hard gold—the renewal of Colt's patent. Measures of general national importance are freely bartered away for a vote in favor of the Colt extension.

The Central American question is the lion of the day. A New York capitalist—supposed to be George Law—is about to invest largely in the enterprise of central colonization. Twenty thousand muskets, and five hundred thousand ball cartridges, are to find immediate admission into this republic, that is to be, for the benefit of those concerned.

This musket importation, however, is denied by a member of the Central company, as the enterprise is based upon the principles of "peace and good will to all mankind;" yet, notwithstanding this denial, the rumor has its believers.

Should Cushing's office become vacant, it will be offered to J. Clemens, late United States Senator from Alabama.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4, 1855.

Nos. 38 and 39. James Williams, administrator, appellant, *vs.* Robert Olivers, executors, and John Goodings, administrator, appellant, *vs.* Robert Olivers, executors. Argument by J. Mason Campbell and Reverdy Johnson for the appellees, and by Mr. Dulaney for the appellants.

From the State Capital.

STRENGTH OF THE KNOW NOTHINGS—CHANCES OF SEWARD'S ELECTION—BILL RELATIVE TO CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES—OFFICE SEEKERS—GOVERNOR CLARK AND THE VACANT SENATORSHIP, ETC., ETC.

ALBANY, Jan. 4, 1855.

Upon analysing the vote given yesterday, upon the chaplain question, as taken in the House, it appears that nineteen democrats and forty-four whigs comprise the Know Nothing strength in that body, making sixty-three in all. Having recorded their votes and placed themselves thus early on the record declaring themselves opposed to Catholic prayers, will these forty-five whigs—will either of them falter when the time arrives to vote for a United States Senator? The democratic strength in the House is forty-one, which, added to the forty-four whig Know Nothings, makes an aggregate of eighty five members who now stand opposed to William H. Seward for re-election. In order to elect him, it will be necessary for twenty-two of these whig Know Nothings to cave. Will only twenty-five of them stand firm?

This morning Senator Putnam introduced a bill relative to the conveyance of property for religious purposes. The Senator wanted it referred to a select committee to report upon. Mr. W. Clark thought a reference to the Judiciary Committee would be most appropriate. Some other Senator wanted to know the purport of the bill, when Mr. Putnam read it for information, when it was referred to a select committee. It is one of the greatest importance to many thousand daily readers of the HERALD, and it is therefore thought proper to lay a copy before them immediately. This is it:—

AN ACT IN RELATION TO CONVEYANCES AND DEVISES OF PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE, FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES.

Sec. 1. No grant, conveyance, devise, or lease of personal or real estate to, nor any trust of such personal or real estate for the benefit of any person and his successor or successors in any ecclesiastical office, shall vest any estate or interest in said person or his successor; and no such grant, conveyance, devise, or lease to or for any such person by the designation of any such office, shall vest any estate or interest in any successor of such person. But this section shall not be deemed to admit the validity of any such grant, conveyance, devise or lease heretofore made.

Sec. 2. No grant, conveyance, devise, or lease of any real estate, dedicated or appropriated, or intended to be dedicated or appropriated to purposes of religious worship, for the use of any congregation or society, shall vest any right, title or interest in any person or persons to whom such grant, conveyance, devise or lease may be made, unless the form shall be made to a corporation organized according to the provisions of the laws of this State, under the act entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies," and the acts amendatory thereof, or under the act entitled "an act for the incorporation of societies to establish free schools," passed April 13, 1854.

Sec. 3. Any real estate of the description named in section second of this act, and which has been heretofore granted, devised or demised to any person or persons in any ecclesiastical office, by the designation of such office, or otherwise, shall be deemed to be held in trust for the benefit of the congregation or society using the same, and shall, upon the death of the person or persons in whom the title shall be vested at the time of the passage of this act, vest in the religious corporation formed by the congregation or religious society occupying and enjoying such real estate as aforesaid, provided such corporation organized according to the laws of this State shall be in existence at the time of the decease of the person or persons holding the title thereto.

Sec. 4. In the event such congregation or society shall not be incorporated as aforesaid, then and in that case the title of such real estate shall vest in the people of the State of New York, in the same manner and with the same effect as if the person holding the title thereto had died intestate, and without heirs capable of inheriting such real estate.

Sec. 5. Whenever title to any real estate shall vest in the people of the State of New York, under and by virtue of the last preceding section, it shall be the duty of the Attorney General of the State of New York, and he is hereby authorized, upon his being satisfied of the due incorporation of the congregation or society who have occupied and enjoyed such real estate for the purpose of religious worship, under and according to the provisions of the act first named in the second section of this act, and a further production to him of a certified copy of the recorded certificate of incorporation, under the hand and official seal of the clerk of the county in whose office the same is recorded, to grant and convey such real estate, and all the right, title and interest of the people of the State of New York therein and thereto, to said corporation, which shall thereupon be vested with all the right, title and interest which became vested in the State by virtue of the provisions of this act.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

It shows upon its face its object, and that is, to prevent Catholic bishops from receiving presents or donations in the name of their church, and vesting the title to real estate in themselves personally. Whether it is a Know Nothing movement, and whether the Senator is a Know Nothing, is left for the consideration and reflection of the reader.

The numerous applicants for office are informed that next Wednesday will be the first day when the Senate will take up the consideration of appointments. The city is crammed full of applicants for office. There are three canal appraisers to be appointed out of twenty patriotic gentlemen, who have each done wonderful acts in political matters. The pressure for harbor masters for New York city is very heavy, and the Governor's room is constantly filled with these very deserving gentry.

Both houses have appointed committees on the temperance question. Some of the members desire immediate action, regardless of all other considerations; but the bill will be shuffled about between one house and the other, until the question of Senator is disposed of.

If Governor Clark does not issue his proclamation very soon, directing an election to be held to fill the vacancy in the Twenty-ninth Senate district, he will soon have such a storm of Know Nothings about his ears as may produce considerable embarrassment. It is publicly alleged that he withholds calling the election until the time shall have expired for the elected Senator to vote upon the United States Senator question. From the uniform uprightness which the Governor manifested whilst occupying other public stations, there is no reason to infer that he would suffer himself to countenance such a contemptible trick. A few days will test it, and the Know Nothings have nothing to do but wait with patience. There is no pretence now that his Excellency was ever a Know Nothing, or that he attempted to enter the convention at Odd Fellows' Hall.

ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS—THE ALMSHOUSE DIFFICULTY WITH THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIESTS.

ALBANY, Jan. 4, 1855.

The following appointments have been determined on by the Speaker and Clerk of the Assembly, and will be announced to-morrow:—

For Librarian, W. W. Clubbuck, editor of the Madison county *Journal;* Assistant, Mr. Dunspaugh, of Columbia county.

For Postmaster, G. W. Bedell, of Orleans county; Assistant, Mr. Parsons, of Jefferson county.

For Deputy Clerks, Ormon Archer, of Wayne county; Daniel Huntington, of Franklin county; M. Schoefield, of Oneida county; and W. P. Downer, of Onondaga county.

In reference to the recent outrage perpetrated upon the rights of the children of the Almshouse by the teachers of the Romish Church, a committee of the Common Council have passed resolutions forbidding the further visits of teachers of that sect until ample apology is made.

The Legislature of Massachusetts.

BOSTON, Jan. 4, 1855.

The legislature is perfecting its organization. Benjamin Stevens to-day was re-elected Sergeant-at-Arms; and Rev. John H. Twombly, of Roxbury, Chaplain. Mr. Twombly was elected on the second ballot, the vote standing as follows:—Mr. Twombly, 216; and the Rev. Theodore Parker, 122. On the first ballot, Mr. Parker receiving a respectable number of votes, a motion was made that he officiate alternately with Mr. Twombly. This led to rather exciting discussions, during which Mr. Eames, of Malden, said the choice of Mr. Parker for Chaplain would be a disgrace to the house.

Monday next has been assigned for the election of the members of the Governor's Council.

Probable Suicide of a Citizen of Paterson.

PATERSON, N. J., Jan. 4, 1855.

Early this morning the body of Mr. John Blundell, a highly esteemed resident of this city, was discovered in the raceway leading to the wire factory. He arose from his bed during the night, and is supposed to have committed suicide during a temporary fit of insanity, caused by recent difficulties.

Suspension of a Banking House at Detroit.

BUFFALO, Jan. 4, 1855.

We learn from Detroit that a prominent banking house of that city suspended payment to-day.

Arrival of the steamship Asia at Boston.

BOSTON, Jan. 4, 1855.

The Royal Mail steamship Asia arrived at her dock here a little after twelve o'clock to-night.

We take the following from Baring's circular of December 22:—Money is in more demand as usual at the close of the year. Consols close at 91⅜ a 91½ for account; silver dollars, 5s. ¾d.; bar silver, 5s. ¼d.; doubloons, 74s. nominally; American eagles, 76s. 3d. nominally.

By the overland mail we have dates from Canton to the 26th of October, from Calcutta to the 8th of November, and from Bombay to the 14th.

Exchange at Canton is quoted at 4 81½, and at Calcutta at 1s. 11⅝d.

The English papers at hand contain nothing of special interest additional to the details given over the wires from Halifax.

The Legislature of Maine.

AUGUSTA, (Me.) Jan. 3, 1855.

The Senate and House both organized here this morning.

Franklin Muzzy, of Bangor, was elected President, and L. O. Gowan, of Saco, Secretary of the Senate; both unanimously.

Sidney Perham, Esq., of Woodstock, was elected the Speaker of the House, and Mr. Baker, Clerk.

A Committee on Senatorial Vacancies was chosen, and W. Willis appointed chairman. They will report to-morrow, and the vacancies be filled. A committee on the gubernatorial votes will then be appointed.

The Governor will probably be chosen on Friday.

The Legislature of Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 4, 1855.

In the Senate this forenoon three ballots took place for the Presidency, with the same result as those of yesterday.

During the afternoon session, the whigs voted for James Skinner, but the result is the same as before.

Indiana Legislature.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 4, 1855.

The Indiana Legislature organized to-day. The Senate elected Solon Furman principal Secretary, and the House elected David Kilgore Speaker, and John Lovering Clerk. The Governor's message will be delivered to-morrow. He will strongly urge restriction against the abuse of the Free Bank law.

From the South.

LARGE SHIPMENTS OF COTTON FROM NEW ORLEANS—SENTENCE OF MARTIN, THE POST OFFICE CLERK.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 4, 1855.

The motion for a new trial in the case of Martin, the Post Office clerk, convicted of taking the contents of letters passing through his hands, was overruled to-day, and he was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

On Thursday last the clearances of cotton from the port of New Orleans reached the enormous quantity of 18,000 bales.

Markets.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2, 1855.

The Atlantic's advices were received here after business hours this evening, too late to develope their effect on our cotton market. The sales to-day reached 4,000 bales at previous rates. New shoulders are selling at 7c.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 4, 1855.

Freights to New Orleans are declining. For pork 65c. are asked per barrel, and for flour 50c. To Pittsburg flour is 40c. per barrel, and pork 60. Hogs are dull and selling at $4 48; for sides and shoulder; 4½c a 5¼c. per lb. are asked. Prime barrel lard 8½c. Eastern exchange is dull at ¾ per cent premium.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK BOARD.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4, 1855.

Stocks are firm. Reading, 36½; Morris Canal, 11⅞; Long Island Railroad, 15¾; Pennsylvania Railroad, 42½; Pennsylvania 5's, 8. The money market is unchanged.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 4, 1855.

At the cattle market held here to-day 1,200 head of beef cattle were offered, and nearly all were sold at $3 a $4 75 on the hoof—equal to 6c. a 9½c. net, and averaging $4 12. Live hogs sold at $5 75 a $6 12; slaughtered, $5 50. Sheep, $3 50 a $4 50, gross.

Brooklyn—Eastern District.

REPREHENSIBLE.—The firemen of the Eastern district were called out twice yesterday by false alarms, sounded by the bell ringers of the Thirteenth ward bell tower. These bell ringers were removed at the last meeting of the Common Council, and others appointed in their places. Yesterday, being the last day of the old bell ringers, it is supposed they were celebrating the event. After calling out the firemen the second time, the individual doing the mischief was invited down from his lofty position, to make room for one of the new appointees.

HOLDING OVER.—Justice Boswell still continues to act in the capacity of Police Justice, notwithstanding a certificate of election was given to Mr. Aymar by the late Board. There seems to be some illegality in the proceedings, the votes having been canvassed by the Brooklyn Board of Canvassers, and the result transmitted to the Board of Aldermen of Williamsburg.

APPLICANTS FOR OFFICE.—Alderman Baker, of the Fourteenth ward, has a list of 104 applicants for the office of policeman in that ward. Are any of these applicants Know Nothings in regard to the late election riot?

Common Pleas—Special Term.

Present, Hon. D. P. Ingraham, Judge.

JAN. 5.—*Loretta Lentz against Charles Lentz.*—Motion for attachment against defendant for contempt granted.

William T. Shaner against Abraham Newman.—Bail of defendant reduced to $250.

Ezekiel Broughton against Ann Broughton.—Order of reference to Richard Clark, Esq.

Domestic Miscellany.

The Legislature of Indiana will convene at the State capital on Thursday, January 11, and its session is limited to eight weeks by constitutional provision. A United States Senator is to be elected.

The case involving the constitutionality of the law passed by the Legislature of this State, at its last session, relative to draining the Rome swamp, has been decided by Judge Bacon, as unconstitutional. A considerable amount of the work has been done, and about $1,000 has been expended.

We learn from the Albany *Knickerbocker* that the mechanics at the Western Railroad shops, in Greenbush, are to make only five days per week, and to receive pay in proportion.

Daguerreotypes—Cheapest and Best.—A large size first class picture for 37½ cents, neatly fitted, at 435 Broadway, corner of Howard street. Taken in any weather, by GARBANATI, Artist.

Law and 25 cent Daguerreotypes.—$5,000 damages claimed against the proprietor of the picture Depot, 289 Broadway, by hands once employed here only, and who advertised its removal without authority to, which the people were cautioned against, and out of which $5,000 damages is expected—in a horn. A good counsel for a poor case may do to go ahead.
YOUNG AMERICA.

Pianos! Pianos!—An Immense Assortment of pianos of every variety of style, comprising those of ten different manufactories; among them are T. Gilbert and Co.'s celebrated æolean pianos, and the modern improved Horace Waters pianos; second hand pianos at great bargains; prices from $40 to $150; pianos to rent. Melodeons from five different manufactories, including the well known S. D. & H. W. Smith's melodeons, (tuned the equal temperament). Prices—$40, $55, $70, $90, $105, $125, $130, $150 and $200. Each instrument guaranteed. Enormous reductions made from former prices. HORACE WATERS, 333 Broadway.

The Great American Eagle over Hiram ANDERSON'S ten spacious salesrooms, 99 Bowery, don't appear to suffer from weather or hard times. Crowds are daily going there for velvet, Brussels and ingrain carpets, rugs, oil cloths, &c., &c. The causes of this rush are numerous: 1st, Anderson's is a first class house. He imports his English and French carpets and sells at low prices! 2d. He sells more than any house in the trade, on Broadway or elsewhere! 3d. His salesmen are gentlemen of the very best standing, and they all subscribe to twenty-one rules of the establishment for the mutual benefit of buyer and seller. With such regulations no wonder 99 Bowery is constantly crowded by housekeepers.

Defiance Salamander Safes.—Robert M. Patrick is the sole manufacturer in the United States of the above celebrated safes, and F. C. Goffin's impenetrable defiance locks and cross bars. Depot No. 192 Pearl street, one door below Maiden lane.

Green Turtle Soup and Steaks.—A superb green turtle will be served up in soup and steaks at the Great Republic Dining Saloons, 113 Fulton and 48 Ann streets, this day, at 12 o'clock. The attention of epicures is invited.

Positively the Last Night of Perham's Ethiopian troupe, and of course a full house. The programme is attractive, and the opportunity the last until they fulfil their Boston engagement. Go early, if you would secure good seats.

Costar's Rat, Cockroach, &c. Exterminator depot, has removed to 388 Broadway, having been burnt out by the fire at his old stand, 448 Broadway. A new Happy Family.

ADVERTISEMENTS RENEWED EVERY DAY.

PERSONAL.

ASPHARTE—GENTLEMEN WHO CAN GIVE SOME information about this material—how it is sold here, at what price, by which weight, and at what time, will please address same lines to A. B., Herald office.

IF DENNIS OR JAMES McCARTHY WISHES TO HEAR from their brother Charles, address 252 Monroe st.

THE MILITARY.

VETERANS OF THE WAR OF 1812—A REGULAR meeting at the "Star" on Friday the 5th inst., at 7 P. M. By order, A. W. JONES, Commandant.

SALES AT AUCTION.

AUCTION NOTICE—THOS. BELL, AUCTIONEER—BY BELL & BUSH.—This day, at 10½ o'clock, in the sale rooms, 27 Centre street, will be sold a valuable stock of dry goods, boots and shoes, from a country store; also four trunks fine clothing, and a lot of pledged goods, four gold watches, jewelry, presents and fancy articles; also a lot of goods, by order of the Marshal.

AUCTION SALE.—GOLD WATCHES, FINE JEWELRY, &c.—SAMUEL OSGOOD, auctioneer, will sell, at his salerooms, 66 Nassau street, to-morrow, (Saturday,) at 10½ o'clock A. M., a large assortment of jewelry and watches remaining on hand from former sales, and held on account of former purchasers. Particulars in the catalogues.

BY JOSEPH HEGEMAN.—SATURDAY, JAN. 6, AT 12 o'clock, at the sales room, corner of Willoughby and Pearl streets, Brooklyn, a genteel buggy top wagon, and set of harness, saddle and bridle, sleigh robe, three blankets, &c., &c., the whole in good order, and sold without reserve.

D. S. HOUGH, AUCTIONEER.—AUCTION SALE OF rich and costly rosewood and mahogany furniture, this day, (Friday morning) at 10½ o'clock, the contents of the large four-story house, 79 Warren street, consisting of richly carved rosewood pianoforte, seven-octave, a superior instrument; rosewood and mahogany parlor suits, in satin brocade; rosewood centre tables, ottomans, brocatelle and lace curtains, elegant parlor and bedroom window shades, magnificent English tapestry and velvet carpets, oil cloths, massive mahogany and black walnut extension tables, eight and ten feet; dining and tea tables, a few choice oil paintings and steel plate engravings, rosewood and mahogany bedsteads, bureaus, washstands, chairs, sofas, work tables, rockers, elegant china vases and mantle ornaments; 21-day inlaid and bronze clocks, china dinner and tea sets, rich cut glass ware, crockery, ivory cutlery, silver ware, tea service, salvers and cake baskets, with solid silver mountings; spoons, forks, castors, &c. The whole being in the best order.

EDWARD SCHENCK, AUCTIONEER. — EDWARD SCHENCK will sell at auction, this day at 11 o'clock, at his salesroom, 16 Wall street, fine brandies, wines, teas, liquors, cordials, sardines, olives, preserves and prime Havana imported segars—a large invoice of fine brandies, including Otard, Dupuy, pale and dark; old champagne, P. Godard and Fromin's brandies in demijohns; old Jamaica rum, St. Croix do., gin, whiskey, choice cordials and other fine liquors; also 100,000 fine imported segars of the best brands.

F. BREVOORT HENRY, ACUTIONEER.—BY HENRY F. & Buck, this day at 11 o'clock, at the sales room No. 14 Maidenlane, the entire stock of a manufacturer about leaving for Europe, consisting of rich and elegant furs and sleigh robes. A large assortment of rich Hudson Bay sable, fitch marten, stone marten, fine ermine, French sable, Siberian squirrel, chinchilla, mountain ma ten, river marten, victorines, coffs, capes and talmas, pelerines, &c. Also, sleigh robes of the finest Isabella bear, wolf, raccoon, Hudson Bay wolf, buffalo, Maltese, Lapland and other robes.

FRIDAY, AT 10½ O'CLOCK, AT THE STORE 304 Broadway, corner of Duane street, rich figures, French china, silver plated ware, oil paintings and mirrors, in rich gilt frames, suits of chamber enamelled furniture, suits of rosewood parlor covered satin, brocatelle, black walnut and mahogany, covered haircloth; also a variety of other furniture, with many choice articles, to be sold for account of owners.
TUNIS MORRELL, Auctioneer.

F. COLTON, AUCTIONEER.—AUCTION SALE OF household furniture, carpets, oil cloths, mirrors, &c. F. Colton will sell, this day (Friday), at 10½ o'clock, all the furniture contained in the house 294 West Twenty-second street, between the Ninth and Tenth avenues, comprising a general assortment of household furniture, sofas, tete-a-tetes, mahogany marble top dressing bureaus, washstands, centre, side, and card tables, extension tables, etageres, corner stands, mosaic racks, mahogany and black walnut French bedsteads, rockers, mahogany and cane chairs, looking glasses, lounges, beds and bedding, mattresses, paillasses, pillows, window shades, Voltaire and easy chairs, chamber and kitchen furniture. Sale positive, without regard to weather.

GEORGE COOK, AUCTIONEER.—EXTENSIVE SALE of furniture, pianofortes, extension dining tables, mirrors, &c., at 10½ o'clock, this day, January 5, at No. 335 Broadway, corner of Anthony street. George Cook will sell as above, by auction, a most magnificent stock of a Broadway dealer, (removed for convenience of sale,) embracing a variety of parlor and chamber suites, etageres, beaufets, sofas, chairs, rockers, bedsteads, bureaus, washstands, commodes, dining, centre, side and pier tables, mirrors, mattresses, pianos, and every article usually found in a first class warероom. This sale is peremptory, and will be continued daily until the whole is sold, and is well worthy the attention of the trade and others. Goods may be packed and shipped or delivered at moderate charge. Catalogues now ready.

HENRY T. LEEDS, AUCTIONEER.—100 RICH Sleigh Robes, Muffs, Cuffs and Victorines, at auction.—Friday, January 5, at 10 o'clock, without reserve, at 100 Nassau street, all the splendid assortment of manufactured furs, consisting of about 150 rich sleigh robes, viz., Rocky Mountain wolf, raccoon, genet, Astracan lamb, &c.; a splendid variety of muffs, victorines, &c., such as stone and mountain marten, sable, ermine, &c. Catalogues now ready. Sale peremptory. Also, at No. 1 Catherine street, without reserve, the balance of sleigh robes, muffs, &c., at 1 o'clock P. M., precisely, rain or shine.

IMPORTANT TO PLUMBERS.—AUCTION NOTICE.—WM. B. JONES, Auctioneer.—By virtue of an execution, I will sell this day, at 10½ A. M., at store 145 Canal street, one spring cart and harness; also, the contents of a plumber's shop, consisting of iron and lead piping, elbows, solder, pumps, platform scales, &c., &c.
WM. THOMPSON, Constable.

JOHN L. VANDEWATER, AUCTIONEER.—VANDEWATER & Turner will sell at auction, on Saturday, January 6, at 10½ o'clock, at the salerooms 30 Pine street, and 56 Cedar street, a splendid assortment of household furniture, consisting of mahogany and rosewood sofas, chairs, lounges, armchairs, rockers covered in haircloth, tete-a-tetes, mahogany, blackwalnut and rosewood marble top centre, side and pier tables, blackwalnut extension tables, quartette tables, rosewood etageres, mahogany bookcases, wardrobes, enamelled cottage suite, mahogany and blackwalnut bedsteads, bureaus, washstands; mattresses, palliastres; also rosewood pianofortes; also rich china vases, tea sets, silver and plated castors, cake baskets, dinner and dessert forks, spoons, mustards, &c., &c.

JOHN L. VANDEWATER, AUCTIONEER.—VANDEWATER & TURNER will sell on Friday, January 5th, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 30 Pine and No. 56 Cedar streets: Furs—A splendid assortment of furs, consisting of rich stone marten, French sable, fitch, chinchilla, mountain marten and Hudson Bay sable muffs, victorines, cuffs and capes. Also, rich stone marten talmas, with cuffs to match. Sleigh robes of the finest Isabella bear, wolf, Hudson Bay buffalo, raccoon skins. The attention of purchasers is requested to this sale, as every article will be fully warranted.

JOHN W. SOMERINDYKE, AUCTIONEER.—ADMINISTRATOR'S sale of a valuable lease—On Thursday, Jan. 8, 1855, on the premises, the lease of front and rear buildings known as 111 Broome street, for the term of three years and three months from first of February, 1855, now renting for six hundred and eighty-seven dollars ($687) per year, ground rent and taxes three hundred and one dollars ($301)—leaving an annual profit of three hundred and eighty-six dollars ($386) per year. By order of JAMES BRADY, Administrator, ANN BRADY, Administratrix.

J. REDDING, AUCTIONEER, WILL SELL, THIS day, Friday, Jan. 5, at 1,098 Broadway, at 10 o'clock A. M., a large assortment of stand casks, screens, &c., together with a splendid patent morticing machine. Sale positive.

JOHN W. SOMERINDYKE, AUCTIONEER.—CONSTABLES' sales, this day, at the auction room, No. 110 Centre street, corner of Franklin, at 10½ o'clock, lard in tubs and firkins; Bologna sausages, head cheese, &c.; also liquor stand, casks, stand barrels, liquors, tumblers, drainers, demijohns, &c. J. W. SOMERINDYKE and ANDREW NESBIT, Constables.

MORTGAGE SALE—A. M. CRISTALAR, AUCTIONEER, 23 Bowery, will sell, this day at 10 o'clock, household furniture, consisting of mahogany and rosewood chairs, sofas, dressing bureaus, bedsteads, card, centre and dining tables for saloons, tete-a-tetes, couches, wardrobe, office chairs and stools, looking-glasses, clocks, paintings, engravings, feather beds and pillows, hair mattresses, stoves, crockery, decanters, &c., &c.

SALES EXTRAORDINARY.—THIS DAY, (FRIDAY,) Jan. 5, by WATERBURY & DYER, at their auction room No. 38 Broad street, at 10½ o'clock, $30,000 worth of diamond jewelry, gold watches, silver ware, &c., per steamship Washington, to be sold without reserve, for the importers, in consequence of their embarrassments. These goods are of the very finest quality and latest European patterns, comprising an immense variety of articles. For particulars see catalogues, as above.

SHERIFF SALE—WILL BE SOLD BY D. D. NASH, auctioneer, on Wednesday, the 3d of January, 1855, at 10½ o'clock, A. M., at No. 209 Bowery, a large assortment of rich and elegant furniture, (all new) consisting of oak, rosewood and mahogany centre and extension tables, chairs, bureaus, library cases, dressing tables, etageres, couches, arm chairs, tete-a-tetes, piano stools, sewing chairs, side boards, marble tops, &c., &c. Catalogues ready on the day of sale.

SHERIFF'S SALE—ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1855, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the foot of Fifty ninth street, North river, consisting of a quantity of pig iron, old boilers, scrap iron, machinery, pieces of timber, &c.

WILLIAM IRVING, AUCTIONEER. — SUPREME Court—By order of Hon. J. I. Roosevelt.—William Irving & Co. will sell at auction, on Saturday, January 6, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 8 Pine street, by order of Hon. J. I. Roosevelt, a large assortment of household furniture, being the entire stock of Messrs Cohen & Smit, consisting in part of elegant royal Wilton carpets, counterpanes, linen and muslin sheets, hair mattresses, feather beds, bolsters and pillows, silk window curtains, turkey red do., with lace under curtains, elegant marquetrie furniture, suits of parlor furniture covered in plush and brocatelle, aubisson carpets, mahogany sofas and chairs in haircloth, rosewood centre tables, elegant French plate pier glasses, mahogany amour à glace, rosewood bookcase, wardrobes mahogany French bedsteads, dressing bureaus with marble tops, washstands, suits of black walnut bedroom furniture, suits of painted cottage furniture, wool mattresses, toilet sets, black walnut and maple cane seat chairs, rosewood and mahogany etageres, mahogany extension dining tables, mahogany tea tables, arm chairs, ingrain carpets, Venetian stair carpets, &c., china dinner and tea sets, crockery and glassware, kitchen ware, &c. Also, about 100 watch movements. Also, at 12 o'clock, for account of whom it may concern, fine gold hunting watch and three stone diamond ring.

SALES AT AUCTION.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF SEVERAL WRITS of execution, to me directed and delivered, I will expose to sale, at public vendue, on Friday, the 5th day of January, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at No. 32 Broad street, a large assortment of dry goods, &c., &c.
JOHN ORSER, Sheriff.
N. S. SEAM, Deputy Sheriff.

WILLIAM TOPPING, AUCTIONEER, NO. 32 BROAD street.—Consignee's sale of watches.—An entire invoice of gold and silver watches, received by the Atlantic, will be sold without reserve, at 12 o'clock today, (Friday,) at the above mentioned auction rooms. This is the best lot of watches ever offered at auction in this city.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CAUTION.—A LETTER MAILED AT BALTIMORE ON the 21st December last, addressed to Salomon Kohnstamm, New York, containing—Lowman Brother's note at eight months, dated August 16, for four hundred and seventy-five 85-100 dollars, to their own order, and endorsed by them, has not come to hand. All parties are hereby cautioned against negotiating said note.

CAUTION.—THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED not to purchase tickets for the Southwars soiree which takes place on Monday evening, the 18th inst., at the Apollo Rooms, numbering from 166 to 175 inclusive. By order of the committee.
J. C. DOUGHTY, Sect. JULIAN BOTTS, Chairman.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, JANUARY 2, 1855.—THERE IS opened, at this office, a complaint book, under the charge of a competent person, for the purpose of receiving and entering all complaints of matters coming within the jurisdiction of the municipal authorities. The Mayor will entertain, and so far as the laws give him power, take cognizance of charges preferred by responsible parties for violation of ordinances and dereliction of duty upon the part of any person holding office under the city government. By order of the Mayor.
WM. H. STEPHENS, First Marshal.

All the papers in this city will please copy, and send their bills to this office.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS HAVING LUGGAGE AT the Fountain Hotel, 326 Greenwich street, must call for and remove the same, on or before the 10th day of January, 1855, otherwise it will be sold by public auction to pay expenses. Dated 29th December, 1854. F. G. HINTON, Proprietor. Country papers please copy.

NOTICE.—ALL LUGGAGE LEFT AT WESTERN Railroad Office, 157 Cedar street, will be sold at public auction on the 10th of this month, if not redeemed previously. WM. WILSON,
Western Railroad Office, 157 Cedar street.

OFFICE NEW YORK GAS LIGHT COMPANY, DEC. 20, 1854.—The annual election for thirteen directors of this company will be held on Monday, the 8th day of January next, at the office No. 174 Centre street, from 11 to 12 o'clock A. M. The transfer book will be closed from the 23d inst. until after the election. By order.
C. L. EVERITT, Secretary.

OFFICE SIXTH AVENUE RAILROAD COMPANY, New York, Jan. 2, 1855.—The annual election for directors of this company will be held at the depot on Sixth avenue and Forty-third street, on the 15th inst., between the hours of 1 and 3 P. M. By order of the Board. D. P. BARHYDT, Sec'y.

TO THE MERCHANTS, BROKERS AND CITIZENS IN general.—We the undersigned, composing the Soliciting Committee of the Mechanics' and Workingmen Aid Society, (appointed at the mass meeting, held in the Park, on Tuesday, Dec. 26th, 1854), do take this occasion to present to the public our appeal; also to disclaim, on our part, any connection with those who dissented from our noble intention at the Hope Chapel. The committee have opened a depot and office at 69 Fourth avenue, between Ninth and Tenth streets, for the purpose of receiving and distributing such moneys, provisions, clothing and fuel as may be donated to the association through any of the officers, superintendents or Soliciting Committee, and only such are authorised to receive the same. We therefore most respectfully appeal to the charitable public for aid and assistance in this good work, in relieving the unfortunate mechanics and workingmen who are out of employ and in want. Donations of any description will be thankfully received by any of the officers, superintendents and Soliciting Committee, or at the office and depot, 69 Fourth avenue.

N. B. All donations and subscriptions will be regularly announced weekly through the press.

Isaac Relyea, President; Jacob T. Smith, Secretary; W. A. Young, Thomas J. Fowler, Henry E. Rhiel, E. J. Sullivan, C. H. Wheeldon, F. Gein, jr., John W. Brice, Daniel Walford, Committee.

LECTURES.

SABBATH EVENINGS—IN RUTGERS STREET CHURCH. —The young men of the Rutgers street church have made an association for the purpose of sustaining a Sabbath evening lecture. The first of the course will be delivered next Sunday evening, January 7, at 7½ o'clock, by the pastor, Rev. D. Krebs. Subject: A question for the new year answered.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.—THE MAILS FOR CALIFORnia, &c., per steamer George Law, will close at this office on Friday, the 5th of January, at 1 o'clock P. M.
ISAAC V. FOWLER, Postmaster.

BILLIARDS.

BILLIARD PALACE, WITH EIGHT OR TEN TABLES, for sale or exchange for property in New York or vicinity. Location so good that a proper person can make from $4,000 to $6,000 per annum. Apply to W. COLE, at Bassford's rooms, No. 8 Ann street. Tables for sale or made to order.

TWO SUPERIOR SECOND HAND BILLIARD TABLES, in perfect order, for sale cheap, suitable for private or public use, with a large stock of new ones. One bagatelle table for sale. Call at our factory, 90 Ann street.
GRIFFITH & DECKER.

REWARDS.

$50 REWARD—WILL BE PAID TO ANY ONE WHO will return to John F. Driggs, 124 Amity street, or 222 Sprizg street, the Canse mortgage and two notes, taken from the dining room of the Astor House on the 11th instant, and no questions will be asked.

$25 REWARD WILL BE GIVEN TO ANY PERson who will give information which will lead to the detection of the person or persons who stole the following articles from the premises of Wm. Simpson, 116 Prince street, on Sunday afternoon, while the family were at church:—one lady's gold watch, chain, slide and key, made by S. I. Tobias, No. 584, Liverpool, with gold dial; two gold breast pins; one hair bracelet with gold ketch, marked M. S.; two gold pencils; two $20 gold pieces; one pair of earrings, representing an ear of corn; one finger ring with yellow stone in; one mourning ring, set with black jet and hair, valued at $165.
WM. SIMPSON.

$10 REWARD.—LOST, ON THE EVENING OF December 30, in going from Centre market, through Broome street, Broadway and Bleecker street, to Hudson street, a seven stone diamond cluster pin, rather small size; also, lost on January 2, a chased gold hook, from a lady's chatelain. $5 reward for the hook, and $10 for the pin will be paid on return of the same to 185 Laurens street.

$5 REWARD.—LOST—ON THE MORNING OF THE 3d inst., in removing the books and papers from the store No. 73 Water street, a small black morocco trunk, containing papers of no value to any person but the owner. The above reward will be paid if delivered at the police office, Franklin Market, or O. & A. Wetmore & Co., 58 Water street.

$5 REWARD.—LOST, IN BROOKLYN, A BLACK and tan colored terrier slut, with white breast; answers to the name of Fan. The above reward will be paid on leaving her at the grocery store on the corner of Division avenue and Wilson street, Brooklyn, or at 109 South Sixth street, Williamsburg.

LOST AND FOUND.

A FUR TIPPET LOST, IN BROADWAY, BETWEEN Sixteenth and Bleecker streets, on Monday night. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at 56 Bleecker street. MRS. PENNY.

FOUND—A GREYHOUND DOG, WHICH THE OWNER can have by applying to the porter at store 106 Broadway, corner Pine street.

FOUND—ON SATURDAY, DEC. 23, A LARGE BLACK dog, with the owner's name on the collar. The owner can have it by paying costs. Inquire of Thomas Kewing, Astor House.

LOST—$3 REWARD.—LOST, ON THE 1ST INSTANT a bunch of keys, marked G. R. Hill, Birmingham. The finder will receive the above reward by bringing them to C. Robbins, 75 Maiden lane.

LOST—A DIAMOND EARRING. FIFTEEN DOLLARS reward will be paid for its return to 22 West Seventeenth street.

LOST—ON THE EVENING OF THE 1st INSTANT, A horse and wagon, with two robes, one a black bear skin, the other a gray skin. The horse is a bay, with short tail. Whoever will return the said property to 73 Spring street, will be suitably rewarded.

LOST.—ON TUESDAY, THE 20 INST., IN GOING from Ninth avenue to Thirty-third street and Fifth avenue, a gold pencil and pen, marked with the owner's name. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the same at 169 Ninth avenue.

LOST—YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, BY A YOUNG lady, a gold locket, containing the likeness of a deceased brother. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at No. 42 Vesey street. It may have been lost in a Bleecker street stage.

LOST.—$20 REWARD.—LOST, IN OR NEAR THE ST. Nicholas Hotel, a gold scarf pin, enamelled red, and set in diamonds. The head of the pin is an imitation of a beetle. Twenty dollars reward will be given to any one who will bring the above-described pin to the office of the St. Nicholas Hotel.

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

NEW JERSEY RAILROAD.—FOR PHILADELPHIA and the South and West, via Jersey City Mail and express lines.—Leave New York at 8 and 10 A. M., and 4 and 6 P. M. Fare, $2 75 in 4, and $3 in 8 and 10 A. M. and 6 P. M.; second class, $2 25 in 10, at 12 M., at $2, stopping