THE EVENING STAR.

JOTTINGS OF A WASHINGTONIAN.

MONTREAL, C. E., August 17, 1864.—*Dear Star:* Our last letter was from Portland, a thriving, prosperous city, of which its citizens are justly proud. Many of the buildings are handsome and commodious, especially the City Hall, which is the neatest edifice of the kind we have yet seen. In fact, the place bears the impress of thrift and industry. Its harbor is one of the finest in the world, and its commercial importance cannot be over-estimated. Here we met our new "Chancellor of the exchequer," Hon. W. P. Fessenden, a plain, unpretending looking man, but conceded to be one of the first statesmen in America. His appearance was feeble and careworn, and it is to be hoped that he will be benefitted by the relaxation. As he jokingly remarked, he "had only run away long enough to pay his taxes." Maine and the country both have confidence in the new Secretary. May health and strength be given to enable him to discharge his duty to his country in this her trying hour.

Here we also met the Congressional Committee on Coast Defenses, engaged in a tour of inspection of the coast fortifications of the East, Hon. Mr. Rice, of Maine, chairman. A large number of invited guests, including numerous representatives of the Press, accompanied them, and the indications were "a good time" generally.

The corporations of Portland, Bangor, and other cities, had extended to them their hospitalities. An invitation was courteously given the gentlemen of our party to accompany them in their visit that day to the fortifications in and around Portland Bay, and those of us who went were much gratified and benefitted. The importance of having our coast defenses in proper condition and fighting trim, cannot be over-estimated, when we consider the fact that not a hundred miles distant at that very hour the pirate Tallahassee was preying upon our commerce and ravaging our coasting trade.

We visited Cape Cottage, a noted summer resort, about 4 miles from Portland, but a much greater distance from anything like comfort or pleasure. It is beautifully situated, however, and susceptible of being made a delightful place. At 10 p. m., took steamer "Lady Lary" for Bangor, and a couple of hours after, whilst engaged in swilling that *terrible stuff known as New England Whiskey* in the cabin, felt a wonderful change in the motion of the boat so great as to land the glass from which we were drinking in the opposite corner, whilst we were deposited through the door of an adjoining stateroom upon its floor. At a loss to account for this strange action on the part of our propelling organs, and fearing it might be the result of the terrible stuff we had been imbibing, we hastily sought our feet and upon reaching an erect position, realized that we were on the ocean and "in a swell." We hate swells, be they human or ocean, and the experience of that moment didn't serve to lessen that feeling.

Considerable commotion was at this moment evident above us, where our ladies were sitting, and steadying ourselves by any projecting object sufficient to support us, we sought the upper cabin, where we beheld about one hundred unfortunate individuals in the incipient stages of sea-sickness. Oh, it was a ghastly party! Occasionally some overcharged sister would rise and rush hastily to her stateroom, and as she laid hand on door knob the door would open violently, and she shoot like a meteor from our sight.

We resolved to brave it out; so lighting cigars we took positions on the after deck. The night was dark and stormy, waves running high. Pretty soon heads began to swim, and it wasn't long before we realized the Hoosier's description of sea-sickness:—"The first hour he was afraid he'd die—the next hour he was afraid he wouldn't."

We speedily sought state-rooms, heads feeling as large as barrels, and stomachs as uneasy as the waters beneath us.

Next morning we entered Penobscot Bay. The scenery along the bay and river, is bold and striking, and we, who had often read of "iron bound" coasts, but never seen them, could now realize the appropriateness and grandeur of the term. Penobscot River is dotted along its shores with beautiful, thriving, towns, some of them very ancient. Its channel is navigable for ships of great draught and size, the rise and fall of tide being about 17 feet. The lighthouse situated at the entrance of the river, is in a very commanding position, and its appearance striking and picturesque. Far off to the right is the ancient town of "Castine," said to be the oldest town in these parts. Steaming up the river we pass Fort Knox, opposite Bucksport, apparently an impregnable fort of granite. Just here, the river takes a sudden bend, almost a right angle, and we should think a hostile ship would have but a poor chance to get beyond Fort Knox, though such men as our glorious old Admiral Farragut, we verily believe would go past this, formidable as it seems.

We soon reach Bangor, the great lumber market of Maine, and of New England. As we near the city great numbers of sawmills are passed, some of which cut from fifteen to twenty millions of feet of timber each season. Some idea of the immensity of this trade may be formed from the fact that one single drive, as it is termed, brings down 300,000 logs, or about 100,000,000 feet of lumber. The uncommonly low state of the water this season has lessened the quantity usually sawed.

Bangor is built on a hill, (or a series of them,) sloping abruptly to the river. Residences are located on the sides and summit of these hills, whilst the stores and business portion of the city is at their feet, extending along the shores of the river. It seems to be well supplied with churches, as from the window of our hotel we counted the spires of seven! The sidewalks are mostly of wood and gravel, and the general appearance that of an unfinished town. Some beautiful residences are located along the hills which overlook the river. Bangor is the residence of Vice President Hamlin, and we should judge the corporate authorities were of pretty strong Republican propensities, for at the time of our arrival they had refused the use of the City Hall to the Democratic State Convention, called to make nominations for the approaching campaign. The Democrats had thereupon erected a large tent, or series of tents, to the left of the city, where they were in session. The refusal was creating a considerable stir in the papers of the city.

We took steamer to Bucksport, about 18 miles from Bangor, and "staged" it twenty miles in the interior to Ellsworth, a prosperous town doing a large lumber business. The ride was unmarked by incident, except the sterile appearance of the country, the apparent scarcity of labor, and the number of fresh water lakes (called here *ponds*), which add greatly to the scenery. These lakes are full of fish, and are often resorted to by Bangerites.

The ride from Ellsworth to Bangor, along the summit of a range of hills, was very interesting—dense forests on every side, which, apparently, had never been trodden by the foot of man, and in which deer, moose, bears and other wild animals still roam at large. At a farmhouse where we stopped to "bait" our horses, the farmer, a stalwart old fellow of 60, bronzed and rugged, with the exposure of threescore winters, showed us a bear-trap in which he had caught thirty-eight bears. His accounts of the scenes and dangers through which he had passed were delightful and entertaining to us denizens of crowded, dusty cities, although one of our party had lived near here a number of years, and had participated in many a hunt. We reached Bangor the second time, and again met the committee which we had left in Portland. Among them were Hon. J. W. Patterson, Hon. O. Ames and Hon. John B. Alley, the former a member of the House Committee on the District, and a strong friend to our city.

We left Bangor on Monday for Danville Junction, where we took the Grand Trunk Railroad for Gosham and White Mountains, and at 9 p. m., hungry and tired, rested at the Glen House. Our White Mountain experience we reserve for our next letter. S.

OFFICIAL.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, March 17, 1864.

All applications for leaves of absence or permission to visit Washington must be addressed to Major General Halleck, Chief of Staff, and must specify the business for which the officer desires the permission. Telegrams addressed direct to the Secretary of War on this subject will receive no attention.

By order of the Secretary of War:
E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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FROM PARIS.—The Knightage of Great Britain. House of Commons. Peerage of Great Britain. Baronetage of Great Britain. British Almanac and Companion for 1864. The Statesman's Year Book, 1864. Dod's Peerage of Great Britain, 1864. Burke's General Armory. Lebmett's Peerage of Great Britain. Lodge's Peerage of the British Empire. Burke's Authorized Arms.
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Willard's Manual of Target Practice.
jy 23 FRANCK TAYLOR.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR STATIONERY.

House of Representatives, United States, Clerk's Office, August 29, 1864.

Sealed Proposals will be received at this office until FRIDAY, the 30th day of September, 1864, at 12 o'clock m., for furnishing each of the following classes of Stationery for the use of the House of Representatives of the United States, viz:

100 reams white Quarto Post Paper, extra superfine, faint lined
100 reams white Commercial Note Paper, extra superfine, faint lined
25 reams white Commercial Note Paper, extra superfine, coarse ruled on all sides
50 reams white Commercial Note Paper, extra superfine, plain
50 reams white Foolscap Paper, extra superfine, faint lined
25 reams Legal Cap Paper, extra superfine, faint lined
10 reams Flat Cap Paper, plain
150 reams thin Manilla Paper
800 reams Manilla Paper, 12x19 inches, weighing 11 pounds per ream, very tough and smooth
800 reams Manilla Paper, 19x24 inches, weighing 22 pounds per ream, flat, very smooth and tough
200 reams Manilla Paper, 27x37 inches, weighing 42 pounds per ream, flat, very smooth and tough
75,000 white Thick Adhesive Envelopes, 5⅞x3⅜ inches
80,000 white Thick Adhesive Envelopes, 5½x3½ inches
20,000 white Thick Adhesive Envelopes, 8½x3¾ inches
15,000 white Thick Adhesive Envelopes, 8⅞x3⅞ inches
5,000 fancy Note Envelopes
100,000 buff Adhesive Envelopes, 7⅞x3¾ inches
1 gross Congress Tie Envelopes
250 boxes Steel Pens, various kinds
½ gross 4-inch Flat Inkstands
12 dozen Inkstands, various kinds
10 dozen bottles best Black Ink, quarts, pints and half pints
3 dozen best Blue Ink, quarts and pints
15 dozen Rubber Pencils, long and short
3 dozen Gold Mounted Pencils, various kinds
5 gross Black Lead Pencils, Faber's, octagon and round, No. 2
½ gross Faber's Carmine and Blue Pencils
8 gross Penholders, various kinds
6 dozen Rubber Penholders, different sizes
5 dozen bottles Mucilage, small size
10 dozen packs Visiting Cards
75 spools Pink Tape
25 lbs best Scarlet Sealing Wax
6 dozen Diaries, for 1865, various kinds
5 dozen Memorandums, various kinds
2 dozen Portfolios
12 dozen Paper Folders
3 dozen Rubber Rulers
2 dozen Paperweights.
12 dozen Penwipers
25 dozen Pocket Knives, two, three, four and six blades; stag, pearl, shell, and ivory handles
1 dozen 9-inch Shears
5 lbs Erasing Rubber
5 gross Rubber Bands and Rings
300 skins Parchment, 16x22 inches
2 dozen Sponge Cups
1 dozen Punches.

In the supply of goods, contractors will be rigidly required to furnish articles fully equal to sample.

Proposals must be accompanied by the names of the sureties intended to be offered.

As required by law, preference will be given to the productions of American industry, if equally cheap and of as good quality; and all persons making proposals to supply any class of articles will state whether the same are the manufacture of the United States.

The articles are to be delivered free of any charge for carriage, at the office of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, on or before the 15th day of November, 1864.

Each proposal to be endorsed "Proposals for Stationery for the House of Representatives of the United States," and addressed to the undersigned.

Sufficient specimens of each class of articles proposed for must accompany the proposal, marked with the name of the bidder.

The person offering to furnish any class of articles at the lowest price, quality considered, shall receive a contract for the same, on executing a bond with two or more sureties, satisfactory to the Clerk of the House of Representatives, for the performance of the same, under a forfeiture of twice the contract price in case of failure, which bond must be filed in the office of the said Clerk within ten days after the proposals have been opened and the result declared.

EDWARD McPHERSON,
Clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States. au 30-law4t

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

NAVY AGENT'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, August 26, 1864.

Sealed Proposals will be received at this office until WEDNESDAY, September 7th, 1864, at 12 o'clock M., for the delivery at the Ordnance Yard, in this city, of the following sizes and kinds of coal, viz:

For Ordnance Foundry, 3,000 bushels of Charcoal.
do do do 200 tons of Anthracite Egg Coal.
For Ordnance Foundry, 250 tons of Cumberland Coal.
For Ordnance Engine, 250 tons of Cumberland Coal
For Ordnance Steamer Baltimore, 1,200 tons of Anthracite Coal (steamer size).

The above Coal to be of the best quality, and subject to inspection before acceptance.

All of the Coal to be delivered by the 1st day of November, 1864, free of expense to the Government.

Proposals must be addressed to S. P. BROWN, Navy Agent, Washington, D. C. au 26-10t

PROPOSALS FOR WOOD.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON, OFFICE OF CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, Nos. 534, 536, 538 and 540 Fourteenth st., Near New York avenue, Washington, August 8, 1864.

PROPOSALS are invited for furnishing Wood to the troops in and around the Forts hereinafter specified, from parties owning Wood or Wood lands in the vicinity of the same, viz:

North of the Potomac—Forts Sumner, Mansfield, Bayard, Simmons, Gaines, Reno, Kearney, DeRussy, Stevens, Slocum, Totten, Slemmer, Bunker Hill Saratoga, Thayer and Lincoln, and Batteries Sneade, Kimball, Parrott, and Cameron.

East of Eastern Branch Potomac—Forts Greble, Carroll, Snyder, Stanton, Baker, Davis, Dupont, Meigs, Mahan, and Batteries Ricketts and Wagner.

South of Potomac—Forts Marcy, Ethan Allen, O. F. Smith, Bennett, De Kalb, Corcoran, Hagerty, Woodbury, Whipple, Cass, Tillinghast, Craig and Albany.

Proposals are also invited for furnishing Wood to Point Lookout, St. Mary's county, Maryland, to the Cavalry Depot, Giesboro Point, Maryland, and to the Camp of Dismounted Cavalry, in the same vicinity; also, for furnishing and delivering Wood at points on the banks of the Potomac river, accessible to boats, and on the banks of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

Bids will also be received for cutting and cording Wood at such Points within the limits of the Department of Washington as may be designated by the Chief Quartermaster. Full information on this point will be given on application to this office.

Proposals will be received under this advertisement for Wood anywhere within the limits of the Department of Washington for supply of troops in said Department.

Proposals will be made in the following manner, to wit:

1. For Wood standing, (price per cord.)
2. For Wood felled by the United States engineers or otherwise, (price per cord.)
3. For Wood cut and corded on the ground.

Proposals must specify the locality, kind, quantity and quality of the Wood, and its distance from the nearest fort, camp or station for troops.

Each bidder must attach his full name and post office address to his bid, and the names of all parties interested in the proposal must appear in the bid.

Proposals from disloyal parties will not be considered, and an oath of allegiance must accompany each proposition.

Bids will be opened from time to time, and contracts or purchase made as the Wood may be required.

The right is reserved to accept all or any part of a bid.

No verbal propositions will be entertained, but every bid, or modification of the same, must be in writing.

Proposals should be endorsed "Proposals for Wood," and addressed to
ELIAS M. GREENE,
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au 8-15t Department of Washington.

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CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS,
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ORPHANS' COURT, August 16, 1864.—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY, *to wit:* In the case of Virginia Milstead, executrix of Thomas Milstead, deceased, the executrix aforesaid has, with the approbation of the Orphans' Court of Washington County aforesaid, appointed Tuesday, the 6th day of September next, for the final settlement and distribution of the personal estate of said deceased, and of the assets in hand, as far as the same have been collected and turned into money; when and where all the creditors and heirs of said deceased are notified to attend, (at the Orphans' Court of Washington County aforesaid,) with their claims properly vouched, or they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit in said deceased's estate: provided a copy of this order be published once a week for three weeks in the Evening Star previous to the said 6th day of September, 1864. Test—Z. C. ROBBINS,
au 17-law3w* Register of Wills.

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PROPOSALS.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT, *Bureau of Yards and Docks, August 22, 1864.*

Sealed Proposals for each class separately endorsed "Proposals for Class No. (name the class) for the Navy Yard at (name the yard)," will be received at this office until the 19th of September next, at 10 o'clock, p. m., at which hour the opening of the bids will be commenced, for furnishing and delivering, at the several Navy Yards named, the materials and articles embraced in printed schedules, which with full instructions, will be furnished on application, and sent by mail, if so requested, to persons desiring to offer to contract for any or all of the classes named therein, by the commandants of the several Navy Yards, for the classes for the yards under their command, or by the Navy Agent nearest thereto, or by the Bureau for any or all of the yards.

To prevent confusion and mistakes in sealing the offers, no bid will be received which contains classes for more than one yard in one envelope; nor any bid which is not perfect and complete in itself according to the forms of offer and guaranty, and each individual of a firm must sign the bid and contract.

Bidders are hereby cautioned and particularly notified that their offers must be in the form hereinafter prescribed, and be mailed in time to reach their destination before the time expires for receiving them; no bid will be considered which shall be received after the period stated, and no allowance will be made for failures of the mail. All offers must be accompanied by a certified copy of the bidder's license.

To guard against offers being opened before the time appointed, bidders are requested to endorse on the envelope, above the address, and draw a line under the endorsement, thus:

"Proposals for Class No. (name the class) for the Navy Yard at (name the yard.)"

To the Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, Washington, D. C.

Instructions and forms of offer, with copies of the laws bearing on the subject, will be furnished by commandants of yards, navy agents, and the Bureau, on application to all or either of them.

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NEW YORK.

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PHILADELPHIA.

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WASHINGTON.

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NORFOLK.

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PENSACOLA, FLORIDA.

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Given under my hand this 30th of July, 1864.
Test: Z. C. ROBBINS,
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PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR FORAGE.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON DEPOT, Dec. 8, 1863.

Sealed Proposals are invited by the undersigned for supplying the U. S. Quartermaster's Department, at Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Md., Alexandria, and Fort Monroe, Va., or either of these places, with Hay, Corn, Oats and Straw.

Bids will be received for the delivery of 5,000 bushels of corn or oats and 50 tons of hay or straw, and upwards.

Bidders must state at which of the above-named points they propose to make deliveries, and the rates at which they will make deliveries thereat, the quantity of each article proposed to be delivered, the time when said deliveries shall be commenced, and when to be completed.

The price must be written out in words on the bids.

Corn to be up in good stout sacks, of about two bushels each. Oats in like sacks of about three bushels each. The sacks to be furnished without extra charge to the Government. The hay and straw to be securely baled.

The particular kind or description of oats, corn, hay or straw proposed to be delivered must be stated in the proposals.

All the articles offered under the bids herein invited will be subject to a rigid inspection by the Government Inspector before being accepted.

Contracts will be awarded from time to time to the lowest responsible bidder, as the interest of the Government may require and payment will be made when the whole amount contracted for shall have been delivered and accepted.

The bidder will be required to accompany his proposals with a guaranty, signed by two responsible persons that in case his bid is accepted he or they will, within ten days thereafter, execute the contract for the same, with good and sufficient sureties in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, to deliver the forage proposed in conformity with the terms of this advertisement; and in case the said bidder should fail to enter into the contract, they to make good the difference between the offer of said bidder and the next lowest responsible bidder, or the person to whom the contract may be awarded.

The responsibility of the guarantors must be shown by the official certificate of a U. S. District Attorney, Collector of Customs or any other officer under the United States Government or responsible person known to this office.

All bidders will be duly notified of the acceptance or rejection of their proposals.

The full name and P. O., address of each bidder must be legibly written in the proposal.

Proposals must be addressed to Brig. Gen. D. H. Rucker, Chief Depot Quartermaster, Washington, D. C., and should be plainly marked "Proposals for Forage."

Bonds, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, signed by the contractor and both of his guarantors, will be required of the successful bidder or bidders upon signing the contract.

Blank forms of bids, guarantees, and bonds, may be obtained upon application at this Office.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

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(Date) —— ——

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