COURT OF CLAIMS.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 17.—The court met at the usual hour, all the judges being present.

The case of Rufus L. Baker vs. The United States was taken up, and argued by J. A. Rockwell for the petitioner, and Mr. McPherson, deputy solicitor, for the government; after which the court adjourned until to-morrow.

POLITICAL INTELLIGENCE.

Of the ten counties composing the fifth congressional district of Kentucky, six have instructed their delegates to vote for Hon. Beriah Magoffin for governor of that State. These are Anderson, Hardin, Marion, Mercer, Spencer, and Washington. The Hon. A. F. Talbot is also favorably mentioned as a candidate for governor.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. John Scott recently died at Vincennes at the age of 75 years. He was a lieutenant at the battle of Tippecanoe, and postmaster at Vincennes for many years, having been originally appointed by President Jackson.

Hon. Jefferson Davis, of Miss., was invited on the 9th by the legislature of Mississippi, now in session at Jackson, to address the people of that State in the hall of the House of Representatives. Mr. Davis accepted the invitation, and was to have spoken on the 11th.

Dr. Henry Hammond, son of Senator Hammond, of South Carolina, has been appointed Professor of Natural Sciences in Franklin college, Georgia.

A correspondent from Springfield, Illinois, announces the very serious illness of the Hon. Thos. L. Harris, of that State. The writer fears that he will never be able to leave his bed again. To his many friends throughout the country this announcement will give great pain.

Hon. James Cooper and Hon. Alfred Gilman, of Pennsylvania, are at the National Hotel. Also, Hon. Fernando Wood, of New York, Hon. James Cavanah, of Minnesota, and Hon. Thos. F. Bowie, of Maryland.

Commander Overton Carr, U. S. navy, is at the Kirkwood House.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

The practice-ship Plymouth arrived at Mobile on Sunday last, from Vera Cruz, having on board Mr. Forsyth, the United States minister to Mexico. She had been ordered to this city, and the sloop-of-war St. Louis will be despatched to take her place in the Gulf squadron. Commander Ogden will be ordered to the St. Louis.

THE TELEGRAPHIC CHESS MATCH.

The game of chess by telegraph between the New York and Philadelphia clubs commenced on Tuesday evening. The game progressed as follows:

No.	New York.	Philadelphia.
1	P to Q 4.	P to K 3.
2	P to Q B 4.	P to Q 4.
3	Q Kt to B 3.	K Kt to B 3.
4	K Kt to B 3.	P to Q B 4.
5	P to K 3.	Q Kt to B 3.
6	P to Q R 3.	P to Q Kt 3.
7	Q B P + P.	K Kt + P.
8	K B to Q Kt 5.	Q B to Q 2.
9	Q Kt + Kt.	P + Kt.
10	Castles.	P to Q R 3.
11	B + Kt.	B + B.
12	Kt to K 5.	

The Herald says: So far there has not been enough of the game played to indicate any decided superiority; but the New Yorkers have accomplished two things: first, they have got the attack, such as it is; and, second, they have "castled," which the Philadelphians cannot do for several moves yet; so the odds are yet slightly in the favor of the former. The latter, however, are stronger in pawns on the king's side. The game will be concluded to-night, and some magnificent play may be anticipated.

Philip alias John Howard, charged with picking the pocket of Mr. Fleming Griffin, of Richmond, has been convicted at Petersburg, Va., and sentenced to four years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

MARRIED,

On Tuesday, the 9th inst., by the Rev. Mr. CARSON, WILLIAM H. NALLY to Miss JANE MILDRED WAGNER, all of this city.

On the 16th inst., by the Rev. Father WALDON, Mr. ALBERT E. CHARLES to Miss MARGARET JANE FENESEY, all of this city.

In Baltimore, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. Mr. SCHMM, W. G. METZEROTT, of this city, to HENRIETTA C., youngest daughter of C. H. EHRENBRANDT, esq., of the former place.

DIED,

In this city, on the 16th inst., in her 61st year, Mrs. SUSAN BENSON, consort of WM. B. BENSON, of this city. The deceased was a most exemplary and pious Christian.

Her funeral will take place to-day, at 2 o'clock, p. m., from her late residence, 8th street, near L. The relatives and friends of the family are requested to attend.

On the 16th inst., RICHARDSON GRAY.

His funeral will take place to-day, at 2 o'clock, p. m., from his late residence, corner New York avenue and 18th street. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

WASHINGTON THEATRE.

Lessees ..... Kunkel & Co.
Director ..... C. W. Tayleure

BENEFIT and positively the last appearance of Mr. W. E. BURTON and of Mrs. HUGHES,
Who appear at Holliday-street Theatre to-morrow evening.

THURSDAY EVENING, November 18,
To commence with the farce of
JOHN JONES, OF THE WAR OFFICE.
Guy Goodbuck ..... Mr. W. E. Burton.
Other characters by Messrs. Hanson, Stoddart, Barron, Mrs. Daly and Miss Parker.

The farce (received with screams of laughter on Tuesday night) entitled,
1,000 MILLINERS WANTED.
Joe Baggs
Madame Vanderpants } Mr. Burton.
The Apprentice ..... Mrs. Hughes.
Tom Tipton ..... Mr. Dawson.

To conclude with the farce of
THE MUMMY.
Toby Tramp, (a travelling tragedian) ..... Mr. Burton.
Larry ..... Mr. Fiske.
Susan ..... Mrs. Procter.

An engagement has been effected with the New Orleans ENGLISH OPERA COMPANY, comprising Madlle ROSALIE DURAND, Miss GEORGIA HODSON, Messrs. LYSTER, TREVOR, and others.

Doors open at quarter-past 7.
Performances will commence at 8 o'clock punctually.
RATES OF ADMISSION.
Dress Circle and Parquette $0 75
Reserved seats, 25 cents extra.
Orchestra Chairs 1 00
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MELODEON OPERA HOUSE,
PENN. AVENUE, near TENTH STREET, SOUTH SIDE.

The above place will be opened on
SATURDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 13, 1858,
For the season, with the celebrated troupe of
JULLIEN MINSTRELS,
With brass band.

Tickets, 25 cents. No half price. For particulars see small bills. Doors open at ¼ to 7; commence at ½ to 8 precisely.
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☞ PRESENTATION AND LECTURE.—The introductory lecture recently delivered by Rev. Dr. O'Toole before the Catholic Beneficial Total Abstinence Association of the District of Columbia will be repeated, by request of many citizens, at Philharmonic Hall, (next door to Star office,) on Thursday evening, the 18th inst., commencing at 7½ o'clock. After the lecture, a committee of arrangements, on behalf of the association, will present to their Rev. president a testimonial of their esteem and regard, on which occasion a suitable address will be delivered by Mr. J. J. Kane.

The public are respectfully invited to attend.

GEORGE SAVAGE,
On behalf of Committee.
H. C. McLAUGHLIN,
Chairman Committee on Lectures.
Nov 16—3t [Star&States.]

[No. 626.]

Notice for restoring certain lands to market in the State of Wisconsin.

NOTICE is hereby given that the land office at Menasha, in the State of Wisconsin, will, on and after the 10th day of January next, be open to the sale, at private entry and location, of all vacant public lands embraced in the following townships, which were subject to entry and location prior to withdrawal, being lands which had been withdrawn as probably falling within the prescribed limits of selection of the railroad grant to Wisconsin by act of Congress approved June 3, 1856, but since ascertained not to be within said limits, viz:

North of the base line and east of the fourth principal meridian.

Townships 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38, of range 20.

Given under my hand at the General Land Office, at the city of Washington, November 17, 1858.

THOS. A. HENDRICKS,
Nov 18—1w6w [Int.&Star] Commissioner.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL LAW.

The new law in relation to the public schools, which has just passed both boards of the city councils, and has received the approval of the Mayor, differs in several important particulars from the previous one on the statute-book, and we therefore give an abstract of its several provisions. Section one divides the city of Washington into four school districts; the First and Second wards constituting the first district, the Third and Fourth wards constituting the second district, the Fifth and Sixth wards constituting the third district, and the Seventh ward constituting the fourth district. Section second provides for the appointment of a board of trustees, similar to the old law. Sections third and fourth provide for the organization of said board, and the appointment of a secretary and treasurer.

The fifth section defines the powers of the board of trustees. They are authorized "to appoint all teachers, assistant teachers, and sub-assistant teachers which may be authorized by law, and the same to change at pleasure; to prescribe the course of studies and the books to be used in the schools, but no book shall be changed unless by a vote of two-thirds of the whole board; and the books in all the schools in the several districts shall be uniform. The board shall also make and execute such by-laws and rules and regulations for the management of the schools as they may deem necessary and proper, a copy of which shall occupy a conspicuous place in each school-room, for the government of the teachers and children, and the same to alter, amend, or abrogate at pleasure; and to determine upon, do, and transact all business and matters appertaining to said schools, agreeably to their by-laws and regulations, and subject at all times to the laws of the corporation. They shall cause an annual examination of all the public schools to be held in or before the month of July, on such day or days as they may from time to time appoint, and shall make a written report to the board of aldermen and board of common council annually, on or about the first Monday of September, giving a full account of their proceedings for the past year, the condition of the several schools, the number of pupils of each sex, with the studies pursued; and make whatever suggestions from time to time they may conceive proper for the better accomplishment of the objects of this act, and shall give such information as the two boards, or either of them, may at any time call for."

Section sixth directs the board of trustees to divide themselves into sub-boards, who shall meet at least once a month at the respective school-houses, for the exercise of a practical supervision over the public schools placed under their jurisdiction. Section seventh fixes the salaries of the teachers, as follows: the male teachers of the district schools are to receive not exceeding $900 per annum, the assistant teachers of the district schools $500, the teachers of male primary schools $500, the principal teachers of primary schools $350, the assistant teachers of primary schools $300, and the sub-assistant teachers $100 per annum, each of which salaries shall be payable monthly. The eighth section provides that the most meritorious and advanced pupil in the female department of each district shool shall be styled sub-assistant teacher; and the said sub-assistant teachers shall each, in their respective districts, supply any vacancy which may occur in any primary school temporarily, whenever they are required to do so by the sub-board of the district to which they are attached. The ninth section provides that all white children of *bona fide* residents of Washington, between the ages of six and seventeen years, shall be admitted into the public schools; and the board of trustees are authorized to cause the necessary books and stationery to be furnished free of charge to destitute pupils. The tenth section directs the board of trustees to keep an office in the City Hall for the preservation of their records, &c., and where their meetings shall be held. The eleventh section provides for furnishing the necessary appropriations to maintain the school system, and the twelfth and last section repeals all previous acts and parts of acts in relation to this subject.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

An adjourned meeting of the board of trustees was held at the Aldermen's room, City Hall, on Tuesday afternoon. Present—the Mayor, *ex officio* president of the board, in the chair, and Messrs. AtLee, Price, Chapin, Ricketts, Col. Randolph, Ironside, Miller, White, Walsh, Willett, Stoughton, Lawrenson, and Brandt.

A communication was received from Mr. P. A. B. Meister, proposing to sell a church standing on Four-and-a-half street, Island, to the city for a public school-house. He states that the whole property, including a lot of ground fifty feet front and a hundred feet deep, cost $4,500, and he proposes to sell it for $2,250. The communication was referred to the sub-board of the fourth district.

A communication was received from S. John Thomson, esq., making application for the position of teacher of the apprentices' night school, to be established in the first district; which was referred to the committee on examination. Also, one from Miss Annie Daws, making application for the post of a teacher in the public schools: same reference. Also, communications from Miss Julia A. Stuart and Miss R. A. Faxton, of Braintree, Mass.; all of which were appropriately referred.

Dr. Willett submitted the following resolution; which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on books be requested to examine into the propriety of adding to the list of text-books some work on composition, and report on the same at the next meeting of this board.

On motion of Mr. Miller, the publication of the address to the citizens was postponed for two weeks, in order to obtain further information to imbody therein.

Mr. AtLee called up the subject of the proposed night schools for apprentices and others, and stated that in all probability the bill authorizing their establishment would pass the lower board of the city council on next Monday night, it having readily passed the board of aldermen. He took occasion to speak of this matter now in order that some provision might be made for teachers and for providing school-rooms.

The chairman of the committee on examinations (Mr. Walsh) stated, with regard to teachers, that he has received some eighteen applications, and that the committee would meet during the coming week for the purpose of examining candidates.

Mr. Ironside stated that the bill now pending before the councils made provision for the establishment of one school in the school-room of the first district; he had understood that an amendment had been made to the bill by which another school had been provided for in the third district; should that amendment be adopted by the lower board, he presumed that the male district school-room of the third district would be the proper place in which to hold it.

The chair had not before been apprised of this provision in the bill, and was pleased to hear that the matter of rooms was proposed to be so satisfactorily adjusted.

Mr. Price asked and obtained leave to be excused from serving on the committee appointed to attend to the interests of the public schools before Congress; and the chair appointed to fill the vacancy in said committee Mr. Whyte.

On motion of Mr. AtLee, the books and other property of the board, now kept in the aldermen's room, were directed to be transferred to the room occupied by the directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company.

The board then adjourned.

THE LAW OF PARTY WALLS.

The circuit court has been engaged for about a week past in a suit involving some interesting legal questions. The case was that of Wilson *vs.* Lieberman, and the controversy originated (as stated in the Intelligencer) in the following manner:

"Prior to 1807 a certain Clotworthy Stephenson was the owner of lots 16 and 17, in square 254; and in 1807 he built a house, three stories high, on lot 17, with a gable end towards lot 16, having stacks of chimneys and fireplaces protruding towards the lot 16, for the convenience of building against it. In the same year he conveyed to Mrs. Wheaton, under whom the plaintiff claims, 'one divided and ascertained moiety of lot 17, in square 254;' and on the back of the deed was endorsed a memorandum (as appears by the record, for the original deed was not produced) of the same date with the deed, signed by the grantor and by Joseph Wheaton, the husband of the grantee, and who, as there was evidence tending to show, bought the property for her, and caused it to be settled upon her, by which memorandum the terms upon which the grantor should have the use of the wall in building on '*the adjoining lot*' were stated. Stephenson, the grantor, after the Wheatons went into possession, continued to reside on the residue of his property there, having it enclosed, and part of the enclosure being the wall in question. In 1821 the defendant's house was built, having this for one of its walls. In 1853 the plaintiff purchased the Wheaton title, and took a deed conveying by metes and bounds the half of lot 17, adjoining lot 16. The defendant's deed, and the deeds of those under whom he claimed, described his property, by metes and bounds, as part of lot 16, with the appurtenances. After the plaintiff's purchase, in 1853, an accurate survey of the square showed that the division wall stood wholly nine inches or more within lot 17. The plaintiff claimed the land according to this survey. For the purpose of building on it he caused the old house to be torn down, intending to build, and to make the wall next to the defendant 14 inches thick instead of 9, as it had been before; and to place the centre of the new wall, with the increased thickness, precisely on the line ascertained by the survey, which would bring it some distance inside of all the defendant's fireplaces. On the other hand, the additional width to the plaintiff's lot would add greatly to its value. It seems not unreasonable, therefore, that a narrow strip of land, in itself of small value, should have given rise to so much litigation. In 1853 Lieberman procured an injunction against Wilson to prevent the taking down of the old wall, unless it should be found unsound, and to prevent his building a new wall otherwise than on the site of the old one if it should be taken down. The old wall was unsound, and was taken down, and rough boards nailed up in its place; and so the premises (vacated by Lieberman) continued for about a year, when Lieberman rebuilt the wall; and, as was stated by his counsel, rebuilt it fourteen inches thick, instead of nine inches, as the other walls of his house are, in order to be sure that it should be strong enough to support Wilson's projected house. But when the new wall was about ten feet above the pavement Lieberman was stopped by an injunction at the suit of Wilson, preventing him from rebuilding any other than a nine-inch wall. He thereupon dropped off to a *nine-inch* wall. Wilson then brought this suit for a trespass; and Lieberman brought his suit to recover damages for cutting away the side of the house, and leaving it for a year without rebuilding it.

The case tried is the former, and it has resulted, as to the law, in the court's having restricted the plaintiff, Wilson, to damages for the alleged trespass in occupying, for several days before the bringing of the suit, so much of the ground as was not covered by the old nine-inch wall.

The points of law interesting to the public in this city are, *first*, that a man may enjoy the comforts of his own hearth, when he has done so for more than twenty years, without fear of an action for damages founded upon an accurate survey, made by his neighbors; and, *secondly*, that when a *nine-inch* party wall is torn down it cannot be rebuilt a *fourteen-inch* wall, whatever the building regulations may be supposed to say to the contrary; the *first builder* being the person who exercises the power under these regulations. Verdict for the plaintiff one cent damages.

BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD.

A special meeting of the president and directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company took place yesterday at Baltimore.

Immediately after organizing—Chauncey Brooks in the chair—a proposition was made to admit Geo. W. Robinson as a director upon the part of the State, against whose admission a protest had been entered by the city council, upon the hypothesis of informality. The vote being taken, Mr. Robinson was unanimously admitted as a director. The board next proceeded to the election of a president. Chauncey Brooks, esq., having previously proffered his resignation, was, however, induced to alter his opinion and become a candidate for re-election. The contest being between him and John W. Garrett, esq., resulted in the election of Mr. Garrett by a vote of sixteen to fourteen.

This result having been announced, Mr. Garrett was conducted to the presidential chair, and made a very appropriate speech, acknowledging the compliment in handsome terms. He pledged his entire energies and abilities towards the great work which had been intrusted to his care, looking to every prominent interest that might tend towards benefiting the various interests connected therewith. J. I. Atkinson, esq., was unanimously re-elected treasurer of the company; when the board adjourned.

SAILING OF THE ARCTIC.—The United States steamer "Arctic," Lieut. William S. Lovell commanding, left the navy-yard at noon yesterday, bound for Pensacola, Florida. She carries out the officers and crew of the steamer "Metacomet," now at that naval station, and destined for the Paraguay expedition, besides a large quantity of freight, consisting of brass and copper work, chains, &c., for the steam sloop-of-war "Pensacola," in course of construction at the Pensacola yard, various material for yard purposes, and ordnance stores for the Paraguay fleet. Several Washingtonians have gone out in the "Arctic"—some for service in the Paraguay expedition—and many of their friends were gathered at the wharf to witness their departure, watching, with tearful eyes, the stout little craft as she gracefully sped through the sinuous channel, and until her starry flag, like a bright vision, had disappeared from view. The "Arctic" is expected to reach her destination in about ten days, and will probably return to the Washington navy-yard in the course of a month.

WASHINGTON THEATRE.—Last night another brilliant audience was present to witness the appearance of Mr. Burton in the original version of "Toodles." The piece went off finely and gave much satisfaction, as also the amusing comedy entitled the Breach of Promise, with which the performances commenced. To-night is Mr. Burton's benefit, and positively his last appearance, when he will appear in three pieces and in four characters. See advertisement for further particulars. On Friday night he will appear in Holliday Street Theatre, Baltimore. Mr. Burton's benefit and his last appearance will be sure to fill the house to overflowing.

THE JULLIEN MINSTRELS.—A very fair audience assembled last evening at the Melodeon to witness the performances of this capital troupe of Ethiopian delineators. The pieces selected for the evening's amusement were mostly new to a Washington audience, and were admirably sung, evincing considerable musical culture. The whole exhibition was really an entertaining one, free from all attempts at low, vulgar wit, and the indelicate language which too frequently characterizes this class of amusements. An hour could not be more agreeably spent than by visiting this deserving band of negro minstrels.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL.—We learn from the Cumberland Civilian that dam No. 4 has sustained injuries by the late rise in the river, and the work of completion will be necessarily retarded. It is now doubtful whether it will be finished this winter or not. Had it not been for the rise in the waters, the work could have been completed at the present time; and dam No. 5 work has been suspended until next spring. All the hands were discharged last week.

PASTORAL CHANGES.—The vacancy in the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church in this city, occasioned by the resignation of Rev. Mr. Eckard, has been supplied by the election of Rev. Dr. Hamner; and that caused by the resignation of Rev. Mr. Teasdale, pastor of the Thirteenth Street Baptist Church, has been supplied by the election of Rev. Dr. Cole, formerly pastor of the Navy Yard Church, and more recently of Philadelphia. Both these gentlemen are spoken of as eminent divines, and we hope their advent among us may be productive of good.

THE ST. ANDREW'S CELEBRATION.—The approaching celebration of the St. Andrew's Society, noticed in our last issue, is not to be given in honor of the "natal day of Robert Burns," but of St. Andrew, the patron saint of Scotland. The 25th of January is the anniversary of the "natal day" of the Scotch poet.

SAD ACCIDENT.—Miss Euphrasia Beverly, of Alexandria, was so severely burned at Richmond a few days since by her clothing accidentally taking fire from the open grate that she died after several hours of intense suffering.

THE ARSENAL.—Mr. Samuel Byington was yesterday appointed superintendent of the Washington arsenal—a post for which he is admitted to possess many qualifications.

ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

Brown's Hotel.

James L Curtis, Virginia
Wm J Dickman, do
M Bowers, wife & child, Raleigh, N C
Miss Beasley, Clarksville, Va
E McCormell, jr, Virginia
H B Swarr, Pennsylvania
C G Pearice, Cincinnati, Ohio
John W Davis, Mobile
Chas H Hobart, Philadelphia
Joseph S Johnson & lady, N York
Miss Bettie Johnson, do
Geo M Roberts, Delaware
S Thomas & lady, Massachusetts
Dr A Graham, Virginia
A G Cox, Ohio
Miss S A Lawson, do
Miss Ella Harris, do
Wm Gray, Maryland
David Price, Newark, N J
Thos L Dunkley, Mississippi
W S Palmetle, Virginia
A Horn, N York
T G Shackelford, Kentucky
W Oehhitaker, do
G H Worell, Maryland
Mrs Geo W Lawrence, N York
A MacWilliam, Charleston
A D Hilliard, N York
Alfred Monroe & lady, N Orleans
Miss G Munroe, do
John Nimmo, N York
R B Jones, do
Geo W Earl & lady, Philadelphia
E K Gray, lady & 3 children, & servant, Tennessee
A H Grant, N York.

Kirkwood House.

J Williamson, N York
S Musgrave, do
B Bauroon, jr, U S A
Col S Seymore, N York
W T Seymore, do
F L Nichols, do
A R French, do
Chas A Lenz, Baltimore
Tites B Lincoln, Texas
C C Lewis, Minnesota
W G Lewis, do
Wm H Dennis, U S C S
Thos R Lane, Virginia
H L Gallaher, do
Fred Schley, Maryland
Dr E A Gibbs, Charleston, S C
Mrs Adelaide E Gibbs, do
Miss Juliet E Elliot, do
Miss May Shoolbred, do
Commander Carr, U S N
Geo C Wilson, N York city.

National Hotel.

[illegible] Boyd, Philadelphia
Henry M Paine, Massachusetts
Anson Herick, N York
C A Whitney, Boston
J L Wilson, N York
Hon Alfred Gilmon, Philadelphia
P Greeley, N York
Z Sassoer, jr, Maryland
H H Cota, Fulton
H G Beach, N York
Hon James Cooper, Pennsylvania
Thos J Cooke, Philadelphia
J Tapscott, Virginia
J M Temple & lady, Petersburg
J A C Beinches, do
Miss L A Alley, do
Mrs T Beinches, do
G S Briggs, lady & child, Baltimore
A L Coolidge, Boston
W W Galego, Rochester
W Fickland, Virginia
Chas E Russ, N York
Henry H Mayo, Richmond, Va
J J Johnson, N York
Geo Lawrence & lady, do
Hon F Wood, do
Chas Macalester, do
John W Hall, Baltimore
C B Boyle, Albany
James S Smith, N York
Wm G Wagener & lady, N Jersey
Benj S Wood, Philadelphia
D H Moores & lady, Texas
Mr Johnson, do
Daniel Richards, Brooklyn, N Y
Miss Lex, Philadelphia
C D Brooks, do.

United States Hotel.

F Shumberger, Texas
J B Strias, Ohio
Thos Shaffer & lady, Baltimore
S C Mendenhall, Richmond
T H Mollin, Alexandria, Va
S H Witmer, Cincinnati, Ohio
G P Rutherford, do
J M E Neal, Virginia
Geo S Weil, do
Thos Moore, lady & sister, N York
Saml Hosselbomer, Flexandria, Va
Col Wm F Alexandria, do
H Williams, Washington
A Fox, Virginia.

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NOTICE.—It has come to the knowledge of the board of managers of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city that some young men, not members, either in thoughtless or malicious mischief, having obtained some blank notices of election to membership, filled them up, affixing the name of our recording secretary, with a close imitation of his handwriting, and directed them to a considerable number of citizens, thus placing the association in the position of endeavoring to increase its number and its revenues in a very objectionable manner. The persons to whom those notices were sent have been, individually, apprized of the manner in which it was done, so far as we have ascertained their names; but, as there may be others whose names are not known to us, and as we desire to have the association relieved from any such imputation, we take this method of saying that, while we are glad to add to our number any who are disposed to favor our objects, it is contrary to our principles and practice to elect any person who has not authorized his name to be presented for that purpose.

J. HALL MOORE,
O. C. WIGHT,
E. BRISON TUCKER,
Nov 18—1t Committee of the Board of Managers.

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NEW YORK, Jan. 8, 1858.

MESSRS. O. J. Wood & Co. Gentlemen: Having heard a good deal about Professor Wood's Hair Restorative, and my hair being quite gray, I made up my mind to lay aside the prejudices which I, in common with a great many persons, had against all manner of patent medicines, and a short time ago I commenced using your article to test it for myself.

The result has been so very satisfactory that I am very glad I did so, and in justice to you, as well as for the encouragement of others who may be as gray as I was, but who having my prejudice without my reasons for acting it aside, are unwilling to give your Restorative a trial till they have further proof, and the best proof being ocular demonstration, I write you this letter, which you may show to any such, and also direct them to me for further proof, who am in and out of the N. Y. Wire Railing establishment every day.

My hair is now its natural color, and much improved in appearance every way, being glossier and thicker, and much more healthy looking. I am yours, respectfully,

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LIVINGSTON, Ala., Feb. 14, 1858.

PROF. WOOD—Dear Sir: Your Hair Restorative has done much good in this part of the country. My hair has been slightly diminishing for several years, caused, I suppose, from a slight burn when I was quite an infant. I have been using your Hair Restorative for six weeks and I find that I have a fine head of hair now growing, after having used all other remedies known to no effect. I think it the most valuable remedy now extant, and advise all who are afflicted that way to use your remedy.

You can publish this if you think proper. Yours, &c.
S. W. MIDDLETON.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 9, 1857.

PROF. WOOD—Dear Sir: Your Hair Restorative is proving itself beneficial to me. The front, and also the back part of my head almost lost its covering—was in fact bald. I have used but two half-pint bottles of your Restorative, and now the top of my head is well studded with a promising crop of young hair, and the front is also receiving its benefit. I have tried other preparations without any benefit whatever. I think, from my own personal reccommendation, I can induce many others to try it. Yours, respectfully,

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Nov 18

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Oct 28—dtf

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