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TEN DOLLARS PER YEAR
payable in advance. Single copies, at the counter, FIVE
CENTS.
Residents in the city of Norfolk or Portsmouth, desir-
ing the paper left regularly at their houses or places of
business, will be served by a carrier, by leaving the name
and address at the counting-room of the publication
office. They will settle with the carrier weekly for the
same.

UNITED STATES 7-30 LOAN.
By authority of the Secretary of Treasury, the under-
signed has assumed the General Subscription Agency for
the sale of United States Treasury Notes, bearing seven
and three-tenths per cent. interest, per annum, known
as the
SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.
These Notes are issued under date of August 15th, 1864,
and are payable three years from that time, in currency,
or are convertible at the option of the holder into
UNITED STATES 5-20 SIX PER CENT. GOLD-BEAR-
ING BONDS.
These bonds are now worth a premium of nine per cent.
including gold interest from November, which makes the
actual profit on the 7-30 loan, at current rates, including
interest, about ten per cent. per annum, besides its exemp-
tion from State and Municipal taxation, which is levied on
one to three per cent. more, according to the rate added on
each property. The interest is payable semi-annually by
coupons attached to each note, which may be cut off and
sold to any bank or banker.
The interest amounts to
One cent per day on a \$50 note \$50 note
Two cents " " " \$100 " \$100 "
Ten " " " " \$500 " \$500 "
20 " " " " \$1000 " \$1000 "
50 " " " " \$5000 " \$5000 "
Notes of all the denominations named will be promptly
unreimbursed upon receipt of subscriptions. This is
THE ONLY LOAN IN MARKET
now offered by the Government, and it is confidently ex-
pected that its superior advantages will make it the
GREAT POPULAR LOAN OF THE
PEOPLE.
Less than \$200,000,000 remain undrawn, which will prob-
ably be disposed of within the next sixty or ninety days,
when the notes will undoubtedly command a premium, as
has uniformly been the case on closing the subscriptions
to other loans.
In order that citizens of every town and section of the
country may be afforded facilities for taking the loan, the
National Banks, State Banks, and Private Bankers through-
out the country have generally agreed to receive subscrip-
tions at par. Subscribers will select their own agents, in
whom they have confidence, and who only are to be re-
sponsible for the delivery of the notes for which they re-
ceive orders.
Subscription Agent, Philadelphia.
Subscriptions will be received by the Exchange National
Bank of Norfolk, Virginia.
**FACTS ABOUT THE 7-30'S—THE AD-
VANTAGES THEY OFFER.**
Their ASSURANCE SECURITY.—Nearly all active credits are
now based on Government securities, and banks hold them
as the very best and strongest investment they can make,
if it were possible to contemplate the financial failure of
the Government, no bank would be any safer. If money
is loaned on individual notes or bonds and mortgage, it
will be payable in the same currency as the Government
pays with, and no better. The Government never has
failed to meet its engagements, and the national debt is a
first mortgage upon the whole property of the country.
While other stocks fluctuate from ten to fifty, or even a
greater per cent. Government stocks are always compar-
atively firm. Their value is fixed and reliable, beyond all
other securities; for while a thousand speculative bubbles
rise and burst, as a rule they are never below par, and are
often above.
Their LIBERAL INTEREST.—The general rate of interest is
six per cent., payable annually. This is seven and three-
tenths, payable semi-annually. If you lend on mortgage,
there must be a searching of titles, lawyers' fees, stamp
duties and delays, and you will finally have returned to
you only the same kind of money you would receive from
the Government, and less of it. If you invest in this loan,
you have no trouble. Any bank or banker will obtain it
for you without charge. To each note or bond are affixed
five "coupons" or interest tickets, due at the expiration of
each successive half-year. The holder of a note has simply
to cut off one of these coupons, present it to the nearest
bank or Government Agent, and receive his interest; the
note itself need not be presented at all. Or a coupon thus
payable will everywhere be equivalent, when due, to money.
If you wish to borrow ninety cents on the dollar upon
the notes, you have the highest security in the mar-
ket to do it with. If you wish to sell, it will bring within
a fraction of cost and interest at any moment. It will be
very handy to have in the house.
It is CONVERTIBLE into a six per cent. gold-bearing bond
at the expiration of three years a holder of the notes of the
7-30 Loan has the option of accepting payment in full
or of funding his notes in a six per cent. gold-interest bond
the principal payable in not less than five, nor more than
twenty years from its date, as the Government may elect.
These bonds are held at such a premium as to make this
privilege now worth two or three per cent. per annum, and
adds so much to the interest. Notes of the same class, is-
sued three years ago, are now selling at a rate that fully
proves the correctness of this statement.
Its EXEMPTION FROM STATE OR MUNICIPAL TAXATION.—
But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a
special Act of Congress exempts all bonds and Treasury
notes from local taxation. On the average, this exemption
is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the
rate of taxation in various parts of the country.
It is a NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK.—While this loan pro-
vides great advantages to large capitalists, it offers special
advantages to those who wish to make a safe and profit-
able investment of small savings. It is every way the best
Savings Bank for every institution of this kind, and
somewhat invest its deposits profitably in order to pay
interest and expenses. They will invest largely in the loan,
as the best investment. But from the gross interest which
they receive, they must deduct largely for the expenses of
the Bank. Their usual rate of interest allowed to deposi-
tors is 5 per cent. upon sums over \$500. The person who
invests directly with Government, will receive almost 50
per cent. more. Thus the man who deposits \$1000 in a
private Savings Bank receives 50 dollars a year interest,
if he deposits the same sum in this National Savings Bank
he receives 75 dollars. For those who wish to find a safe,
convenient, and profitable means of investing their surplus
earnings which they have reserved for their old age, or for
the benefit of their children, there is nothing which pre-
sents so many advantages as this National Loan.
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THE NORFOLK POST
LOCKHART & STINER,
No. 11 Market Square—Sign of the Anchor.
A large and select stock of Ladies' and Gentlemen's FURNISHING
GOODS in every branch of the trade, articles on
hand, consisting of ladies' and gentlemen's TOILET ARTICLES
A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF
TRAVELING BAGS,
AND SATCHELS,
VALISES, &c.
FANCY GOODS, Phalons & Sou's celebrated PERFUMERIES,
especially the world renowned "ROSE SHIRAZ"
"ROSE SHIRAZ" "COGNAC PARFUM" "SOAP" and "GOLDEN
CREAM" Perfumery generally.
Shirts and Drawers made to order. For short notices and
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VOLUME I. NORFOLK, VA., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1865. NUMBER 62.

NATIONAL BANK.
THE EXCHANGE
NATIONAL BANK
OF NORFOLK.
PRESIDENT:
GILBERT C. WALKER.
CASHIER:
JNO. JAY KNOX.
DIRECTORS:
EDWARD M. BROWN CINCINATUS V. NEWTON.
MARSHALL PARKS GEORGE SANOSTER.
JNO. B. WHITEHEAD WILLIAM NICHOLS.
GILBERT C. WALKER.

GOVERNMENT DEPOSITORY AND
FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE
UNITED STATES.
Exchange Bank Building, Main Street.
AGENT FOR 7-30 LOAN.

A constant supply of Notes will be kept on hand.
This Bank will buy and sell all classes of GOVERN-
MENT SECURITIES at current market rates.
FURNISH EXCHANGE and make collections on ALL
THE PRINCIPAL CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES.
Purchase Government Bonds on the MOST FAVOR-
ABLE TERMS, and give CAREFUL AND PROMPT ATTENTION TO
ACCOUNTS OF BUSINESS MEN AND FIRMS,
AND TO ANY OTHER BUSINESS ENTRUSTED TO THE BANK.
FULL INFORMATION in regard to GOVERNMENT
LOANS at all times cheerfully furnished.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF CURRENCY,
WASHINGTON, May 22nd, 1865.
WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the un-
derigned, it has been made to appear that the "EX-
CHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF NORFOLK," in the County of Norfolk, and State of
Virginia, has been duly organized under and according to
requirements of the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to
provide a National Currency, secured by a pledge of United States
Bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved June 3rd, 1864, and has
complied with all the provisions of said Act to be complied
with before commencing the business of Banking under
said Act.
Now, THEREFORE, I, FREEMAN CLARKE, Comptroller of
the Currency, do hereby certify that "THE EXCHANGE
NATIONAL BANK OF NORFOLK," in the County of Norfolk, and State of Virginia, is
authorized to commence the business of Banking under
the Act aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, witness my hand and
seal of office this thirtieth day of May
1865.
FREEMAN CLARKE,
Comptroller of the Currency.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,
DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL BANKS,
WASHINGTON, June 6, 1865.
It is hereby certified that THE EXCHANGE NATIONAL
BANK OF NORFOLK, Virginia, a Banking Associa-
tion organized under the Act "To provide a National Cur-
rency, secured by a pledge of United States Bonds, and to
provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," ap-
proved June 3, 1864, having complied with the require-
ments of section 45 of said Act, and with the regulation
of this Department made in pursuance thereof, has this
day been designated as a Depository of Public Money, ex-
cept receipts from Customs, and by virtue of such designa-
tion will also be employed as a Financial Agent of the
Government.
F. E. SPINNER,
Treasurer U. S.

PRINTING.
THE NORFOLK POST
JOB PRINTING OFFICE.
NO. 18 ROANOKE SQUARE,
(FORMERLY THE HERALD BUILDING)
NEAR MAIN STREET.
Will be complete in all its appointments. The latest im-
provements in
PRESSES,
TYPES AND
MATERIAL,
together with the most PROFICIENT and EXPERI-
ENCED JOB PRINTERS, will enable us to execute
EVERY DESCRIPTION OF PRINTING in the most satis-
factory manner. The facilities afforded by the BEST
AND LATEST IMPROVED MACHINERY, will en-
able us to furnish work at a great reduction from former
prices in Norfolk, rendering it unnecessary either on ac-
count of mechanical execution or price, for any to send
their orders away to have them filled.
POSTERS,
HANDBILLS,
BILLHEADS,
PAMPHLETS,
BLANKS,
CARDS
and Card work of every description, PLAIN and in
COLORS, will be printed in the VERY BEST STYLE and
with a guarantee.
If orders should be plainly written, especially proper
care, to prevent mistakes, and handed in at the Count-
ing-room on the first floor, or sent by letter addressed to
E. M. Brown, Norfolk Post.
TERMS:
Cash on delivery of the work, except in cases where or-
ders are from regular advertisers. In the latter case bills
will be rendered monthly.

HARDWARE, CUTLERY
HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS,
At No. 11 Market Square—Sign of the Anchor.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
I would respectfully inform my old customers and the
public generally that I am receiving daily large additions
to my already extensive stock of
HARDWARE AND CUTLERY,
which I invite the public to examine before purchasing
elsewhere.
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W. R. HUDGINS.
E. M. DUNN & CO.,
SADDLERY AND
HARNESS,
TRUNKS, VALISES, &c.
No. 26 Main Street,
Norfolk, Va.
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R. R. GRAVES & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
74 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.
Liberal cash advances made on consignments to the
above by the 17
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TRAVELERS' GUIDE.
FOR PHILADELPHIA.
RICHMOND AND NORFOLK STEAM PACKET
COMPANY—SEMI-WEEKLY.
THIS LINE IS COMPOSED OF THE
SWIFT, FIRST-CLASS STEAMERS
VIRGINIA,
(CAPTAIN SYNDER);
MAY FLOWER,
(CAPTAIN J. ROBINSON);
CLAYMONT,
(CAPTAIN E. ROBINSON);
And one of these steamers leave Norfolk, every
WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, forming a Semi-
Weekly Line of fast and reliable Steamers, with good
passenger accommodations and plenty of freight room.
For freight which will be taken at low rates, or pas-
sage, apply to
THOS. P. CROVELL & CO., Agents,
Higgins' Wharf, or No. 6 Campbell's Wharf,
Norfolk, Va.
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NOTICE.
The New and Fast Steamer,
"FAVORITE,"
will leave John's Wharf, foot of Commerce street,
Norfolk, for SMITHFIELD, every
MONDAY and THURSDAY,
at 7 a. m. returning the same day.
Leaves Norfolk, from same Wharf, for MILLER'S and
SUFFOLK, every
TUESDAY and FRIDAY,
at 9 a. m. returning WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY.
For freight or passage, apply on board or to
CURTIS E. STAPLES,
No. 13 Wide Water street, Norfolk.
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BUSINESS NOTICES.
BALLARD HOUSE,
RICHMOND, VA.
M. D. MAINE & CO., PROPRIETORS.
This magnificent and popular Hotel, after undergoing
thorough repairs and a complete renovation, will be open-
ed this morning, Monday, 14th August, for the accommo-
dation of boarders and the travelling public. The Ball-
ard House is celebrated throughout the world as a first-
class Hotel, and the principal one in Richmond, and the
present proprietors flatter themselves that they should
be able to make it still more popular and desirable, as they
have spared no pains in refitting and preparing it for the
use of the public.
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LOCKHART & STINER,
LADIES' GENTS' AND CHILDREN'S
FURNISHING GOODS,
PERFUMERY, TOILET ARTICLES, &c.
Extracts, Soaps, Cologne, Pomades, Lilly
Whites, &c., &c., &c.
No. 1 Main Street, CORNER OF BANK,
NORFOLK, VA.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. Agents for PHALON &
SON'S Celebrated Perfumery.
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J. M. RENSCHAW,
WHOLESALE GROCER,
COMMISSION & FORWARDING MERCHANT,
BELL'S WHARF, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.
Liberal cash advances made on consignments of South-
ern produce, for sale or shipment to New York, Boston,
Philadelphia and Baltimore.
Agent New York and Virginia Steamship Company.
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DUDLEY BEAN & CO.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS, PRODUCE
AND
COMMISSION MERCHANTS.
Liberal advances made on all Merchandise and Pro-
duce consigned.
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SHERMAN BROTHERS & CO.,
Nos. 16 and 18,
ROANOKE SQUARE,
WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
GROCERIES AND LIQUORS.
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JOHN MAYER, AGRICULTURAL
IMPLEMENT WAREHOUSE
AND SEED STORE,
NO. 14 WEST PRATT STREET, BALTIMORE, MD.
MANUFACTURER, MACHINE SHOP AND FOUNDRY,
CORNER OF PLOWMAN AND FRONT STREETS.
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TRAVELER'S GUIDE.
NOTICE.—On and after FRIDAY,
the 18th instant, the Steamer
JENNY LIND (CAPT. J. C. SNOW)
will leave John's Wharf, foot of Commerce street,
Norfolk, at 7 a. m. and 2 p. m. for FORTRESS MONROE,
HAMPTON, touching at NEWPORT NEWS on her Al-
temoon Trip. On Wednesday leaves Norfolk, from John-
son's wharf, for Hampton at 5 1/2 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m.;
and leaves Myers' wharf, Portsmouth at 9 1/2 a. m. Re-
turning leaves Hampton at 5 a. m. and 5 p. m.
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NEW LINE
FROM
NORFOLK TO CHERYBSTONE, YORKTOWN,
AND MATHEWS' COUNTY.
The Fast and Favorite Steamer
MATTANO,
CAPTAIN HICKS,
LEAVES
NORFOLK FOR CHERYBSTONE
every
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY,
and for
YORKTOWN AND MATHEWS' COUNTY,
every
TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY,
from Wharf foot of Roanoke Square, at 6:30 A. M., and
from the Government Wharf, Philadelphia, New York, and
FORT MONROE,
going and returning, connecting with the
DAILY LINE OF STEAMERS TO BALTIMORE.
Returning, leaves CHERYBSTONE and WILLIAMS
WHARF, MATHEWS' COUNTY, at 1 P. M., and
FORT MONROE, at 5:30 P. M.
The Steamer has excellent Passenger accommodations,
affording the Public facilities for pleasant daily excursions.
For Freight or Passage, apply on board or at the office
on the New Line Wharf. H. V. TOMPKINS,
Agent.
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IMPORTANT TO TRAVELLERS
THE OLD AND ESTABLISHED
BALTIMORE STEAM PACKET CO.,
So well and so favorably known to the Public as the
M. N. FALLS LINE,
Are now running their Favorite Steamers
LOUISIANA,
CAPT. GEO. W. RUSSELL;
ADELAIDE,
CAPT. JAMES CANNON;
GEORGIANA,
CAPT. P. PIARSON.
They leave Norfolk, every Wednesday, Friday, and
Sunday, at 6 o'clock, and High Street Wharf, Portsmouth, at 4
o'clock, P. M., for BALTIMORE, Philadelphia, New York, and
FORT MONROE, at 5:30 P. M.
These Steamers carry the U. S. Mail and Adams' Express
Freight, and for freight and passenger accommodations,
are unsurpassed.
Passengers taking these Steamers arrive in Baltimore in
time for the early train to Washington and
all points North and West.
Through tickets can be procured on these Steamers for
Washington, Philadelphia, New York, and all points
North and West.
Special attention given to all points free of charge, and spe-
cial attention given to their delivery.
These Steamers run in connection with the celebrated
Steamer THOMAS M. JARVIS, of the
Norfolk and Richmond Line.
Any information desired will be cheerfully given by the
Clerk of the Company or on application to the office of the
Company in Norfolk.
Be sure to inquire for the FALLS LINE.
THOS. H. WEBB, Agent,
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NOTICE TO TRAVELLERS.
THE NEW FAST AND MAGNIFICENT STEAMERS
M. MARTIN,
CAPT. GEORGE LIVINGSTON,
AND
THOMAS COLLYER,
CAPT. P. MCCABRICK,
CARRYING THE U. S. MAIL AND ADAMS
EXPRESS FREIGHT.
These Steamers leave the Government Wharf, Norfolk, daily
at 6 o'clock, A. M., for Richmond, touching at
Portsmouth, Old Point, City Point, and the different land-
ings in the Chesapeake Bay, and returning to Norfolk
at 5 o'clock, P. M.
No expense has been spared in fitting out these steam-
ers expressly for day travelers.
They have large, airy, and comfortable staterooms, from which all
objects of interest along the route may be seen.
Travelers taking their meals on board in Rich-
mond at a much earlier hour than by any other line,
as their speed is unsurpassed.
Through tickets can be procured on these Steamers to
Petersburg, Lynchburg and Danville, and connect with
the trains running West and South.
For more information apply to the Superintendent of Col.
M. N. FALLS, and run in connection with the Baltimore
Steam Packet Company's Steamers.
Their tables are supplied with all the Delicacies of the
market.
Be sure to inquire for the FALLS LINE.
For freight or passage apply to the Clerk of the
Steamers, or to the Agents, THOS. H. WEBB,
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NEW YORK AND VIRGINIA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, REGULAR LINE.
MOST PLEASANT, RELIABLE AND COMFORTABLE
LINE.
The fine, commodious and powerful Steamship,
YAZOO,
1,500 TONS BURTON, CAPT. GEO. W. COUCH,
AND
CREOLE,
1,500 TONS BURTON, CAPT. JOHN THOMPSON,
will leave Smith's Wharf, Town Point, for New York,
every TUESDAY and SATURDAY evening, at 8 o'clock.
Returning, leave New York for Norfolk, at 12 M.,
River, every SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at 12 M.
Passage and Fare, with superior state room accommo-
dations, for freight or passage, apply on board, or to
J. M. SMITH & BRO., Agents, Town Point, Norfolk.
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NEW DAY LINE
NORFOLK TO FORT MONROE AND BALTIMORE
CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL.
The splendid steamers
GEORGE LEARY, Capt. BLANKEN,
JAMES BRADY, Capt. LAYTON,
Leave Norfolk for Baltimore daily, at 3 o'clock, P. M.
Returning, leave Baltimore daily, at 6 o'clock, P. M., Ar-
riving at Baltimore in time for the early Washington and
Northern and Western trains.
The Steamers
CITY POINT, Capt. TAYLOR,
DICTATOR, Capt. DEBERRY,
Leave Norfolk for Richmond daily, at 6 o'clock, A. M.,
Returning, leave Richmond daily, at 6 o'clock, A. M.,
Touching at Jamestown and Wilson's wharf, going and
returning.
Through tickets sold for Washington, Philadelphia and
New York, and all the principal cities West.
Be sure to inquire for the NEW DAY LINE.
The Steamers leave Norfolk from the wharf foot of Roanoke
Square. For freight or passage apply on board, or to
J. M. SMITH & BRO., Agents, Town Point, Norfolk.
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PEOPLE'S LINE FOR NEWBERN
AND THE
INTERIOR OF NORTH CAROLINA!
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL.
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THE MOSS ROSE.
FROM THE GERMANS OF KEMACHER.
The angel of the flowers, while keeping
His watch beneath a rose-tree's shade,
Filled with the rich perfume, full sleeping
Among the winds that round him played.
He saw the task to feed the roses
With distilled drops of morning dew;
When nature from her work repose,
And all things lie the breeze of night.
And, as he woke from sleep refreshing,
Pleased with the rose-tree's grateful shade,
He breathed for her a silent blessing,
And to the modest flower said:
"Ask—I will give thee of thy treasure,
"And it shall be thy virgin dowry;
"In me return for all the pleasure,
"That hast bestowed on me this hour."
"Give me some never charm!"—He listened
A moment wondering, as he rose;
Then, as his eye with moisture glistened,
He picked a simple tuft of moss.
And in a wreath its virtue twined,
He wore it round his forehead fair.
And now, behold the Moss Rose shining,
Loveliest of all her sisters there.

LETTER FROM A TOURIST.
MONTREAL, CANADA EAST,
August 29th, 1865.
Special Correspondence of the Norfolk Post.
It is August, but the sky and the air
are vastly like November in this North-
ern city. Its streets are narrow and
roughly paved—flags, brick and plank
alternating; but many of the buildings
are tall and stately, and as they are built
of the grey stone which predominates
here, they have a peculiarly graceful ap-
pearance. The tin roofs which abound,
and the eye tires of gazing from dome to
dome, and roof to roof—all glittering
and glistening, as though we were in a
city of the old Incas, with whom silver
was so plentiful, that their commonest
household utensils were made of it.
Our party consists of seven, strangers
a few days ago, but friends at present—
the freemasons of travel having made
us intimate. We hire two barouches,
drawn by the mettlesome little Canadian
horses, and although we are out nearly
ten hours, the entire charge is but ten
dollars. Rather an improvement on
Richmond, where we were charged for
one carriage twenty-five dollars for five
hours.
We drive first to the parade ground,
on Logan's Farm, in the suburbs, to see
a parade of her Majesty's Riflemen. On
the way, we notice a tidy little woman
standing in the doorway of a neat cot-
tage, dressed in the costume that re-
minds us of a French peasant. Her
feet are encased in heavy shoes, and
her short blue skirts show her well
turned ankles to perfection. Over a
white under-waist she wears a scarlet bod-
ice, and her black hair is covered by a
close white cap. We saw but two of
these costumes in Montreal; but squaws,
with coarse heavy features, long rosy
hair, and immense feet, were numerous.
Where are the Indians of Cooper and
Longfellow? These lumpy, inane
figures in their dirty dress of coarse
homespun, with the black blanket over
head and shoulders, or perhaps a man's
hat, of the rudest straw manufacture,
crowning their dusky locks, have little
of romance about them.
Her Majesty's Rifles drilled for an hour
and a half, performing their various
evolutions with the greatest precision
and skill. We left before the drill was
over to visit the old French Cathedral.
This is a vast and stately pile of grey
stone, with two massive towers. A feel-
ing of awe came over us as, with soft
footsteps, we passed the doorway and
trod the echoing floor. A few worship-
ers were kneeling here and there in
prayer—some were wrapt in their devo-
tions; but we observed a bright-eyed
girl telling her beads, her face calm and
sweet as a saint's, in her communion
with heaven, and "hard by," in a seat
across the aisle, a young man, "with the
brown beard curled close beneath his
chin," whose lips repeated words of
prayer, but whose eyes, alas! kept stray-
ing over to the dear little saint in human
form quite too often.
The vaulted roof is supported by pil-
lars of slate-colored marble, and the
wood-work of the cathedral is carved
from solid oak. Many beautiful paint-
ings adorn the walls—some of them so
dark and faded as to give evidence of
great antiquity. We penetrated to a
room, behind the Cathedral proper,
where were linen garments, candles and
massive silver sacramental services, &c.,
but, on reading a notice in French upon
the door: "Do not enter here without
good reason," we retired.
From the Cathedral we were driven to
the "Grey Nunnery." It was a little
too soon for the midday worship, so we
gazed around the beautiful little chapel,
all white and gold, the light admitted
from above. At the left hand of the
altar was the loveliest picture of the
Madonna and child that I ever saw,
with the words beneath, "Vierge Marie."
It was the ideal face of the
mother, wrought with the artist's purest
conception of womanly love and ten-
derness. On the opposite side was a pic-
ture of St. Joseph.
Silence! for the good nuns are enter-
ing, two by two, and kneeling on the
floor, while, in a low monotone or chant,
they repeat their prayers. Their attire
is anything but picturesque, with their
dingy grey dresses, long blue aprons and
close black hoods; but there are several
faces among them that are beautiful,
even in that garb. Prayers over, we go
to the Infirmary, where we find old men
and cripples, and the lame, halt, blind
and maimed, in a large, light room, as

cheerful and sunny as a room could possi-
bly be. The beds, standing in rows,
were made in boxes, at least that was
the shape of the bedsteads, and the
sheets and pillows were white as snow.
The coverlets were all of a dark blue
material. Propped up in easy chairs,
by the doorway, sat two old men—one
was one hundred and ten years of age,
the other ninety-eight, nearly blind,
deaf, wrinkled and feeble—mind seems
to have failed them utterly, and they
are waiting till kindly death gathers
them to their fathers. Upstairs we
found an Orphan Asylum, where little
girls of all ages were chattering in French
like magpies. It was their hour for re-
creation from school duties, but every one
had her pinafore, or a napkin, or argu-
ment of some kind in her hand, and
they were performing some of the neat-
est darning I ever saw. A little three
year old took us up another flight of
stairs to the hospital for old women.
There were several dwarfs here, and
some who were quite aged, but nearly
all had their knitting in their hands and
seemed quite contented and happy. One
poor paralytic was propped up in bed,
eating her dinner. The sister in charge
said that she was on her death-bed, and
could last but a few days longer.
Although the floors and walls, and
everything apparent to the eye were
spotlessly clean and neat in these in-
firmaries, there was a close, stifling smell,
perceptible, that made us feel faint. We
were glad to escape into the outer world
again, giving a small gratuity to the
porter who had shown us through the build-
ing.
Did we wish to go to the Zoological
Garden? Of course! and so we went.
The display, however, is very poor. Two
or three fat bears waddled about in their
cages, a cow with five legs, and a dog
similarly endowed, a vicious looking
old Brindle with three horns, and no
end of monkeys, racoons and rattle-
snakes make up the collection. There
is a happy family, a la Barnum's, where
a sleepy-looking old cat, frolicked with
tame mice, and a dog and three monkeys
were incessantly squabbling, and there
were a few parrots and peacocks. Up
stairs was a very fair museum—where a
ghastly skeleton grinned at you, as you
passed one door, and the jaw bone of a
Leviathan, mounted guard over the
other.
A drive around the mountain was the
next thing in order. It is a nine mile
drive, and from some points one catches
glimpses of the green hills of Vermont,
and the white hills of New Hampshire,
and the Ottawa river, flashing through
its green meadows like a silver belt.
From one part of the drive there is a
magnificent view of the Victoria Bridge.
There are many splendid private resi-
dences along the route, some of them
quite palatial.
We stopped, after re-entering the city,
at Christ Church Cathedral, an Episco-