Correspondence.

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To the Editor of the Examiner :

SIR,—The anonymous scribbler in yesterday's issue of your paper is not correct in any of his statements touching the Charlottetown Reading room, excepting the non-arrival of English papers by the last mail or two. This, however, is not attributable to any neglect on my part. Even the very signature he cowardly employs in making his attack—"A Member who pays in advanance"—is not true, as I will readily prove, provided he is not too big a coward to throw off his dirty mask and appear over his real name. Until he accepts this challenge like a man, I will pay no further attention to his mean and unmanly scribbling. Any member of the Charlottetown Reading Room who wishes that institution to maintain its prestige, can at any time submit his complaints in person to the Manager, who is always ready and willing to give any required information touching the management of the Room.

Yours,

A. MCNEILL.

Jan. 19, 1878.

More History.

THE CABALISTIC STONE FOUND.

To the Editor of the Examiner :

DEAR SIR,—A late *Patriot* contains a whole column of bosh, over the signature of "Peter Simple." He must be a simpleton, indeed, if he thinks the intelligent yeomanry of this Island are going to believe his tough stories about sea-cow-hide traces, and oxen climbing up trees to call the cows home. If the editor of the *Patriot* had known "Peter Simple" as well as he is known in this community, he surely would have refused to publish his ridiculous letter. Is the editor of the *Patriot* aware that "Peter Simple" submitted the string of old wives' fables, published in the *Patriot*, to our Historica Committee, and that they unanimously resolved that such trash was unworthy of any place in the Society's Record of Facts. Peter, who, by the by, is a disappointed office hunter, rushed to the City, and either cajoled or bribed the editor of the *Patriot* to publish his sneering and untruthful epistle. His motives for writing his nonsensical letter are the meanest and most contemptible that could actuate any man. Mr. Editor, I would not refer to his motives but for his impudent audacity in questioning my record of facts, taken from the minutes of the Historical Society's books. Will "Peter Simple" dare deny that he has been expelled from the Historical Society for trying to get some of his cock-and-bull stories introduced into their minute book? Will he deny that he fell in arrears with the *Presbyterian*, the regular payment of which is one of the fundamental principles of the Society? As to the facts given to you in my last, I am happy to state that, through the exertions of our committee, we are put in possession of proof that puts the existence of the cabalistic stone beyond a doubt.

Two members of the committee, about a week ago, took a notion to go and spear eels. In going, they took a short cut through that portion of old Wheatley's land formerly occupied by the McGregors, and now in the possession of David Mutch, Esq. That field of Wheatley's farm on which his house and barn stood, for some reason that cannot now be explained, never would grow any crop, although cultivated with care for some time.

At length the attempt to get any crop out of it was given up, and it was allowed to grow into a wilderness of wood, so that what was once Wheatley's best field is now covered with a dense growth of pine and spruce. This wood always had a bad reputation, and that, probably, accounts for its being at present the best piece of timber land for miles around.

Our committee men are not the kind of men to be easily frightened, and being armed with their eel-spears, they boldly made their way towards the centre of the wood. But they found it difficult travelling, as the snow had drifted in of the adjacent clearing, and was about five feet deep. They struggled on, however, until they came to the centre of the wood, when they saw a circular spot entirely clear of snow, and in the centre of it the cabalistic stone. They were surprised to find the ground and stone bare, when there was so much snow around; but on putting their hands on the stone they found it quite warm, it being evidently heated by some supernatural agency. They carefully examined the stone, and found it covered with the following letters :—

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They made an attempt to raise the stone, but they no sooner did so than they heard the most dreadful sounds and on looking round they saw what at first appeared to be a decrepit old man hopping about on the surface of the snow. They tried to strike the apparation with their spears, when it immediately assumed the form of a sea cow. What made the matter worse was that there was a horrible din going on under their feet—chains rattling, bells ringing, and some one shouting in some unearthly lingo. They stood to their post as long as flesh and blood could, but eventually they had to leave. They immediately went and reported to the President of the Society what they had seen and heard. He at once called a special meeting of members to consider what was best to be done in the premises. There was a full attendance of members at the meeting, and quite a number of them wished to pass a resolution condemning the two committee men for not taking the stone up in spite of the old man and sea cow. After a long and stormy discussion a deputation was sent after the nearest clergyman to deliberate with them on the best means of raising the cabilistic stone. They waited on him; but he positively refused to be mixed up in any way with what he called the hidden works of darkness. The Society was now in a dilemma. All admitted that it would be useless, if not dangerous, to go near the spot without a clergyman. At this stage an old and respected member, (who, it is said, is a Jesuit,) proposed that each member should arm himself with as many copies of the *Presbyterian* as he could carry, and so armed proceed to raise the stone. He urged that the Christian spirit shown in the editorials of that paper was enough to frighten away legions of evil spirits. He read several leading articles from that paper to corroborate his statements, and he offered to bet his share of the wealth to be found, that his plan, if adopted, would be a success. After some discussion, the Jesuits plan was adopted, and he was unanimously elected Captain.

He at once set to work to form the expedition. He would allow no weapons of any kind to be carried by the members. He simply ordered each member to carry as many copies of the "Presbyterian" as he could conveniently carry, and two copies of each of the other Island papers. The expedition was soon ready for a start, and in due time arrived at the scene of action. No sooner did the captain command a halt, then the wood seemed alive with the sea cows, bear, wildcats, and even whales. The noise under our feet was terrific and awful. I must confess that, at this time, many of us lost all faith in the virtue of the the "Presbyterian," and sincerely wished ourselves home. But our leader seemed confident still. and he drew a circle about fifty feet in diameter around the stone. He then ordered copies of the "Presbyterian" to be laid side by side on the circle. This was no sooner done than the animals or evil spirits withdrew to a respectable distance. As the noise under our feet still continued, he ordered a fire to be kindled on the stone. On the fire he then placed all the other Island papers, beginning with the DAILY EXAMINER, and ending with the "Georgetown Advertiser." When he was asked the meaning of this rite, he said that as these papers were devoted to the dissemination of evil principles, the spirit that guarded the stone would be appeased by having them sacrificed to him. And so it was. No sooner did their smoke die away than everything became quiet and peaceful. The stone was then raised without any trouble. Under it was found a large iron box, about a ton weight, and a small tin case. I am not at liberty to make known what the large box contained. But the tin case contained nothing but a manuscript biography of old Wheatley. This biography the Historical Society promises to publish soon.

Mr. Editor, in the face of such facts as these, what becomes of Peter Simple and his sneering, lying letter? Surely those miserable, jealous, heathenish Editors that have been abusing the editor of the "Presbyterian" and his paper, will now realize that they have been biteing a file.

Yours, &c., RUSTICO.

Jnnuary 19, 1878.

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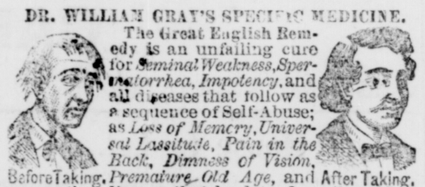

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200 Boxes Soap,
50 " Toilet Soap,
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25 Boxes Flat Tobacco,
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100 Boxes 3 in. Nails
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200 b'xes Confectionery (assorted),
800 Reams Paper (all sizes),
50 Doz. Brooms,
50 Doz. Pails,
60 Boxes Glass,
150 Boxes Bartlett's Blue,
100 Gross Bartlett's Shoe Blacking,
150 Jars Creamtartar
100 Tins Pepper,
100 " Mustard,
40 " Ginger,
40 " M'xd Spices,
20 " Allspice,
30 Packages Whole Cloves,
30 " Nutmegs,
150 Boxes Yeast,
20 Bbls. W'te Beans
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50 Boxes Candles,

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Ch'town, Dec. 22—2w 3aw pat ar 2w

NOTICE.

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GENTLEMEN'S & BOY'S CLOTHING!

Shirts,
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Military Uniforms,
Clergymen and Lawyers' Gowns,

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A GENUINE CASH SALE!

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Charlottetown, Jan. 18, 1878.

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Charlottetown, Jan. 8, 1878.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875, and Amending Acts.

ROBERT HOGG, Plaintiff,
SYLVANUS KEITH, Defendant.

A WRIT of Attachment has issued in this Cause.

B. WILSON HIGGS,
Official Assignee.

Charlottetown, P. E. Island, January 14, 1878.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875 and Amending Acts.

In the matter of SYLVANUS KEITH, an Insolvent.

ALL persons indebted to the above Insolvent are hereby notified to pay their accounts to me, and to me only.

B. WILSON HIGGS,
Official Assignee.

Charlottetown, P. E. Island, January 14, 1878.

FINE ARTS

NEW YEAR'S CLASS.

MRS. W. W. IRVING begs to intimate to the public that she has re-opened her Classes at the late City Hotel, opposite the R. C. Chapel, where, having every facility, she is prepared to give lessons in Oil and Water Color Painting, and Drawing in Crayon and Penciling in all their different branches.

Terms made known on application.

Jan. 11, 1877.

SOLE LEATHER—500 Sides No. 1 & 2 CARVELL BROS.

Dec. 5—pat 3i

Prince Edward Island Railway,

In connection with the winter Steamship

"NORTHERN LIGHT."

ON and after MONDAY, 14th January, the Steamboat Special Train will leave Charlottetown at 5. a. m., arriving at Georgetown at 8. a. m. on the days upon which the Steamship leaves Georgetown.

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C. J. BRYDGES, Gen. Supt. Govt. R'ys. Ch'town, Jan. 14—6i
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Men's Wellington Boots,
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Ch'town, Jan. 5—4w 2aw

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BROOMS, Buckets, Tubs, Washboards Clothes Pins.

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THIRTY Half-Chests Tea, excellent quality
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TWENTY Caddies Twist " "
THIRTY Caddies Bright Smoking "
SEVENTY-FIVE Boxes Valencia Raisins,
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TWENTY Kegs Muscatel "
THIRTY Boxes Assorted Crackers,
FIFTEEN Boxes Candles,
TWO Kegs Creamtartar,
TEN Boxes Cooks' Friend Baking Powder,
FIFTEEN Quintals good retailing Codfish,
TWENTY Bundles Pollock,
FIFTEEN Boxes Smoked Halibut,
FORTY Bbls. Labrador Herring,
TWENTY Bundles Horseshoe Iron.

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Jan. 17, 1878—3i

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TO SELL:

20 HHDS. MOLASSES,
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25 Crates ONIONS,
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Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for Ten Cents per day.

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Jan. 19, 1878—

LOST—On the street, yesterday, a light gray Woollen SHAWL. The finder, on returning the article, will be rewarded. MRS. MACLENNAN, St. James' Manse.

Jan. 18—2i

LOST.—This morning, between 8 and 11 o'clock, a valuable Watch Seal (Gold), between McKinnon & Fraser's Factory and Kent street. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at the Store of W. E. Dawson & Co.

Jan. 14, 1878.

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Jan. 11, 1878.—tf

LOST.—On the 29th of October, from the house in which Mr. Sinclair formerly resided, a Prayer Book of the Reformed Church of England, which was seen in the house after the fire. The finder will be rewarded on leaving it at the EXAMINER OFFICE.

Jan. 8, 1878.

WANTED.—An EXPERIENCED ACCOUNTANT to take charge of a set of Books in Merchant's office in the city. Must be a good writer. Address A. B., EXAMINER Offic

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