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Proposals for Erecting the Custom-house, &c., at Plattsburgh, New York.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, December 10, 1856.

PROPOSALS will be received at this department until the 18th day of February, A. D. 1857, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the construction of the custom-house, post office, and court-rooms authorized to be erected at Plattsburgh, New York, according to the plans and specifications prepared at this department; said proposals to be either for the whole building, or separate for the different kinds of work; bills of parcels must in every case accompany each bid, with the amount of each kind of work, and the total amount carried out; the department reserving the right to reject or accept the proposals hereby invited, or any parts thereof, when it deems the interest of the United States requires it; the department also reserves the right to exclude the bids of any person or persons whom there is just cause to believe will not faithfully perform the contracts, or which they have attempted to obtain by indirection; and all bids where there shall be parties in interest who do not join in the bids, and all bids that, upon investigation, are below a fair price for the work.

Bids will not be received in gross, and no contract will be awarded to a bidder unless details are furnished the department of the prices of the different kinds of work and materials, which shall be subject to the revision of the department, so that it may adopt the whole or part of the bid, as the interest of the United States may require.

Ninety per cent. of the amount of work done and materials delivered, according to contract price, [said amount to be ascertained by the estimate of an agent of the department, appointed for that purpose,] will be paid from time to time, as the work progresses, and ten per cent. retained until the completion of the contract, and acceptance of the work, &c., by the agent aforesaid, and be forfeited in the event of non-fulfilment of contract.

Contracts will be awarded only to master builders and mechanics, and the assignment thereof, except by consent of the Secretary of the Treasury, will be a forfeiture of the same.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, (certified to be so by the United States district judge or attorney of the said district,) in the sum of $5,000, for the whole work, or of a proportionate amount, if for any part, that the bidder will, when required, if his proposal be accepted, enter into a contract and bond, with proper and sufficient securities for its faithful performance.

Form of bond and certificate required will be furnished on application to the department.

Plans, specifications, and working drawings will be ready by the 12th of January, when they can be had on application to the department.

N. B. Bid will be considered unless it fully complies in all its details with the requirements of this advertisement.

The proposals must be sent to this department, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, and plainly endorsed "*Proposals for the Plattsburgh Custom-house*," and will be opened at one o'clock, p. m., of the last day named for receiving the same.

JAMES GUTHRIE,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Dec 13—3awt18Feb

Proposals for Erecting the Custom-House, &c., at Galveston, Texas.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, December 10, 1856.

PROPOSALS will be received at this department until the 10th day of February, A. D. 1857, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the construction of the custom-house, post office, and court-rooms authorized to be erected at Galveston, Texas, according to the plans and specifications prepared at this department; said proposals to be either for the whole building, or separate for the different kinds of work; bills of parcels must in every case accompany each bid, with the amount of each kind of work, and the total amount carried out; the department reserving the right to reject or accept the proposals hereby invited, or any parts thereof, when it deems the interest of the United States requires it; the department also reserves the right to exclude the bids of any person or persons whom there is just cause to believe will not faithfully perform the contracts, or which they have attempted to obtain by indirection; and all bids where there shall be parties in interest who do not join in the bids, and all bids that, upon investigation, are below a fair price for the work.

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Contracts will be awarded only to master builders and mechanics, and the assignment thereof, except by consent of the Secretary of the Treasury, will be a forfeiture of the same.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, (certified to be so by the United States district judge or attorney of the said district,) in the sum of $5,000 for the whole work, or of a proportionate amount, if for any part, that the bidder will, when required, if his proposal be accepted, enter into a contract and bond, with proper and sufficient securities for its faithful performance.

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The proposals must be sent to this department, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, and plainly endorsed "*Proposals for the Galveston Custom-house*," and will be opened at one o'clock, p.m., of the last day named for receiving the same.

JAMES GUTHRIE,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Dec 13—3awt18Feb

Office of Egerton & Brother,
EXCHANGE PLACE.

NOVEL LOTTERY.

Maryland lottery, to be drawn on the Havana plan.
GRAND CONSOLIDATED LOTTERY OF MARYLAND,
EXTRA CLASS SEV.-S,

To be drawn in Baltimore city on Saturday, Dec. 20, 1856.
Prizes amounting to $ 32,600 will be distributed according to the following splendid scheme:
20,000 numbers—1,000 prizes.
Prizes payable in full, without deduction.
One prize to every twenty tickets.

SCHEME.

1 prize of	$40,000 is	$10,000
1 prize of	14,940 is	14,940
1 prize of	10,000 is	10 000
1 prize of	5,000 is	5,000
1 prize of	3,000 is	3,000
1 prize of	2,000 } are	4,000
1 prize of	2,000 }	
1 prize of	1,500 } are	4,500
1 prize of	1,500 }	
1 prize of	1,000 } are	3,000
1 prize of	1,000 }	
1 prize of	1,000 }	
187 prizes of	200 are	37,400

APPROXIMATION PRIZES.

4 prizes of $150 approx. to $40,000 prizes are		$600
4 prizes of 100 approx. to 14,940 prizes are		400
4 prizes of 90 approx. to 10,000 prizes are		360
4 prizes of 80 approx. to 5,000 prizes are		320
4 prizes of 70 approx. to 3,000 prizes are		280
4 prizes of 60 approx. to 2,000 prizes are		480
12 prizes of 40 approx. to 1,500 prizes are		480
12 prizes of 30 approx. to 1,000 prizes are		360
48 prizes of 10 approx. to 200 prizes are		7,480
200 prizes, amounting to		32,600

Tickets $10—halves $5—quarters $2 50.
Prizes paid in full, without deduction.
All orders addressed to us will be considered as strictly confidential, and meet with an answer by return of mail.
Notes of all good banks taken at par. Address
EGERTON & BROTHER, Regular Licensed Agents,
Box 193 Baltimore Post Office, Baltimore, Maryland.
Dec 13—eod1f

IMPORTANT TO COTTON PLANTERS,
By which their incomes must be doubled.

THE undersigned has invented and obtained letters patent from the United States for the arrangement and combination of machinery for converting seed cotton into yarns by one continuous process, from the gin through the various preparation and spinning machinery, until it is ready for shipment or weaving.

The saving from waste by this process will be at least ten per cent.; and yarns made from the fibre (unbroken and uninjured by the operation of the machinery of the present process used to open and disentangle it) will be about fifty per cent. stronger and heavier, and will command the markets of the world, distancing all competition at advanced prices.

The undersigned is prepared to dispose of privileges to use his patent; and planters will be informed as to terms, with complete instructions how to use it, how to obtain the best machinery, and all other necessary particulars, on application addressed to

GEORGE G. HENRY, Mobile.

Dec 6—3awtyif

WHY will you die when Madam Mount's Consumption Destroyer is at hand? A never failing cure, if continued till the disease is broken up. Also a sovereign remedy for colds, croup, asthma, phthisic, and bronchitis. Numbers in this place can testify to the virtue of this syrup. It can be had at No. 339 G street, between 11th and 12th, or at Stott's apothecary, corner of 7th and Pennsylvania avenue.

References: Rev. Mr. Phelps, Rev. Mr. Register, minister at Foundry. Certificate from Rev. James Hausan.

Dec 6—d2w*f

MISSES HOOKER'S English and French Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies, 464 E street, between 6th and 7th streets.

Circulars may be obtained at the seminary and at the principal bookstores.

REFERENCES:

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Dec. 9—d1f

Willards' Hotel.

J. C. & H. A. WILLARD,
Pennsylvania avenue and Fourteenth street,
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Jan 6—d1y

THALBERG'S CONCERT.—A few superior opera glasses. Just opening and at moderate prices.

PARKER'S
Fancy Comb and Perfumery Store, under National Hotel.

Dec 20—d3t

Brilliant Schemes for December, 1856.

GREGORY & MAURY, MANAGERS,
Wilmington, Delaware.

To be drawn under the superintendence of commissioners appointed by the governor.

$67,500!
Lottery for the benefit of the
STATE OF DELAWARE.
Class U, for 1856.
To be drawn at Wilmington, Del., on Saturday, December 27, 1856.
75 number lottery—12 drawn ballots.

MAGNIFICENT SCHEME.

1 grand prize of	$67,500	1 prize of	$6,000
1 do do	30,000	1 do	5,000
1 do do	25,000	1 do	2,168
1 do do	15,000	212 (lowest 3-No. prizes)	1,000
1 do do	10 000	&c.	&c.

Tickets $20—halves $10—quarters $5—eighths $2 50.

Certificates of packages of 25 whole tickets				$260 00
Do	do	25 half	do	130 00
Do	do	25 quarter	do	65 00
Do	do	25 eighth	do	32 50

Orders for tickets and shares and certificates of packages in the above splendid lotteries will receive the most prompt attention, and an account of each drawing will be sent immediately after it is over to all who order from me.

Address P. J. BUCKEY, Agent,
Wilmington, Delaware.
Nov 8†

Splendid Schemes for January, 1857.

To be drawn under the superintendence of commissioners appointed by the governor.

GREGORY & MAURY, Managers.

$40,000!
Lottery for the benefit of the
STATE OF DELAWARE.
Class C, for 1857.
To be drawn at Wilmington, Del., on Saturday, January 3, 1857.
78 number lottery—13 drawn ballots.

RICH SCHEME.

1 prize of	$40,000	15 prizes of	$1,000
1 do	20,339	15 do	500
4 prizes of	10,000	15 do	400
4 do	5,000	25 do	300
4 do	2,500	202 do	200
	&c.	&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—halves $5—quarters $2 50.

Certificates of packages of 26 whole tickets				$140
Do	do	26 half	do	70
Do	do	26 quarter	do	35

$50,335!
Lottery for the benefit of the
STATE OF DELAWARE.
Class I, for 1857.
To be drawn at Wilmington, Del., on Saturday, Jan. 10, 1857.
75 number lottery—12 drawn ballots.

BRILLIANT SCHEME.

1 grand prize of	$18,000	2 prizes of	$2,583
1 do	20,000	50 do	1,000
1 do	15,000	50 do	500
1 do	10,000	113 do (lowest 3-No. prizes)	300
1 do	5,000		
&c.		&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—halves $5—quarters $2 50.

Certificates of packages of 25 whole tickets				$140
Do	do	25 half	do	70
Do	do	25 quarter	do	35

$70,000!
Lottery for the benefit of the
STATE OF DELAWARE.
Class K for 1857.
To be drawn at Wilmington, Del, on Saturday, Jan. 24, 1857.
78 number lottery—13 drawn ballots.

MAGNIFICENT SCHEME.

1 grand prize of	$70,000	4 prizes of	$5,000
1 do	30,000	5 do	3,000
1 do	20,000	50 do	1000
2 do	20,000	218 do	650
4 do	10,000	&c.	&c.

Tickets $20—halves $10—quarters $5—eighths $2 50.

Certificates of packages of 26 whole tickets,				$270 00
Do	do	26 half	do	135 00
Do	do	26 quarter	do	67 50
Do	do	26 eighths	do	33 75

$37,500!
Lottery for the benefit of the
STATE OF DELAWARE.
Class 17, for 1857.
To be drawn at Wilmington, Del., on Saturday, Jan. 31, 1857.
75 number lottery—13 drawn ballots.

SPLENDID SCHEME.

1 prize of	$37,500	1 prize of	$2,878
1 do	20,000	20 prizes of	1,000
1 do	10,000	20 do	500
1 do	7,500	40 do	300
1 do	5,000	199 do	200
1 do	4,000	&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—halves $5—quarters $2 50.

Certificates of packages of 25 whole tickets				$130 00
Do	do	25 half	do	65 00
Do	do	25 quarter	do	32 50

Orders for tickets and shares and certificates of packages in the above splendid lotteries will receive the most prompt attention, and an account of each drawing will be sent immediately after it is over to all who order from me. Address

F. J. BUCKEY, Agent,
Wilmington, Del.
Dec 13†

Peremptory Sale.

ENTIRE STOCK OF CABINET FURNITURE OF GEORGE J. HENKELS,

No. 173 Chesnut street, Philadelphia.

ON Tuesday, December 30, commencing at 10 o'clock in the morning, will be sold, without reserve, the entire stock of superior and elegant cabinet furniture of Geo. J. Henkels, declining business on account of ill health.

The stock comprises all the latest French patterns of drawing-room, dining room, library, an 1 bed-room furniture, a large portion of recent importation, and the balance manufactured by Mr. Henkels for his regular warerooms sales, and is by far the most valuable and varied assortment ever offered at public sale in this country.

As Mr. Henkels is compelled, on account of his health, to give up business, every article will positively be sold without reserve.

Full particulars in catalogues, which may be procured of

M. THOMAS & SONS,
Auctioneers, No. 67 and 69 south 4th st.,
Dec 17—d1eod Philadelphia.

C. Gautier's compound herb drops for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma, &c.

THESE invaluable compound herb drops have the extraordinary property of immediately relieving coughs, colds, hoarseness, difficulty of breathing, bronchitis, asthma, and huskiness of the throat.

Those who are troubled with that unpleasant tickling in the throat, which deprives them of rest, night after night, by the incessant cough which it provokes, will, by using these drops, find immediate relief.

The subscriber, in presenting these drops to public notice, wishes it to be expressly understood that he does not claim for them any miraculous curing properties, nor does he present them with a long string of certificates o recommendations, although he has many unsolicited and most flattering ones from persons who have used them.

These drops are composed of six simple ingredients, principally of herbs, which are known to be very efficacious in the cure of diseases resulting from colds, and some of which, being rather nauseous in their natural state, would deter many from resorting to them, but when made into a candy or drops, become palatable without losing any of their valuable properties.

They have been approved and recommended by all the most prominent members of the Medical Faculty of Washington city.

Every lawyer, clergyman, public speaker, or vocalist, should carry a few of these drops in his pocket to be used before or after exercising the vocal organs.

Prepared and for sale, wholesale and retail, by

C. GAUTIER,
A la Ville de Paris, No. 259 Penn. av., Washington, D. C.

Or may be had of the following agents: Jas. H. Stone, corner of 7th and L streets; R. S. T. Cissel, Georgetown; John E Bates, Navy Yard; Samuel White, 7th street, 598; Henry Cook & Co., Alexandria.

Dec 6—3awlm

Gautier's French Restaurant,

252 *Pennsylvania avenue, between 12th and 13th streets.*

THE proprietor of the above establishment desires to call public attention to his increased and unsurpassed facilities for conducting and supplying everything in his line of business.

He is prepared to supply at a few hours' notice the largest DINNERS, BALLS, and PARTIES with everything pertaining to the most fashionable entertainments, and on the most reasonable terms.

ENTIRE DINNERS and DESSERTS furnished families without any trouble to the family and at moderate charges.

A FIRST CLASS FRENCH COOK will be sent to private houses at $2 per day; and marketing and such articles as they may wish purchased will be furnished at cost. Also, *china, glass, silver ware, and table ornaments.*

One or more "*dishes*" sent to any part of the city at short notice.

At my establishment will be found elegant suites of parlor, reception, and dining room furnished in the best manner, always ready.

My restaurant offers great advantages to gentlemen rooming out; they can be supplied with *meals at all hours.*

Particular attention is desired to my new style of superb CONFECTIONARY, which for purity and delicacy of flavor are unequalled.

C. GAUTIER.
Dec 6—eod3w 259 Penn. av., between 12th and 13th sts.

Proposals for Furnishing Marble and Marble Work for the North Front of the Paten Office Building.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
December 18, 1856.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this department until the eighteenth day of February next, 12 o'clock at noon, for furnishing such marble and marble work as may be required in the erection of the north front of the Patent Office building.

The bids must be in the form of the following schedule, and clearly specify the prices for material, hauling dressing, and setting, including all the machinery and other expenses.

Schedule.

Cube stone, per superficial foot.
Beds and bills, do do
Extra cube stone, per cubic foot.
Cornice in two beds, per superficial foot.
Blocking course, do do
Frieze to entablature, do do
Architrave, do do
Drops to cornice, per lineal foot.
Triglyphs, each.
Caps of pilasters, each.
Channels of basement, per lineal foot.
Marble tiling, per superficial foot.
Window sills, do do

The marble must be similar in kind and quality to that used in the construction of the east and west wings of the building, specimens of which will be required to accompany the bids.

Each bid will state in what time the work will be completed, and none will be considered from others than those known to be of the trade and believed to be fully competent to fulfil in good faith the obligations they propose to assume; and no assignment of bid or contract will be recognised, unless made with the approval of the head of the department.

Ninety per cent. will be paid from time to time, as the work progresses, upon the estimate of the agent of the department in charge thereof, and ten per cent. reserved until the completion of the contract and acceptance of the work by said agent.

The department reserves to itself the right to reject or accept the proposals hereby invited when it deems the interest of the United States requires it, as well as to exclude the bids of any person or persons who it has good reason to believe will not, from any cause, faithfully perform the contract.

Plans, specifications, and working drawings can be examined, and other information obtained, on application at the office of the superintendent.

The proposals, which must be sent to this department, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, (endorsed "Proposals for the erection of the north front of the Patent Office building,") will be opened at 1 o'clock, p. m., of the last day named for receiving the same.

R. McCLELLAND,
Secretary of the Interior.
Dec 18—2awt18Feb [Int & Star]

Proposals for Furnishing Granite and Granite Work for the North Front of the Patent Office Building.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
December 18, 1856.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this department until the eighteenth day of February next, 12 o'clock at noon, for furnishing such granite and granite work as may be required above the sub-basement story, in the erection of the north front of the Patent Office building.

The bids must be in the form of the following schedule, and clearly specify the prices for material, hauling, dressing, and setting, including all the machinery and other expenses.

Schedule.

Cube stone, per superficial foot.
Beds and bills, do do
Extra cube stone, per cubic foot.
Cornice in two beds, per superficial foot.
Blocking course, do do
Frieze to entablature, do do
Architrave, do do
Drops to cornice, per lineal foot.
Triglyphs, each.
Caps of pilasters, each.
Channels of basement, per lineal foot.
Window sills, per superficial foot.

The granite must be equal in quality to that used in the construction of the wings of the building, specimens of which will be required to accompany the bids.

Each bid will state in what time the work will be completed, and none will be considered from others than those known to be of the trade and believed to be fully competent to fulfil in good faith the obligations they propose to assume; and no assignment of bid or contract will be recognised, unless made with the approval of the head of the department.

Ninety per cent. will be paid from time to time, as the work progresses, upon the estimate of the agent of the department in charge thereof, and ten per cent. reserved until the completion of the contract and acceptance of the work by said agent.

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R. McCLELLAND,
Secretary of the Interior.
Dec 19—2awt18Feb. [Int & Star]

Proposals for Erecting the Marine Hospital at Burlington, Iowa.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, December 18, 1856.

PROPOSALS will be received at this department until the 19th day of February, A. D. 1857, at 9 o'clock, a. m., for the construction of the marine hospital authorized to be erected at Burlington, Iowa, according to the plans and specifications prepared at this department; said proposals to be either for the whole building or separate for the different kinds of work; bills of parcels must in every case accompany each bid, with the amount of each kind of work, and the total amount carried out; the department reserving the right to reject or accept the proposals hereby invited, or any parts thereof, when it deems the interest of the United States requires it; the department also reserves the right to exclude the bids of any person or persons who there is just cause to believe will not faithfully perform the contracts, or which they have attempted to obtain by indirection; and all bids where there shall be parties in interest who do not join in the bids, and all bids that, upon investigation, are below a fair price for the work.

Bids will not be received in gross, and no contract will be awarded to a bidder unless details are furnished the department of the prices of the different kinds of work and materials, which shall be subject to the revision of the department, so that it may adopt the whole or part of the bid, as the interest of the United States may require.

Ninety per cent. of the amount of work done and materials delivered, according to contract price, (said amount to be ascertained by the estimate of an agent of the department appointed for that purpose,) will be paid from time to time as the work progresses; and ten per cent. retained until the completion of the contract and acceptance of the work, &c., by the agent aforesaid, and to be forfeited in the event of non-fulfilment of contract.

Contracts will be awarded only to master-builders and mechanics, and the assignment thereof, except by consent of the Secretary of the Treasury, will be a forfeiture of the same.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a written guarantee signed by two responsible persons, (certified to be so by the United States districts judge or attorney of the said district,) in the sum of $5,000 for the whole work, or of a proportionate amount, if for any part, that the bidder will, when required, if his proposal be accepted, enter into a contract and bond, with proper and sufficient securities, for its faithful performance.

Form of bond and certificate required will be furnished on application to the department.

Plans, specifications, and working drawings will be ready after thirty days, when they can be had on application to the department.

No bid will be considered unless it fully complies in all its details with the requirements of this advertisement.

The proposals must be sent to this department, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, and plainly endorsed "*Proposals for the Burlington Marine Hospital*," and will be opened at 1o'clock, a. m., of the last day named for receiving the same.

JAMES GUTHRIE,
Secretary of the Treasury.
Dec 19—2awt18Feb19 [Intel&Star]

Proposals for Engraving and Lithographic Printing.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PUBLIC PRINTING,
Washington, December 20, 1856.

PROPOSALS will be received at this office until the 31st day of December inst., for engraving on stone, and printing from the same, for the use of the Senate of the United States, sixteen thousand and four hundred, (16,400,) or more or less each, of certain maps to accompany the annual message and documents of the President of the United States.

The maps will be open for the inspection of bidders at this office until the morning of the day for closing the bids.

The paper required for printing these maps will be furnished by this office.

Bidders will state the price for engraving each map, and the price for printing per 100 copies, separately.

A contract will be entered into with, and bonds will be required from, the successful bidder for the faithful execution of the same.

It is to be distinctly understood that no bids will be entertained from any parties not directly engaged in, and practically acquainted with, the style of work bid for.

The proposals must be addressed to A. G. Seaman, Superintendent of the Public Printing, Washington, D. C., and be endorsed "Proposals for Engraving and Lithographic Printing."

A. G. SEAMAN.
Dec 20—eod31stDec [Intel&Star]

THE TRIBUNE ALMANAC FOR 1857 will be published about 20th December instant.

In addition to the usual calendar pages and astronomical calculations, the Tribune Almanac will contain:

Very full and complete Election Returns, by States, congressional districts, and counties, for 1856, carefully compared with the returns of former years.

The Important Acts of Congress, condensed.

The Government of the United States.

List of Members of the present Congress, and of the next as far as elected, classified politically.

A Concise Statement of the Doings in Kansas during the past year.

An Account of the Remarkable Contest for Speaker of the House.

An Article on the State of Europe.

An Account of the Movements of General Walker and his Filibuster Companions in Nicaragua.

A Classified List of the Governors of the States, Times of Holding Elections, Meeting of Legislatures, &c.

The Platform of the Republican Party, with a condensed statement of those of the Democratic and American Parties.

The Jeffersonian Ordinance of 1784, a document not generally accessible, and which had it been adopted, would have made Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee free States. Three years later the ordinance of 1787, applicable only to the Northwest Territory was adopted.

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[No. 572.]

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 public sales will be held at the undermentioned land offices in the STATE OF IOWA, at the periods hereinafter designated, to wit:

At the land office at OSCEOLA, commencing on Monday, *the fourth day of May next*, for the disposal of the public land situated within the following-named townships, viz:

South of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Townships ninety-nine and one hundred, of range *ten.*
Townships ninety eight, ninety-nine, and one hundred, of range *eleven.*
Townships ninety-eight, ninety-nine, and one hundred, of range *twelve.*
Townships ninety-nine and one hundred, of range *thirteen.*
Townships ninety-nine and one hundred, of range *fourteen.*
Townships ninety-nine and one hundred, of range *fifteen.*
Township one hundred, of range *seventeen.*
Township one hundred, of range *twenty.*
Townships ninety-eight and one hundred, of range *twenty-three.*
Townships ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six, ninety-seven ninety-eight, ninety-nine, and one hundred, of range *twenty-four.*

At the land office at FORT DODGE, commencing on Monday, *the fourth day of May* next, for the disposal of the public land situated within the following named townships, viz:

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

Townships ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six, ninety-seven ninety-eight, ninety nine, and one hundred, of range *twenty-five*
Townships ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, and one hundred, of range *twenty-six.*
Townships ninety-four, ninety nine, and one hundred, of range *twenty-seven.*
Township one hundred, of range *twenty-eight.*
Township one hundred, of range *twenty-nine.*

At the land office at SIOUX CITY, commencing on Monday, *the fourth day of May next*, for the disposal of the public lands situated within the following-named townships, viz:

South of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Township ninety four, of range *thirty-four.*
Townships ninety four and ninety five, of range *thirty-five.*
Township ninety five, of range *thirty-six.*
Townships ninety-six and ninety-seven, of range *thirty-eight.*
Townships ninety six and ninety-seven, of range *thirty-nine.*
Township ninety-seven, of range *forty.*
Townships ninety-six and ninety seven, of range *forty-one.*
Township ninety-six, of range *forty-three.*
Township ninety-six, of range *forty four.*
Township ninety-six, of range *forty-five.*
Townships ninety-five and ninety-six, of range *forty-six.*
Townships ninety-five and ninety-six, of range *forty-seven.*
Fractional townships ninety-four, ninety-five, and ninety-six, of range *forty-eight.*

Lands appropriated by law for the use of schools, military and other purposes, together with those "swamp and overflowed lands made thereby unfit for cultivation," if any, granted to the State by the act entitled "An act to enable the State of Arkansas and other States to reclaim the 'swamp lands' within their limits," approved September 28th, 1850, will be excluded from the sales.

The offering of the above lands will be commenced on the days appointed, and will proceed in the order in which they are advertised, until the whole shall have been offered, and the sales thus closed; but no sale shall be kept open longer than two weeks, and no private entry of any of the lands will be admitted until after the expiration of two weeks.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this fifteenth day of December, anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

FRANKLIN PIERCE.

By the President:
THOMAS A. HENDRICKS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

NOTICE TO PRE-EMPTION CLAIMANTS.

Every person entitled to the right of pre-emption to any of the lands within the townships and parts of townships above enumerated is required to establish his same to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the proper land office, *and make payment thereof as soon as practicable after seeing this notice*, and before the day appointed for the commencement of the public sale of the lands embracing the tract claimed; otherwise such claim will be forfeited.

THOS. A. HENDRICKS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.
Dec 23—1aw13w [Int & Star]

[No. 567.]

Notice

Of withdrawal of lands in Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana.

IN pursuance of the act of Congress approved 11th of August, 1856, making a grant of land to the State of Mississippi to aid in the construction of certain railroads in said State, including the portions of the Mobile and New Orleans railroad in the States of Alabama and Louisiana, instructions have this day been given to the local land officers in Mississippi to continue the reservation from sale or location ordered by telegraph on the 9th instant, and to the Alabama and Louisiana officers to withdraw and reserve the following described lands in their respective districts, as probably falling within the prescribed limits of selection, until otherwise directed, to wit:

IN MISSISSIPPI.

Office at JACKSON:

North and east of the Choctaw base line and meridian.

Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, of ranges 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.
Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, of range 6.

East of Pearl river.

Townships 9 and 10, of ranges 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21.

Office at AUGUSTA:

North and east of the Choctaw base line and meridian.

Townships 6 and 7, of range 5.
Townships 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, of ranges 6 to 16, inclusive.
Townships 1 and 2, of ranges 6, 7, 8, and 9.
Township 7, of range 19.

East of Pearl river and north of the 31st deg. of latitude.

Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, of ranges 11, 12, 13, 14 15, and 16.
Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, of ranges 17 and 18.
Townships 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, of range 19.
Townships 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, of range 20.
Townships 6, 7, 8, and 9, of range 21.

East of Pearl river and south of the 31st. deg. of latitude.

Townships 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, of ranges 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8.
Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, of ranges 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.
Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, of range 14.
Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, of range 15.
Townships 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, of range 16.
Townships 6, 7, 8, and 9, of range 17.
Township 6, of range 18.

Office at COLUMBUS:

North and east of the Choctaw base line and meridian.

Townships 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, of ranges 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19.
Township 8, of ranges 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13.

IN ALABAMA.

Office at ST. STEPHENS:

South of the 31st deg. of latitude and west of the meridian.

Townships 5, 6, and 7, of ranges 1, 2, 3, and 4.

IN LOUISIANA.

Office at GREENSBURG:

South of the base line and east of the principal meridian.

Townships 7, 8, and 9, of range 13.
Townships 7, 8, 9, and 10, of ranges 14 and 15.
Townships 8, 9, and 10, of range 16.

Office at NEW ORLEANS:

East of the Mississippi river.

Townships 11, 12, and 13, of range 12 east.
Townships 10, 11, 12, and 13, of ranges 13 and 14 east.
Townships 10, 11, and 12, of range 15 east.

Given under my hand, at the General Land Office, at the city of Washington, this 15th day of August, 1856.

JOS. S. WILSON,
Acting Commissioner.
Aug 16—taw6w† [Intel. & Star.]

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