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JOHN CATRON, Associate Justice.
PETER V. DANIEL, Associate Justice.
SAMUEL NELSON, Associate Justice.
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*From the Chief Justice of the United States.*

I regard this publication as one of the most useful and valuable that have issued from the American press. I have examined the first volume. I need not say that it is evidently prepared with great judgment and care. The character of Mr Justice Curtis is of itself a sufficient guaranee that any work of this kind undertaken by him will be executed in the best manner. And when it is completed it cannot fail, I think, to meet the approbation and support of the public as well as of the profession, whether practising in the courts of the United States or the courts of a State.

JULY 19, 1855. R. B. TANEY.

*From Judge McLean, of the United States Supreme Court.*

I have long desired to see just such an edition of the reports of the Supreme Court as this will be. The correction of the errors of the press in the present editions and the references to subsequent cases where the decisions have been doubted, modified, overruled, or affirmed, as proposed in this edition, will give to it increased value.

JULY 15, 1855. JOHN McLEAN.

*From Judge Catron, of the United States Supreme Court.*

The specimen volume you have sent me is well edited and well printed; and, if the succeeding volumes are as well executed as the first one is, I have no doubt that Mr. Justice Curtis's edition will at once supersede all other reports of the Supreme Court decisions. He has disencumbered the reports of cases of useless matter, reducing them to a form and size convenient to the student and comfortable to the lawyer and the judge; and then the price is reasonable.

JOHN CATRON.
NASHVILLE, July 21, 1855.

*From Judge Grier, of the United States Supreme Court.*

The plan of this work has already received the sanction and approbation of the whole court. This volume (the first) amply sustains the promise of its able editor. When fully executed it will make the decisions of the Supreme Court acceptable to the bar and others, not only by greatly reducing the expense, but by eliminating the diffuse syllabuses, the superfluous statements, and ot er mass of useless matter in which many of the cases (as now reported) are enveloped and concealed. The notes at the foot of each case, referring to other and similar ones, will be valuable to the profession, and will save much time and labor in searching through ill arranged digests and worse indexes. ROBERT C. GRIER.
PHILADELPHIA, August 22, 1855.

*From Judge Daniel, of the United States Supreme Court.*

Knowing the learning and ability of Judge Curtis, it was with great pleasure that I was first made aware of his purpose to undertake a republication of the decisions of the Supreme Court upon the plan adopted by him; and, judging from the specimen before me of his execution of that plan, I would conclude that my most favorable anticipations would be fully accomplished.

The exclusion from this work of matter in the form of statement and argument not necessary to the elucidation of the cases, and the safety with which the accuracy of the editor in presenting the points discussed and decided may be relied on, cannot but relieve both the bench and the bar from much labor and from the loss of much valuable time. PETER V. DANIEL.
WASHINGTON, October 1, 1855.

*From the Attorney General of the United States.*

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, September 11, 1855.

GENTLEMEN: I have, in compliance with your request, examined the volumes now in the course of publication, entitled "Reports of Decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States," by Mr. Justice Curtis, and perceive that the work possesses peculiar qualities, as follows:

1. In the preservation of whatever is of primary importance in the previous reports of the same decisions, with great saving of bulk and expense by the omission of secondary matter, such as editorial statements of the facts in the case and arguments of counsel, where these are not essential to the understanding or elucidation of the decisions themselves.

2. In the careful revisal of each case, in the sense of editorial accuracy, and the consequent correction of such errors of editorship or impression as existed in the previous reports.

3. In the addition to each case of references by footnote to other decisions of the series in which the same is mentioned.

4. In the recomposition of the editorial statements of the cases, not merely in the sense of rejection or abridgment, but still more in that of essential improvement of the matter itself by means of information derived from the original records and files of the court.

5. In the recomposition of the head notes on a theory of judicial expositions, so that the syllabus of each case exhibits what is really adjudged in it as law, and that alone, passing over obiter dicta and mere judicial argument.

6. The digest promised will supply a want which is very sensibly felt by all who have occasion to consult the Decisions of the Supreme Court, the existing digests thereof being either antiquated or defective in plan and execution.

I think these are great advantages of the present work, serving not only to render more accessible to the legal profession generally, but also more available and profitable for study and use, a series of judicial decisions holding the highest place among the many collections of the same class which honor and adorn the legal literature of the United States.

I am, very respectfully, C. CUSHING.
Messrs. LITTLE, BROWN, & Co.

*From Prof. Parsons, of the Cambridge Law School.*

Judge Curtis is rendering to the profession a service of very great importance in bringing within our reach the law of these numerous and expensive volumes. Let me show, by an example, taken only because it happened to be the first case I examined, how he does this. In his first volume the interesting case of Graves et al. vs the R. M. Insurance Company, which determines the rules of law applicable to an insurance by one partner of the property of the firm, occupies less than six pages. In the second volume of Cranch (whose reports are far less voluminous and diffuse than those of his successors) this case occupies twenty six pages. But Judge Curtis retains everything said by the Supreme Court, who speak by Marshall, C. J., and everything further which a lawyer can want or use. And he puts this in so compact a form that it is really much easier to get at the true result and operation of the case than in the original report. The same thing will, I think, be found to be literally true in reference to all the contents of these volumes. His condensation of this loose mass saves us not only money, but time and labor.

THEOPHILUS PARSONS.
CAMBRIDGE, August 9, 1855.

LITTLE, BROWN, & Co.,
Law and Foreign Booksellers,
112 Washington st., Boston.
Jan 25—2aw5wif

## United States Mail.

MISSISSIPPI.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, February 25, 1856.

PROPOSALS for conveying the mail of the United States from July 1, 1856, to June 30, 1858, on the following route, will be received at the Contract Office of this Department until 3, p. m., of April 30 next, to be decided by the 7th of May following:

7664 From Charleston, Miss., by Mouth of Cold Water, Mitchell's Cross Roads, Mound Place, Moor's Bayou, and Swan Lake, to Helena, Ark., 75 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Charleston Monday at 7, a. m.;
Arrive at Helena next day by 5, p. m.;
Leave Helena Wednesday at 7, a. m.;
Arrive at Charleston next day by 9, p. m.

NOTE.

Proposals must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, certified to as such by a postmaster or judge of a court of record; and contract must be entered into by the successful bidder, with surety, before the 1st of July next.

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. Fines will be imposed, unless the delinquency be promptly and satisfactorily explained, for neglecting to take the mail from or into a post office; for suffering it to be injured, destroyed, robbed, or lost; and for refusing, after demand, to convey the mail as frequently as the contractor runs, or is concerned in running, vehicles on the route. The Postmaster General may annul the contract for repeated failures to run agreeably to contract, or for disobeying the post office laws or instructions of the department. The Postmaster General may alter the schedule. He may also order an increased service by allowing therefor a pro rata increase on the contract pay. He may also curtail or discontinue the service in whole or in part, at pro rata decrease of pay, allowing one month's extra compensation on the amount of service dispensed with. Bids should be addressed to the "Second Assistant Postmaster General" *"Proposals for No 7664, Mississippi."* For further particulars see pamphlet advertisement for conveying the mails in Alabama, Mississippi, &c., of 1854 and 1855.

JAMES CAMPBELL,
Feb 25—1aw1w Postmaster General.

LOST LAND WARRANT.—Public notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Pensions, at Washington city, twenty-days after the expiration of six weeks from the present date, for a duplicate land warrant, in lieu of land warrant No. 20,52 for 160 acres, which was issued to William B. Johns, on the 9d day of February, 1853, as lieutenant and captain of the 3d regiment United States infantry, Mexican war, under act of September 28, 1850, and which was subsequently lost by accident, having been thrown overboard from a steamboat into the Ohio river, near Shawneetown, Illinois, and destroyed.

WILLIAM B. JOHNS,
Feb 6—1aw7w By Richard M. Young, his Attorney.

THIS is to give notice that the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans' court of Washington county, in the District of Columbia, letters of administration on the personal estate of Edward Law, late of the State of Illinois, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the nineteenth day of February next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

Given under my hand this nineteenth day of February, 1856.
Feb 22—1aw3w HENRY MAY, Administrator.

### Heirs Wanted.

JOHN STEEL and WM. STEEL (otherwise WM. ROBINSON) wanted being heirs to some property in England, the former living in Georgetown, South Carolina, about twenty years since, and the latter in the city of Washington about thirty years ago.

Apply to REV. G. OSBORNE,
Stainby, Lincolnshire, England.
FEBRUARY 6, 1856.
Feb 22—dtf1w*

### Law Partnership.

L. WALKER. L. JANIN.

J. WALKER & LOUIS JANIN have formed a partnership for the management and trial of causes in the Supreme Court of the United States and in the Court of Claims. Address Washington, D. C.

### For Sale Four Hundred Negroes and Ten Thousand Acres of Cane-Brake Land in Dallas and Perry Counties, Alabama.

ON the first Monday in April next (the 7th) I will sell, at Cahawba, Dallas county, Ala., to the highest bidder, for cash, or Mobile "exceptances," at sixty or ninety days, bearing interest, one hundred and fifty likely negroes; also, fifty others, on longer time. All acclimated, and experienced cotton-plantation hands.

I will also sell, at any time during this year, at private sale, for cash or on time, two hundred other valuable negroes, (in lots to suit purchasers) and 9,000 acres of the very best and most advantageously situated "cane-brake" and "black land," including the nine plantations known as the "Trigg Plantation," "Mud Hall," "Sixteenth," "King Plantation," "Bivvine Place," "Ludlow," "Lodge," "Holmes Place," and the "Cross Roads," all of which, for cotton and corn, are inferior to no plantations in the world. Also, an elegantly-improved and beautiful residence adjoining Summerfield, eight miles from the city of Selma, with about four hundred acres attached to it; the dwelling house, offices, out-houses, grounds, garden, &c., are all in first-rate condition. These plantations are 70 or 80 miles below the city of Montgomery, about 150 miles above Mobile, and west of, and near to, the Alabama river, which is at all seasons navigable for steamboats. Near seven thousand acres, including four of the plantations, are on the Selma and Woodville railroad; and on this body of land, about fourteen miles from Selma, is located the depot at the junction of the Marion railroad with the Selma road, to and from which depot the cars run regularly. Of the other plantations, one is on the Selma railroad two are two miles, and two six miles distant, one of which is within six miles of the city of Selma. These plantations are in the highest state of cultivation, with good gins, gin-houses, cotton-presses, mills, negro cabins, shops, stables, artesian wells, &c., &c., &c.

I will sell them in tracts to suit purchasers, of 500, 1,000, 1,500, 2,000, or 3,000 acres, and so laid off as to give as much opened and wood land to each tract as may be desired, and with or without the negroes, stock, plantation tools, corn, provender, &c.

Possession of the above plantations and negroes will be given to the purchasers at any time whilst the crop is growing, or in December or January next, as they may wish.

If not sold privately previous to the first Monday in December next, I will, on that day, at Selma, sell to the highest bidder such negroes as may then be unsold.

Such opportunities and advantages were never before presented for those wishing to continue or to engage in the cultivation of cotton. It has been difficult for years past to find a plantation in the "cane-brake" region for sale at any price, or even to purchase there a large unimproved tract.

These plantations are, in fertility, facilities for transportation, and in all other respects, fully equal, if not superior, to any in the cotton-growing States; and I know that personal investigation will prove to the satisfaction of every one that no portion of the Union is more healthy than the "cane-brake" region of Alabama.

I will also sell privately, for cash or on time, one of the most beautifully-improved private residences in the city of Selma, and several valuable and elegantly-finished large blocks of brick buildings, including the largest and most desirably located store-rooms, offices, banking houses, &c., &c.

Also, several very desirable unimproved large lots, and small tracts of land in and contiguous to Selma.

Also, about 30 head of blooded horses; among which are the celebrated "Brown Dick," several superior brood mares, several young stallions, geldings, colts, and fillies—all of them from the very best racing stock.

Among the negroes are a first-rate trainer, several good race-riders, and many excellent mechanics, cooks, seamstresses, and house servants.

For further particulars address the undersigned, or W. M. Byrd, esq., at Selma; or W. M. Brooks, esq., at Marion, Perry county, Alabama. The overseers now on the plantations will give all desirable information to those who may wish to make a personal investigation of the premises. BEN. EDWARDS GREY.
SELMA, Alabama, Feb. 11, 1856.
Feb 19—d2mif

### Land Warrants.

JOHN CLARK, (late register at Iowa city, Iowa,) agent for the location of military bounty-land warrants in the State of Iowa—I have opened an office in Washington city, D. C., in connexion with local agents and surveyors at the several land offices in the State of Iowa, by which I am prepared to offer new facilities for the location of land warrants, the only mode by which war-sutlers and other holders can fully avail themselves of the bounty of the government.

TERMS.

The land will be selected, the location made, and certificate mailed to the address of parties, sending warrants by mail, for the following fees, which must accompany the warrants:

40 acres, fee for selection and location, $4; to which add land office fee, $1—$5.
80 acres, fee for selection and location, $6; to which add land office fee, $2—$8.
120 acres, fee for selection and location, $8; to which add land office fee, $3—$11.
160 acres, fee for selection and location, $10; to which add land office fee, $4—$14.

The above are the lowest prices charged by competent agents at the local office.

I guaranty that all selections will be made judiciously, upon actual inspection, and of as good land as remains vacant in the district at the time.

The selecting agents are the most competent and experienced in the State, and are fully advised of all the local advantages—such as railroads, county seats, timbers, water, and settlements, present and prospective.

Lands thus selected will be worth, I am confident, from $2 50 to $5 per acre as soon as selected. Warrantees, for whose benefit this agency is designed, and other holders, cannot fail to realize a large advance upon the face of their warrants.

DIRECTIONS.

Warrantees will execute to me a power of attorney to locate endorsed on the warrant. And others will please fill the blank assignments with the full name of the locator.

Address JOHN CLARK, No. 432 Pennsylvania avenue, with J. W. Webb & Co.

Refer to the Iowa delegation in Congress, and the Hon. Charles Mason, Commissioner of Patents.
Feb 12—d1f3m*

THIS is to give notice that the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans' court of Washington county, in the District of Columbia, letters of administration on the personal estate of Thomas Law, late of the State of Illinois, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the nineteenth day of February next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

Given under my hand this nineteenth day of February, 1856.
Feb 22—1aw3w HENRY MAY, Administrator.

### To Members of Congress, and others.

FOR RENT.—A first-class furnished dwelling house, built in the most modern style, with the convenience of water, gas, &c., and furnished recently in every department with taste and comfort. Apply on premises, No. 419 13th street, between G and H streets, or at my office. J. J. MILLER,
Dec 9—dtf Corner 7th street and Louisiana avenue.

### Medical Card.

DOCTOR STANISLAS HERNISZ, regular practitioner of homoopathy. Office, 231 corner F and Fourteenth streets. Consultations from 10, a. m., to 3, p. m.

Doctor Stanislas Hernisz, having returned from Europe with improved health, will attend to the practice of his profession.

Le Docteur parle Français.
Der Doctor spricht Deutsch.
El Doctor habla Espanol.
Il Dottore parla Italiano.
Jan 19—d6m

### Madame Devos,

*From Paris and New York.*

MADAME DEVOS'S millinery has arrived, and is now opened for inspection at The Lakes, 504 Pennsylvania avenue, to which the attention of the ladies of Washington, Georgetown, &c., is respectfully invited.
Jan 24—tf

### For Sale—Twenty-three Thousand Acres of Land.

THE subscriber offers for sale, upon the most liberal terms, the following lands: situated in Jasper county, Indiana, 1,360 acres; in Stark county, 6,576 acres; in Iroquois county, Illinois, 240 acres; in Hamilton county, 340 acres. These lands are finely timbered, in an old settled district, within five miles of McClenesborough, the county seat, and on the line of the Chicago railroad. In Jefferson county, Illinois, 240 acres; in Franklin county, 640 acres; in Pope county, 160 acres; in Alexander county, 840 acres; and other lands in Wisconsin. For further information call on G. M. GORDON, No. 288 H street, agent for J. L. DE CAMP.
Washington city, D. C., Feb. 17, 1856.
Feb 19—dtf tf

THE subscriber will remain in town a few days to dispose of the remaining States and Territories for the control of the sale of his Flour Restorative. He will treat with parties for the states of Louisiana, Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri, Oregon, Washington Territory, Nebraska and Kansas, Minnesota, Utah, Northwestern Territory, New Mexico, and the island of Cuba. During my absence at any time from the city, my agent, Mr. G. M. GORDON, No. 288 H street, will represent me.

J. L. DE CAMP.
Feb 19—dtf tf

### Willards' Hotel.

J. C. & H. A. WILLARD,
*Pennsylvania avenue and Fourteenth street,*
Washington, D. C.
Jan 29—dtf

F. L. MOORE is prepared to furnish the best white and red ash coal of all sizes and Cumberland coal of all kinds to his customers at the lowest market prices.

2,240 pounds guaranteed to the ton.
Hickory, oak, and pine wood at very low prices.
A good article and full measure may be relied on in all cases.
Yard west side 9th street, between D and E, opposite "Old Stand."
Nov 30—FTuThtf

### A Card.

*Miss Brooke's English and French Boarding and Day School, Seven Buildings, No. 134 Pennsylvania avenue.*

THE second session of this institution will commence on Monday, February 4, 1856.

Daily instruction in the French language is given by a lady, recently from Paris, who resides in the family; the higher branches of English are under the especial charge of Miss Brooke, and every means is afforded for the acquisition of a thorough and elegant education. Jan 27—eod2w

GEORGE W. MORELL, Attorney and Counsellor at law, United States circuit court commissioner, commissioner for the Court of Claims, No. 44 Wall street, New York.

Refers to Hon. S. Nelson, Justice United States Supreme Court; Hon. H. Fish, United States senator; General J. G. Totten, Corps of Engineers, United States army; M. Blair, Solicitor to the Court of Claims; R. H. Gillet, esq., and Major Arnold Harris, Washington city. Oct 10—WFSatSun3m

NOTICE is hereby given that I will apply to the Commissioner of Pensions to grant me a duplicate of a 40-acre land bounty warrant, issued to me under the law of September, 1850, and numbered 54,083, for my services in the war of 1812—'15, which warrant has been lost, and which has never been assigned, pledged, or located by me, or by my authority.

JOHN ROSS.
Jan 19—1aw6w

COW FOR SALE.—The owner being about to leave the city, offers for sale a first-rate cow.

Inquire at room No. 3, over Sweeney's banking house, Pennsylvania avenue.
Feb 95—3t

THERE are but 20,000 tickets in the scheme on the Havana plan brought before the public in our issue of to-day, by Messrs. Miller & Co., of Baltimore. As there is a novelty about the modus operandi of distributing the prizes that is quite refreshing, we apprehend tickets will be in as lively demand as hot cakes on a cold morning. It therefore behooves all, especially persons at a distance, to order them up early. Of course, you will get your tickets at

MILLER & CO.'s,
Feb 27—3aw2w St. Paul street corner, Baltimore, Maryland.

### Miller & Co., Bank-note and Exchange Dealers,

*Corner St. Paul and Baltimore streets, Baltimore, Maryland.*

THE MARYLAND LOTTERY DRAWN ON THE HAVANA PLAN.

THE first drawing of this character that has occurred in Baltimore came off on the 19th day of January last. The leading prize was the sum of $20,000; it was drawn by Nos. 4 7 60, and sold in this city by the celebrated house of Miller & Co., corner St. Paul and Baltimore streets. The ticket cost $10.

*The next drawing on the Havana plan*

takes place on Saturday, 22d day of March, being class 10 of the Maryland lottery. The sum of $136,000 will be distributed on the following plan:

20,000 numbers—1,000 prizes.

Prizes payable in full without any deduction!

There are 200 principal prizes, viz:

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| 1 prize of | $35,200 | 1 prize of | $5,000 |
| 1 do | 10,000 | 1 do | 5,000 |
| 1 do | 10,000 | 10 prizes of | 1,000 |
| 20 prizes of | 500 | 165 do | 200 |

There are 800 approximation prizes, viz:

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| 4 of $100 | that appr'x to | $35,200 | |
| 8 of 75 | that appr'x to | 10,000 | |
| 8 of 40 | that appr'x to | 5,000 | |
| 40 of 30 | that appr'x to | 1,600 | |
| 80 of 25 | that appr'x to | 500 | |
| 160 of 20 | that appr'x to | 200 | |

Tickets $10—halves $5—quarters $2 50—eighths $1 25.

Miller & Co., of the St. Paul street corner, will give prompt and reliable attention to orders for tickets in this popular drawing, and will furnish correspondents with the scheme, giving the plan of the lottery in detail, and, on the night of 22d March, mail to all parties purchasing the official printed drawing, vouched to by the State Commissioner of Lotteries. Address

MILLER & CO.,
Corner St. Paul and Baltimore streets,
Feb 27—3aw2w Baltimore, Md.

THREAD LACE GOODS, EMBROIDERIES, &c.—The subscribers have just received from New York a full assortment of the above-named goods, which have been selected with great care from the most recent importations, embracing all the newest styles of—

Collarets and sleeves, in sets to match
Chemizets and sleeves do do
Lace collarets and sleeves do
Lace trimmed collars and sleeves, do
French-worked chemizet and sleeves, do do
Lace-trimmed French worked collars and sleeves
Embroidered cambric, in sets to match
Embroidered sets, on linen and linen cambric
Thread-lace collars and sleeves to match
Mourning sets, in both black and white
Embroidered handkerchiefs, in great variety and new styles
Emb oidered skirts, for open dresses
Embroidered Swiss and cambric flouncing
Embroidered dimity and jaconet bands
Muslin and cambric edgings and insertings
Real thread lace bertheas and collars
Thread laces and edgings of all widths
Black thread laces and edgings, all widths
Wide black laces for flounces, &c.

Together with many other new and desirable goods adapted to the present and approaching seasons, such as—

Flounced silk dresses, in great variety
Flounced grenadine dresses, very rich
Flounced berege robes, a great variety
Striped and plaid twisted silks
Chene silks, striped and figured, new styles
Light plain silks, for evening dresses
Colored silk illusions do
Black silks in every variety, &c

All of which, together with a complete assortment of seasonable goods, both foreign and domestic, in fancy and staple, will be offered at the lowest prices to cash or punctual dealers.

HOOE, BRO, & CO.
Feb 27—3taw4wif

### United States Court of Claims.

CARD.

THE undersigned, John C. Devereux, of New York city, and M. Thompson, of Washington, D. C., attorneys and counsellors-at-law, are associated for the legal prosecution of claims, for credit on government, in the Court of Claims.

They will co-operate in immediate and careful attention to business matters at Washington which may be intrusted to their care by gentlemen of the profession and claimants, in the city of New York, or elsewhere in any part of the Union.

They may be consulted at any time, personally or by letter, either at New York or Washington. Particular information as to claims which have been at any time before Congress or departments can be furnished at once upon application by the parties interested.

JOHN C. DEVEREUX,
No. 99 Broadway, corner Wall street, New York city.
M. THOMPSON,
Washington city.

N. B.—J. C. Devereux is a commissioner of the Court of Claims.
Jan 31—3tawtf [Intel.]

$3 000 worth of notes secure by deeds of trust on real estate in this city will be purchased by the subscriber, and none others. Notes made for the occasion will not be contracted for. Applications must be in person—no communications by mail will be attended to.

N. B. Part of a large office to let on Louisiana avenue, opposite the Bank of Washington.

T. JEFFERSON SMITH,
Feb 8—eodtf 462 Fifteenth st., over Chubb Brothers' Bank.

McCLURE, MILLS, & Co., Land Agents, Dubuque, Iowa, will locate lands in the State of Iowa with money, land warrants, or scrip, for parties applying; will pay taxes, make collections, buy and sell real estate and land warrants.

Careful attention given to the selection of lands by a thorough and competent engineer and surveyor.

REFER TO

Hon. George W. Jones, U. S. senator, Dubuque, Iowa.
Gen. W. Lewis, surveyor general, Dubuque, Iowa.
Gov. Henry Dodge, U. S. Senate, Wisconsin.
Messrs. Strachan & Scott, bankers, New York.
Hon. Eli Cook, Buffalo, New York.
Feb 9—d1w6eod6m

### Removal.—Paper Warehouse.

MEGARGEE BROTHERS, paper manufacturers and importers of manufacturers' materials, Nos. 3 and 5 Decatur Street, Philadelphia, beg to call the attention of purchasers to their extensive assortment of papers, suited to the wants of dealers and consumers in every section of the country. All orders will receive prompt attention, and be filled at as low prices as by any house in the Union.

1,000 tons of rags wanted for cash.
Feb 23—eod2m

NEW PATENT FLUID LAMP.—It is well known to all persons who deal in or are acquainted with lamps that a fluid lamp with a circular wick, safe, and not liable to be ignited so constituted that the light could be controlled and regulated, has been a great desideratum ever since fluid has been used. It is as well known that such lamp has until now been offered to the public.

Such a lamp we now present, which burns with a clear, strong light, and with a steadiness which renders it superior even to gas for purposes of reading and writing. And it will burn with undiminished flame until the fluid in the lamp is entirely consumed.

The material used is common burning fluid, known also by the names ethereal oil and spirit gas.

The lamp is very simple in its construction and easily trimmed; the light can be regulated as perfectly as gas light, so that no more need be consumed than is wanted.

This lamp is peculiarly adapted to the purpose of lighting churches and public halls, while for lighting parlors, reading, writing, or sewing it has no equal.

For sale by J. R. McGREGOR.
No. 536 7th street, between Louisiana avenue and D street.
Feb 23—3taw2wif

GENERAL AGENCY AT WASHINGTON.—The subscriber, formerly of Richmond, Virginia, having established an office in this city, on F street, a few doors in front of the Treasury Department, tenders his services to claimants upon the government, especially for revolutionary services, and for land bounties and pensions under the recent acts of Congress.

Having purchased the manuscripts of the late David Dorrington he has, perhaps, the only index which was ever made to the immense mass of revolutionary papers in the first auditor's office in Richmond. He has also a very copious index to the papers in all the other public offices in the Capitol of Virginia. These, and the accumulations from other sources of twenty years' experience, enable him to hope that if a claim intrusted to him be just, he will be able to show it, even where the claimant himself may be entirely unable to do it.

For claims under the recent act of 3d March, 1855, giving 160 acres of land to all who were in battle or who served fourteen days, his charges will be very moderate. FELIX RICHARDS.

REFERENCES.

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March 7—d&eoly*

By JAMES C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.

VERY EXTENSIVE SALE OF FURNITURE, HOUSEKEEPING articles, and superior stock fixtures, comprised in the stock of Messrs. Dono, Bro., & Co.—On Wednesday morning, March 5, commencing at 10 o'clock, and continuing from day to day until the whole is disposed of, we shall sell the entire remaining stock of furniture, housekeeping articles, and store fixtures of Dono, Bro., & Co., at their establishment, corner of Ninth and D streets, comprising—

Elegant gilt-frame mirrors, slabs, and brackets
Sofas, arm chairs, rockers, and parlor chairs, of various patterns and styles
Marble-top centre, side, and sofa tables, in rosewood, walnut, and mahogany
Handsome mahogany, oak, and walnut sets of chamber furniture
Wardrobes, fancy chairs, and tables
Dining, breakfast, and card tables
Cane, rush, and wood seat chairs of various patterns
Cottage bedsteads, bureaus, washstands
Wardrobes, sideboards, clocks
Hair and husk mattresses, bolsters, and pillows, &c.
Silver plate and tea sets, castors, spoons, forks, pitchers, mugs, bowls, &c.
Elegant French china, dinner, dessert, and tea sets
Granite-ware, crockery, glassware, &c., in great quantities
Table cutlery, Britannia, block tin, and Japanned ware
Looking-glasses, clocks, and lamps
Bird cages, hall lanterns, tin safes.

Together with a large variety of wooden, willow, and stone ware and housekeeping articles, the whole forming the largest and best assortment of goods in that line ever offered at auction in this city.

Also, the superior store fixtures, glass cases, iron safe, &c.

The special attention of the trade is called to this sale, which will be made without reserve, as the concern will be closed.

Terms: $30 and under, cash; over that sum and under $100, a credit of 2, 4, and 6 months; over $100, a credit of 3 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 months, for notes satisfactorily endorsed, bearing interest.

JAS. C. McGUIRE,
Feb 23—d Auctioneer.

DECISIONS of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin in the cases of Booth and Rycroft (fugitive-slave law;) being a portion of 3d vol. Wisconsin Reports. In pamphlet, 25 cents.
Feb 26 FRANCK TAYLOR.

### L. J. Middleton,

*Dealer in Ice.*

Office and depot southwest corner F and 19th streets.
Feb 27—d6mif

A FIRST-RATE PAIR OF HORSES, COACH, AND harness for sale at a bargain.—Sold without fault, and for want of use, as the owner is about removing from the city.

The establishment may be seen at Kimmell's stables, opposite the Exchange Hotel, C street.
Feb 26—1w

NEW YORK, BREMEN, AND SOUTHAMPTON UNITED STATES MAIL STEAMERS.—The ships comprising this line are the WASHINGTON, Capt. E. Cavendy; HERMANN, Capt. Edward Higgins.

These steamers stop at Southampton both going and returning.

PROPOSED DATES OF SAILING—1856.

| | From New York. | From Bremen. | From Southampton for New York |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Saturday. | Saturday. | Wednesday. |
| Hermann | Jan 16 | Feb. 23 | Feb. 27 |
| Washington | Feb. 23 | Mar. 22 | Mar. 26 |
| Hermann | Mar. 29 | April 19 | April 23 |
| Washington | April 19 | May 17 | May 21 |
| Hermann | May 17 | June 14 | June 18 |
| Washington | June 14 | July 12 | July 16 |
| Hermann | July 12 | Aug. 9 | Aug 13 |
| Washington | Aug. 9 | Sept. 6 | Sept. 10 |
| Hermann | Sept. 6 | Oct. 4 | Oct. 8 |
| Washington | Oct. 4 | Nov. 1 | Nov. 5 |
| Hermann | Nov. 1 | Nov. 29 | Dec. 3 |
| Washington | Nov. 29 | Dec. 27 | Dec. 31 |

Stopping at Southampton, both going and returning, they offer passengers proceeding to London and Havre advantages over any other route, for the economy of time and money.

*Passage from New York to Southampton and Bremen.*

First cabin, main saloon, $130; first cabin, lower saloon, $110; second do., $60.

All letters and newspapers must pass through the post office.

No bills of lading will be signed or parcels received on the day of sailing.

An experienced surgeon is attached to each ship.

For freight or passage, apply to

C. H. SAND, 11 South William st., N. Y.
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Feb 27—dly

### The New York and Liverpool United States Mail Steamers.

The ships comprising the line are the following:

The Atlantic ..... Capt West.
The Pacific ..... Capt. Eldridge.
The Baltic ..... Capt. Comstock.
The Adriatic ..... Capt. ——

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-class cabin, $130. In second cabin, $75. Exclusive use of extra-size state-rooms, $235. 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 | Nov. 28, 1855. | Saturday | Nov. 17, 1855. |
| Wednesday | Dec. 19, 1855. | Saturday | Dec. 1, 1855. |
| Wednesday | Dec. 26, 1855. | Saturday | Dec. 15, 1855. |
| Saturday | Jan. 5, 1856. | Saturday | Dec. 29, 1855. |
| Saturday | Jan. 19, 1856. | Saturday | Jan. 12, 1856. |
| Saturday | Feb. 2, 1856. | Wednesday | Jan. 23, 1856. |
| Saturday | Feb. 16, 1856. | Wednesday | Feb. 6, 1856. |
| Saturday | Mar. 1, 1856. | Wednesday | Feb. 20, 1856. |
| Saturday | Mar. 15, 1856. | Wednesday | Mar. 5, 1856. |
| Saturday | Mar. 29, 1856. | Wednesday | Mar. 18, 1856. |
| Saturday | April 12, 1856. | Wednesday | April 2, 1856. |
| Saturday | April 26, 1856. | Wednesday | April 16, 1856. |
| Saturday | May 10, 1856. | Wednesday | April 30, 1856. |
| Saturday | May 24, 1856. | Wednesday | May 14, 1856. |
| | | Wednesday | May 28, 1856. |
| | | Wednesday | June 11, 1856. |

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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.

Shippers please take notice that the ships of this line cannot carry any goods contraband of war.
Nov 24—dtf

BY RAILROAD DIRECT TO THE WEST.

Time between Washington and Wheeling but 17½ hours!

*Running time between Washington and Cincinnati, 27 hours!*

Through Tickets and Baggage Checks to be had in Washington.

THE Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, having greatly improved its western connexions, now offers the fullest inducements to travellers between Washington, Baltimore, and all portions of the West, the Northwest, and the Southwest.

The connexion between the trains from Washington and the trains bound West from Baltimore is always promptly made at the Washington Junction, (lately called the Relay House,) nine miles from Baltimore. This is the only change of cars required between Washington and the Ohio river. Baggage is checked through to Wheeling at the Washington station, and rechecked and transferred there, (with the passengers,) without charge, for those holding through tickets for points beyond. The connecting trains leave Washington daily at 6, a. m., and 4¾, p. m.; on Sundays at the latter hour only.

At Wheeling *direct connexion* is made with the trains of the CENTRAL OHIO RAILROAD, running from Bellaire, on the Ohio, near Wheeling, through Cambridge, Zanesville, and Newark, to COLUMBUS. These trains connect at Newark with the Newark, Mansfield, and Sandusky railroad for Sandusky, Toledo, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis, &c.

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Passengers holding through tickets for Memphis, Vicksburg, Natchez, New Orleans, &c.—which are also sold at Washington—are transferred at Cincinnati to the mail steamers on the Ohio. Tickets for Evansville, Cairo, and St. Louis are sold by this route.

FOR CLEVELAND, and via Cleveland to Toledo, Detroit, Chicago, &c., tickets are sold when the Ohio is navigable between Wheeling and Wellsville, (forty miles,) where a connexion with the Cleveland and Pittsburg railroad is made.

Travellers are requested to notice that, while this is the only route affording through tickets and checks to Washington, it is much shorter, most speedy, and direct to nearly all the leading points in the great West. The distance from Washington to Cincinnati is but 653 miles, being about 100 miles shorter than by any other route!

Fare by through ticket from Washington: To Wheeling, $9 65; Columbus, $13 65; Dayton, $15 50; Cincinnati, $16; Louisville, by railroad, $ 8 6; by steamer from Cincinnati, $18; Indianapolis, $17 50; Cleveland, $12 15; Toledo, $15 80; Detroit, $15 50; Chicago, $20 65 and $19 50; St. Louis, $28 50 and $25; Memphis, $ 6; New Orleans, $