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L. CLEMENTS,

DENTIST, Has duly opposite his Post Office, Wellington Street. Established in Kingston 1865.

DR. TELGMANN,

PHYSICIAN and Surgeon, has removed to Nelson street, between Princess and Queen streets. Office Health & Guion's Drug Store.

ADAM McARTHUR,

ACCOUNTANT, COLLECTOR, &c. Office on the premises of Messrs. McNaughton & Co., corner of King and Princess Sts., Kingston.

WALKER & WALKER,

ATTORNEYS, Solicitors, &c., Kingston, opposite the Post Office. JOSEPH R. WALKER. RICHARD WALKER.

DR. R. W. DAY,

DENTIST—Office and Residence 129 Princess Street, over George Offord's Store, a few doors below City Hotel.

W. H. HENDERSON, M.D.,

M.R.C.S. ENGLAND.

OFFICE—26 William Street, between Wellington and King Streets.

H. W. SHANNON, M.A.,

BARRISTER, &c. Office—Anchor Buildings, Kingston. Money to loan at seven and a half per cent.

R. E. SPARKS, D.D.S., L.D.S.,

DENTIST. Office and Residence, Princess Street, between Montreal and Sydenham Streets. Careful attention paid to the correction of all irregularities of the teeth.

McGUIRE & CLAXTON,

BARRISTERS, &c. Office—Anchor Buildings, Brock Street, Kingston.
T. H. McGUIRE. | GEORGE CLAXTON.

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DENTIST. Graduate of New York College of Dentistry. Office—Wellington Street, between Princess and Brock Streets. Particular attention paid to the preservation of the teeth.

SMYTHE & DICKSON,

BARRISTERS and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Notaries Public, Ontario street, adjoining the Dominion Telegraph Office.
R. H. SMYTHE, M.A., LL.B. | R. H. DICKSON, B.A.

ROBERT SHAW,

BARRISTER, Attorney at Law, Solicitor, &c. Office—Princess Street, over Dr. Skinner's Drug Store. Money to Loan on Real Estate.

POWER & SON,

ARCHITECTS and Building Surveyors. Office—Wellington Street, Kingston.
JOHN POWER. JOSEPH W. POWER

C. CREEGGAN, L.D.S.,

DENTIST—Office over Mills Bros.' Hat Store corner of Princess and Bagot streets, Entrance Bagot street.

HOMŒOPATHY

C. L. CURTIS, M.D., successor to Dr Jarvis, Physician, Surgeon, &c. Office and Residence nearly opposite the Post Office, Wellington Street. Calls in the city or country promptly attended to.

Removal.

DR. SAUNDERS has removed to the house formerly occupied by Dr. Sampson, at the corner of King and William Sts. Office as before at Dr. Yates' Surgery, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. After 6 p.m. at his residence, door on William street.
Dec. 9.

HY. BRAME,

Cabinet Maker and Undertaker,

CORNER PRINCESS AND SYDENHAM STS.

NO. 65, - - KINGSTON, ONT

Keeps constantly on hand a large and varied assortment of Furniture.

Undertaking attended to in all its branches. Keeps always on hand a large assortment of

COFFINS AND CASKETS,

of every description, and has the best HEARSE in the Dominion. Funerals attended to in the city and country on the most reasonable terms.

HY. BRAME.

Dec. 30, 1879.

THOMAS RONAN,

Furnishing Undertaker,

BAGOT STREET, next door to Chown & Cunningham's Stove Depot.

Furnishings and Attendance

of every description for Funerals at very moderate rates. A FIRST CLASS HEARSE on hand.

Coffins of all Sizes and Prices kept on Hand.

Services given at house at all hours.

THOMAS RONAN.

ESTABLISHED 1862.

STEAM DYE WORKS,

NO. 60, PRINCESS STREET.

All Kinds of Wearing Apparel Cleaned and Dyed in the Most Prompt and Satisfactory Manner.

R. Montgomery,

Proprietor.

Oct. 29.

Now is the Time

TO LEAVE YOUR ORDERS FOR

CUTTERS and SLEIGHS

Or to get your old ones repaired or done up. During the remainder of the season we will sell

Buggies, Phætons, Etc., Very Cheap,

J. W. BROWN & CO.

Aug. 16

A CARD.

MRS. JONES, Princess Street, opposite Burgess' Store, will purchase at her own Store,

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Clothing

to any amount, and pay cash, or will wait on them at their residences if desired.
Goods sold upon Commission.
Dec. 11.

Mechanics' Institute,

KINGSTON.

READING ROOM well supplied with current Literature.

LIBRARY replete with useful, scientific and interesting works. Catalogues may be procured at the Library

Kingston, Aug.

Girls Wanted.

WANTED immediately two smart strong Girls. Apply at this office.
March 23.

FRAZER AXLE GREASE.

Best in the world. Lasts longer than any other. Always in good condition. Cures sores, cuts bruises and burns. Every box or package has the trade mark. Call for the genuine and take no other.

The Best Field FOR EMIGRANTS.

An immense area of Railroad and Government Lands, of great fertility, within easy reach of permanent market, at extremely low prices, is now offered for sale, in Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington Territory.

These lands form part of the GRAIN BELT of the Pacific Slope, and are within the average distance of 200 to 300 miles from Portland, where steamships and sailing vessels are directly loaded FOR ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Grain at Portland, Oregon, commands a price equal to that obtained in Chicago. The early completion of the Northern Pacific R.R. is now assured, and guarantees to settlers cheap and quick transportation and good markets, both East and West. The opening of this new overland line to the Pacific, together with the completion of the network of railroads of the O. R. & N. Co. in the valleys of the great Columbia and its principal tributaries, renders certain a rapid increase in the value of the lands now open to purchase and pre-emption. There is every indication of an enormous movement of population to the Columbia River region in the immediate future.

Lands shown an average yield of 40 Bushels of Wheat per acre. No Failure of crops ever known.

Railroad Lands offered at the uniform rate of $2.50 an Acre.

CLIMATE MILD AND HEALTHY.

For pamphlet and maps descriptive of country, its resources, climate, route of travel, rates and full information, address

A. L. STOKES,

Gen'l Eastern Pass'r Agent,
52 Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

WISCONSIN 500,000 ACRES LANDS

ON THE LINE OF THE

WISCONSIN CENTRAL R. R.

For full particulars, which will be sent free, address

CHARLES L. COLBY,
Land Commissioner, Milwaukee, Wis.

WAITS HOMŒOPATHIC SPECIFICS.

CURES EFFECTED by them are radical and certain. They don't cure one disease and produce another. They will cure a larger per centage of cases and in less time than any medicine known. 40 numbers, each number for its special disease. If your druggist does not keep them, any number will be sent by mail on receipt of price, 25 cents. Send for circular. Address WAIT HOMŒOPATHIC MEDICINE MANUFACTORY, Arnprior, Ontario.

$5 AND UPWARDS. Parties with limited capital desiring to become interested in Mining enterprises, at bottom figures, please send address for free prospectus to JOSIAH FLETCHER, 57 Broadway, N.Y. City.

YOUNG MEN Learn Telegraphy and earn $40 to $100 a month. Every grade guaranteed. Paying situations. Address VALENTINE BROS., Managers, Janesville, Wis.

$777 A YEAR and expenses to agents. Outfit Free. Address P. O. VICKERY, Augusta, Maine.

$999 a year to Agents, and expenses. $6 Outfit free. Address F. SWAIN & Co., Augusta, Me.

Newspaper Advertising Bureau, 10 Spruce St., N. Y.

THE STARR KIDNEY PAD,

THE REMEDY BY ABSORPTION,

FOR

Kidney Diseases,

And Complaints attendant thereon.

IT NOT ONLY RELIEVES, BUT POSITIVELY AND PERMANENTLY CURES LAME BACK, the only permanent cure for Lame Back, Inflammation of the Kidneys, Bladder and Urinary Passages, causing pain in small of the Back, Loins, Sides, producing Urinary Disorders, such as too frequent, painful, difficult or copious Micturation, etc., Inability of Retention, and suppression and Involuntary Urine, etc., Gravel, Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Piles, Leucorrhœa, Nervous Debility, and all diseases, disorders, and ailments the Urinary System (only) is subject to. MOTHERS, our Child's Pad cures bed wetting. Try it. Write for pamphlets, testimonials, etc., or from your Druggist obtain them.

Prices—Child's Pad, $1.50; Regular Pad, $2; Special Pad for Chronic Diseases, $3.

Sold by Druggists everywhere, or sent free by mail (plain wrapper) on receipt of price, by the

STARR KIDNEY PAD COMPANY.,

31 KING STREET WEST, TORONTO.

For sale in Kingston by Messrs. N. C. Polson & Co., W. T. C. Bethel, J. G. King.
March 14.

SEALE BROS.,

Merchant Tailors,

PRINCESS STREET,

Have great pleasure in announcing that their Stock is now complete in all the leading Lines of Broads, Worsteds, Serges, Meltons and Tweeds, both Foreign and Domestic, and are prepared to fill all orders given them with PROMPTNESS AND FIRST-CLASS STYLE.

In the Gentlemen's Furnishing Department

We are showing all the Novelties in Scarfs, Ties, Gloves, Hosiery and Underwear, and a specialty made of White, Regatta, Oxford and Flannel Shirts, which can be selected from stock or made to measure. Our stock of Rubber Coats, Waterproof Clothing, Camp Sheets and Carriage Rugs are also worthy of an inspection.

Give us a call.

SEALE BROS.

June 1, 1880.

ONTARIO

Building and Savings Society,

OFFICE—WELLINGTON STREET,

(Opposite St. George's Hall.)

WM FORD, President. M. DORAN, Vice-Pres't.
Solicitor.....B. M. BRITTON, Q.C.

Subscribed Capital - $250,000.

Savings Bank open daily from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Interest allowed on deposits.

Loan Department—Money advanced on the security of Farm or City Property. For further information apply to

JAMES McARTHUR, Manager.

Kingston Cotton Manufacturing Company

THE STOCK BOOKS

Of the Company, are now open at the office of Carruthers Bros., Clarence St., and at F. Shaw's store, corner Princess and Wellington Sts.

Kingston, March 29, '81.

MILLS BROS.

Have great pleasure in intimating to their many friends that they are more fully prepared than ever to supply all their requirements in the Hat line, as they have opened out one of the largest Stocks ever brought to this city, which fills almost every department to repletion.

Stiff Felt Department.

Owing to the increasing popularity attained by STIFF HATS this department receives at our hands an unusual amount of care, and in it all the best factories of England and America are fully represented in shapes from the very lowest to the very largest in all qualities.

Large Hats for Large Heads.

Soft Felt Department.

We are showing an enormous stock owing to the greater diversity of shapes which the soft hats are manufactured into. In addition to English and American goods we add to this department those of

Canadian Manufacture

which are better stock, better trimmed, better shapes, and better value than ever.

Silk Hat Department

This is every true Hatter's pride, as it is in this he finds full vent for all his art and genius. We use the block adopted by the BROADWAY HATTERS ASSOCIATION. It is the one universally worn in America, possessing advantages many and great over the English style, and more fully meeting the requirements of the trade. We are busy manufacturing them.

Cap Department.

This department embraces all the Newest Shapes from New York in all colors, qualities and material.

Silk, Broadcloth,
Serge, Diagonal,
Linen, Tweed,

Scotch Caps.

Glengarry Driving Caps,
Prince Charlie's Tam O'Shanters,
Etc., etc., etc.

Boys' Goods in all these departments (Silk Hat excepted) in unlimited quantities and shapes.

MILLS BROS. desire to return their sincere thanks to their friends for the confidence reposed in them, and refer with pride to the UNPARALLELED RAPIDITY with which their BUSINESS HAS GROWN in popular favor since commencing business four years ago. Possessing as we do now the LARGEST PREMISES of any firm engaged in similar business, with ABUNDANT FACILITIES for doing a large trade, an ENORMOUS STOCK bought on the best markets in the world, selected with the greatest CARE AND JUDGMENT, which a close application, added to a natural aptitude for the business, can alone give, we pledge ourselves to enlarge and extend this confidence to its utmost capacity.

MILLS BROS., The New Hat Store, Corner Princess and Bagot Streets.

March 16th.

R. M. HORSEY

IS GETTING IN HIS

Fall Stock of Stoves!

FOR THE

PARLOUR,
HALL and
KITCHEN,

From the well known manufactories of E. & C. Gurney, of Hamilton and Toronto.

☞ Intending purchasers should call and see the "QUEEN." Excellent as it proved in every particular in the past season it has been further improved for 1880.

Sept. 11th.

Coal Oil!

Coal Oil!

AMERICAN COAL OIL

only 40 cents per Imperial Gallon.

Cut Nails, Paints and Paint Oils, Glass and Putty.

A large lot of second-hand Cooking and Parlor Stoves for sale cheap. Also one No. 5 Argand Hot-air Parlor Furnace, in good order, for sale very cheap at

HAMER'S NEW STORE,

Corner of King and Princess Streets.

N.B.—All Kinds of Scales repaired and adjusted on the shortest notice.
Nov. 20.

Kingston Bottling Depot.

AGENCY FOR LABATT'S ENGLISH HOP Ales and Porter, where they can be bought for Cash cheaper than any other house in the city.

ALES, qts per doz $1 00
" pints " 60
XXX PORTER, qts per doz 1 00
" pints " 60

Quinte Lager Beer, put up expressly for family use, pts per doz. 50c

George Thompson,

KING STREET.

MONEY.

The TORONTO FLOUR STORE

Will exchange for money Flour, Oat Meal, Corn Meal, Timothy Seed, Clover Seed, Oil Cake Flax Seed, Linseed Meal, Split Peas, Blackeye Peas, Mill Feed of all kinds, &c.

HAY AND STRAW

delivered promptly all over the city.

M. MORRISON.

March 29.

Save Money By

TAKING A WALK

TO THE

Little Giant Tailor Shop,

Corner Brock and Barrie Sts.,

And get a pair of its $3 Pants, made to order in Scotch and Canadian Tweeds. Perfect fit guaranteed.

S. MOCKRIDGE.

Kingston, Jan. 12, '81.

THE REASON WHY

GRAY'S VITALINE

Is fast becoming

THE POPULAR REMEDY OF THE DAY

Is that it will do all that is claimed for it in the Pamphlet.

Read the Pamphlet carefully. Buy one bottle and take it according to directions and you will find relief and be perfectly satisfied that it is worth $1.

Sold by all Druggists.

The Gray Medicine Co.,
TORONTO.

JAMES REID,

Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer and Undertaker,

152 Princess Street,

KINGSTON.

All kinds of COFFINS, CASKETS, SHROUDS &c., kept constantly on hand.

A NEW HEARSE—the best in the city—and can furnish funerals at the most reasonable terms. Call and examine my stock.

CONCERT.

TOWN HALL, PORTSMOUTH,

Wednesday Eve., April 6th.

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF MR R ATKINS, AND IN AID OF THE C. M. CHURCH.

Tickets 15c.
Portsmouth, March 24.

Wanted.

A CARETAKER for a Private School on Barrie Street. Apply to MISS ROSE, No. 209 Queen St.
March 25, '81.

THE

Fire Insurance

ASSOCIATION

(Limited)

OF LONDON, ENGLAND,

Having made the required deposit of $100,000 and obtained the Government license is now prepared to transact a general fire insurance business in the Dominion.

HEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA
42 St. John Street, Montreal.
WILLIAM ROBERTSON, Manager

W. D. GORDON,

Agent for Kingston.

Office Montreal Street, between Princess and Brock.
Dec. 5th.

GO TO

FRASER & MOWAT'S

FOR CHEAP

HARDWARE.

They are giving up business in Kingston, and are now selling off their entire stock at cost.

Builders' and General Hardware and Sporting Goods.

180 PRINCESS STREET.

Oct. 29.

NEW HARDWARE STORE,

Corner Princess and Wellington Streets

IS THE PLACE TO BUY

SHELF and HEAVY HARDWARE,

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Glass, &c., Fence Wire and Cut Nails.

☞ BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS HARDWARE A SPECIALTY.

W. M. DRENNAN.

Feb. 17.

Day's Extract of Malt.

THE following is a certificate in reference to the excellence of Day's Extract of Malt:

Kingston, March 2nd, 1881.

To B. W. DAY, M.D., Kingston.

Dear Sir,—It affords me much satisfaction to further testifying to the curative properties of your Extract of Malt. Before using it, my wife was reduced to a shadow, but now I am happy to say, that she seems a new creation, having gained over ten pounds avoirdupois in the last month. I have, therefore, no hesitation in pronouncing your Extract a most excellent tonic and renovator of the system. I am confident that it only requires to be known to bring it into general use.
—Yours truly,

HENRY CONLEY.

For sale by all Druggists.
March 3.

OYSTERS!

IN BULK

Received Fresh almost Daily,

BY

R. H. TOYE,

MARKET SQUARE.

Jan. 7th

An Eligible Tavern Stand.

THE GROVE HOUSE.

WILL BE SOLD OR LEASED, with possession on May 1st next, that well known, old established Tavern Stand, the Grove House, King Street West, now doing a good business. The building is of stone with 12 rooms, well laid out, garden and Stables attached. The House has always been licensed, and in good repute.

For terms apply to SMYTHE & DICKSON
Kingston.
Feb. 9th.

C. VANARNAM,

King Street, opposite Spangenburg's.

has just received a large stock of

Oranges and Confectionery,

He has on hand a stock of first-class Groceries. Cheap for cash.

Lunch at all hours. Oysters by plate, can or quart. Bread and Vienna Rolls of the best baking.

Dec. 16.

We will Commence Delivering

"Vienna Bread,"

TO NEW CUSTOMERS 1st April. Our list is nearly complete. Can only accept the ten more. Send your name in at once.

Rees Bros.,

Manf'g. Con.

March 23.

SPRING CIRCULAR

THE CHINA TEA HOUSE IS PREPARED AS USUAL FOR THE SPRING SEASON WITH A LARGE AND VERY FINE STOCK OF

FIRST CLASS

GROCERIES,

CONSISTING OF

Flour of all Grades,
Sugars, Selected Teas,

STRICTLY PURE SPICES IN BULK,

THE VERY BEST COFFEES,

Ground to order, thereby getting the full strength of the beans.

Full line of Fresh Canned Goods, Choice Syrups,

Foreign & Domestic Fruits,

ALWAYS THE BEST BUTTER AND CHEESE IN MARKET TO BE FOUND AT THE

Reliable China Tea House

FERGUSON'S BLOCK,

PRINCESS STREET. KINGSTON

March 18, 81.

THIS IS THE BEST MONTH TO

DECORATE YOUR HOUSE.

Because you avoid the Spring rush.
You get first choice of New Patterns.
You are sure of skilled Labor.
You insure promptness.

Come this month and see the new, beautiful and attractive

PAPER HANGINGS!

The Largest, Cheapest and Best Stock of

Room, Hallway & Decorative Paper

IN CENTRAL CANADA

AT THE

CITY PAINT SHOP

BAGOT STREET.

House and Sign Painting, Graining, Glazing, Paper Hanging, Kalsomining and Window Shade Painting done in the best style, shortest notice and at the lowest rates.

W. ROBINSON & SON,

Bagot St., between Princess and Queen.
March 6, 81.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

A Meeting of the

BOARD OF AUDIT

For the County of Frontenac will be held at Judge's Chambers, Court House, City of Kingston, on

Wednesday, 6th day of April

Next, at 11 a.m.

N.B.—The Statute requires that all Accounts for Audit shall be left with the Clerk of the Peace before the First of the month. None will be audited that are not in his hands on the Third.

ALEX S. KIRKPATRICK,
Clerk of the Peace.

March 28, '81.

Proclamation.

CITY OF KINGSTON.

THE MAYOR, as Chairman of the Board of Health, has ordered that all yards, cellars, stables and outhouses, and other buildings and enclosures, lanes and alleys, within the city, shall be thoroughly cleansed of all filth, dirt, nuisance, and other impurities before the

30th day of April next.

Notice is hereby further given that a thorough inspection of the premises will take place on and after that date, and any person or persons having foul or unclean premises will be dealt with according to law.

Any complaints of a violation of the provisions herein enjoined may be left with the undersigned, who has received peremptory instructions to enforce the law.

S. B. HANCE,
Chief of Police.

City Police Office,
Kingston, March 26th, 1881.

Night Soil.

REMOVED on the shortest notice, and at reasonable rates. Address J. M. care J. JONES, Kingston P.O.
Nov 17.

GOOD NEWS

FOR ALL.

OUR Store is now replete with a well selected Stock of

New FRESH GROCERIES,

TOGETHER WITH A LARGE AND VARIED ASSORTMENT OF

New Fruits, Extracts, Spices, &c., &c.

And every other requisite for the HOLIDAY TRADE.

We have also on hand a choice stock of

WINES AND LIQUORS,

which comprise the very best brands, our Wines being particularly noted for their purity and excellence.

Just received a consignment of

Teas,

which for flavor and cheapness we highly recommend. Also a fresh lot of Labrador Herrings, Cod Fish, Finnan Haddies, Mackerel, &c.

Pierce Browne,

Masonic Buildings, Market Square.

Kingston, Dec. 10, 1880.

PAPER HANGINGS

—OF THE—

Newest Designs!

—IN—

DADOES and FRIEZES

TO MATCH.

Japanese & Mica Papers, Borders, &c., &c., at

McMAHON'S.

House and Sign Painting, Paper Hanging, &c., &c., promptly executed.

THOS. McMAHON.

Kingston Paint Shop and Room Paper Depot, Corner Brock and Bagot St.
March 12th

HEADQUARTERS

—FOR—

FINE CLOTHING!

SPRING STOCK COMPLETE!

ORDER WORK A SPECIALTY!

—AT—

C. Livingston's,

89 BROCK STREET.

March 25.

REMEMBER

ONE ANOTHER

AT EASTER.

IT WILL NOT COST MUCH.

T. McAuley

IS SELLING EASTER CARDS VERY CHEAP.

Call and secure one before they are all gone. Don't forget the place.

THOS. McAULEY,
Bookseller & Stationer, King Street.
March 25

For Sale Cheap,

OR EXCHANGE FOR OTHER PROPERTY

THE LARGE PREMISES ON PRINCESS STREET, with half an acre of land. It has been used as a

Foundry and Sash Factory.

There is an 12-inch Steel Boiler, Lathes and Plant in a good position for business. Would be a good opening for an AGRICULTURAL WORKS OR MALLEABLE IRON FACTORY, things much wanted in Kingston. For particulars apply to

A. CROWN.

March 25th, 1881.

Money to Loan.

IN small or large sums, for short or long periods, at greatly reduced rates of interest on the Sinking Fund plan or straight loans, the Principal being repaid at the end of the term or by instalments.

Apply to

THOMAS BIGGS,
Manager Provincial Loan and Investment Society.

Office opposite the Post Office, Clarence Street, Kingston.
Feb. 11.

Daily British Whig.

SUMMER RAMBLE.

The bright sun from heaven
The winter has driven,
And freedom's been given
The streamlets to play.

Cho.—Oh come now my darling
Alone let us stray,
For the notes of the cuckoo
Are heard from the spray,
Oh come then my darling,
No longer delay.

The birds are resuming
Their beauty and warbling,
With flowers perfuming
The glad summer day.

Dark winter is waning,
Bright summer is reigning,
The world is regaining
Its beauty in May.

The cold woods are ringing
With birds sweetly singing,
Where dew-drops are clinging
To flowrol and spray.

The sunshine entrances
My heart when it dances,
And glimmers and glances,
Through greenwood so gay.

Though sweet be the flowers,
Refreshed by the showers,
In yonder green bowers
There's fairer than they.

Where ring-doves are cooing
Come list, to my wooing,
My love-vows renewing,
To bind me for aye.

TRANSLATED BY "FIONN."

OFFICE SEEKERS.

Paying a Premium for places—Profit to Rangers etc.

Springfield Republican.

The judicious newspaper reader always finds much of interest in the advertising columns. The list of 'Wants' in every city presents many curious features. Here in Washington the office seeking business has developed a peculiar class of advertisements, of which the following, taken from a recent issue of the *Evening Star*, is a sample:—

Wanted—By an honest man, a Situation in some of the Government departments as watchman or messenger; will pay to any one securing me the position $10 for ten months, and $5 as long as employed. Address want, *Star* office. 1t*

The form of the offer varies. One advertiser promises $50 cash to any person who will secure him a Government position (of any sort) of $25 a month for four months and 2 per cent. if the salary as long as he holds the position; another $100 cash for a position under the Government; a third $2.50, and a fourth $500 to any one procuring him a Government position; while a fifth offers $100 cash for a $1,200 clerkship; and a sixth (a lady) would give half of salary for six months for appointment at $900 per year. Advertisements of this character appear occasionally in the Washington papers throughout the year, but they have been unusually numerous since the 4th of March. There have always been men hanging around Washington who professed to have influence enough with the appointing power to secure places, and who would take fees from people who could be persuaded to purchase their influence. During Johnson's administration there were some scandals regarding appointments in some of the departments, appearances indicating very strongly that the appointment clerks did have some sort of an arrangement with office-brokers outside by which they let out places to them and divided the fees. Of late years, however, there have been no scandals of this sort, and nobody charges that the present appointment clerks in any of the departments can be bought up. This does not prevent people from claiming to be able to secure offices, but such people can be set down as frauds.

A chief of division in the treasury department told me of an incident which fell under his observation, that showed how these frauds bamboozle their victims. He went into the office of the assistant secretary one day, and while he was there a fellow came in and asked the secretary some question about the rules respecting clerks who didn't pay their bills. The secretary replied that he didn't intend to keep clerks who failed to pay their bills, and the caller departed. The chief of division went out at the same time, and as he walked along the corridor he heard the secretary's caller say to a man who had been waiting outside, "Well, I've seen the secretary about that office, and every thing is favourable for your getting it. On the strength of that the fellow probably persuaded the office seeker to pay him an instalment, and after getting as much as he could out of him, he doubt less let him drop, feeling pretty sure that the man wouldn't expose his own folly by exposing him. A good deal of this petty swindling is undoubtedly done, and as long as people are foolish enough to advertise offers of $50 to $800 for Government positions, they will find sharpers ready to undertake the job on the instalment plan.

TAXATION POLICY.

A Surplus Our Thing. The Prosperity of the People Quite Another.

At the banquet given in his honor, in Montreal, on Tuesday evening, Mr. Blake said: "Much credit had been taken in Parliament by the gentlemen in the Government for the prosperity which has existed, but when he asked them in the House if they meant to tell him that they gave to the country a present of it, they were obliged to acknowledge that they had taken the money out of the pockets of the electors—that they found out a process whereby with a few strokes of the pen they could take more money out of the pockets of the electors. (Laughter and cheers.) He made some laughable allusions to the protective policy of the Government, showing that because a neighbouring country had put a tariff on that which took so much out of the pockets of those who sent goods into that country the present Ministry said—'Very well, we will put on a tariff that will take as much more out of our own pockets.' (Laughter.) To take credit for such action seemed to him to be the height of audacity. He asked with what face a Government could come in 1881, and say that they required $27,000,000 or $28,000,000 for the public service when it had condemned the Reform Government as constable a few years previously for having desired to expend twenty-three and a half millions. (Cheers.)

Similar sentiments are expressed by Mr. Goldwin Smith, in the March number of *The Bystander*, thus:

"We hope that Sir Leonard Tilley is not lapsing into the belief that taxation makes a country rich. Certain persons, of course, may be made rich by taxing the community in their interest. Apart from this, there is much in the genera

HOME RULE.

Cape Kirwan's Preferences for the Government of Ireland.

To the Editor of the Daily Witness.

SIR,—Some weeks ago I gave an address before a few friends on the present and past aspect of the Irish question. During the course of my remarks I made use of these words: "I would rather see the Irish people governed by a Protestant Parliament, composed of Irishmen, sitting in Dublin, than by a Catholic Parliament, composed of Englishmen, sitting in London. The address in general, and the phrase I quote in particular, attracted but little of no attention at the time. In the *Witness* of Monday, however, I saw a letter signed "A Friend," in which the writer speaks of the passage. I have quoted as a strange and indeed surprising expression of opinion. Although "A Friend" was present at the address, yet he appears to doubt the evidence of his senses, and he is evidently anxious to have assurance made doubly sure by hearing me repeat in public what I had said in "comparative privacy." To such a request and to one so courteously solicited, I cannot refuse compliance, and I repeat, perhaps for the hundredth time in my life, that, I would infinitely prefer to place the destinies of Ireland in the hands of my Protestant fellow countrymen rather than in the hands of Englishmen religionists. To liberal minded men there is nothing startling in the statement. I, like other Irishmen, am one of those who will not take my politics, if I am willing to take my theology, from Rome. In political issues my Protestant, or even my Orange fellow countrymen, are dearer to me than English Catholics, who typify the treachery and cowardice of James and the political persecutions of Mary. History furnishes me with no reason why I should prefer an English Catholic to my Protestant fellow-countrymen. On the contrary, the evidences of history are all the other way. Who but the Irish Protestant volunteers—Protestant to a man—won legislative independence in 1782? What was it but a Protestant Parliament—Protestant to a man—that gave Catholics the elective franchise in 1793? What was it not a Protestant, Irish House of Commons—Protestant to a man—that was removing the disabilities day by day from the Catholic fellow countrymen? And what killed this good feeling, this generous emotion, this hopeful evidence of peace and progress, what but the Legislative Union? If that union had not taken place Catholic Emancipation would have been, I believe, anticipated by many years. Irish Protestants would have done justice to their Irish Catholic fellow-countrymen long before 1829. The Catholics of Ireland were never so well off since the surrender of the Confederate chieftains in 1652, as they were for the brief period between 1782 and 1880, when Protestant Irishmen controlled the destinies of their country. Who first invaded Ireland but Catholics? For four hundred years Catholic England ruled over Catholic Ireland, and let historians, Sir John Davis, Plowden, Moryson, Sir Edward Main, Senchersmer, Froude, Mitchell, Barrington, Swift, or any English or Irish chronicler that ever lived, tell how that rule was perpetuated. True, disputes and feverish riots have been of late too frequent between Irish Catholics and Irish Protestants, but I am satisfied that once the Irish people had control over their own affairs, even under a Protestant Parliament, that these insane follies would end; that Irishmen would learn to know each other better, and thus like each other more, and that in a short time; still, if you like, under that Protestant Parliament, fanaticism and rancour would give way to religion and manliness, and Irishmen of all creeds would learn to cherish the 'motto of "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

M. W. KIRWAN.

Montreal, March 22, 1881.

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