AUCTION SALE

BY E. P. ADAMS.

PROMISSORY NOTE AT AUCTION!

THIS DAY,

SATURDAY, - - - NOVEMBER 9th,

At 12 O'clock noon, at Salesroom, will be sold,

For account of whom it may concern.

A Note for $5.000 and Interest,

Of which the following is a copy, viz:

$5,000. Honolulu, October 12, 1868.

For value received, in one year from date, I, G. P. Judd, Executor of the will of Theophilus Metcalf, promise to pay to the order of Walker, Allen & Co., the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, with interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum.

(Signed,) G. P. JUDD,
Executor to the will of Theophilus Metcalf.

And endorsed — Walker, Allen & Co."

The above note is secured by a share in a mortgage upon the Metcalf Plantation, for $49,084.91, of which $13,484 61 has already been paid.

E. P. ADAMS, Auctioneer.

Sloop at Auction!

THIS DAY!

SATURDAY, - - - - - - - NOV. 9th,

At 12½ o'clock noon, on Robinson's Wharf, will be sold,

The fine sloop

"Fourth of July,"

About 10 tons burthen, coppered and copper fastened, in good order, with sails, anchor and chain, boats, etc.

E. P. ADAMS, Auctioneer.

ON TUESDAY, : : NOVEMBER 12th,

At 10 O'clock, A. M., at Sales Room,

Will be sold:

20 box Burgess' Excelsior soap, an excellent article for family use; a small invoice of sailor's clothing, 5 box Milton tobacco, 10's; 1 case Watson's tob acco, ½ lb plugs; 8 doz sailors cocoa handled jack knives, 10 gross S-cord matches, 6 doz fancy pipes, linen pants, cloth pants and overshirts, Downers kerosene oil, McMurry's Oysters, 2 chest tea, white and brown cottons, Manila cheroots, brown drill, bed ticking, suspenders, Preston & Merrill's yeast powders, 5 bbls superior Columbia River salmon, hickory shirts, cotton socks, white merino drawers, striped undershirts, calico shirts.

AND A GREAT VARIETY OF

General Merchandise!

ALSO—At 12 o'clock

ONE 2-WHEELED BUGGY!

And for account of whom it may concern,

1 Chronometer, in order.

DR. W. H. RICHARDS,
Dentist,
Corner of Fort and Merchant Streets, Honolulu, H. I.
597 6m

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN us in this day dissolved by mutual consent.
The business will hereafter be conducted under the name and style of H. DIMOND.
H. DIMOND & SON.
Honolulu, Nov. 2, 1867. 597 3t

E. COFFIN.
MASON.
SOLICITS THE PATRONAGE OF the public.
Masonry of ships can depend upon him for
SETTING TRY WORKS!
Orders may be left at Rolles & Co.'s. 597 1y

Take Notice!

THAT THE UNDERSIGNED is prepared to take SHOOK from the Esplanade, or elsewhere in town, to his shop on King Street, PACK or CARTAGE, and set up in a workmanlike manner, and satisfaction guaranteed, and return them to the dock.
597 3m JAS. L. LEWIS, Cooper.

NOTICE!

MRS. BLACK HAS OPENED

....A....

NEW STOCK OF GOODS!

COMPRISING ALL THE

Novelties of Fashion!

Honolulu, November, 1867. 597 1m

Notice to Ship Masters!

MARKHAM & LEWIS.
LICENSED SHIPPING AGENTS.
Office next door to H. Hackfeld & Co.

ALL CONTRACTS OF SHIPMENT BETWEEN Masters and Seamen must be made in presence of one or the other of the principals of the Shipping Office.
N. B.—In order not to deceive Masters or Seamen, our runners are strictly forbidden to represent themselves as shipping agents. 597 2m

FRESH BUTTER, FRESH BUTTER!!
From Capt. J. Meek's Dairy, at
37 1-2 Cents per pound.
597 4t For Sale by H. E. McINTYRE & BRO.

HILO BAKERY!

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY inform the inhabitants of Hilo that they have opened a FIRST CLASS
COFFEE SALOON AND BAKERY,
Where families can be supplied with
FRESH BREAD daily, Fresh Tea Rusks every afternoon.
PIES AND CAKES of all descriptions.
CAKES made to order, GRAHAM and BOSTON BROWN BREAD made to order.
LUNCH MAY BE HAD AT ALL HOURS.
L. SEBASTAIN & JAMES C. BLACK.
P. S.—Great care is taken to have the best materials the market can afford. 596 3m

THE
HAT EMPORIUM
.... OF THE ....
PACIFIC COAST
.... IS ....
LAMOTT'S!
227 MONTGOMERY STREET,
BUSS BLOCK.....SAN FRANCISCO.
Importers and Manufacturers
.... OF ....
Hats and Caps!
New styles by every Steamer. Sells at less prices than any other House. 597 6m

WHITE CASTLE SOAP!
THE GENUINE ARTICLE.—For sale by
596 1m K. HOFFMANN.

Kona Coffee!
A SUPERIOR ARTICLE ON HAND, AND for sale in quantities to suit purchasers at low rates, by
596 3m WALKER & ALLEN.

EASTERN SHINGLES.
100 M CEDAR SHAVED SHINGLES—For sale in lots to suit by
596 2m C. BREWER & CO.

CORDAGE.
MANILA CORDAGE, ASSORTED SIZES. For sale in lots to suit by
596 2m C. BREWER & CO.

Wanted.
A GOOD BREAD BAKER.—APPLY TO H. E. McINTYRE & BRO., Cor. Fort and King streets.
594 3m

Superior Gold Pens.
JUST RECEIVED DIRECT FROM THE manufacturers, LEROY FAIRCHILD & Co., of New York,
A Choice Assortment of GOLD PENS!
Of various patterns and sizes, No's 2 to 8 inclusive, long and short point,
AND A FEW BROAD NIB PENS, a new article.
For Sale at the Book-Store of
H. M. WHITNEY.

AUCTION SALE

BY C. S. BARTOW.

THIS DAY!
SATURDAY, November 9th,

At 1 o'clock, P. M., the undersigned will sell at public auction,
At the Wharf below the Store of C. Brewer & Co.
The fine Hawaiian schooner

"ALBERNI,"

100 tons per register,
Length, 85 feet 2-10 inches; Beam, 24 feet 6-10 inches; Depth, 8 feet 4-10 inches.
Built for private use at Alberni, Vancouver's Island, in 1862, of the best materials at a cost of $16,000. Now coppered in Honolulu in June 1865. Has heavy cotton duck sails, nearly new. This vessel is suitable for a SPERM WHALER or for the KONA TRADE.
Upset price $6,000 only.
Terms—One-third cash, one-third 60 days, one-third 90 days, approved papers.
C. S. BARTOW, Auctioneer.

GENERAL SALE!
—AT SALES ROOM—
On Wednesday, - - Nov. 13th,
—Consisting of—
DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c., &c.,
VIZ:—Boxes Tea, Candles, Bacon, H. & B. Oysters, Cigars, Card Matches, Pickles, Vinegar, Saleratus, Carb Soda, Worcestershire Sauce, Cases Fig Fruits, Paste in Tins, Bags of white and colored Beans, Cases Tobacco, Cases Turkish Smoking Tobacco, Codfish, Barrels American Beef, Barrels Pickles, Cases Mo'ss Jewel Brandy, Ale and Porter, Oyster Sauce, Cases Peas, Baking Powders, Olives, Cases Kerosene Oil, Barrels Superior Salmon.

Pictures and Books!

On THURSDAY EVENING, NOV. 14th,
AUCTION SALE OF
Fine FRAMED PICTURES
Engravings!
CHOICE STANDARD WORKS!
&c, &c. At 7 o'clock, at the Salesroom of
C. S. BARTOW, Auctioneer

Portland, Rosendale and Newark Cement!
FOR SALE AT LOWEST MARKET RATES
595 3m By C. BREWER & Co.

NOTICE.

CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Lahaina, Hawaiian Islands, Oct. 23, 1867.
ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the Estate of CHARLES BRINKMANN, (lately deceased at Makawao,) will please forward them, properly attested, in duplicate, to this office.
ELIAS PERKINS,
597 3t U. S. Consul.

NOTICE.

A FEW MORE SHIP CARPENTERS CAN find employment at
591 6t D. FOSTER & Co's.

Fresh Yeast Powders,
VERY BEST FRENCH CHOCOLATE,
Westphalia Hams,
Cider Vinegar,
Malt Vinegar,
French Wine Vinegar,
French Herb Vinegar.
For Sale by [595] I. BARTLETT.

CHOICE GROCERIES,
New and Fresh,
Just Received per Bark "Comet."

GOLDEN GATE EX. FAMILY FLOUR,
Oatmeal, in 10 lb. bags,
Buckwheat, in 10 lb. bags,
Fine Hominy, in 10 lb bags,
Graham Flour, in quarter sacks,
Bags White Beans,
Cases California Mustard,
Cases California Pepper,
Drums Mediterranean Figs,
Boxes California Onions,
Tins Wafer Crackers,
Saloon Bread in 27 lb boxes,
Cases Table Fruits—Peaches,
Cases Table Fruits, assorted,
Cases Jellies—pints and quarts,
Smoked Salmon,
Codfish, Cheese, Oysters,
Salad Oil, Fresh Currants,
Cases Green Corn, Cases Green Peas.
Very Choice California Hams,
SMOKED BEEF, STREAKED BACON,
FOR SALE LOW AT THE
Family Grocery and Feed Store!
595 1m By I. BARTLETT.

H. HACKFELD & CO.
OFFER FOR SALE,
NOW LANDING
—EX BARK—
A. J. POPE FROM NEW BEDFORD.
100 TONS ANTHRACITE STEAM COAL,
Coile New Bedford whale line,
Barrels extra prime pork (Hunter's),
Cases axe handles,
Cedar boat boards,
Oak plank,
Planters' hoes,
Hunt's hatchets,
Cases American saddles and bridles,
Cases palm leaf hats,
Cases kip boots,
Cases kip brogans,
Bales navy oakum.
Honolulu, October 26, 1867. 595-4t

H. HACKFELD & CO.
HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND OFFER for sale at low rates, the
CARGO OF SALMON!
Ex American bark "J. W. SEAVER," consisting of
DARK RED SALMON,
LIGHT RED SALMON,
WHITE SALMON,
EXTRA LARGE KING SALMON.
—ALSO ON HAND—
HALF BARRELS SUPERIOR RED SALMON.
596 4t

Dissolution of Co-partnership

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the firm of G. J. EMMES & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All pending affairs will be settled by G. J. EMMES.
GEORGE J. EMMES,
FERDINAND PFLUGER.
Honolulu, October 25, 1867.

All pending affairs of the late firm have been transferred to me, and the business will be carried on from this day for my account. GEORGE J. EMMES
Honolulu, October 24, 1867. 596 1m

FOR SALE TO ARRIVE
AT THE
STORES OF J. T. WATERHOUSE,
QUEEN'S WHARF, THE FOLLOWING
Goods on Consignment!
Per Ship "Wilhelm,"
WHICH LEFT LONDON THE 22d OF MAY.

50 TONS BEST WELSH HARTLEY STEAM COAL,
BALES MACHINE PICKED NAVY OAKUM.
15 TONS COARSE LIVERPOOL SALT,
80 Casks BASS' ALE, Quarts and pints;
20 Casks DUBLIN STOUT, quarts and pints; } By the London & Burton Bottled Beer Co.
100 Casks R. B. RYASS' BOTTLED STOUT,
100 Casks R. B. RYASS' BOTTLED ALLSOPP'S PALE ALE,
100 Casks J. W. LUDDEN & SONS BEST STOUT PORTER in Quarts and Pints.
JOHN THOS. WATERHOUSE.
596 3m

NOTICE.

MR. F. A. SCHAEFER WILL ACT AS my Attorney during my absence from this Kingdom.
596 1m F. ROPER

NOTICE TO SHIP MASTERS!

Messrs. HALL & VAN HOVENBURGH,
Of Yokohama, Japan
BEG TO CALL THE ATTENTON OF Ship Masters to their extensive stock of
Fresh California Provisions and Ships' Stores!
They will be constantly receiving by every steamer, large supplies of
California Potatoes, Onions, Bacon, Hams, Cheese, Lard, Hard Bread, etc. 596-3m

GIVE A LOOK
—AT—
OUR NEW GOODS!
JUST RECEIVED,
Ex "Garstang," &c.

FINE AND MEDIUM WHITE BISHOP'S LAWN,
Horrock's Superior Long Cloth N. and H.,
Fine White Marseilles or Piquet,
Superior for Ladies' Dresses.
Extra 12-4 White Marseilles Quilts,
White and Brown Turkish Towels,
Fine Alpaca and Worsted Braids,
White, Black and Cherry Silk Trimming Braids,
Linen Towels, HuckaBuck Towelling,
Fine Navy Blue Flannel, Linen Thread,
Extra Fine White All-Wool and 8/4 Warp Flannels,
Extra Quality Heavy Hickory Shirts
LINED BACKS,
Regatta and Fancy Wool and Grey Flannel Overshirts,
Fancy Buttons, Fine Castile Soap.
—ALSO—
Boiled Linseed Oil, Cream Tartar, White Lead, Nutmegs,
CARB. SODA, EPSOM SALTS, &c.

—ALSO—
Expected by the Steamer Idaho
Black, Blue, Brown and Steel Grey Coburgs,
Brown and Steel Mixed Alpacas, Superior Quality.
Silver Thimbles, Machine Silk, Extra Needles' Fancy and Pearl Buttons, Blue Check, Printed Linen Drills, for Boys' Clothing, 4.4 White Linens, 4-4 Diapers, Towels, Damask Sheeting, Hickory Stripe,
Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

—ALSO, A—
Large Asst. of other Goods
ALL OF WHICH WE OFFER
WHOLESALE OR RETAIL,
—AT—
Prices to Suit these Dull Times.
Call and See for Yourselves!
—AT—
CASTLE & COOKE'S.

SALMON! SALMON! SALMON!
IN BARRELS AND HALF BARRELS.
Salmon that can't be beat.
We guarantee it equal to the best.
595-1m CASTLE & COOKE.

Puuloa Salt
FOR SALE IN QUANTITIES TO SUIT.
586 3m By C. L. RICHARDS & Co.

JUST ARRIVED!
A VALUABLE CARGO OF
NEW GOODS!
—PER—
"GARSTANG," from Liverpool,
CONSISTING OF THE USUAL ASSORTMENT OF
COTTONS, SADDLERY,
WOOLENS, CROCKERY,
LINENS, LIQUORS,
PRINTS, ALE,
CLOTHING, PORTER,
&c., &c., &c., &c.
For sale at the Store of
595 1m JANION, GREEN & Co.

Just Received and For Sale!
Ex Garstang.
IRISH WHISKY, DIRECT FROM THE celebrated firm of
DUNVILLE & CO., Belfast,
Apply to [595 2m] JANION, GREEN & CO.

Just Received and For Sale!
Ex Garstang, from Liverpool,
BEST ENGLISH FLOOR OIL CLOTH.
Apply to [595 2m] JANION, GREEN & CO.

JUST RECEIVED AND FOR SALE!
Ex Garstang, from Liverpool,
IND COOPE & CO. PALE ALE, MARTELL'S BRANDY, Guinness' Dublin Stout. Apply to
595 2m JANION, GREEN & Co.

On Sale Just Received!
—PER—
BRIT. BARK CARSTANG!
From Liverpool,
TWO NEW "QUEEN'S PATTERN"
BASKET CARRIAGES, COMPLETE,
—WITH—
Framed Head Covered with Mackintosh.
ALSO, TWO SETS OF
SILVER MOUNTED PONY HARNESS,
On Show at the Store of
595 1m JANION, GREEN & CO.

The Undersigned, Agents for
MESSRS. HEIDSIECK & Co., RHEIMS,
MESSRS. RUINHART PERE & FILS, RHEIMS,
MR. ADOLPHE COLLINS, CHALONS ST. MARME
Are in regular receipt of the
Celebrated Champagnes
Of the above houses, which they offer for sale from store and to arrive.
590 3m H. HACKFELD & Co.

We Receive Regularly from Hilo
AND OFFER FOR SALE,
KEGS OF FRESH DAIRY BUTTER!
Suitable for Family and Ship's use.
595 3m H. HACKFELD & Co.

1867. 1867. 1867.
1868. 1868. 1868.

THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BE PREPARED this COMING FALL AND SPRING to supply wholesales with
BEST QUALITY IRISH POTATOES AND
Best Quality Firewood!
At as Low Rates as any other Port in the Hawaiian Islands.
NEVILLE & BARRETT,
591 6m HALEAKEKUA, Hawaii.

THE PACIFIC
Commercial Advertiser.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

Measles and the Public Health.

There is a bureau of the public service styled "the Board of Health," which is vested with certain extraordinary powers, intended solely for the protection of the public health. Its authority is in a measure discretionary, and may be used for the injury of individuals as well as for the benefit of the community.

A communication published by us last week from a passenger by the steamer *Idaho*, and another in this paper from the same gentleman, will illustrate to the public the power of the Board, and how this power may be abused. We take it for granted that the statements made are substantially correct, as we find them corroborated from other sources.

In brief, the gentleman's story is this. On the passage hither one of his children was found affected with the measles, from which it recovered. Another took it, and when the vessel arrived, it was at or a little past its hight. The family was allowed to come on shore, and provided with a tenement a few rods beyond the Stone Church, and full liberty given to all but the sick child to go where they pleased, and they were even taken to ride by the agent of the Board of Health. After the appearance of Mr. Emerson's letter in last week's paper *he* was forbidden to visit his family, though others were allowed to do so, and even native children permitted to visit the family, without restriction.

The treatment which this gentleman and his family have received from the Board of Health has evidently been tinctured with harshness. If the disease was of such a nature as to require the quarantining of a passenger or family, *it required the same of the ship and all her passengers.* Whatever contagion one possessed the whole had. But we are to infer that the Board did not consider the measles as positively contagious, and injurious by their allowing all the passengers to come on shore and removing all interdict with the vessel. This was perfectly right, as this disease is one of the mildest of contagions, and when allowed to spread wherever it will, among the young, is generally harmless, if the patient is kept under the care of proper medical attendance.

The statement made by the *Gazette*—"there are too many in this community who remember the ravages of the "measles" some twenty years ago, not to be alarmed by the advent of the disease; *it was more destructive than the small-pox pestilence of a subsequent date*"—we pronounce to be *entirely false* and without foundation. The whooping-cough and measles prevailed extensively in the group during three or four months of 1848, and much sickness and suffering were endured by reason of them. But there is no evidence to show that the *deaths* from measles in the entire group amounted to even one thousand. The census statistics show that some five or six thousands must have died from small-pox, and to assert that the "measles" was the more destructive of the two, is a gross mistatement. The measles may have brought on other diseases, and thus increased the death-rate of the native population.

It is a fact which can not be gainsaid that the earlier in life that this disease, and other kindred mild contagions which cannot be prevented, spread among the people, the better for the patients. If measles prevailed here every five or ten years, it would be better than if less seldom, and would prevent the injurious and fatal effects attending it when taken later in life. As a general thing in this climate, its attacks on the young and perhaps on all are much milder than in colder countries.

The intentions of the Board of Health may have been the very best, but when national prejudices or personal feelings are allowed to influence its acts, as they evidently have in this case, it is time that a reformation took place in its organization, and so sacred a trust were confided to those who can sacrifice personal feelings and act only for the good of the public. We trust that when the measles again arrive the Board of Health will exercise better judgment, and not make itself obnoxious to the public sense, which will only react against us. It will deter strangers from visiting us, immigrants from locating here, and make us a reproach and a by-word abroad.

NOTES OF THE WEEK.

NOVEMBER 28TH.—The following programme and prizes have been prepared for the coming anniversary, and are published by authority of the Committee:

Trotting match in harness, open to all horses—heats. Entrance, $10; purse, $100.

Fireman's foot-race, 150 yards; purse, $30.

Sweepstakes for all Hawaiian bred horses—heats. Entrance, $15; catch weights. PLATE. Second horse saves stakes.

Sack races; purse, $20.

Sweepstakes for all horses—single dash. Entrance, $5; catch weights. Purse, $100. Second horse saves stakes.

Foot-race, open to all, 150 yards; purse, $20.

Sweepstakes for all horses—single dash, one-third of a mile. Entrance, $3; catch weights. Purse, $70.

Climbing a greased pole; purse, $10.

Hurdle race for all horses—single dash. Entrance, $3; catch weights. Purse, $80.

Catching and holding a pig with a greased tail; the pig to be the prize.

Wheelbarrow race; purse, $10.

Mule race—single dash, one-eighth of a mile. Entrance, $3; catch weights. Purse, $40.

Donkey race. Each owner rides his neighbor's donkey.

THE POLICE.—We notice that the native policemen have now a distinguishing badge—a red band on their hats. Policemen ought always to have some prominent mark or uniform, as it frequently prevents trouble to know that the party is invested with authority. Formerly a gilt band was worn by policemen, till it became so fashionable among natives, that in riding over the country frequently every fourth man met on horseback had a gilt band. Not that they belonged to the police, but they chose to don it, whenever they could buy or borrow it. The red band may soon be adopted in the same way by every aspiring countryman, unless some tabu is put on it.

THE ALERT.—The *Alert* Dramatic Club gave a performance at the Theater on Saturday evening, for the benefit of the St. George's Benevolent Society, under the patronage of H. B. M.'s Commissioner and Consul-General. The house was crowded, and the sum passed over to the Society was quite handsome, amounting to $150.00. The Club acquitted themselves admirably on the stage, giving the farces with a spirit worthy of professionas. The Irish songs were the most popular and best received performances of the evening, and the singer drew substantial evidence of his success by the coin which was thrown on the stage during his singing. Dramatic Clubs are common on English naval vessels as a source of amusement, and in the instance of the *Alert's* their efforts on Saturday night have proved a valuable assistance to a worthy benevolent Society.—*Gazette.*

LOOK OUT FOR THE GENTRY.—A native, whose nerves are evidently very excitable, sends us the following. We would refer him to the worthy Sheriff for protection from Banditti:

"A BAND OF BANDITTI.—There lives among us a band of robbers, all of whom were Sydnian-borns, I supposed. In the day time they could be seen around the streets with noble looking gentlemens but in night they hid themself, change their dress and went out hunting around secret places in the city where they could obtain some money from the party they intend to rob."

☞ Look out for meteors on the nights of Nov. 13 and 14, which, according to astronomers, is the meteoric anniversary

CASTOR OIL.—Here is something, furnished by a correspondent, which all ought to know who have to do with leather, and who live in this land of rats and cockroaches. Castor oil is much better to soften and redeem old leather than any other oil known. When boots and shoes are greased with it, the oil will not at all interfere with the polishing afterward, as is the case with lard, olive, or any other oil. In Harrisburg, Pa., the old leather hose of some of the fire companies was greased with it, and found to become almost as soft and flexible as new leather. Leather belts for transmitting motion in machinery will usually last three to five years, according to the wear and tear they are exposed to. When greased with castor oil, they will last *ten years*, or even longer, as they always remain flexible and do not crack. Besides this advantage, castor oil will prevent slipping, so that a belt three inches wide will be equal to another four and a half inches wide, without it. It is necessary, however, to wait twenty-four hours, till the oil has disappeared from the surface and penetrated the leather; otherwise the freshly greased surface will cause slipping. The rats and other vermin detest anything impregnated with castor oil, and will not touch it.

TROUBLE ON BOARD SHIP.—The whaleship *John Carver* came into port with two of her seamen in irons. It appears that one of the men refused duty last spring when the vessel was off this port, and General Smith went on board to investigate and settle the trouble. The ship sailed, and while up North, the same man who had mutinied off this port, after threatening to fire the ship, kill the mate, &c., was put in irons with an accomplice. It is reported that the leader is an escaped convict from Blackwell's Island. If so, the whole affair is at once explained. Capt. Worth is an old shipmaster of over twenty years experience in this ocean, and has the reputation of being one of the mildest men in the fleet, which is substantiated by the fact that he has never had the first complaint of any kind during his voyages till this convict came on board. The Consul has the matter in hand, and will probably see that justice is done.

SPONGE.—It is stated that a company has been organized in England to engage in the manufacture or rather preparation of sponge, to be used for upholstery and all purposes for which curled hair is now used. It is said that a sponge mattress possesses all the advantages, and is free from many of the disadvantages of hair, and be afforded much cheaper. The process of manufacture is similar to that of paper, as far as the preparation of pulp is concerned. There are portions of the Pacific that abound with sponge, and in some places it is of the finest and softest quality known in commerce. The best picked is quoted at $3@$4 per pound, while common commands one dollar. The gathering of this article might be made to pay well here, where so fine a quality is found.

FIRST PRIZE.—In Mr. Flitner's jewelry store may be seen the silver goblet ordered for a prize to be given to the winner of the race on the 28th inst. It is a really serviceable piece of ware, and cost $150. It is understood that the government employes generally contributed for and offer the prize. In another place will be found a list of the contests and prizes to be given on the coming holiday.

FOUR DAYS LATER
FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

The British clipper ship *Centurion* arrived yesterday from San Francisco, bringing the letter mail which was left behind by the *Idaho*.

The following are the more important items in the papers at hand:

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The *Post's* special says members of the Judiciary Committee in favor of impeachment are confident the project will receive the approbation of a majority of the House. They will press the subject early in the session.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The *Tribune's* special says the whisky ring is rapidly increasing the subscription to a million dollars. The money is subscribed with the avowed object to effect the removal of McCulloch.

The *Times'* special says the president denies authorizing the statement that he had decided to ignore the Tenure of Office law relative to the case of Stanton.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The *Express* says private advices from Europe regard war as imminent. The purchases of lard and flour in this market by France strengthens this belief.

A private cable dispatch says there is an uneasy feeling in Paris and apprehensions that the French troops will occupy Rome.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—There are wild rumors that the Fenians are planning to seize the person of Queen Victoria at Balmoral. Little credence is giving to the report, but precautionary measures have been taken and the household guard at Balmoral is doubled.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Evening. The Fenian alarm is spreading. The Government are in receipt of many dispatches announcing the possible plans of the Brotherhood. Troops and gunboats have been dispatched to Ireland, and the entire western coast is guarded with extraordinary vigilance.

The news from Italy to-night is very important. The entire press of Italy is almost without exception, in favor of the seizure of Rome by the Government. The strength of the party of action increases hourly, and recent successes have given them new courage. Sharp fights have occured at various points in the province of Viterbo, in all of which the insurgents were successful. The Pope has called an immediate meeting of the Cardinals to consider the situation.

FLORENCE, Oct. 15.—Last advices from the Papal forces say they are falling back on Rome.

Garibaldi has issued another address from Caprera, earnestly urging the Italian people to arm. It is believed that Gen. La Mamora, in command on the frontier, will occupy the Pontifical territory and possibly march on Rome.

Mazzini has issued a manifest exhorting the Italian patriots to rise and proclaim for a republic.

PARIS, Oct. 15.—Great activity prevails in the naval arsenal at Toulon.

It is reported that Marshal Narvaez, the Spanish Premier, has offered Napoleon the assistance of Spain in sustaining the temporal power of the Pope.

PARIS, Oct. 16.—The Emperor has summoned a general council of the cabinet to consider the affairs of Italy. The result of their deliberations was a resolution that France should immediately intervene for the settlement of the Roman question, but without the action or conjunction of Italy. According to the *Moniteur*, he reproaches Italy for violating the laws of nations in disregarding solemn treaties and fostering a dangerous spirit of republicanism in Italy. Owing to the prospect of intervention the financial depression increases.

THE NEXT CONGRESS.—This body will stand thus:

HOUSE.

	U.	D.		U.	D.
California	1	2	Nebraska	1	0
Connecticut	1	0	Nevada	1	0
Delaware	0	1	New Hampshire	3	1
Illinois	10	3	New Jersey	3	2
Indiana	8	3	New York	20	11
Iowa	3	0	Ohio	16	2
Kansas	1	0	Oregon	1	0
Kentucky	0	9	Pennsylvania	15	6
Maine	3	0	Rhode Island	2	0
Maryland	1	4	Tennessee	3	0
Massachusetts	10	0	Vermont	3	0
Missouri	7	0	West Virginia	3	0
Michigan	6	1	Wisconsin	3	1
Minnesota	2	0			
Total				142	50

SENATE.

	U.	D.		U.	D.
California	2	0	Nevada	2	0
Connecticut	2	0	New Hampshire	2	0
Delaware	0	2	New York	2	0
Illinois	2	0	New Jersey	2	0
Indiana	1	1	Nebraska	2	0
Iowa	2	0	Ohio	2	0
Kansas	2	0	Oregon	2	0
Kentucky	0	2	Pennsylvania	1	1
Maine	2	0	Rhode Island	2	0
Massachusetts	2	0	Tennessee	1	1
Maryland	0	2	Vermont	2	0
Missouri	2	0	West Virginia	2	0
Michigan	2	0	Wisconsin	1	1
Minnesota	2	0			
Total				44	10

The Union majority, 34; being 8 more than two-thirds of all the members.

That is satisfactory, so far, and Congress must stand thus for two years.

According to the New York *Commercial Advertiser*, there is a growing feeling in that city in opposition to the administration of drug poisons as remedies. It says the people, unlike some physicians, do not think it sufficient to cure a disease by killing the patient; and, if this conviction be a strong one in the case of properly prescribed, prepared and administered poisons, how much stronger is it in instances where mistakes are made either in prescription or preparation! The *Commercial* claims that there is no good reason why doctors' prescriptions should not be written in plain English, "instead of the many mixture of bastard Latin and mediæval signs that now make the document a popular puzzle."

Late Foreign Items.

Chicago has 1090 rats to every one of its inhabitants.

The cost of substitutes in the French army is $600.

Elias Howe, Jr., the inventor of the sewing machine, died at Brooklyn October 3d.

The steamer *Periere* arrived at New York in nine days and two hours from Brest. This is said to be the quickest passage ever made across the Atlantic.

Rumors of a change in the War Office are again in circulation. It is stated that either Gen. Frank Blair or Hon. Thomas Ewing will be appointed inside of a week.

The Turkish Government has made an apology to the American Embassador for the insult offered to one of our messengers attached to the United States Consulate.

A New York correspondent says the *Herald* claims to expend $1,500,000 per annum, and the *Tribune* and *Times* about $1,000,000 each in the publication of their journals.

WILL NOT SELL.—Spain has refused to sell a port in the Bay of Samana, in the West Indies, and the authorities of San Domingo would not entertain the proposition to purchase from them.

Chicago has 2200 saloons or places where liquor is sold, and San Francisco has 1,946. It is estimated that the Chicagoans spend $16,000,000 yearly in driving dull care away.

Returns from Internal Revenue to the department at Washington show that there is a falling off of fifteen millions of dollars in the revenue for the two months past, as compared with the returns for corresponding period last year.

The libel suit of J. F. Cummings, a rebel commissary, against J. G. Bennett, for an alleged libel in the New York *Herald*, has been dismissed, Judge Barnard deciding that the publication of court proceedings could not be legally construed as libelous.

Some wise man takes the following view of the economy question:—"When you see a man spending two or three dollars a week foolishly, the chances are five to one that he'll live long enough to know how many cents there are in a dollar; if he don't he is pretty sure to bequeath that privilege to his widow."

The Portable Fire Extinguisher, which was so successfully experimented with at the late State Fair in California, is advertised in New York at these prices in currency: No. 1, $45; No. 2, $50; No. 3, $55.

AN OVATION.—Sheridan's march through the Atlantic cities is one grand ovation. The people are actually so enthusiastic that it is a holiday wherever he goes. In paying him this respect they kill two birds with one stone—show their regard for him and their opposition to Andrew Johnson.

The news from Europe is interesting. The Italian question is assuming importance. Napoleon, it is reported, has said that troops of Victor Emanuel may enter the Roman territory, but must not set foot in Rome. A war of great magnitude may grow out of this imbroglio.

The Democratic Convention of New York passed resolutions pledging the Democracy to reclaim New York from corruption and misrule, as the first step toward the restoration of the Union; that the national debt is a sacred obligation. The resolutions demand economy in the Administration and equality in taxation; denounce the general course of the Republican party and call on the Federal Government to enforce the doctrine that adopted citizens are entitled to protection. They urge the repeal of the excise law, and conclude with thanks to the soldiers and sailors of that State.

The Liberal papers of France publish a confidential circular, issued by Bazaine while in Mexico, ordering that "no prisoners shall be taken, and that every person taken with arms be put to death—no exchange of prisoners to be made in the future. This is war to the death—a struggle between barbarism and civilization—and on both sides has become necessary."

Garibaldi has written a letter in which he says the Romans have the right, which all slaves have, to rise against oppression; that it is the duty of Italians to help them in the struggle for liberty. He hopes his fellow patriots will not be discouraged by the first reverse, and exhorts them to reorganize and march again for the liberation of Rome. His letter concludes with an appeal to the Liberal party of Italy, declaring that the eyes of the world are turned on them; the nations of the earth anxiously await their action in the present crisis.

COFFEE AND TOBACCO.—It is said that coffee has become so injurious to health as to induce invention to seek substitutes which shall have a similar taste, but more healthful effect. Among those, the seeds of grapes having the oil first expressed, are boiled, giving a beverage much resembling Mocha coffee. The seeds of asparagus, roasted and otherwise treated like coffee, are said to make a decoction nearly simulating fine Rio coffee. Somebody should go in search of a substitute for tobacco.

The ex-rebel General Wade Hampton, in a late letter to the people of South Carolina advocates impartial suffrage, but opposes universal suffrage. He is perfectly willing that the franchise shall be conferred on the negro on the same terms that it is conferred on the white citizen—but he would establish an educational qualification for both!

I have seen a woman professing to love Christ more than the world, clad in a silk dress costing $75; making up and trimming of same, $40; bonnet (or apology for one), $35; velvet mantle, $150; watch, chain, pin, and other trappings, $500; total, $1,100—all hung upon one frail dying worm. I have seen her, at a meeting in behalf of homeless wanderers in New York, wipe her eyes upon an expensive embroidered handkerchief at the story of their sufferings, and, when the contribution box came round, take from a wellfilled portemonnaie of costly workmanship TWENTY-FIVE CENTS to aid the society formed to promote their welfare. Ah! though I dollars for ribbons, and pennies for Christ.—*Exchange.*

OAKLAND COLLEGE.—We learn that the Rev. E. G. Beckwith has been appointed joint Principal of this institution. For five years he has been Pastor of the Fourth Congregational Church of this city, which position he resigned last Sabbath, in order to enter upon his new duties the first of November. Mr. Beckwith is a fervid and eloquent preacher, and has been eminently successful as a pastor. He was for several year President of the Oahu College at Honolulu, where his labors were most acceptable. He has evinced his attachment to this coast by recently declining an appointment to the Professorship of Rhetoric in Williams College, his alma mater, which noble institution he left a few years since with the honors of his class. But in the Oakland College School, with its two hundred young men and boys, and its prospect of increasing numbers, he will find an attractive field, full of the promise of usefulness to a man of his scholarship and enthusiasm.—*Alta.*

EUGENIE AND VICTORIA.—The visit of the Empress Eugenie to Queen Victoria, at Osborne, was made in almost perfect secrecy. The little steam yacht *Reine Hortense* bore her across the Channel shortly after midnight, and early in the morning touched at Southsea, near Portsmouth, where the Empress landed, walked awhile on the pier, and then quietly strolled to the hotel and got breakfast. She was not recognized at first, but the news of her arrival soon got bruited about, and the Mayor of Portsmouth ordered the French standard to be hoisted. That frightened her away again, and she returned to the yacht and steamed slowly on to Cowes, reaching the Osborne House before Queen Victoria knew of her arrival. The Queen received her guest in a most affectionate manner. A suite of apartments immediately opening on the terrace, and comprising a bed room, dressing room and sitting room, had been fitted up for her use. The visit lasted only two days, and during much of the time the royal party were driving or walking out of doors. The Empress returned in the same unobtrusive way in which she came.

HORRIBLE STORY.—Since the time when the Ancient Mariner told the terrible tale of the curse-laden ship with her crew of ghastly corpses, no more thrilling story of the sea has been related than that of the whaleship *Diana*, that recently drifted into one of the Shetland Islands.

A year ago she left the Shetlands on a whaling voyage to the Arctic regions, having on board fifty men. From that time nothing more was heard of her. The friends of those on board became alarmed. Money was raised, and premiums offered to the first vessel that would bring tidings of the missing ship, but all to no avail. Hope was almost abandoned.

On the 24 of April the people near Kona's Voe, in one of the Shetland Isles, was startled at seeing a ghastly wreck of a ship sailing into the harbor. Battered and iced-crushed, sails and rigging cut away, boats and spars cut up for fuel in the terrible Arctic winter, her decks covered with dead and dying