CITY INTELLIGENCE

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AN INTERESTING CEREMONY.—A tablet of polished white marble, about three feet in width, and seven in height, was yesterday set into the wall in the vestibule of Pine Street Church. It is to commemorate the young men who went from that church to sustain the cause of their country against rebellion, and who fell in maintaining that righteous cause. It has in a panel at the top the word "Martyrs," encircled by a crown of thorns, below the words "From Pine Street Church" a sword and shackles. Then follow in carved letters the names, with the date and place of death, respectively, of those who fell in defense of the nation.

Yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, ceremonies appropriate to the occasion took place.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Robbins.

Dr. Brainerd then said that he hoped that the duty of doing honor to our noble dead, begun in this church to-day, would be followed by every church in the land. He knew that, if those whose names are inscribed upon that moral tablet had been asked what tribute they would most delight in, if they were to fall in their country's cause, they would prefer to be remembered by their church, and honored just as we have honored them; many of those whose names appear he had baptized in their infancy, and he felt still that they were his children. He then introduced Charles Gibbons, Esq., who said:—

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I am under great obligations to Dr. Brainerd, the distinguished and honored pastor of this church, for the opportunity of offering upon this occasion a brief tribute of respect to the memories of the dead soldiers of the Republic. Those whose names are chiselled upon this tablet were personally known to this congregation, with whom, as I am informed, they worshipped. They could not hear the truth preached, as it was by their loyal pastor, without being inspired with hatred for treason and oppression. They gave their lives for the overthrow of both. They fell nobly in the cause of truth and justice, with the armor of righteousness upon them. "They sleep well." The fullest measure of our gratitude is due, not to them only, but to two hundred and eighty thousand more who fell in battle, died of diseases contracted in the public service, or from starvation and fiendish cruelty in the foul pens and prisons of the South.

What can we do for them now that they are dead? Nothing. We can only associate them with the cause for which they died, and honor them by honoring the cause. We must uphold it as worthy of their sacrifice, and never—never abandon it. They died for their country—for liberty and justice, at war with treason, oppression, and wrong. They did their duty well, and it is ours to see that their services shall not be cheapened or their fame imperilled, by putting our trust in traitors, or encouraging a false sympathy with men whose hands are stained with loyal blood, and whose hearts are as false as their oaths.

Could we insult the memories of our dead soldiers more than to permit the enemies who slew them to enter our legislative halls and make laws for the people? Is the nation to be governed now by the men who sought to destroy it? Shall they wipe their bloody swords upon the flag for which the loyal soldier died, and vote in Congress against the pension for his widow or his orphan child? This votive tablet is a protest against it! From every battle-field come the voices of our slain in earnest and solemn remonstrance! The dead of Andersonville start into life again, and standing before us with their glaring eyes that pierce our very souls, ask if we whom they served, would dishonor them now by crowning treason. From Libby and Castle Thunder, and Belle Isle and Salisbury the ghosts of our brothers rise and demand with trumpet tongues that the cause for which they died shall be forever sacred, and that no traitor's hand shall touch the ark that bears it. For their sake, then—for the living as well as the dead—for the sake of our children—for the sake of justice—for the sake of God—let us harbor neither love nor sympathy, nor confidence nor respect for treason or for traitors!

We should never trust the flag of our country in such hands nor suffer the vote of a traitor to defile an American ballot-box! The wages of treason is death, and so it has been ever since the days of Judas. If that penalty be commuted to perpetual disfranchisement of the traitors of the South who have been in arms against us, it is as far as mercy can go without injustice, and wrong, and insult to the good citizen who serves the country with fidelity and lays down his life in its defense. It is a sad and sickening spectacle to see a professor of loyalty standing on the grave of the murdered Lincoln, and hear him demand for traitors the unconditional right of representation in Congress.

I am not uttering a political speech, but simply the inspirations of a loyal heart filled with respect for the memory of the men who died for us, and with gratitude to the Almighty Father for accepting them as his instruments to destroy oppression, break every yoke, and proclaim liberty to all the inhabitants of the land. We must secure all that our arms have won. If we listen to that kind of instruction that comes from the false prophets of the day, who are ready to scourge us for doubting their assumed infallibility, instead of having a Moses for our leader, we shall be like the cedars of Lebanon that accepted a bramble for their ruler, and were destroyed by the fire that came out of it. We must learn our lessons in a very different school. We had better look into the graves where cities and nations are buried, and inquire why they perished. We shall find that oppression and pride, and avarice and corruption, and injustice, fostered by false prophets, brought upon them the judgments of the Almighty and the irrevocable penalty of death. "Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida!" stands to-day as a perpetual warning to all people and nations of the earth. I should tremble for my country now more than ever before, if I had not faith in the power and will of Almighty God to overrule the intrigues of faithless servants, and establish that justice whose judgments do not vary with the complexion of its wards.

Let us rejoice that our noble dead have left to us the grateful duty of putting together the grand results of their patriotic sacrifices. We have their honored and living comrades to aid us in this sacred work. We have the light of Christianity to cheer us in our labors, and to illuminate and illustrate, as we progress, the victories of the war. What a glorious work it is, to lift up from darkness and degradation, into light and respectability, an entire race of human beings, and invest them with the rights and dignity of an intelligent and responsible manhood!

Can any one complain that such labor as this can work a wrong to any citizen of the country? Can any Christian say that knowledge and Christianity and even-handed justice must be reserved for a particular race of men, and that others must be excluded from the enjoyment of them? Can any loyal man survey the battle-fields of the Rebellion, or look into the homes or hearts made desolate by its wickedness, and say that its instigators and abettors, unshriven of their crimes, should be not only the peers but the rulers of a loyal people? I cannot answer these questions for others, but I have answered for myself; and I think I have truly answered for those whose memories you would honor.

Hon. Morton McMichael was then introduced. He did not come to make any speech. He had been introduced as the chief magistrate of Philadelphia, and he came in the name of that high position to endorse the action of this congregation in the erection of that monument to their honored dead. He hoped to see the example emulated by every church in the land.

After the conclusion of Mayor McMichael's address, the assembly was dismissed with the benediction.

ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES AT THE NORTHERN HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.—The exercises connected with the Fifteenth Anniversary of the formal opening of the Northern Home for Friendless Children, yesterday afternoon, attracted a large crowd of visitors, and were of a highly interesting character. J. W. Claghorn, Esq., presided, and addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Torrence and Mr. Mason.

The recitations and dialogues by the children were not only varied, but reflected great credit upon the teachers. Quite a number of new and very pretty and appropriate songs and hymns were sung by the children in a style which elicited the admiration of all present. At the close of the exercises, the children sat down to a bountiful supper, which they enjoyed with great gusto.

There are at this time connected with the Northern Home nearly 400 children, about 180 of whom are the orphans of soldiers and sailors. In order to meet the greatly increased demand for room, the erection of a new building is to be commenced at once, which will contain a large school-room, a laundry, dining-room, etc.

On next Tuesday evening, May 8, at a quarter before 8 o'clock, the regular anniversary of the Home will be celebrated at the North Broad Street Presbyterian Church, Broad and Green streets, on which occasion one hundred of the children belonging to the Home will sing a number of their beautiful songs, and there will be a repetition of the recitations and dialogues which gave so much pleasure to the visitors yesterday. The annual report will also be read, and addresses delivered by Rev. Mr. Newton, Dr. Beadle, and other prominent speakers. The occasion promises to be one of great interest.

LATE PAPERS, MAGAZINES, ETC.—Mr. Gorman, of Adams Express Company, has placed us under obligations for files of late Southern newspapers.

Mr. A. Winch, No. 505 Chesnut street, has sent us the latest received numbers of *St. James' Magazine, All the Year Round, Once-a-Week, Cassell's Family Paper*, etc.

Roemer, No. 403 Chesnut street, sends *London Society, the Argosy, Fun*, and *Punch*.

A PLEASANT ENTERTAINMENT.—The annual examination of St. Michael's School took place last night, in the school building attached to St. Michael's Church, on Second street, near Jefferson, in the presence of a large concourse of persons. The exercises were commenced by an overture by the band, composed of pupils of the school, at the close of which the second class was examined in regard to their attainments in geography. The evidence given by the class of proficiency in this branch of their studies, was quite satisfactory.

The examination in this study continued for about a half hour, during which the questions given by the Brother who conducted the examination were answered promptly. The pupils of the first class also gave undoubted evidence of their attainments in English grammar, book-keeping, algebra, and geometry.

The school consists of about five hundred scholars, taught by six instructors, who are known by the name of Christian Brothers, B. R. Oliver being the Director of the school.

The exercises were concluded by a grand finale by the Band.

PARADE OF THE CADETS OF TEMPERANCE.—The Cadets of Temperance paraded yesterday, according to announcement, but the rain interfered sadly with the arrangements before the entire route had been passed over. The members of the various Sections assembled on Broad street, right resting on Chesnut, punctually at 10½ o'clock, in the following order:—First Division, composed of Sections Nos. 1 to 5, headed by Jacob Potter, Grand Marshal, and Special Aids; Second Division, Sections Nos. 6 to 12, H. M. Philler, Marshal; Third Division, Circles Nos. 1 and 2, and Sections Nos. 13 to 17, E. Shute, Marshal; Fourth Division, Sections Nos. 18 to 30, William Graham, Marshal. The boys presented a very handsome appearance as they moved down Broad street. They had with them a large number of banners, wreaths, etc. A large number of the boys were dressed in white shirts and black pants. Good bands of music accompanied many of the Sections.

HOSPITAL CASES.—Archibald Smith, aged sixteen years, had both his arms broken, yesterday afternoon, by falling from the steps of the Union League House.

John Cannon, aged fifty years, residing at No. 207 Allen street, who was painting a building at Ninth and Cherry streets, accidentally fell from the staging to the ground, breaking one of his arms, his shoulder-blade, and several ribs.

William G. Fulton residing on Sidney street, had the artery of his right arm cut by a pane of glass, on Monday evening.

All of the above were admitted into the Pennsylvania Hospital.

POLICE ITEMS.—E. Florence was arrested yesterday at Oakford's hat store, on Chesnut street, on the charge of appropriating a hat. The allegation was that he went into the store under the pretense of purchasing, and, while the attendant's back was turned towards him, was seen to put one under his coat. A mirror in front of the salesman enabled him to see this done. The accused was committed by Alderman Hurley.

AN IMPORTANT ARREST.—Thomas Murray, another of the parties engaged in infringing Nelson Goodyear's hard rubber patent, and who resisted the Marshal in serving the writ last week, was arrested yesterday, and taken before Commissioner Smith, and held in $800 bail to answer at the next term of the Court.

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THE MARTINETTI FAMILY IN THEIR GRACEFUL AND CLASSICAL GROUPINGS
To conclude with (last time) the interesting pantomime of
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will be given, being positively THE LAST BUT ONE.
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ANNUAL BENEFIT OF
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MONDAY EVENING, May 7, first appearance of
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BY CARDINAL RUFFO, IN 1799.
Painted by order of the Italian Government.
The Picture will be engraved by JOHN SARTAIN.
For a full description of this extraordinary production, we refer to the printed details in the Gallery.
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PROPOSALS.

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APRIL 21, 1866.
Sealed Proposals, endorsed "Proposals for Erecting a Building for the Department of Engineery on the Naval Academy Grounds at Annapolis, Maryland," will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M., on the 12th day of May next, at which hour the bids will be opened, for furnishing all the materials and workmanship necessary in the erection and completion of a building according to plans and specifications to be seen at the Navy Department, or at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.
Bidders will be required to state the amount for which they will furnish all materials and complete the building according to the plans and specifications, and in all respects ready for occupation. They are requested to name the time in which they will engage to complete the work.
If upon the examination of the plans and specifications, it should appear that modifications can be made tending to lessen the cost of the building without impairing its strength or durability, bidders are invited to suggest such modifications, and to state the amount for which they will complete the building if such modifications are adopted; that is, they can bid according to the plans and specifications, and also according to such modifications as they may think proper to suggest.
Such modifications must not involve any change in the dimensions of the building or in the particular arrangement of rooms as shown on the plans.
Each bid must be accompanied by good and sufficient guarantors, approved by an officer of the Government known to this Department, that the bidder will, if his offer be accepted, enter into a contract to perform the work according to his bid, and the Department reserves the right to reject any or all the bids, as the interest of the Government may require.
THORNTON A. JENKINS,
4 25 wm5w Chief of Bureau of Navigation.

PROPOSALS.

GOVERNMENT SALE OF THE MILITARY RAILROAD AT BRAZOS SANTIAGO, TEXAS.
QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 19, 1866.
The attention of capitalists seeking a profitable investment is invited to this sale.
Sealed Proposals will be received at the office of the Quartermaster-General (Division of River and Rail Transportation), at WASHINGTON, D. C., until the first day of June next, at 12 o'clock M., for the purchase of all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the United States Military Railroad from Brazos Santiago to White's Ranche, Texas.
The sale will include the entire track and siding, buildings, water stations, turn-tables, bridges, etc., the rail road materials and supplies pertaining to the road, together with the rolling stock, cars, machinery, and other equipment.
The sale will not include the title to the land which does not belong to the United States.
This road is about ten miles in length, and extends from Brazos Santiago to White's Ranche, on the Rio Grande. From this point connection is made by steamer with Brownsville and Matamoras.
This route is the shortest and best for the immense traffic between the Gulf of Mexico and the interior of Southern Texas and Northern Mexico, and the communication by rail alone can readily be extended to Brownsville.
The road already completed saves thirty miles of difficult and tortuous navigation. Boats on the river now charge, it is stated, for freight to Brownsville, as high as $5 per barrel, and for passengers $15 each.
The road is five-feet guage, good ties T rail, and full-spiked.
A more particular description of the property can be obtained at this office, or at that of the Chief Quartermaster Military Division of the Gulf, at New Orleans.
A condition of the sale will be that transportation shall be furnished for all Government troops and supplies, whenever required, at the rates paid by Government at the time to the New York Central Railroad.
The terms of payment accepted will be those considered the most favorable to the Government.
Ten per cent cash, in Government funds, to be paid on acceptance of proposal.
The Government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.
Proposals should be endorsed, "Proposals for purchase of Brazos Santiago and Rio Grande Railroad," and addressed to the Division of River and Rail Transportation, Quartermaster General's Office, Washington, D. C.
By order of the Quartermaster General.
ALEXANDER BLISS,
Brevet Colonel and A. Q. M., in charge of Fourth Division Q. M. G. O. 4 23 t\131

POSTPONEMENT.—
PROPOSALS FOR ENGRAVINGS OF THE ILLUSTRATIONS ACCOMPANYING THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS FOR THE YEAR 1865.
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC PRINTING,
WASHINGTON, April 27, 1866.
Sealed Proposals will be received at this office until THURSDAY, the 17th day of May, 1866, at 12 o'clock, for furnishing one set of Pages of the illustrations of Machinery, etc., accompanying the Report of the Commissioner of Patents for the year 1865, with the name and address of the Patentee and the character and date of the Patent on each illustration.
The drawings will be furnished on paper to the contractor, who must arrange them into pages in numerical order, as nearly as is consistent with neatness and compactness; and the execution of the work must be fully equal to that furnished for the published report for 1862, which has been adopted as the standard for the present volume. The plates are to be delivered at this office free of cost for transportation, and subject to the approval or rejection of the Superintendent of the Public Printing. Bond and approved security will be required for the faithful performance of the contract.
The work will comprise about five thousand illustrations, making over seven hundred pages, measuring 4½ by 8 inches. Bidders are required to propose for the work *by the illustration*, with the understanding that, when more than one *figure* is required to illustrate an invention or design (as is sometimes the case), the whole number of figures will be estimated and paid for as a single illustration. Awards will be made "to the lowest and best bidder for the interest of the Government, due regard being paid to the execution of the work," under the direction of the Joint Committee on Printing.
Any further information that may be required will be furnished upon application at this office, or to the Commissioner of Patents.
Proposals will be addressed to "The Joint Committee on Printing," Washington, D. C., care of the undersigned, and endorsed on the envelope "Proposals for Patent Office Report."
The advertisement for proposals dated the 23d of April, 1866, is withdrawn.
4 30 mwftmy7] JOHN D. DEFREES,
Superintendent of the Public Printing.

UNITED STATES MILITARY RAILROADS.
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER,
No. 250 G Street,
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28, 1866.
Sealed Proposals will be received at this office, until 12 o'clock M., MONDAY, May 21, for the purchase, from the United States, of all the IRON WORK for Nineteen Spans of "Howe's Improved Truss Bridges," consisting of the Rods, Bolts, Plates, and Dowels, suitable for the different spans, the latter varying in length from eighty to one hundred and forty-one feet.
The Iron is now stored at the Works of the Cleveland Rolling Mill Company, Cleveland, Ohio, and will be sold by the pound.
A detailed bill of the iron, and the length of the spans, may be obtained on application at this office.
Terms—Cash, in Government funds.
The United States reserve the right to reject all bids if not deemed advantageous.
Proposals should be endorsed "Proposals for the Purchase of Bridge Iron."
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4 30-18t U. S. Army.

GOVERNMENT SALES.

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On SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1866,
At 1 o'clock P. M., the
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Consisting of:—
Six Frame Buildings 24 feet wide, 14 feet high, and 350 feet long. Containing—
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9100 feet Hemlock Sheathing Boards,
11 100 feet Pine Boards,
Eight Corridors, containing—
20,927 feet plain Boards,
4708 Pine Shingles,
6250 feet Flooring,
3500 feet Scantling,
10 Cedar Water Tanks, 2500 gallons each;
9 Lightning Rods 325 feet in all.
Four Sheds, containing—
1904 Shingles,
1300 feet Hemlock Boards,
1300 feet Hemlock Scantling,
1780 feet Pine Boards,
600 feet Flooring,
2 Cooking Ranges.
Terms of Sale—Cash, Government funds.
A deposit of ten (10) per cent. to be paid on each bid; balance immediately after the sale.
The buildings, etc., must be removed within twenty (20) days from date of sale, and will be at the risk of the purchaser.
Ride 9 o'clock A. M. train of the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad Company, for New Castle. On arrival a steam-tug will leave for the Fort.
By order of
Col. G. W. BRADLEY,
Chief Q. M. Mid Mil Dept.
E. S. SMITH,
5 2 10t Bvt. Capt. U. S. A., A. A. Q.

OFFICE SUPERVISING COMMISSARY
DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA,
RICHMOND, Va., April 30, 1866.
SALE OF HARD BREAD AT PUBLIC AUCTION.
Will be sold at Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 17th day of May, 1866, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the United States Commissary Storehouse, Goldsboro, N. C., about three hundred and sixty-four thousand (364 000) pounds of Hard Bread, in lots to suit purchasers.
This bread is in boxes of fifty (50) pounds each.
Terms—Cash, in Government funds, on day of sale.
THOMAS C. SULLIVAN,
5 2 12t Brevet Major and C. S., U. S. A.

THE STAMP AGENCY, NO. 304 CHESNUT STREET, ABOVE THIRD WILL BE CONTINUED AS HERETOFORE.
STAMPS of EVERY DESCRIPTION CONSTANTLY ON HAND, AND IN ANY AMOUNT. 1 1

GOVERNMENT SALES.

LARGE SALE OF QUARTERMASTER'S STORES AT THE CAVALRY DEPOT, GIESBORO, D. C.
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
FIRST DIVISION,
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23, 1866.
By order of the Quartermaster General, there will be sold, on the premises, at public auction, under the direction of Captain George T. Browning, A. Q. M., on TUESDAY, the 8th of May, 1866, and continue from day to day until all is sold, the following described lots of Quartermaster's stores, viz.:—

145 sets Cart Harness.	125 lbs Tallow,
88 sets Four-horse Harness.	6 bbls. Salt,
	80 Oil Cans,
40 sets Ambulance Harness.	6 Platform Scales,
	8 Single and Double Blocks,
10 Sadles,	28 Crowbars,
55 Carts,	517 lbs. Railroad Spikes (new),
5 Mortering Carts,	
17 Army Wagons (four horses),	250 Shutter and Gate Hasps
5 Army Wagons (two horses),	250 lbs Nuts,
1 Ambulance (four horse),	700 Open Rings, Bolts, Links, etc.,
5 Dead-horse Wagons,	
58 Portable Forges,	500 Fire Bolts,
50 Anvils,	350 Linch pins,
27 Cauldrons,	1200 Staples, Hooks, T's, etc.,
29 Cooking Stoves and Fixtures,	
	44 pairs Hames,
60 Heating Stoves,	80 Riding Bridles,
500 Benches,	20 partsets 4 horse Ambulance Harness (new),
150 Mess Tables,	
2000 Table Spoons,	10 Bridles (new),
1000 Knives and Forks,	100 sets Lines and Martingales,
54 Ladles,	
100 Tin Cups,	91 Collar Pads,
100 Tin Plates,	200 Surcingles, Saddle-bags, and Cruppers,
55 Coffee Pots,	
95 Iron Pots,	1 set Hobbles,
250 Manure Forks,	70 Blankets,
100 Axes,	4 sides Belting Leather,
50 Spades,	4 sides Bridle Leather,
450 Shovels,	500 Curry Combs,
7 Coal Buckets (large),	700 Horse Brushes,
900 Water Buckets,	13 sheets Sheet-iron (new),
318 Head Halters and Ropes (new),	250 lbs. Lead,
	50 lbs Babbit Metal,
700 Head Halters and Ropes (good),	125 Lanterns, tamps,
	6 boxes Window Glass,
1000 Head Halters (good),	20 lbs. Rotten Stone,
200 Head Halters,	1 Circular Saw, frame and belting,
500 Head Halters and Chains,	
	2 Circular Saws,
500 Neck Straps and Chains,	2 Cross-cut Saws,
	4 Wood Saws,
500 Halter Chains,	32 Hand Saws,
250 Canvas Horse Covers,	10 Tenon Saws,
84 Grindstones,	50 Planes (assorted),
32 Axle Boxes,	50 Caulking Irons, Hay Hooks, etc.,
6000 lbs. Scrap Iron,	
3000 lbs. Horse Shoes,	11 Vices,
500 lbs. Chain,	150 Brands (assorted),
6 Log Chains,	8 Cleavers,
4000 lbs. Assorted Iron,	14 Augers,
1122 lbs Scrap Iron,	1 Tenon Auger (complete),
600 lbs Rope,	8 Brace and Bits,
170 Wall Brushes,	60 Auger Bits (assorted),
37 sets Shoeing Tools,	12 Trying Squares,
40 sets Saddlers' Tools,	10 Spoke Shaves and Saw Sets,
50 Hardies,	
150 Pitchels and Punches,	40 Oil Stones,
200 pairs Tongs,	14 Claw Hammers,
100 pairs Pinchers,	50 Hatchets,
75 Cold Chisels,	5 Screw Drivers,
60 Clinch Irons,	12 Monkey Wrenches,
250 Hammers (assorted),	11 Drawing Knives,
300 Rasps,	2 Spirit Levels,
200 Files,	5 Adzes and Hand Axes,
2 Bellows,	4 Sets Stocks and Dies,
200 Brooms,	100 Chisels (assorted),
80 Ice Hooks,	500 Halter Squares,
2 sets Shoeing Stocks,	200 gross Buckles,
100 Wheelbarrows,	10 gross Harter Bolts,
50 Iron Pots,	10 gross Rings,
4 Dutch Ovens,	90 Door Bolts and Thumb Latches,
276 Stove Pipe, Joints and Elbows,	
	175 Locks (assorted),
50 Camp Kettles,	300 Carriage Knobs,
125 Picks,	20 lbs. Copper Rivets,
2 Plows,	150 pairs Butt Hinges,
5 Road Scrapers,	150 pairs Strap Hinges,
300 Plastering Laths,	30 Chairs,
90 Wagon Hounds (new),	2 Office Tables,
27 Feed Troughs,	25 Office and Field Desks,
88 Double trees and Lead bars,	18,000 Grain Sacks.

One "Felton's Eight horse Power," with bearings and bolts, shafting, gearing, pulleys, etc., and
One Force Pump, capable of forcing twelve thousand (12,000) gallons of water per day.
And many other articles not enumerated in the above list.
Terms—Cash, in Government funds.
Stores will be delivered on the wharf of the Giesboro Depot, free of expense to the purchaser.
The purchaser will be allowed five (5) days from date of sale in which to remove the stores.
A boat for Giesboro will leave the Sixth Street wharf every hour during the days of sale.
JAMES A. EKIN,
Brevet Brigadier-General, in charge
4 24 12t First Division, Q. M. G. O.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, No. 1139 GIRARD STREET,
PHILADELPHIA, April 24, 1866.
Will be sold at Public Auction, on account of the United States, on the grounds,
AT CHESNUT HILL, PHILADELPHIA,
ON SATURDAY, May 5th, and MONDAY, May 7th, 1866,
Sale commencing each day at eleven (11) o'clock, A. M.:—
The Buildings, etc., heretofore known as the U. Mower Hospital, viz.:—
85 Frame buildings
6 Cedar Water Tanks, capacity 12,000 gallons each.
1 Cedar Water Tank, capacity 2500 gallons
7 Cooking Ranges
1 Abbott & Co's Coal Scale.
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