

Because father," said Joseph hesitatingly, "if I am ever a man, I do not want to be as you are."

His father blushed, turned pale, stood confused a moment, and then opened the door and dashed the jug and pitcher to pieces, saying:

"You shall be a father that you won't be ashamed to be like."

**From the New York Courier & Enquirer.**  
**TRIAL OF JENNY WILLIAM HOLMES.**  
one of the crew of the ship *William Brown* on a charge of manslaughter on the high seas. She was *John & Baldwin*, in the United States Circuit Court, sitting at Philadelphia.

The trial of this important case commenced on Saturday last. The interest that has existed in both the old and new world, on account, particularly, of the fact that the defendant is a colored man, is of the first order. The trial is the first of its kind in the history of the country, and it has attracted a vast number of spectators.

The evidence, although in some points contradictory, was in the main to this effect. That on the 12th day of March, 1841, the ship *William Brown* departed from Philadelphia, under the command of Captain Brown, and under the most favorable auspices, and so they continued until the 15th of April, at night, within about two hundred and fifty miles of Newfoundland, when the ship struck, and was supposed to have sunk. The captain, not knowing that he was in any danger, ordered, as soon as he became apprised of it, the boats to be prepared with all alacrity; the passengers, as many as could, crowded into the long boat; no restriction is placed; the boats push off from the ship and in the course of an hour sink head foremost, with thirty-two persons on board, women and children, who remained on board.

**A few more Copies of**  
**ZANONI,**  
A new Novel, complete, just received and for sale at the Chronicle & Gazette Office.  
Price 1s. 3d.  
Kingston, 3rd May, 1842.

**Chronicle & Gazette.**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 1842.**

**The Official Gazette of Saturday last contains a Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor General, giving the Royal Assent to the following Act, passed during the last Session of the Provincial Parliament:—**

An Act to extend the Charter of the City Bank, and extend the capital stock thereof.

**AN ACT TO INCORPORATE SUNDRY PERSONS: UNDER THE STYLE AND TITLE OF "THE PRESIDENT, DIRECTORS AND COMPANY OF THE BANK OF THE NIAGARA DISTRICT."**

**AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CHARTER OF THE QUEBEC BANK, AND TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.**

**AN ACT TO REGULATE THE CURRENCY OF THIS PROVINCE.**

**AN ACT TO PERMIT THE BUSINESS OF THE BANK OF UPPER CANADA TO BE CARRIED ON AT TORONTO AS USUAL.**

**AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BANKS HERETOFORE CHARTERED BY ACTS OF THE LATE PROVINCES OF UPPER AND LOWER CANADA TO CARRY ON THEIR BUSINESS THROUGHOUT THIS PROVINCE.**

Of the above laws the most important to the general interests of the community is decidedly that relating to the Currency of the Province. This Act we have published in full in this day's paper, for the information and guidance of the public. The British Shilling which hitherto was a legal tender for one shilling and three pence currency is, by the present Act limited to the value of one shilling and two pence six farthings. The fractional difference, however, is so small, that the coin, we have no doubt, will pass current in change among the commercial community as formerly; especially as we understand that the Banks will take them at 1s. 3d. provided the public will receive them at the same rate. There is one important provision of the Act which will materially affect the Banks, which is, that these Institutions cannot offer more than £3 in British Silver, to such holders of their notes as may demand specie for them. This clause will be viewed with satisfaction by our neighbors across the border. It will also have the effect of making the notes of our Chartered Banks circulate freely amongst them.

**A TOUCHING APPEAL FROM A SLAVE.**  
The following is an extract of a letter dated "Alexandria, March 9th."

**From the Nashville Union of April 11.**  
*Very late from Texas—Painful Intelligence.*  
By last night we received an extra from the office of the Memphis Appeal, of which the following is a copy:

**From the Albany Journal.**  
A fearful and deliberate Murder—One of the most awful and deliberate murders which have ever occurred in the records of crime in this State, was committed about half past one o'clock this morning by a man named Christian Cook, a paragon among men of dissipated habits, upon the person of a young and beautiful girl, named Mary Ann, who was a colored woman. Her death was a most shocking and atrocious crime. The dreadful deed was done upon a bed. The body of the unfortunate woman was horribly mangled by blows from her head, neck, and other parts of her body, and she died in a few minutes. There appeared no signs of life, and the coroner's jury returned a verdict of manslaughter, and awarded a fine of £100 and imprisonment for seven years.

**NEW WORLD.**  
The following is a list of names of the proprietors of the *Chronicle & Gazette*, and of the subscribers to the paper, and of the names of the persons who have been appointed to the various offices of the paper.

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