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ALL ye lovers of the good things of this life, and we will tell you where you may obtain at least some of them. Thankful for past favors, I would respectfully ask a continuance of the same during this Spring and Summer. I am prepared to furnish all who will give me a call with the sweet and cooling Beverages in my line at short notice. Such as Ice Creams, Water Ices, of all flavors, Charlotte Reuse, Blancmange, &c. Cakes of all kinds. Also, foreign and domestic Fruits and Confectionery, generally kept in well regulated establishments of the kind.
Particular attention will be paid to furnishing Wedding or Bride's Cakes. Also, Parties, Balls, Excursions, Pic Nics, &c., &c., and upon reasonable terms.
Call at the old stand, Massachusetts avenue, between 9th and 10th streets, Northern Liberties.
N. B.—Best quality ICE CREAM sold at $1 50 per gallon.
may 7—eo3m JOHN W RIGHTSTINE.

U. S MARINE BAND.
THE undersigned would respectfully inform the Military, Firemen, Clubs, and the public generally, that by applying to him at the Marine Barracks, or at his residence, on E, between 9th and 10th sts. east, or by note at Hilbus & Hitz's Music Depot, they can obtain the services of the Marine Band, or a portion of it either as a brass, reed or cotillon band, which will embrace Louis Weber's unrivalled party. F. SCALA,
Conductor and Leader of Marine Band.
ap 30—1m*

A CARD.
"*Economy is the road to wealth.*"
Great Reduction in the price of Hats & Caps
THE undersigned, having made arrangements with a New York Hat Company to be constantly supplied with the very best Moleskin or DRESS HATS, got up in the latest style, offers them at the unprecedented low price of $3,50, worth from four to five dollars; second quality, $3, worth from $3.50 to $4; and a very good fashionable Hat at $2,50, worth from $3 to $3.50
Also, Beebe & Co's Hats, at a much less advance than they have been here to fore sold in this city.
First rate beaver Hats $3,50.
All kinds of soft HATS and CAPS very low.
In order to sell at the above low prices the cash system must be adopted; consequently those who purchase will not be charged from fifteen to twenty-five per cent. as an offset for bad debts.
ANTHONY,
(for many years in the employ of Todd & Co.) No. 3, Columbia place, 7th st., 2d door north of Penn. avenue.
ap 13—tf

ICE.
T. N. KIDWELL guarantees a full supply of ice to his customers in Washington or Georgetown, for the whole year, at fair prices.
Orders can be left at the following places or sent through the Post Office.
H. H. McPherson, Druggist, Capitol Hill
Kidwell & Laurence, corner of Pa. avenue and 14th streets
Mr. McPherson, Grocer, 7th street
G. F. Kidwell, Smith's Lumber Office, 6t st.
Joseph Moore, Druggist, Pa avenue, First Ward
Ice can be had at my office, No. 3 First street, Georgetown, at all times. Families will be supplied for the whole year at fair prices. ap 21—1m

IMPORTANT TO PERSONS BREAKING UP HOUSEKEEPING
PERSONS removing from the city, and wishing to dispose of their Furniture and Housekeeping Utensils, &c., without the trouble of sending them to public auction, can do so by calling on us at our store, 317 Pennsylvania avenue, corner of Ninth street, as we are prepared to buy all such goods as may be offered
Housekeepers and others will do well by calling on us, as we will pay the highest cash prices for all such goods. WALL, BARNARD & CO.
ap 26—1m 317 Pennsylvania avenue.

PALMER'S PATENT LEG.
THIS AMERICAN INVENTION stands unrivalled both in this country and in Europe. It is worn by 1,000 persons, and with most astonishing success. In competition with 30 other substitutes of the best French, English, and German manufacture, it received the award of the GREAT MEDAL at the WORLD'S EXHIBITION IN LONDON, as the best artificial limb known. In this country it has been thirty times exhibited, in competition with all others, at the annual Fairs in the principal cities, and has, in every instance, received the award of the highest or first premium. And as a crowning honor, by the unanimous approval of an international council, the "First Premium" - only *Silver Medal* given for Limbs—was awarded the inventor, at the New York Crystal Palace.
Pamphlets giving full information, sent gratis to every applicant. B. FRANK PALMER,
375 Chesnut street, Philadelphia.
feb 28—3m

TAKE NOTICE.
NEW SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.
P. W. BROWNING, Merchant Tailor, under the United States Hotel, has just received a large supply of Spring and Summer Goods, and is now prepared to offer great bargains to all in want of good and fashionable clothing. His "Ready-made Clothing" will be sold at the following low prices:
Whole suits, Coat, Pantaloons, and Vest, of thin cloth or cassimere, for $12.
Fine Black Frock and Dress Coats, from $10 to $15.
Good Business Coats for $7.
Black and Fancy Pants, from $3 to $7.
Marseilles and Silk Vests, from $2 to $5.
He keeps always on hand a large assortment of fancy articles, such as Shirts, Gloves, Cravats, Umbrellas, &c.
"Sole Agent for the sale of Scott's Fashions."
mar 19—tj

LOOK HERE!!!
MORE BOUNTY LAND TO *ALL* who served in ANY WAR since 1790, whether as Officers Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Clerks, Indians, Chaplains, Wagon Masters, Teamsters, Landsmen, (or their widows or minor children) who have not yet received full 160 acres, and have been in service 14 days, will do well to write to us, *postpaid*, and their Land Warrants will be forwarded to them for the above quantity, and no charge if they do not get it.
LLOYD & CO.,
Claim Agent's Office, opposite U. S. Treasury, Washington City, D. C mar 6—3m

CARRIAGES—CARRIAGES.
I HAVE now on hand, and constantly finishing, a very large assortment of Pleasure and Family CARRIAGES, of the latest fashions, which I will sell as low as the same quality of work can be sold in any of the principal markets of the United States.
The subscriber is now dealing exclusively in Carriages of his own manufacture, and all work sold by him will be warranted, and compare favorably with any work in this market. As I always keep a large assortment, I invite purchasers and others to examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere.
Carriages built to order. Old Carriages taken in exchange, or repaired at the shortest notice.
THOMAS YOUNG,
Sign of the Golden Horse,
No. 499 Pa. avenue and 4½ street.
may 1—eo3m

LAW PARTNERSHIP.
ROBERT J. WALKER and LOUIS JANIN have formed a co partnership under the firm of "Walker & Janin," for the management and argument of cases in the Supreme Court of the United States, and before the Court of Claims at Washington City.
Address Washington, D. C. may 10—eo3m

SILVER WARE, PLATED WARE AND FINE FANCY GOODS.—Silver Coffee and Tea Sets, Sugar Bowls, Cream Jugs, Goblets, Cups, Spoons and Forks. Also, a great variety of magnificent Fancy Silver Ware, suitable for presents.
Plated Coffee Sets, Castors, Baskets, Spoons and Forks, on best Albata.
The articles are warranted as represented, and will be sold at a small advance.
H. SEMKEN,
330 Pa. avenue, bet. 9th and 10th streets.
mar 29—tf

FOR SALE.—A Pair of BAY MARES, 7 years old next spring, well-bred, sound, stylish, gentle, spirited and capital goers. They are well-broken and perfectly free from tricks, and will particularly suit any gentleman who is fond of driving. The owner parts with them only because his purpose is to retrench his expenses. They can be seen at Southron's (late Birch's) Stable, on 14th street, south of Pa. avenue. For terms, or an opportunity to try them, enquire at the counter of the Star office. They will be sold a bargain.
ap 3—tf

CHARLES HASKINS, Architect.
(Pa. avenue, between Tenth and Eleventh streets,)
WASHINGTON, D. C.
WILL continue to furnish Plans, detail working drawings, and specifications of buildings of every description, and also to superintend their erection.
feb 1—tf

NEW AND SECOND-HAND HOUSE FURNISHING ESTABLISHMENT,
395 Pennsylvania avenue,
Between Four-and-a-half and Sixth sts., s. side,
WHERE will be kept constantly on hand a large and excellent assortment of all kinds of housekeeping goods such as—
Parlor and Chamber Furniture, Bedding, &c
Queensware, Glassware, Tinware, Wood and Willowware
Table Cutlery, Carpets, Cooking Utensils
Clocks, Looking Glasses, Lamps, &c.
All of which will be sold at the lowest possible prices for cash or good paper.
may 8—eo2w J. R. McGREGOR.

WALTER D. DAVIDGE. CHRISTOPHER INGLE.
DAVIDGE & INGLE
HAVING formed a co partnership will practice law in this District and adjoining States.
may 17—eo2w

PLEASURE TRIPS
TO THE WHITE HOUSE PAVILION.
The Steamers GEO. WASHINGTON or THOS COLLYER can be chartered for public or select parties to visit the White House Pavilion, Mount Vernon, Fort Washington, or other places on the river.
The White House Pavilion is now open for visitors. It is a beautiful place for pleasure trips; it has a fine Ball and Dining room, also, a new Ten Pin Alley
☞For particulars apply to the President of the Company, or the Captains of the Boats.
Mr. WILLIAM COKE is furnishing refreshments on the boats, and is prepared to furnish parties on the best terms. ap 26—2m

REESE'S EAGLE PLUMBING AND GAS-FITTING DEPOT.
THE subscriber respectfully announces to his friends and the public in general that he has received the first lot of the celebrated DODGE'S DOUBLE ACTING SUCTION AND FORCE PUMP, which received the *SILVER MEDAL* at the late Fair of the Metropolitan Mechanics' Institute, and is now prepared to furnish all who may favor him with a call.
His stock of GAS FIXTURES are unsurpassed in the District.
With his corps of competent workmen he prides himself to fill any orders in the PLUMBING AND GAS-FITTING line with promptness and despatch.
☞All work done warranted to give complete satisfaction JOHN REESE,
may 3—tf cor. Sixth st. and Pa avenue.

PERSONS WITH DEFECTIVE vision are invited to examine my extensive stock of all kinds of SPECTACLES AND EYE-GLASSES. Glasses of any kind, such as Cataract, Parabola, Periscopic, Double Concave, Double Convex, and Colored Glasses, put in at short notice, with great care, and persons in want of glasses may be sure to get those which benefit the eye.
☞Circulars "Defective Vision," gratis at
H. SEMKEN'S,
330 Pa. avenue, betw. 9th and 10th sts.
mar 30

GREAT BARGAINS
IN LADIES', GENTS', MISSES', AND CHILDRENS' BOOTS AND SHOES.—The subscriber being compelled to remove from the store he now occupies, offers his present well-assorted stock of BOOTS AND SHOES at greatly reduced prices. All persons in want of the article will find it to their advantage to call before purchasing elsewhere.
A. H. SLOAN,
No 304 Pa. av., near 10th st., north side.
may 1—tf

BY RAILROAD DIRECT TO
THE WEST.
Time between Washington and Wheeling but 17½ hours!
Running time between Washington and Cincinnati 27 hours!!
Through Tickets and Baggage Checks to be had in Washington!!!
THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD
HAVING greatly improved its Western connections now offers the fullest inducements to travelers between Washington, Baltimore, and all portions of the West, the Northwest and the Southwest.
The connection between the trains from Washington and the trains bound west from Baltimore is always promptly made at the Washington Junction (lately called the Relay House) 9 miles from Baltimore. This is the only change of cars required between Washington and the Ohio river. Baggage is checked through to Wheeling at the Washington station, and rechecked and transferred there, (with the passengers) without charge, for those holding through tickets for points beyond. The connecting trains leave Washington daily at 6 a. m. and 4½ p. m. On Sundays at the latter hour only.
At Wheeling *direct connection* is made with the trains of the CENTRAL OHIO RAILROAD, running from Bellaire on the Ohio, near Wheeling, through Cambridge, Zanesville and Newark, to COLUMBUS. These trains connect at Newark with the cars of the Newark, Mansfield and Sandusky Railroad for Sandusky, Toledo, Detroit, Chicago St. Louis, etc.
At Columbus the C. O. Railroad trains connect with the fast trains of the *Little Miami Railroad* to Xenia, CINCINNATI, LOUISVILLE, etc. At *Xenia* (on Little Miami Railroad) connection is formed with the trains through *Dayton*, to INDIANAPOLIS, Terre Haute, Lafayette, Chicago, Rock Island, St. Louis, etc.
☞Passengers holding through tickets for *Memphis Vicksburg, Natchez, New Orleans* etc., which are also sold at Washington are transferred at Cincinnati to the Mail Steamers on the Ohio. Tickets for Evansville, Cairo, and St. Louis are sold by this route.
☞FOR CLEVELAND, and via Cleveland to Toledo, Detroit, Chicago, etc., tickets are sold when the Ohio is navigable between Wheeling and Wellsville (forty miles) where a connection with the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad is made.
Travellers are requested to notice that while this is the only route affording through tickets and checks in Washington, it is also the shortest, most speedy, and direct to nearly all the leading points in the great West. The distance from Washington to Cincinnati is but 653 miles, being about 100 miles shorter than by any other route!
FARE BY THROUGH TICKET FROM WASHINGTON: To Wheeling, $9 50; Columbus $13 65; Dayton, $15 50; Cincinnati, $16; Louisville, by railroad $18 65, by steamer from Cincinnati, $18; Indianapolis, $17 50; Cleveland, $12 15; Toledo, $15 80; Detroit, $15 20; Chicago, $20 65 and $19 50; St. Louis, $28 50 and $25, Memphis, $26; New Orleans, $31, etc.
☞FOR FREDERICK and HARPER'S FERRY MARTINSBURG, BERKELEY SPRINGS, CUMBERLAND, BEDFORD SPRINGS, Piedmont, Oakland, and Fairmount, passengers may leave Washington at 6 a m or 4½ p. m. For the minor way stations between Baltimore and Wheeling, take 6 a m train from Washington.
☞For trains to and from Baltimore, Annapolis, etc., see special advertisements.
☞For further information, through tickets, &c., apply to THOS. H. PARSONS, Agent, at Washington Station. JOHN H. DONE,
Master of Transportation
Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, Baltimore.
may 3—tf

SODA WATER.
THE undersigned having purchased Swan's Patent Apparatus for the preparation of SODA WATER, from Super-Carbonate of Soda, respectfully informs the public that the fountain is now in full and successful operation. This method of preparing Soda Water is warmly recommended by the Medical Faculties in the Northern and Western cities, not only as producing a pleasant, innocent, and healthy beverage for all persons, but one highly beneficial in all disorders of the stomach. Sirups of all flavors, including those of Brandy, Wine, and Champagne, freshly manufactured, of the very best materials, on the premises, always on hand.
C. GAUTIER,
ap 30—eo3w No. 252 Pa. avenue.

NEW AND OLD PIANOS.
WE have now in store the largest assortment of PIANOS ever offered in this city, from Hallet, Davis & Co., Bacon & Raven, and Knabe, Gaehle & Co.'s celebrated manufactories. These Pianos we guarantee, and sell upon very easy terms
Also, a new Piano used only a few months, which we offer at the low price of $200 cash; a second-hand Piano, by Andre Stien, for $75.
A very fine second hand Chickering Piano for sale or rent at a bargain.
Old Pianos taken in exchange for new.
Always on hand, Stools, Covers, Violins, Guitars, Flutes, Accordeons, Music, &c. &c.
JOHN F. ELLIS,
306 Pennsylvania avenue,
may 19 bet. 9th and 10th streets.

Auction Sales.

By J. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.
VALUABLE IMPROVED PROPERTY AT Public Sale.—On FRIDAY afternoon, June 1, at 5½ o'clock, on the premises, I shall sell, by order of the Orphans' Court, that valuable piece of property situated at the corner of 10th and E street, and generally known as the Medical College. The lot fronts 61 feet 1 inch on E street by 58 feet on 10th street, containing 3,543 square feet.
The building consists of a substantial and well-built three-story brick Building, which is admirably adapted for a warehouse, for manufacturing or school purposes. Portions of this building are now under very satisfactory rent.
Title perfect
Terms: One-third cash; the residue in 6, 12, 18, and 24 months, with interest, secured by a deed of trust on the premises.
S. H. NOURSE, Administratrix,
By WM. NOURSE, Attorney,
JAS. C. McGUIRE,
may 8—eo&ds Auctioneer.

By J. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.
PEREMPTORY SALE OF THE STEAMER UNION. On FRIDAY afternoon, June 1st, at 5 o'clock, at Page's Wharf, at the foot of Seventh street, I shall sell, without reserve, the nearly new steamer called the "Union," at present running as a ferry boat between this city and Alexandria.
This steamer was built in Washington city in the year 1852; is 102 feet in length, breadth of beam 24 feet 6 inches. She measures 411.40 95 tons custom house measurement, as per enrollment. Her engine is a first class seventy five horse power engine built by Smith and Perkins, Alexandria, Va. She runs either end foremost, and is very convenient for loading and unloading freight.
Terms: One half cash, the residue in 6 months, with interest, satisfactorily secured.
JAS. C. McGUIRE,
may 3—eo&ds Auctioneer.

By J. C McGUIRE, Auctioneer.
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A VERY VALUABLE Building Lot in the First Ward.—On TUESDAY afternoon, May 22d, at 5½ o'clock, on the premises, the subscriber, by virtue of a deed of trust dated May 6, 1854, and duly recorded in Liber J. A. S., No. 79, folios 253, &c., one of the land records for Washington county, District of Columbia, will sell that valuable building Lot known as Lot No 16, in Square No. 102, fronting 50 feet 11 inches on north H, between 20th and 21st sts., running back 140 feet 10 inches
Terms of sale: One-half cash; the residue in six and twelve months, with interest, secured by a deed of trust on the premises.
If the terms of sale are not complied with within five days thereafter, the Trustee reserves the right to resell at the risk and expense of the defaulting purchaser.
All conveyances at cost of purchaser.
H. C SPALDING, Trustee.
JAS. C. McGUIRE,
may 7—eod Auctioneer.

By C. W. BOTELER, Auctioneer.
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF TWO small FRAME Houses on the Island.—On MONDAY, the 28th of May, instant, by virtue of a deed of trust bearing date the 17th of November, 1854, and recorded in Liber "J A S," No. 87, folios 319, 320, &c., one of the land records of Washington county, District of Columbia, the subscriber will sell, at public auction, in front of the premises,
Part of Lot 12, in Square No. 585, on which are erected two small frame houses, fronting on South F street.
Terms of sale: One-fourth in hand, and the remainder in 2, 4 and 6 months, with interest, secured by a deed of trust.
All conveyancing at cost of purchaser.
Either or both of the Houses can be had at private sale by application to B. P. Smith, Esq., at the City Hall. JAS C. MAUPIN, Trustee.
C. W. BOTELER,
may 1—eo Auctioneer.

By, Auc JAS. C McGUIRE, Auctioneer.
VERY DESIRABLE BUILDING LOT at Auction.—On TUESDAY afternoon, June 12th, at 6 o'clock, on the premises, the subscriber will sell, by virtue of a deed of trust from Basil Lancaster, dated September 22d 1848, and duly recorded in Liber J. A. S., No 1, folios 380, &c. one of the land records for Washington county, all that piece or parcel of ground and premises designated upon the ground plan of said city as Lot No. 28, in Square 197, having a front of 49 feet nine inches on 15th st. west, between north L and M streets, running back 197 feet to a 30 feet alley, with a 15 feet alley running the full depth of the lot on the side.
This lot is situated in a rapidly improving part of the First Ward and is very desirably located
Terms: $450 in cash, the residue in 6 and 12 months, with interest, secured by a deed of trust on the premises.
All conveyancing at cost of purchaser.
JAS. H. COLLINS, Trustee.
JAS. C. McGUIRE,
may 11—2aw&ds Auctioneer.

By GREEN & SCOTT, Auctioneers.
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL Estate.—By virtue of a decree of the Orphans' Court of the District of Columbia, for the county of Washington, approved by the Circuit Court of said District, sitting in chancery, passed in the matter of the petition of William Whitmore, et al, children and heirs-at-law of William W Whitmore, late of said county, deceased, I will, on THURSDAY, the 31st day of May, 1855, at 6½ o'clock p. m., in front of the premises, proceed to sell Lots of ground numbered seventeen (17) and eighteen (18) in Square numbered five hundred and three (503) situate in the city of Washington, and District aforesaid.
The above described property is situated on the northwest corner of 6th street west and N street south, and contains in the aggregate about fourteen thousand square feet of ground.
Terms of sale: One-third cash, and the residue in two equal payments at six and twelve months, with interest from day of sale. The deferred payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers satisfactorily endorsed.
Upon the full payment of the purchase money and interest and the ratification of the sale by the Court, the trustee will convey said lots of ground to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, at his or their cost and expense.
If the terms of sale are not complied with within five days from the day of sale, the trustee reserves the right to resell said lots, or either of them, upon reasonable notice, at the risk and cost of the first purchaser. RICHARD H. LASKEY,
Trustee.
GREEN & SCOTT,
may 15—eo2w&ds Auctioneers.

By J. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE AND eligibly situated House and Lot on 6th street west, between E and F streets north.—By virtue of a deed of trust, bearing date on the 10th day of February, 1853, and recorded in Liber J. A. S., No. 51, folios 364, &c, the subscriber will sell at public sale, on MONDAY, the 28th day of May, 1855, at 5½ o'clk p. m, on the premises, Lot No. 4, in Square No. 488, fronting 24 feet 9¾ inches on 6th street west, between E and F streets north, by 93 feet 4 inches deep, with the buildings and improvements, consisting of a four-story brick dwelling-house, with a back building, built of the best material and in the best manner, and very commodious, with all the modern improvements, and in all respects one of the most desirable houses in Washington, and but recently built, and well known as the property of Peter Bevner. The property is situated in one of the healthiest and most desirable parts of the city, and offers to persons seeking a residence or investment an opportunity seldom occurring.
The terms of sale will be: One-half cash, and the balance in 6, 12, 18, and 24 months, for notes bearing interest from day of sale, secured by a deed in trust udon the property. If the terms of sale are not complied with in six days after the sale, the property will be resold, upon one week's notice, at the risk and expense of the purchaser. All conveyancing at the expense of the purchaser.
CHAS. S. WALLACH, Trustee.
JAS. C. McGUIRE,
ap 26—3taw&ds Auctioneer.

CANAL PACKET LINE TO POINT ROCKS
THE Canal Packet CONGRESS having been thoroughly repaired, and put in first rate order, will commence running on MONDAY, the 30th instant, for the transportation of passengers and light freight between Georgetown and the above named point, on the most pleasing terms.
The Boat will leave the wharf of W. H. Ritter foot of the Point of Rocks on every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY mornings, at 7 o'clock, and the Point of Rocks for Georgetown on TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAYS, at the same hour, stopping at the different landings along the line for the reception and landing of passengers and freight, going and returning.
Passage through either way $2, shorter distances at the same rates. That is to say, from Georgetown to Great Falls 50 cents; Seneca 75 cents; Edwards Ferry $1.25; Monocacy $1.50.
Meals served regularly on board the Boat at moderate rates.
JOHN CROMBAUGH,
Proprietor,
CHARLES MERRELL,
ap 23—1m Captain.

Amusements.

GRAND
REGIMENTAL BALL.
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE on behalf of the First Regiment, Third Brigade of the Militia of the District of Columbia, take great pleasure in informing the citizens generally, that their FIRST GRAND BALL will be held at the NATIONAL THEATRE, on MONDAY EVENING, May 21st, 1855.
The Committee would respectfully beg leave to cordially invite the ladies generally, and sincerely hope that they will greet us with their appearance, and regret exceedingly that the shortness of time for making arrangements compelled them to dispense with Special Invitation.
Prof. Munder has kindly volunteered his services as Floor Manager on that occasion.
Tickets $1, and can be procured at Flint's Hotel; Wm. F. Bayly's Stationery Store; M. H. Stevens & Co., Browns' Hotel; Willson & Hayward's, Union Hall; and of any of the Executive Committee.

OOMMITTEE OF RECEPTION.

Col W H Hickey,	Capt J A Tait,
Lt Col Riley,	Capt P B Key,
Maj Keyworth,	Capt Jos Peck,
Adjutant Bacon,	Capt Schwarzmann,
Surgeon Morgan,	Capt Devers,
Qr Master McCollum,	Lieut Com'g Mulloy,
Qr Master Sergt King,	Capt Shekell,
Capt Davis,	Capt Jamieson,
Capt Towers,	Capt Reese,
Capt Bright,	

MANAGERS ON PART OF THE MILITARY.
Washington Light Infantry.
Serg't James E. Powers, Henry Warner, Charles E. Nelson.
National Greys.
Serg't Eagan, Jno Bradley, Corp'l Maguire.
Boone Rifles.
Pioneer Robinson, Henry Green, Serg't Buckingham.
National Guard.
Ensign Lloyd, Private Johnson, Serg't Bishop.
Montgomery Guards.
Serg't McEniry, Private O'Leary, Secretary O'Sullivan.
President's Mounted Guard.
Serg't Hayward, John T. Evans, Samuel Owens.
German Yagers.
Serg't Ruppell, Conrad Finkmann, Julius Viedt
American Riflemen.
Serg't Gibson, John Y. Donn, Corp'l Champion.
Washington Highlanders
Sgt Campbell, Andrew Bain, James Harrover.
Scott Guards.
Sgt Keyworth George McKean, Charles Masi.
Union Guards.
Qr Mr Donelly, Sgt Harrison, Mr O'Callahan
Marion Rifles.
Sgt Foxwell, Sgt Galt, Henry Keefer.

MANAGERS ON PART OF THE CITIZENS'
George Washington Park Custis

Hon J T Towers	Francis Mohun	H Taylor
Walter Lenox	E Doyle	J D Hoover
W W Seaton	Wm Dougherty	Arch'd Campbell
Peter Force	A N Clements	Jas Adams
Silas H Hill	G Ennis	Thos Parsons
W W Corcoran	C Dunnington	R C Morgan
B B French	Jno L Wirt	J A Linton
G Parker	R J Roche	Jos Gales
J H Eaton	J L Henshaw	Andrew Hancock
W H Winter	J W Forney	H S Polkinhorn
A Provost	T Carberry	A Dickens
C H Winder	Jas G Berret	J H Kirkwood
J F Coyle	C Hill	A T Kickhoffer
R Wallach	C Wheeler	A J H White
Chas Maury	Dr Maynard	S Lewis
S Redfern	T S Donoghue	G A Jillard
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Franck Taylor	Vespacian Ellis	Alex Lee
Edw Owen	R Coyle	Thomas Berry.
Chas Kleman	W H Thomas	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Lt Clarke, Infantry,	Capt Reese, Highlanders
Lt Shekell, N Greys,	Lt Simms, A Rifles,
Lt Sanderson, B Rifles,	Lt Wallingsford, S Guard
Lt Bird, N Guards,	Lt Flint, P M Guard,
Lt Riley, M Guards,	Lt Wroe, M Rifles,
Lt Debille, G Yagers,	Lt Briggs, U Guards,

Capt. J. Y. Davis, of the Light Infantry, Treasurer
may 15— (Intel)

GRAND MILITARY AND CIVIC
MOONLIGHT EXCURSION
OF THE
BOONE RIFLE CORPS.
THE BOONE RIFLE CORPS most respectfully announce to the citizens of Washington, Georgetown and Alexandria, that they have chartered the swift and splendid steamer GEORGE WASHINGTON for an excursion on WEDNESDAY afternoon the 23d May, to the WHITE HOUSE PAVILION
The boat will leave Washington at 2 o'clk, Navy Yard at 2¼, and Alexandria at 3½. Returning, she will leave the White House at a seasonable hour, and touch at all of the above places.
The Committee have made the most extensive arrangements to render this excursion one of the most pleasant of the season.
The Refreshment department will be conducted by a competent and accommodating caterer.
A Brass and String Band are engaged for the occasion.
Should the day prove unfavorable the excursion will be postponed until further notice.
Tickets $1—admitting a gentleman and two ladies
Tickets to be had of any of the Committee, or at the boat on the day of the excursion.

Committee of Arrangements.

Capt M E Bright,	W B O'Donnel,
Lt H N Ober,	W J Woods,
Lt C M Sanderson,	W G Smoot,
Ensign W B Dobbins,	J W Nokes,
Sgt T H Robinson,	John Russel,
Sgt B B Suit,	James Mahoney.
Sgt J A Simmons,	may 12,16,21,23—4t

GRAND PIC NIC
OF THE
NORTHERN LIBERTIES' FIRE CO.
THE NORTHERN LIBERTIES' FIRE COMPANY respectfully make known to their friends and the public generally that they will give their first PIC NIC, on THURSDAY, June 7th, 1855, to the WHITE HOUSE
The Company will spare no pains or expense to insure satisfaction.
The Refreshments will be served by an experienced caterer, Mr A. Columbus.
Visiting Companies will appear in uniform
The boat will leave Georgetown at 1 o'clock; Washington at 2; Navy Yard at 2½; and Alexandria at 3 p. m
Tickets ONE DOLLAR—admitting a gentleman and ladies—to be had of any of the Committee of Arrangements.

Committee.

E G Evans,	H Knight,	S Culverwell,
S P Robertson,	H Keenan,	R Warren,
J T Halleck,	C Matlock,	A Columbus,
J H Goddard, jr	T Dawson,	J Stafford,
Mid Birkhead,	L Newmyer,	J King.
S Taylor,		

may 19—eotd

PROPOSALS FOR FUEL.
QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE MARINE CORPS, Washington, 10th May, 1855.
SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until Friday, the 25th of May inst., at 10 o'clock a. m., for supplying to the Marines stationed in Washington city from 1st July, 1855, to 30th of June, 1856, such quantities of Wood and Coal as may be required upon the Quarterly requisitions of Commanding Officers
The wood to be best oak sapling, and the coal best anthracite, free from dust, broken and screened, both to be delivered at such points within the barrack walls, as may be designated, free of expense to the United States. may 11—3taw t25th

Mr. W. HENRY PALMER,
HITHERTO KNOWN AS
ROBERT HELLER,
HAS much pleasure in informing his friends and the public in general that he has determined on locating himself in this city, and is prepared to receive pupils for instruction on the PIANO FORTE, HARMONY and COMPOSITION. He is permitted to refer to Mr George Riggs, Jr., and Mr. A. T Kleckhoefer, and any communication addressed to him at Hilbus & Hitz's music store, Pennsylvania avenue, will have immediate attention.
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EVENING STAR.

WHAT A PAIR OF ANDIRONS COST.
"Peter," said my uncle, knocking the ashes from his pipe, and laying it on the corner of the shelf, and then fixing his eyes on the andirons. "Peter, those andirons cost me one thousand dollars!"
"Dear me!" exclaimed my aunt.
"Oh father!" cried the girls.
"Impossible!" said I.
"True, every word true. One thousand did I say?—yes, two thousand—full two thousand dollars!"
"Well, well," said my aunt, folding up her knitting for the night, I should like to know what you are talking about."
My uncle bent forward, and planting his hands firmly on his parted knees, and with a deliberate air, which showed no doubt of his being able to prove his assertion, he began:
"Well, you see, a great many years ago, we had a pair of common old andirons. Your cousin Letty says one day, "Father, don't you think these old andirons are getting too shabby?" Shabby or not, I thought they would hold the wood up as nicely as if they were made of gold. Soon after that, Peter," continued my uncle, "your aunt took it up—"
"There it goes," interrupted my aunt, "you can't get along without dragging me in."
"Your aunt took it up, Peter, and she said, "our neighbors could afford brass andirons, and they were no better off than we were. And she said Letty and her sister Jane were just getting old enough to see company, and the stingy looking andirons might hurt their market. I knew that women will have their own way, and there is no use in objecting, and so I got the andirons."
"The price of them was four dollars and a half—"
"Ah, that's more like it," cried my aunt; "I thought you said $2.000?"
"My dear, I wish you wou'd not interrupt me. Four and a half. Well, the first night after we had got them, as we all sat by the warm fire talking over the matter, Letty called my attention to the hearth, the stones of which were cracked and uneven. The hearth was entirely out of keeping with the new andirons, and I thought I might as well have it replaced first as last. The next day a mason was sent for to examine it. He came in my absence, and when I returned home, your aunt and cousins all beset me at once to have a marble slab, and they put their heads together."
"La me!" exclaimed my aunt, "there was no putting heads together about it. The hearth was a real worn out thing, not fit for a pig pen."
"They put their heads together, Peter, as I was saying, and continued till I got a marble hearth, which cost me twenty dollars—yes, twenty dollars at least. Then I thought I was done with expenses, but I was wrong. Soon I began to hear sly hints thrown out about the brick work around the fire-place corresponding with the hearth. I stood out a moment or two against your aunt and the girls; but they at length got the better of me, and I was forced to have marble instead of brick. And then the old wooden mantel-piece was so out of character that it was necessary to have a marble one. The cost of all this was was nearly one hundred. And now that the spirit of improvement had got a start, there was no stopping. The new marble mantel put to shame the old white-washed walls, and they must be painted, of course, and to prepare them for paint, sundry repairs were necessary. When this was going on, your aunt and the girls appeared to be quite satisfied, and when it was done, they had no idea that the old parlor could be made to look so spruce. But this was only a short respite. The old rag carpet began to raise a dust, and I found there would be no peace"—
"Now, my dear!" said the old lady with a pleasing smile, accompanied with a partial rotation of the head—
"Now, father!" exclaimed the girls—
"Till I got a new carpet. That, again, shamed the old furniture, and it had to be turned out and replaced with new. Now, Peter, count my lad—twenty dollars for the hearth, and one hundred and thirty for the mantel-piece and repairs. What does that make?"
"One hundred and fifty, uncle."
"Well, fifty for paper and paint?"
"Two hundred."
"Then fifty for a carpet, and one hundred at least for furniture."
"Ahem! There's that clock, too, and the blind—fifty more"—
My aunt and cousins winked at each other.
"Now," contined my uncle, "so much for this one room. No sooner was the room finished than the complaint came from all quarters about the dining-room and entry. Long before this I had surrendered at discretion, and handed in my submission. The dining-room cost two hundred more. What does that count, Peter?"
"Eight hundred, uncle."
"Then the chambers—at least four hundred to make them chime with the down stairs."
"Twelve hundred."
"The outside of the house had to be repaired and painted, of course. And two hundred for that?"
"Fourteen hundred."
Then there must be must be a piazza in front—that costs two hundred."
"Sixteen hundred."
Here aunt began to yawn, Letty to poke the fire, and Jane to twirl over the leaves of a book.
"A new carriage came next, Peter; that cost two hundred dollars."
Eighteen hundred dollars."
"Then there was a lawn to be laid out and neatly fenced, a servant to be hired, parties given occasionally, bonnets and dresses at double the former costs, and a hundred other little expenses in keeping with the new order of things. Yes, Peter, I was entirely within bounds when I said two thousand dollars."
The opposition was silent. My aunt immediately rose and guessed it was bed time. I was left alone with my uncle, who was not inclined to drop the subject. He was a persevering man, and never gave up what he undertook, till he had done thoroughly. So he brought out his books and accounts, and set about making an exact estimate of the expenses. He kept me up till after midnight, before he got through. His conclusion was, that the pair of andirons cost him twenty-four hundred and fifty dollars.

FIRESIDE STORY ABOUT HONESTY.
One evening a poor man and his son, a little boy, sat by the way side, near the gate of an old town in Germany. The father took a loaf of bread, which he had bought in town, and broke it, and gave the half to his boy. "Not so, father," said the boy, "I shall not eat till after you. You have been working all day at small wages to