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Redemption of Virginia Six Per Cent. Debt.

THE holders of the following certificates of debt, issued by the State of Virginia, redeemable on the 8th day of March, 1844, and afterwards within a period not exceeding fifteen years, will take notice that "*the commissioners of the sinking fund*" created by an act of the general assembly of Virginia, passed on the 26th day of March, 1853, will proceed, on the first day of April, 1855, to redeem the said certificates at the treasury of the Commonwealth aforesaid. The holders of said certificates are required, on the said first day of April, to surrender the same at the office of the second auditor; and, whether surrendered or not, the interest thereon will cease on that day:

Date.		No.	In name issued.	Amount.
1825.	Jan. 19	134	Baring, Brothers, & Co.	$2,000
"	" "	149	Do do	3,000
"	" "	159	Do do	5,000
1827.	July 1	208	Edward Meyler, of Islington, in the county of Middlesex, England	3,000
"	" "	209	Do do	2,000
1831.	April 20	269	Robert Vyner, of Gunby Hall, county of Lincoln, England	4,000
"	" "	270	Do do	5,000
"	Dec. 29	286	Smith, Payne, & Smiths, of London, bankers	6,000
"	" "	287	Do do	4,000
1842.	Nov. 21	321	John Ferguson, of Irvine, in North Britain	1,000
"	" "	322	Do do	2,000
"	" "	323	Do do	3,000
"	" "	324	Do do	4,000
"	" "	325	Do do	5,000
"	" "	326	Do do	5,000
1843.	Aug. 23	327	Johanna Schaer, of Germany	2,000
"	" 26	331	Mrs. Jane L. Graham, of Washington city	256
1844.	Jan. 16	340	Miss Catherine Hays, of Richmond	1,000
"	" 20	341	Samuel Ford, of Richmond	10,000
"	Feb. 21	343	Joseph Jackson, of Richmond	250
"	May 21	345	Thomas Cotterill, esq., at present residing at Birmingham, in England	1,000
1846.	Sept. 21	361	Most Hon. Richard Seymour Conway, Marquis of Hertford, in Great Britain	5,000
"	" "	362	Do do	5,000
"	" "	363	Do do	5,000
"	" "	364	Do do	5,000
"	" "	376	Do do	10,000
"	" "	377	Do do	5,000
1849.	Jan. 30	417	L. Nunnally	100
1850.	May 31	421	James Haskins, committee of John Haskins, of Brunswick	200
"	Aug. 20	422	John Ferguson, of Irvine, in Great Britain	5,000
"	" "	423	Do do	5,000
"	Dec. 16	433	Hazall, Brothers, & Co., of Richmond	2,000
1851.	July 12	436	Alfred Lewis, of No. 102 Piccadilly, London, esq	5,000
"	" "	437	Do do	5,000
1852.	Feb. 7	439	Tazewell Taylor, executor and trustee under the will of Upton Beall	800
"	" 9	441	Arthur A. Morson, special commissioner in the suit of Hicks *vs.* Morris's administrator	650
"	" "	442	Do do	350
"	March 9	446	A. A. Morson and R. T. Daniel, as commissioners for the circuit court of chancery, &c.	350
"	" 18	447	Jane E. Clopton, of Gloucester	500
"	" "	448	E. A. J. Clopton, of Richmond	200
"	" 19	449	Robert R. Carter, United States navy	4,000
"	" "	450	Hill Carter, of Shirley	450
"	Aug. 3	451	E. A. J. Clopton, of Richmond	2,000
1853.	Feb. 2	452	Samuel Reeve, trustee of Mrs. Ann Howard	650
"	" "	453	Miss Harriet E. Tate, of Richmond	650
"	" 4	454	Edward Berkeley, trustee for Mrs. Ann B. Berkeley	200
1843.	Nov. 23	22	President and Directors of the Firemen's Insurance Company of Baltimore	3,000
1844.	Jan. 18	25	Miss Margaret Wilson, of Norfolk	1,000
"	Feb. 12	33	Portsmouth Provident Society	600
"	Aug. 21	48	Norfolk Provident Society	1,000
1845.	Sept. 5	54	Portsmouth Provident Society	1,500
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Those holders of certificates who desire to redeem by attorney must, if residing beyond the limits of the United States, acknowledge the power before some minister plenipotentiary, charge d'affaires, consul-general, consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent appointed by the government of the United States to any foreign country; or before the proper officer of any court of such country, or the mayor or other chief magistrate of any city, town, or corporation therein. If residing in the United States, the acknowledgment before a justice of the peace, notary public, or commissioner of deeds, appointed by the governor of Virginia, is sufficient. In all cases the certificate must be delivered.

G. W. CLUTTER, Auditor Public Accounts.
S. H. PARKER, Register.
GEO. W. MUNFORD, Sec'y Commonwealth.
} The Commissioners of the sinking fund.

RICHMOND, Virginia, December 31, 1854.
Dec 31—d3m

Marshal's Sale.

IN virtue of a writ of *fieri facias*, issued from the clerk's office of the District of Columbia for the county of Washington, and to me directed, I shall expose to public sale for cash on Wednesday, the 28th of February next, at the front of the court-house door of said county, at 12 o'clock, m., the following property, viz: All Roger C. Weightman's right, title, interest, and estate, (to wit: forty two undivided equal parts, par value five hundred dollars "$500" each,) in the following tenements and premises—that is to say, part of lot No. seven ("7") in square No. 491, and next adjoining lot No. 6, fronting twenty feet on Pennsylvania avenue, and running back the full depth of said lot; all of lots Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and part of lot No. 14, in said square, and next adjoining said lot 13, fronting twenty feet on north C street, and running back at right angles with C street north the full depth of said lot, together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon, in square No. 491, in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, seized and levied upon as the property of Roger C. Weightman, and sold to satisfy judicial No. 3, to March term 1855, in favor of Mary E. Barney, by Maxwell Woodhull, her next friend.

J. D. HOOVER,
Marshal for the District of Columbia.

Feb 6—d28thFeb

Cromwell's Baltimore Steamship Line between Baltimore, New York, and Boston,

WILL despatch a steamer daily from Baltimore and New York, and twice a week from Boston to Baltimore and Baltimore to Boston.

This line affords unequalled facilities to the business men of the District of Columbia. The agents at either point will receive freight and give a through bill of lading to Washington at the lowest rates of freight and no commissions charged. Applications for freight promptly attended to by the following agents:

A. C. HALL,
58 Exchange Place, Baltimore.
H. B. CROMWELL,
Corner Washington and Albany streets, N. Y.
JNO. W. SCHANK,
Foot of India wharf, Boston.

Jan 17—43m

THE ART UNION OF LONDON.

Plan for the Current Year.

THE list is now open, and every subscriber of $5 50 will be entitled to:

I. An impression of a plate, by J. T. Willmore, A. R. A., from the original picture by J. J. Chalon, R. A., "A Water Party;"

II. A volume containing thirty wood engravings illustrating subjects from Lord Byron's poem of "Childe Harold;" and

III. The chance of obtaining one of the prizes to be allotted at the general meeting in April, which will include—

The right to select for himself a valuable work of art from one of the public exhibitions.

Statuettes in bronze of Her Majesty on Horseback, by T. Thorneycroft.

Copies in bronze, from an original model in relief, by R. Jefferson, of "The entry of the Duke of Wellington into Madrid."

Statuettes in Porcelain or Parian.

Proof impressions of a large lithograph, by T. H. Maguire, after the original picture by W. P. Frith, R. A., "The Three Rows," from Moliere's "Bourgeois Gentilhomme."

Honorary secretaries for Washington, Messrs. Taylor & Maury, booksellers. July 24

CARD TO HOUSEKEEPERS.—The subscriber begs leave to call public attention to his assortment of house-furnishing goods, which is now rendered complete in every department. He has recently received, in addition to his former stock, a cheap and beautiful variety of—

Cut and pressed glass ware
Plain white, gold band, and richly decorated French China
Superior table cutlery, silver-plated goods
Lamps and girandoles, block tin goods
Japanned ware, bronze and iron goods
Fire sets, gas fixtures, baskets and brushes
Britannia ware, iron stone China
Mantel and table ornaments, fancy articles, &c.

Altogether forming the largest collection and best assortment of general house-furnishing goods that can be found in Washington. He pledges himself to sell as cheap as can be bought in this or any of the eastern cities. An examination of articles and prices is earnestly solicited.

C. W. BOTELER,
Iron Hall.

Dec 16—eotJan1

UNDERSHIRTS AND DRAWERS.—Our assortment of warm shirts and drawers is now complete, and has been replenished within the past week. Prices moderate and uniform, at

STEVENS'S
Sales-room, Brown's Hotel.

Jan 28—3tif

WHO'S Who in 1855, 1 pocket volume.
Dod's Parliamentary Companion for 1855, 1 pocket volume.
British Army List for 1855.
British Navy List for 1855.
The Planetary Worlds, their Topography and Telescopic Appearances, by J. Breen, of the Cambridge Observatory, 1 vol.
Blackwood's Comic Almanac for 1855.
Imported by last steamer by Franck Taylor, and this day opened.

Feb 1

SCHOOL BOOKS, of every description, at the lowest published prices. On sale at

TAYLOR & MAURY'S
Bookstore, near 9th street.

Sept 2

FOR SALE or Lease—A commodious four-story and attic house on 13th street, east side, near the corner of D street. House contains twelve rooms, and has recently been papered and painted throughout. Terms accommodating, and possession given immediately. Address room 40, Solicitor's Office, Treasury Department.

Oct 15—dtf

FOR THE WEST AND SOUTH—BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD.

Improved arrangements for travel.—Important changes of schedule.

THE late completion of the Central Ohio railroad between Wheeling and Columbus, uniting, as it does, by so short and direct a line, the Baltimore and Ohio railroad with all portions of the West, (and North and Southwest,) gives this route greatly increased advantages to through travellers in that direction. On and after Monday, November 27, 1854, the trains will be run as follows:

FOR THROUGH PASSENGERS.

Two fast trains daily will run in each direction. First; the mail train, leaving Camden station at 7, a. m., instead of 8 o'clock, as heretofore, (except on Sunday,) and arriving at Wheeling at 2 40 a. m. Second; the express train, leaving at 5, p. m., instead of 7, p. m., as heretofore, and running through to Wheeling in about 17 hours, reaching there at 10 25 a. m. This train will stop at Washington Junction, Sykesville, Monocacy, Harper's Ferry, Martinsburg, Sir John's Run, Cumberland, Piedmont, Rowlesburg, Newburg, Fetterman, Farmington, Cameron, and Moundsville only for wood and water and meals. Both these trains make prompt and regular connexion with the cars of the Central Ohio road for Cambridge, Zanesville, Newark, Columbus, Cincinnati, Louisville, Dayton, Sandusky, Toledo, Detroit, Indianapolis, Chicago, St. Louis, &c. Passengers leaving Baltimore by the mail train will reach Cincinnati for dinner next day; while by the express train they arrive there at 12 the next night, being kept but one night on the route by either train.

Passengers for the Northwest, *via* Cleveland and all intermediate points, can make a direct connexion with the trains upon the Cleveland and Pittsburg railroad at all times when the Ohio is navigable for steamers between Wheeling and Wellsville, by leaving Baltimore in the mail train at 7, a. m.

Returning, the trains leave Wheeling as follows: The express train at 4 30 p. m., reaching Baltimore at 9 50 a. m.; the mail train at 11 45 p. m., reaching Baltimore at 7, p. m.

Through tickets, by boat from Wheeling for Cincinnati, Madison, Louisville, St. Louis, and other river cities, will be sold at all times when the stage of water will admit.

Through tickets between Baltimore and Washington, and all the important cities and towns in the West, are sold at the ticket offices of the company.

FOR WAY PASSENGERS.

The mail train, leaving Camden station, will take passengers for all the usual stopping places on the road. Returning, this train leaves Wheeling at 11 45, midnight; Cumberland at 10 15, a. m.; and arrives at Baltimore at 7, p. m.

The Frederick accommodation train, for Frederick and intermediate places, will start at 4, p. m., daily, (except Sunday,) arriving in Frederick at 7 40. Returning, will leave Frederick at 9, a. m., arriving at Baltimore at 12 30, noon.

The Ellicott's Mills accommodation will be run daily, (except Sundays,) as follows:

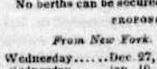
Leave Camden Station at 6, a. m., and 3, p. m.
Leave Ellicott's Mills at 7 30, a. m., and 6 30, p. m.

Dec 14—dtf

The New York and Liverpool United States Mail Steamers.

The ships comprising this line are:

The Atlantic ..... Capt West.
The Pacific ..... Capt. Nye
The Baltic ..... Capt. Comstock.



These ships having been built by contract expressly for government service, every care has been taken in their construction, as also in their engines, to insure strength and speed; and their accommodations for passengers are unequalled for elegance and comfort.

Price of passage from New York to Liverpool in first cabin, $130. In second cabin, $75. Exclusive use of extra-size state-rooms, $325. From Liverpool to New York, 30 and 20 guineas.

An experienced surgeon attached to each ship.

No berths can be secured until paid for.

PROPOSED DATES OF SAILING

From New York.	*From Liverpool.*
Wednesday ..... Dec. 27, 1854.	Saturday ..... Dec. 16, 1854.
Wednesday ..... Jan. 10, 1855.	Saturday ..... Dec. 30, "
Wednesday ..... Jan. 24, "	Saturday ..... Jan. 13, 1855.
Wednesday ..... Feb. 7, "	Saturday ..... Jan. 27, "
Wednesday ..... Feb. 21, "	Saturday ..... Feb. 10, "
Wednesday ..... March 7, "	Saturday ..... Feb. 24, "

For freight or passage apply to

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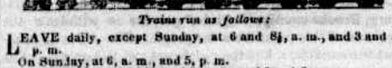
GEO. H DRAPER, Havre.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for gold, silver, bullion, specie, jewelry, precious stones, or metals, unless bills of lading are signed therefor, and the value thereof therein expressed.

Dec 17—dtf

WASHINGTON BRANCH RAILROAD.



Trains run as follows:

LEAVE daily, except Sunday, at 6 and 8½, a. m., and 3 and 5, p. m.

On Sunday, at 6, a. m, and 5, p. m.

Leave Baltimore at 4½ and 9, a. m., and 5 and 8, p. m.

On Sunday, at 4½, a. m., and 5, p. m.

The connexions with Baltimore and Ohio railroad for the West are by trains leaving at 6, a. m., and 3, p. m.

For Philadelphia and New York, at 6 and 8½, a. m., and 5, p. m.
For Annapolis, at 8½, a. m., and 5, p. m.
For Norfolk, at 3, p. m.

T. H. PARSONS, Agent.

Particular attention is called to the rule requiring a responsible voucher for any person of color who may wish to pass over the road.

Dec 15—dtf

THE FORMAL OPENING OF THE SECOND EXHIBITION OF THE Metropolitan Mechanics' Institute

Will take place at the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C., on the 5th of February, 1855.

THIS Institute was founded on the 31st of August, 1852, for the promotion and encouragement of Manufactures, Commerce, and the Mechanic and Useful Arts.

The contributions to the Exhibition are already numerous, and every indication is afforded of a full and most interesting display. The arrangements are made upon a grand scale. The main hall and other apartments of the Smithsonian Institution set apart for the purpose are admirably adapted therefor, and are supplied with everything conducive to the safety, convenience, and comfort of contributors and visiters, while the approaches from all parts of the city have been greatly improved.

Persons twenty-one years of age, and friendly to its objects, may be admitted to membership of this Institute; if between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one they may be admitted as junior members. The former are required to pay an initiation fee of $1, and $2 per year thereafter; and the latter an initiation fee of $1, and $1 per year thereafter.

For the benefits of the School of Design, members and junior members are charged $1 extra per season of four months.

All members are entitled to the privileges of the Exhibition. Members' tickets each admit a member and one lady, or a member and two children, or the wife of a member and two children; and junior members' tickets each admit a junior member and one lady. Other persons are required to pay for tickets as follows:

Single admission	25
Season ticket, (convertible into membership)	$3 00
Gentleman's season ticket, single	1 50
Lady's season ticket	1 00

The saloons of the superintendent of the Exhibition, at the northern main entrance to the Smithsonian Institution, is open daily from 9, a. m., until 5, p. m., where all business connected with this enterprise will receive prompt attention. Written communications should also be addressed to the undersigned.

THOMAS C. CONNOLLY,
Superintendent.

Jan 27—en3t

United States Patent Office.

Washington, Jan. 10, 1855.

ON the petition of James M. Putnam, administrator of James R. Putnam, deceased, of New Orleans, Louisiana, praying for the extension of a patent granted to the said James R. Putnam on the 6th of May, 1841, for an improvement in "machine for removing obstructions or bars from the mouths of harbors, rivers," &c. for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 6th day of May, 1855—

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 23d day of April next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing. All testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

The testimony in the case will be closed on the 13th day of April; depositions, and other papers relied upon as testimony, must be filed in the office on or before the morning of that day; the arguments, if any, within ten days thereafter.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the Union, Intelligencer, and Evening Star, Washington, D. C.; Scientific American, New York; Evening Argus, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Inquirer, Cincinnati, Ohio, once a week for three successive weeks previous to the 23d of April next, the day of hearing.

CHARLES MASON,
Commissioner of Patents.

P. S.—Editors of the above papers will please copy, and send their bills to the Patent Office, with a paper containing this notice.

Jan 11—law3w

United States Patent Office,

Washington, January 11, 1855.

ON the petition of Loring Coes, of Worcester, Massachusetts, praying for the extension of a patent granted to him on the 16th day of April, 1841, for an improvement in "screw-wrenches," for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 16th day of April, 1855—

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 2d day of April next, 1855, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party to be used at the said hearing must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

The testimony in the case will be closed on the 22d day of March, 1855; depositions, and other papers relied upon as testimony, must be filed in the office on or before the morning of that day; the arguments, if any, within ten days thereafter.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the Union, Intelligencer, and Evening Star, Washington, D. C.; Evening Argus, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Scientific American, New York; and Boston Post, Boston, Massachusetts, once a week for three successive weeks previous to the 2d day of April next, the day of hearing.

CHARLES MASON,
Commissioner of Patents.

P. S.—Editors of the above papers will please copy, and send their bills to the Patent Office, with a paper containing this notice.

Jan 12—law3w

[No. 530.]

By the President of the United States.

IN pursuance of law, I, FRANKLIN PIERCE, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that a public sale will be held at the land office at AUGUSTA, in the State of MISSISSIPPI, commencing on Monday, the *twenty-first day of May next*, for the disposal of all that portion of the sections or parts of sections of land bearing odd numbers within six miles on each side of the line of the MOBILE AND OHIO RIVER RAILROAD, in the States of ALABAMA and MISSISSIPPI, subject to the double minimum price of two dollars and fifty cents per acre, as provided by the act of 28th September, 1850, and excepted from graduation as to price by the act of 4th August, 1854, which were advertised to be offered for sale in proclamation No. 492, bearing date 23d May, 1852, but subsequently withdrawn until further notice for the proposed railroad from Brandon to Montgomery, by public notice No. 494, bearing date 19th August, 1853; and the same not being subject to private entry at the date of said withdrawal, were consequently not restored to market by general notice No. 522, dated 5th September, 1854, situated in the undermentioned townships, to wit:

North of the base line, and east of the Choctaw meridian.

Township *four*, of range thirteen.
Townships *three, four, five*, and *six*, of range fourteen.
Township three, four five, six, and seven, of range fifteen.
Townships *three, four, five*, six, and seven, of range sixteen.
Townships *five, six*, and *seven*, of range seventeen.
Township *seven*, of range eighteen.

Notice is also hereby given that all the lands situated outside of the *six-mile limits* on each side of the above road withdrawn and not since restored to private entry as above stated, which will be subject to entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or (if for actual settlement and pre-emption) at the prices prescribed by the graduation act of 4th August, 1854, in the following-named districts and townships in the states of Mississippi and Alabama, will be subject to entry and location on and after Monday, the *nineteenth day of March* next, to wit:

In the district of lands subject to sale at AUGUSTA MISSISSIPPI:

North of the base line, and east of the Choctaw meridian.

Townships *three, four, five, six*, and seven, of range twelve.
Townships three, *four*, *five, six*, and *seven*, of range thirteen.
Townships *three, four, five, six*, and seven, of range fourteen.
Township *seven*, of range fifteen.
Townships *three, four*, and *five*, of range sixteen.
Townships three, *four, five, six*, and seven, of range seventeen.
Townships *three, four, five, six*, and seven, of range eighteen.

In the district of lands subject to sale at DEMOPOLIS, ALABAMA:

North of the base line, and west of the principal meridian.

Townships thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, and seventeen, of range two.

Townships thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, *sixteen*, and *seventeen*, of range three.

Townships thirteen, fourteen, *fifteen, sixteen*, and seventeen, of range four

Townships thirteen and fourteen, of range five.

The townships herein designated in roman letters are wholly within the limits of six and fifteen miles respectively on each side of said road, and those in *italics* are partly within said limits, as designated on the diagrams which will be furnished to the respective district offices by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

The lands will be sold, *subject to the right of way* granted by the act of 28th September, 1850, to the States aforesaid for said railroad, not exceeding *one hundred feet* on each side thereof; and therefore the particular tracts of land which include the road will be sold as containing the quantities respectively shown by the official plats.

The sections will be offered at the public sale in the order in which they are advertised; the sale will be kept open for a sufficient time to admit of offering all the lands, but not exceeding two weeks; and applications to make private entries of the lands offered at public sale under this proclamation will not be received until after the close of the two weeks.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this seventh day of February, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

FRANKLIN PIERCE.

By the President:
JOHN WILSON,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

NOTICE TO PRE-EMPTION CLAIMANTS.

Under the act of Congress approved 3d March, 1853, entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to certain settlers therein mentioned," the pre-emption laws were extended over the above mentioned alternate odd numbered sections within six miles on each side of the route of the road, where the settlement and improvement were made prior to the date of allotment, if proven up and paid for at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per acre, before the day fixed for the public sale; and by the act approved 27th March, 1854, entitled "An act for the relief of actual settlers on lands reserved for railroad purposes," persons who settled and improved the above-named sections prior to the *date of withdrawal* will be entitled to pre-emptions at the ordinary minimum price of the public lands, or at the rate of one dollar and twenty five cents per acre, if proven up and paid for before the day fixed for the public sale: Therefore, every person entitled to the right of pre-emption in any of the alternate odd numbered sections above mentioned, within six miles of the route of the road, under the act of 3d March, 1853, above referred to, on settlements made prior to the 4th of February, 1853, (the date of allotment,) or under the act of 27th March, 1854, on settlements made prior to the date of the original withdrawal of the lands from market, likewise every person entitled to pre-emption under the act of 27th March, 1854, on any of the lands *outside of the six-mile limits* directed to be restored to entry on the 19th day of March next, is required to establish the same to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the proper land office, and make payment therefor at the price fixed by law *as soon as practicable* after seeing this notice, and before the day appointed for the public sale or restoration to market of the lands embracing the tract claimed; otherwise such claim will be forfeited.

JOHN WILSON,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.
[Int. and Star]

Feb 9—law13w

Proposals for furnishing Paper for the Public Printing.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC PRINTING,
Washington, January 25, 1855.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide for executing the public printing," &c., approved August 26, 1852, sealed proposals will be received at this office, in the Capitol, until Wednesday, the 28th day of March next, at 12 o'clock, m., for furnishing the following quantities and descriptions of writing paper, to wit:

8,500	reams,	weighing	28	pounds per ream, and measuring	19 by 26 in.
3,100	do		26	do do	18 by 25
100	do		24	do do	18 by 22
340	do		22	do do	18 by 18
400	do		12	do do	12 by 18

All these papers to be made of the best materials, and finished in the best manner and free from adulteration. A contract will be entered into for supplying the quantities stated, at such times as the public service may require; but the privilege is reserved of ordering a greater quantity of either kind, should a greater quantity be required, at such times and in such quantities as may be deemed necessary.

Samples of each kind of paper must accompany each bid, and all proposals and samples must be transmitted to this office free of postage or other expense.

Each proposal must be signed by the individual or firm making it, and must specify the price per pound, and the consequent price per ream (and but one price) of each description of paper.

All the paper must be delivered at such place or places as may be designated, in good order, free of all and every extra charge or expense, and subject to the inspection, count, weight, and measurement of the Superintendent, and be in all respects satisfactory.

Blank forms for proposals will be furnished at this office to persons applying for them; and none will be taken into consideration unless substantially agreeing therewith.

Bonds, with approved securities, will be required; and the supplying of an inferior article, or a failure to supply the quantity required at any time, will be considered a violation of the contract.

The sale of the paper of the Extra Globe, as evidence of satisfactory evidence of his ability to execute it, and any proposal unaccompanied with such evidence will be rejected.

Proposals will be addressed to the "Superintendent of the Public Printing, Capitol of the United States, Washington," and endorsed, "Proposals for Supplying Paper."

A. G. SEAMAN,
Superintendent of Public Printing.

Jan 27—3tawtd [Int., Sentinel, & Star]

[No. 528.]

Notice of the discontinuance of the United States land offices at Jeffersonville, Vincennes, and Winamac, Indiana.

UNDER the provisions of the second section of the act of Congress, approved June 19, 1840, which declares "that whenever the quantity of public lands remaining unsold in any land district shall be reduced to a number of acres less than one hundred thousand, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to discontinue the land office for such district; and if any land in any such district shall remain unsold at the time of the discontinuance of a land office, the same shall be subject to sale at some one of the existing land offices most convenient to the district in which the land office shall have been discontinued, of which the Secretary of the Treasury shall give notice;" and inasmuch as the 7th section of the act approved 4th September, 1841, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to continue any land district in which is situated the seat of government of any one of the States, notwithstanding the quantity of land unsold in such district may not amount to one hundred thousand acres, when in his opinion such continuance may be required by public convenience, or in order to close the land system in such State at a convenient point under the provisions of the act on that subject approved June 12, 1840, *and inasmuch as the duty above required has been devolved upon the Secretary of the Interior by "the act to establish the Home Department,"* approved 3d March, 1849:

Notice is accordingly hereby given, that, in view of reports from the land officers at JEFFERSONVILLE, VINCENNES, and WINAMAC, that the vacant land in each of said districts is reduced below one hundred thousand acres, the *Secretary of the Interior, with the approbation of the President*, has directed that the land offices at JEFFERSONVILLE, VINCENNES, and WINAMAC, in the State of Indiana, be discontinued, and the lands remaining unsold at the time of the discontinuance be made subject to sale at the land office at INDIANAPOLIS, the seat of government of said State.

Lands remaining unsold, and unappropriated by law, and subject to private entry within the limits of the districts now discontinued, will cease to be subject to entry as heretofore at those offices, from the date of the receipt of this notice by the registers and receivers thereof, and the land officers at INDIANAPOLIS will give public notice of the day on which they will be prepared to receive applications for entries of any such lands at their office.

JOHN WILSON,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

JANUARY 25, 1855.
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A Musical Journal for the Million!

THE New York Musical Review contains annually over one hundred pieces of new music, besides a vast amount of critical, instructive and entertaining reading; also, a work (published in chapters) by Lowell Mason, imbodying the practical results, as applied to practical teaching, of his experience, during a long and industrious career, as an author and teacher of music. And yet the Musical Review is only one dollar a year, or six copies for five dollars—inflexibly in advance. Anybody feeling an interest in the cause of music is invited to get up clubs, and forward subscriptions. Published fortnightly. Specimen copies sent on receipt of five cents, or two postage stamps.

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Feb 11—dlm*

UNITED STATES MAILS.

PROPOSALS for carrying the mails of the United States from the 1st day of September, 1855, to the 1st day of July, 1858, in the Territories of OREGON and NEW MEXICO, will be received at the Contract Office of the Post Office Department, in the city of Washington, until 9, a. m., of the 15th day of June, 1855, (to be decided by the next day,) on the routes and in the times herein specified, viz:

OREGON TERRITORY.

12725 From Albany, by Burlington and Thurston, to Willamette Forks, 59 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Albany every Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Willamette Forks next days by 12 m;
Leave Willamette forks every Friday at 2 p m;
Arrive at Albany next days by 8 p m.
Proposals to commence at Syracuse will be considered.

12726 From Oregon City, by Harrison Wright's, Richard Miller's, and S. Allen's, to Salem, 50 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Oregon City every Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Salem next day by 12 m;
Leave Salem every Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oregon City next day by 12 m.

12727 From Linton, by Tualatin Plains and Harrison's Mills, to Forest Grove, 29 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Linton every Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Forest Grove same days by 3 p m;
Leave Forest Grove every Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Linton same days by 3 p m.
Bids to commence at St. Helen, omitting Linton, will be considered.

12728 From Oregon City, by Lebanon, to Sublimity, 40 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Oregon City every Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Sublimity same days by 7 p m;
Leave Sublimity every Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oregon City same days by 7 p m.

12729 From Portland, by Montgomery, Taylor's Ferry, Rock Creek, Cheinham Gap, Rogers' Ferry, and Old French Mission, to Salem, 70 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Portland every Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Salem next days by 4 p m;
Leave Salem every Friday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Portland next days by 4 p m.

12730 From Salem, by Cincinnati, Fords, and Dallas, to Tillamook 70 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salem every Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Tillamook next days by 6 p m;
Leave Tillamook every Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Salem next days by 6 p m.
Bids to run only between Dallas and Tillamook are invited.

12731 From Salem to E. H. Randall's, in Linn county, and back, once a week.
Bidders to state distance and schedule of arrivals and departures.

12732 From Salem to Franklin Butte and back, once a week.
Bidders to state distance and schedule.

12733 From Sublimity, by Santyam Forks, to Pleasant Hill, 100 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Sublimity every Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Pleasant Hill next Thursday by 4 p m;
Leave Pleasant Hill every Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Sublimity next Monday by 4 p m.

12734 From Washington Butte to Grass Hill, in Linn county, 60 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Washington Butte every Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Grass Hill by 12 m same day;
Leave Grass Hill every Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Washington Butte by 12 m same day.

NEW MEXICO.

12903 From Albuquerque, by Zuni, to Woodville, California, and back, once a week.
Bidders to state distance and schedule of arrivals and departures.

12904 From Taos to Donna Anna and back, once a week.
Bidders to state distance and schedule.

INSTRUCTIONS.

Form of a proposal where no change from advertisement is contemplated by the bidder.

I, ——, of ——, county of ——, State of ——, propose to convey the mails from September 1, 1855, to July 1, 1858, on route No. ——, from —— to ——, agreeably to the advertisement of the Postmaster General, dated January 30, 1855, and by the following mode of conveyance, viz:

for the annual sum of
dollars.

This proposal is made with full knowledge of the distance of the route, the weight of the mail to be carried, and all other particulars in reference to the route and service, and also after full examination of the instructions and requirements attached to the advertisement.

Dated (Signed.)

Form of a Guarantee.

The undersigned, residing at ——, State of ——, undertake that, if the foregoing bid for carrying the mail on route No. —— be accepted by the Postmaster General, the bidder shall, prior to the 1st day of September, 1855, or as soon thereafter as may be, enter into the required obligation to perform the service proposed, with good and sufficient sureties.

This we do with a full knowledge of the obligations and liabilities assumed by guarantors under the 27th section of the act of Congress of July 9, 1836.

Dated (Signed by two guarantors.)

Form of Certificate.

The undersigned, postmaster of ——, State of ——, certifies, under his seal of office, that he is acquainted with the above guarantors, and knows them to be men of property, and able to make good their guarantee.

Dated (Signed.)

The sufficiency of guarantors on proposals may be certified by a judge of a court of record, and by postmasters at the following offices, and no *others*:

In Oregon Territory by the postmasters of Oregon City, Astoria, Salem, Linton, Sublimity, Portland, Albany, Willamette Forks, Dallas, Cincinnati, Tualitin Plains, and Corvallis.

In New Mexico by the postmasters of Santa Fe, Donna Anna, Taos, and Albuquerque.

Conditions to be incorporated in the contracts to the extent the Department may deem proper.

1. Seven minutes are allowed to each intermediate office, when not otherwise specified, for assorting the mails; but on railroad and steamboat routes there is to be no more delay than is sufficient for an exchange of the mail bags.

2. On routes where the mode of conveyance admits of it, the special agents of the department, also post office blanks, mail bags, locks and keys, are to be conveyed without extra charge.

3. No pay will be made for trips not performed; and for each of such omissions not satisfactorily explained, three times the pay of the trip may be deducted. For arrivals so far behind time as to break connexion with depending mails, and not sufficiently excused, one-fourth of the compensation for the trip is subject to forfeiture. Deduction will also be ordered for a grade of performance inferior to that specified in the contract. For repeated delinquencies of the kind herein specified, enlarged penalties, proportioned to the nature thereof and the importance of the mail, may be made.

4. The Postmaster General may annul the contract for repeated failures to run agreeably to contract; for disobeying the Post Office laws, or the instructions of the department; for refusing to discharge a carrier when required by the department to do so; for