and any of which will be GIVEN AWAY for a small consideration.

Don't forget the place, No. 28, Sussex-st., opposite the Barracks.

W. ANGUS & CO.

BOOTS,
SHOES,
MOCCASINS,
TOBOGGANS,
SNOW-SHOES,
&c., &c., &c.

Since the great clearing Sale

W. ANGUS & CO.

have received a

VERY LARGE AND WELL SELECTED STOCK OF

BOOTS AND SHOES

AND OTHER FEET-WARE,

suitable to the Winter season.

JUST RECEIVED.

A FRESH LOT OF LADIES' & GENTS'

FELT EMBROIDERED CONGRESS

Of the Latest Style. Also, a New Supply

TOBOGGANS,

SNOW-SHOES,

MOCCASINS,

OVER-SHOES,

&c., &c., &c.

Very appropriate

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INSPECTION INVITED.

PRICES LOW.

W. ANGUS & CO. Golden Boot, 224 Wellington-st.

GENUINE CLEARING SALE OF

BOOTS AND SHOES,

AT THE OLD

CROSBY STAND, NO. 51, SPARKS-ST.

The whole of

THE BANKRUPT STOCK,

comprising the latest styles and best qualities of

LADIES', GENT'S, MISSES' & CHILDREN'S

DRESS & WALKING BOOTS,

suitable for FALL & WINTER WEAR. Also, a large stock of Men's and Women's Coarse Boots, Moose Moccassins, Buck Moose and Sheep Mitts, Beef Moccassins, Felt Over-shoes, Rubbers, &c., all of which will be sold at great reductions from former prices. Lumbermen and country merchants are requested to bear in mind that there is a large stock of handmade boots to be disposed of at the aforesaid reduction in prices.

The public generally are invited to call and examine the stock and prices, which we know cannot fail to give satisfaction to all.

Remember the place, the old Crosby Stand, opposite O'Meara's, No. 51, Sparks-st.

A. J. STEPHENS & CO.

Ottawa, Oct. 20 868. 876y

CHEAP BOOTS & SHOES AT THE CAPITAL BOOT & SHOE STORE, YORK-ST.

I have now received my fall and winter stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES,

which will be found complete; being selected with care, it will not fail to give general satisfaction.

In Ladies', Misses' and Children's ware, I have everything that can possibly be required for the season, and at much lower figures than ever before offered.

Men's ware in Calf, Kipp, Cowhide Boots; Men's Strong Working Boots as low as $2 per pair. Boy's and Youth's equally low.

A large supply of New English Kipp Boots, hand made, the most suitable ware for Lumbermen, constantly on hand and made by the very best workmen. Orders taken for all kinds of work.

429y GEORGE MURPHY

HOUSE WANTED.

The owner of several Fine Building Lots would like to exchange them for a well built STONE or BRICK HOUSE in this city. Apply at the TIMES Office. 948d

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Dry Goods.

Shewing This Day,

GRANT & HENDERSON,

No. 20, Rideau-st,

Are offering an extensive Stock of

DRESS GOODS.

WINCIES,

SHAWLS and

BLANKETS,

AT THE LOWEST CASH PRICES.

N. B.—An extensive assortment of genera DRY GOODS always in stock.

LATEST STYLES AND FASHIONS.

INSPECTION INVITED.

No. 20, Rideau-st.

CLOTHING, CHEAP AND FASHIONABLE, READY-MADE AND TO ORDER.

O'MEARA & CO., ESTABLISHED IN 1844,

Offer for sale an extensive importation of FALL AND WINTER GOODS, comprising Ready-made Clothing, Canadian Tweeds, Etoffes, Satinetts; also a large stock of Blankets, Flannels, Kerseys, Gray Cottons, Prints, Wineys, Plaids, &c., &c.; Broadcloths, Beavers, Witneys, Petershams, Devons, &c.; Bedford Cords, Silk Mixtures, West of England Tweeds, Doeskins, &c., wholesale and retail, which will be made up to order on the shortest notice in the latest styles of fashion and at prices that

DEFY COMPETITION.

A general assortment of Dry Goods, the largest stock ever offered for sale in this city.

$1.25 BLANKETS.... $6.00. $3.00

TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

Particular attention given to the Tailoring Department, which is under the supervision of a first-class cutter.

$2	GREY ETOFFE PANTS,
$4.50	GOOD PEA JACKETS,
$4	OVERCOATS,
$9	COMPLETE SUITS,
$1	GOOD VESTS,
75 CTS., $1 and $1.25	UNDERSHIRTS,
75 CTS., $1 and $1.25	DRAWERS

A DUFF. O'MEARA & CO.

Ottawa, October 27 1868. 882y

SPECIAL NOTICES.

HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER.

The basis of its remedial properties is a vegetable compound.
It will restore gray hair to its original color.
It will keep the hair from falling out.
It cleanses the scalp and makes the hair soft, lustrous and silken.
It is a splendid hair dressing.

R. P. HALL &Co., Nashua, N.H., Proprietors.

For sale by all druggists. 894d

Coughs and Colds.—Sudden changes of climate are sources of Pulmonary Bronchial and Asthmatic affections. Experience having proved that simple remedies often act speedily and certainly when taken in the early stages of the disease, recourse should at once be had to "Brown's Bronchial Troches," or Lozenges. Few are aware of the importance of checking a cough, or "common cold," in its first stage. That which in the beginning would yield to a mild remedy, if neglected soon attacks the lungs. "Brown's Bronchial Troches," or cough Lozenges, allay irritation which induces coughing, having a DIRECT influence on the affected parts. As there are imitations, be sure to OBTAIN the *genuine.* Sold by all dealers in medicines, at 25 cents a box.

Mothers! Mothers! Mothers!—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of *Mrs.* WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately—depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it, who will not tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and give rest to the mother, and relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Price 25 cents. Sold everywhere. Be sure to call for "MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP." Having the *fac-simile* of "Curtis & Perkins" on the outside wrapper. All others are base imitations.

Mothers Read This!—Holloway's Worm Lozenges are a certain and safe remedy for Worms in Children and Adults.—As it is a well-known and melancholy fact that one great cause of death among children is from Worms alone, it cannot be too deeply impressed upon the minds parents the necessity of closely watching their children. By so doing; and understanding the symptoms and true cause of the disease, thousands of children might be saved from early graves. SYMPTOMS OF WORMS.—The following are a few of the very numerous symptoms and diseases which are caused by Worms: deranged appetite, emaciated extremities, offensive breath frequent picking at the nose, grinding of the teeth during sleep, hardness of the belly, with frequent slimy stools, and sometimes convulsive fits; itching of the arms, pain in the head and stomach, unquiet sleep, faintings, tremblings, coughs, indigestion, low spirits, frightful dreams, and a gradual wasting away of flesh.

They are palatable and self-administered to the child—drive out the worms thoroughly without pain and completely cleanse the stomach—thereby doing away with the necessity of administering Castor Oil or other unpleasant cathartics—as in the use of other Worms.

Each box contains the fac-simile signature of NORTHROP & LYMAN, Newcastle, C.W., who are the sole proprietors.

N.B. Ask for *Holloway's Worm Lozenges,* and take no other. Sold by all the druggists in Ottawa, and medicine dealers everywhere. 578y

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SATCHELL BROS.,

By appointment

BUTCHERS TO HIS EXCELLENCY SIR JOHN YOUNG.

Superior Stall Fed Beef. Lamb, Mutton and Veal in season.

N.B.—Also spiced, rolled and rounds of Beef, and sugar-cured Hams and Bacon, cured in the English style.

930-3m No. 7, Lower Town Market, Ottawa.

DUTIES FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Go, warm the cold; go, clothe the bare;
Go, feed the starveling at thy door,
And let the empty-handed share
From out thy basket and thy store.

Go, wipe from misery's eye the tear,
Take by the hand affliction's son,
And happy shall be all the year
That is thus happily begun.

Go, give the sick and weary rest,
Gladden the cells where prisoners lie;
Pour oil and balm in wounded breast,
And soothe the soul about to die.

Do thus, and thou shall go to rest
With music round thy midnight bed,
And, blessing, shall be trebly blest,
For each such soul thus comforted.

Thy soul shall make a golden set
The New Year's day, and be by far
The happiest day that ever yet
Was lettered in thy calendar!

—*American Old Fellow.*

THE BARONESS AND ROBBERS.

A Bold Woman.

In a pretty village near Paris, but a considerable distance from the high road, was Baron R. accustomed to spend the summer. His mansion, built on an eminence, was a spacious building, both within and without, and exhibited a good style of architecture, and it was about two hundred paces from the village.

Business obliged the baron to take a journey of a few days. His wife, but twenty years of age, and very beautiful, remained at home. He took with him two of his servants, and two others remained with the baroness. No violation of the public security had ever been heard of in that part of the country; and, as the baroness did not belong to the timid portion of her sex, the idea of danger was far from entering her mind. The evening after the baron's departure, as she was stepping into bed, she heard an alarming noise in an apartment near her chamber. She called out, but received no answer. The confusion increased every moment. She was at a loss to conceive what was the matter, and hastily putting on her garments, went to the door to discover the cause. A horrible spectacle presented itself. Her two servants, half naked, were extended lifeless on the floor. The room was full of strange looking men; the baroness's chambermaid was kneeling before one of them, and, instead of the mercy she implored, she received the fatal stroke. No sooner did the door open than two barbarians, with drawn swords, rushed towards it. What woman or even man would not have been struck with the utmost terror and given up life and everything as lost? A loud shriek of despair, a flight of a few paces, would probably have been the resort of many. The baroness, however, conducted herself in a different manner.

"And you have come at last," exclaimed she, in a tone of apparently heartfelt joy; and advancing towards her assailants with a haste that highly astonished them, they lowered their uplifted weapons.

"And you have come at last," repeated she; "such visitors as you I have often wished to see."

"Wished!" muttered one of the assassins, "what do you mean by that? But sta—I'll—"

He had already raised his cutlass, but a comrade averted the stroke. "Stay a moment, brother," said he "and let's hear what she would have."

"Nothing but what is your pleasure, brave comrades. You are men after my own heart, and neither you nor I shall ever have reason to repent it, if you will listen for two minutes to what I have to say."

"Speak! speak!" cried the whole company.

"But be quick," added one of the fiercest, "for we shall not make much ceremony."

"Nevertheless, I hope you will grant me a hearing; for, although I am the wife of the richest gentleman in the country, the wife of the meanest beggar cannot be more happy than I am. My husband is one of the most jealous and niggardly fellows on earth. I hate him, and it has long been the fervent wish of my heart to get clear of his clutches and at the same time pay off old scores. All my servants were spies; and that fellow whose business you have done so completely was the worst of all. I am scarce twenty-one, and, I flatter myself, far from being ugly. If any of you choose to take me along with you, I'll accompany you to the woods or the village alehouse. Nor shall any of you repent having spared my life. You are in a well-stored mansion, but it is impossible that you should be acquainted with all its secret corners. These I will now show you, and if I don't make you richer by six thousand dollars, then serve me as you did my chambermaid."

Robbers of this kind are certainly villains, but nevertheless they are still men. The wholly unexpected tenderness of the baroness, added to the more than ordinary beauty of the female, altogether produced a powerful effect on these men, whose hands were yet reeking with blood. They then all stepped aside, and consulted together in low tones for some minutes. The baroness was left quite alone, but she betrayed not the least wish to escape.

"Let's dispatch her and the game will be all up." She, however, scarcely changed colour, for the opposition of the others did not escape her acute ear.

One who was probably captain of the banditti, now approached her. He asked twice or thrice whether he might rely on what she said—whether she actually wished to be released from the tyranny of her husband, and to go with them—and whether she was willing to resign herself to one of them, to himself for instance, during the peaceful days they could obtain. Having replied in the affirmative to all these questions—having not only suffered the warm embrace of the robber, but returned it—for what will not necessity excuse?—he at length said:

"Come along then, and lead us around. The d——l trust you ladies of rank, but we will venture for once. But let me tell you, if you were twice as handsome as you are, this weapon should cleave your skull the moment I saw the least disposition to betray us."

"Then it will be safe enough; and if this were the only condition of my being put to death, I should outlive you all, and even the Wandering Jew himself."

The baroness smiled when she pronounced these words, and hastily caught the nearest lamp as if she were as eager as any of them to collect the plunder and be gone. She conducted the company through every apartment, opened every door, every drawer, every chest, assisted in packing up the valuables, looking with the utmost indifference at the mangled bodies; speaking with the familiarity of an old acquaintance to each one of the horrid troop, and assisting with her delicate hands in the most laborious occupation.

Plate, money, jewels, were now collected together, and the captain of the banditti was about giving the order for marching, when his destined bride caught him by the arm, "Did I not tell you," said she, "that you should not repent making a friend of me, and sparing my life? You may, indeed, have everything in places that you find open; but it is a pity that you cannot come at places that are concealed. What! do you suppose that among coffers so full there are not secret places? Look here and then you will be convinced to the contrary."

She pointed to a secret spring in the baron's desk. They pressed upon it and out fell five bags of gold coin.

"Zounds!" cried the leaders of the robbers; "now I see you are an incomparable woman, and I will keep you for this as a duchess!"

"And perhaps better still," said she laughing, "when I show you one thing more. I am well aware that you must have spies who informed you of the absence of my tyrant, but they did not tell you of the fifty thousand francs he received yesterday."

"O, safe enough! under a half dozen locks and bolts. You would certainly not have found them and the iron chest had it not been for me. Come along, comrades; we have finished above stairs, now we will see what can be done underneath. Come along with me, I say, into the cellar."

The robbers followed out, not without precaution. At the entrance of the cellar, secured by a strong trap door, a man was posted as sentinel. She conducted the whole troop to a vault at the farther end of the cellar. She unlocked it, and in the corner of this recess stood the chest she had described. "Here," said she, giving the captain a bunch of keys, "unlock it and take out what you want as a wedding gift, if you can obtain the consent of your comrades as speedily as you gained mine."

The robber tried one key after another, but none would fit. He grew impatient, and the baroness seemed still more so.

"Lend me them," said she, "I shall find the way sooner. Indeed, if you do not make haste, the morning may overtake us. Ha! the reason why none of us could unlock it, is because I have the wrong bunch of keys; I will obtain another."

She went up-stairs, and presently they heard her coming down, but she came slowly as if out of breath with the haste she had made.

"I have found them," cried she, at a distance. Then coming up to within about three paces of the man who stood at the entrance of the cellar, she sprang suddenly at the wretch, who was totally unprepared for such a move from such a quarter, and pushing him, with all her might, sent him tumbling to the bottom of the stairs. This accomplished, she closed the trap-door, bolted it, and thus had the whole company secured in the cellar. This was the work of a single moment. In the next she flew across the court-yard, and with a candle in her hand set fire to a detached pig sty. The watchmen in the neighbouring village, perceiving the flames, instantly gave the alarm. In a few minutes the inhabitants were out of their beds, and a crowd of farmers, with their servants, hastened to the mansion. The baroness waited for them at the gate of the court-yard.

"A few of you," said she, "will be sufficient to put out that fire and to prevent it from spreading; but now provide yourselves with arms, which you will find in abundance in my husband's armory. Post yourselves at the avenues of the cellar, and suffer not one of the robbers and murderers to escape."

Her directions were obeyed, and not one of them escaped the punishment due to his crimes.

REMARKABLE ADVENTURES OF A TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN.

From the Melbourne Post.

One of the most remarkable criminals who has figured in the annals of Victorian crime, is Owen Suffolk, a London pickpocket, who was transported to this colony in the year 1847. Suffolk was a man of considerable ability, and has appeared as an author of a story published in Melbourne, under the heading of "Days of Crime and Years of Suffering." Suffolk was one of the class of convicts who were not confined on landing in the colony, but were placed under surveillance. This grace, however, did not do much good to Suffolk; for in the year 1850 or 1851 he was arrested for robbing the Fyansford mail, and received a long sentence, which at least extended over four or five years, and during this time he was engaged as clerk in the Melbourne Jail. His acquaintance with the criminals of Victoria at this time was very extensive, and some of them had large sums of money secreted, the proceeds of robberies. Suffolk, by the position he was placed in, aided no doubt, by a lax discipline, was enabled to change their warrants, and alter the years of imprisonment through the books, so that many ruffians escaped with much shorter sentences than they received from the Judges of the Supreme Court; but one of these forgeries, not so clever as others, was discovered, and Suffolk was informed of the circumstances. He said nothing, but with the calm, clear, smile peculiar to him, quietly submitted to the heavy irons that were placed on his arms and legs, and without an effort went to the hulks in Hobson's bay. In 1858 we next hear of him, when he regained his freedom by ticket-of-leave, and went of Ballarat. There he kept about some to the gullies, and, going into a hotel said he was detective Sincox (then in charge of the district), and by his easy and persuasive manners made the landlord believe he was on important duty, and required money and a horse. Both were provided for him, and he got clear away; but he again fell into the society of his old friends the police, and received another long sentence. He was then in Pentinge, and known under the slang term of the "billet man," which means that he was clever enough when in jail to receive some important position. In the year 1866 he made his way to the house of a barber named Mannix (at present serving three years for receiving stolen property), and was received as a species of hero. About this time Suffolk, Mannix, and a few other notorious criminals who were released about the same time (one of these fellows was an engraver) formed a scheme for manufacturing a quantity of forged notes for the Indian market; but when the notes were manufactured the detectives received the "office," and though they prevented the "flimsies" being used, they could not bring the crime home to the principal actors in it, as the "plant" was removed a few hours before the raid was made on the forging houses. Suffolk kept in the background during the investigation of the affair, and with some interest used by his brother, who is in a large way of business near Bristol, he received a conditional pardon, the understanding being that he would leave the colony. His story of "Days of Crime and Years of Suffering" was published, and with the money he received from that work, the cash he got from the criminals whose warrants he had altered, and the proceeds of a few of his other swindles, he managed to take his ticket of Victoria with a considerable amount of money. During his passage home he made a number of friends by his supercilious manner, and landed in England described as a wealthy squatter from Australia. He made his way to his brother's house, and edged his way into several drawing rooms, his hosts thinking that he was slightly *outre* for English society, but it was excusable, at least so they said, as he was from Australia. There he talked largely of his squatting and banking interest, also admitting that he had dabbled in journalism, and that he was part proprietor of the Melbourne *Argus.* In time he was invited to several houses, and at last was introduced to a charming widow of about forty years of age, who was possessed of a house and grounds, well appointed, and some £1500 in the funds. Suffolk immediately made a dead set at this lady, and after a little time wrote a letter—she being present—to Mr. Read, Solicitor, Melbourne, telling him to dispose of his mansion and grounds at Melbourne, his Colonial Bank shares, and also his interest in the *Argus* newspaper which he could do by the power of attorney given to him. Mr. Read was of course, very much astonished at this epistle; but no doubt thinking that Suffolk, whom he had defended many times, was following some of his old practices, and wanted Mr. Read's reply, so that he could make use of the envelope bearing the Melbourne post-mark, and forge a letter to answer his own purposes gave information to Superintendent Nicolson, who forwarded it to Inspector Field, in Scotland Yard. In the meantime, Suffolk married the widow, much against the wishes of her friends, and went with his blooming bride to London. He had two accomplices—one a female, whom he said was his niece—and one day they went on the river in a wherry near Richmond. Suffolk managed to capsize the boat. The female was saved by one of the accomplices, and Suffolk got clear away, the police thinking he was drowned. A paragraph, evidently written by himself, headed "Melancholy Accident to an Australian Gentleman," appeared in the papers. It was ultimately discovered that he escaped to America with his wife's money, and the proceeds of the sale of his wife's furniture, which he sold before he left England. By the latest advices he was enjoying himself in New York.

THE DIGNITY OF LABOUR.—In all times and in all communities persons skilled in all kinds of workmanship have been highly esteemed. We find honourable mention made of Tubal Cain, who was an instructor of artificers in brass and iron. Aaron, although the brother of the first of the prophets, seems, in the construction of the golden calf and the serpent, to have been possessed of a remarkable degree of manual skill, while the highly educated, eloquent and logical St. Paul was trained to the business of a tent-maker. The Greeks placed a worker among their celestial gods, and Vulcan, however much blackened and garment-soiled in