# THE EVENING STAR.

W. D. WALLACH, Editor and Proprietor.

WASHINGTON CITY:
FRIDAY.....DECEMBER 9, 1864.


☞ READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE. SEE OUTSIDE FOR INTERESTING TELEGRAPHIC AND OTHER MATTER.

MEMBERS OF CONGRESS can be supplied with the STAR at their residences, put up in wrappers, by ordering it through the Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, or at the *Star* office, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 11th street.

### CAPTURE OF THE CONFEDERATE STEAMER ARMSTRONG.

The Navy Department has received the following dispatch:

NORFOLK, Dec. 8.—*Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy:* I have the honor to report the capture and arrival of the Confederate steamer Armstrong, of 630 tons measurement—a beautiful vessel, very fast, and new. She was captured by the Cuvler and Gettysburg, on the 4th of December. She had a cargo of 450 bales of cotton, the largest part of which was thrown overboard in the chase.

D. D. PORTER, Rear Admiral.

### GEN. HANCOCK'S CORPS.

The enlistments in the new first corps, which is to be under the command of Major General Hancock, are being made in fair numbers, but judging from the letters being received every day, when the veterans are fully informed, there will be a rush. At Col. Johnson's office, (Soldiers' Rest) the officers are kept busy in answering questions, and it is thought in a few days a large number of the men now receiving information will enlist in the corps.

### DESTRUCTION OF A BLOCKADE RUNNER.

Rear Admiral D. D. Porter, writing to the Navy Department from on board his flagship Malvern, off Norfolk, Va., under date of December 7, reports that on the morning of the 3d instant the U. S. steamer Emma drove a large two smoke-stack steamer on shore off the entrance to Cape Fear River. The blockade-runner was afterwards destroyed by the guns of a portion of the fleet at that point.

OPERA.—Grover's theatre was crowded again last night, on the occasion of the performance of *The Jewess*, by the German troupe.

The superb Himmer, capital as an actor as well as vocalist, made the most of a part not well suited to him.

Hermans is always good, but had no special opportunity last night to display best capabilities as he will this have afternoon and evening as *Max* in *Der Freischutz*, and as *Marcel* in *The Huguenots*.

Hableman was deliciously good, and Johannsen sang and acted in a style showing the highest cultivation.

This afternoon *Der Freischutz*, and to-night (closing performance,) *The Huguenots*.

Thanks to Manager Grover for so much, and hoping that we may soon have the opportunity to thank him again in the same connection.

CONFIRMED—The nomination of Governor Dennison, of Ohio, to be Postmaster General, was yesterday confirmed by the Senate.

PERSONAL.—The *Washington Musical World*, a spirited little publication, issued by our neighbor Metzerott, states that Senator Conness, of California, is by profession a piano maker, and that the editor of that paper and Mr. Conness were at one time engaged at the same factory, that of Raven & Bacon, of New York. Conness then gave marks of future eminence.

The *World* says that Brignoli, the here so favorite tenor, has met with a complete fiasco at Madrid. He will not now appear in Paris, but return to America.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

### IMPORTANT FROM NASHVILLE.

**The Reported Disasters on the Cumberland River Wholly Untrue.**

ST LOUIS, Dec. 9.—The Democrat's Paducah special dispatch, of the 7th instant, says:—All the stories about disasters on the Cumberland river are wholly untrue. The river is clear and unobstructed to Clarksville, to which point transports run without convoy. From Clarksville to Nashville they are convoyed by gunboats. There are several batteries between these two places.

### LATE FROM EUROPE.

**The New Vessel of the Pirate Semmes Wrecked off Madeira—Advance in the Confederate Loan—The London Times on the Re-election of President Lincoln.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The steamships Hansa and Southampton, from Liverpool on the 23d, have arrived.

It was reported at Southampton, on the 22d, that Captain Semmes' ship, the Sea King, was wrecked off Madeira.

The steamships Canada and Hibernian had arrived out.

Laurie & Co., oil merchants, have suspended business—their liabilities are $30,000.

The Army and Navy Gazette says it is unbecoming British officers to engage in blockade running, and treating the Queen's proclamation of neutrality with contempt.

The London Times sees no occasion for alarm on President Lincoln's re-election. England is probably safer in his than in any other hands. It adds: "Regarding foreign States, England particularly, we may reasonably believe that Lincoln has sown his wild oats. He has gone through his course of defying and insulting England. We hope that he will not repeat the experiment."

MONEY MARKET.—London—Consols, 91¾a 91⅞. The Confederate loan advanced from 62 to 64. French rentes.....65f. 5c.

☞ Over seven thousand acres of land have been leased in Perry county, Ind., by a wealthy Louisville company, for the purpose of operating in the oil business.

☞ A Joseph A. Sanburn, of Indianapolis, recently died in consequence of taking a drink of his foot ointment in mistake for his bitters.

☞ The draft in the 12th district of Baltimore county, Maryland, took place yesterday; deficiency 18.

☞ The Port of Norfolk, Va., was formally reopened on Tuesday last.

☞ HARMONY CIRCLE.—The regular monthly meeting of this Association will be held next SUNDAY, December 11th, at 2½ o'clock p. m.
By order of the President.
d 9 2t* S. HEILBRUN, Secretary.

☞ GERMAN RELIEF ASSOCIATION.—A special meeting of the German Relief Association will take place at 7 o'clock on MONDAY EVENING, the 12th inst., at Germania Hall, 11th street, between F and G streets. All interested in the object of the Association are invited to attend, as a draft of the revised Constition will be submitted by the Executive Board for the action of the Society, and other important business transacted. By order of the President
AD MANSBACH.
dec 9-3t* Corresponding Secretary.

☞ I. O. O. F. LEVEE, for benefit Beacon Lodge, No. 15, on MONDAY, January 16th, 1865. Particulars in future advertisement. de2-1m*

☞ BRADY'S GYMNASIUM, FOR *Physical Exercise and Healthful Amusements*, 82, 84 and 86 Louisiana av. and 9th st.

The finest in the country. Exercise Room 45 by 105 feet.

Hot and cold baths, dressing, reading rooms, lockers, &c., for the free use of the members.

Open from 6 a. m. till 10 p. m. Call and see it or send for circular.
nov 29-2w* ABNER S. BRADY.

☞ DR G. L. RICE, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, No. 448 K STREET NORTH, BET. 6TH AND 7TH STS.
Office Hours. { From 8 to 10 a. m.; " 1 to 3 p. m.; " 6 to 7 p. m.
nov 28 tdec16*

☞ PARTIES, BALLS, WEDDINGS.—SHAFFIELD'S Confectionery, Ladies' Dining Saloon, 386 Sixth street. I am now prepared to furnish, in the best French style, and my own superintendence, Parties, Weddings, and other entertainments, in most reasonable terms. The best French Confectionery always on hand. Private Dinners and Suppers furnished at my Saloon. Country Orders and Parties attended to in the shortest notice. Ice Cream and Water Ice made by steam power, in plain and fancy moulds, for Parties, Dinners. nov 14-1m*

☞ THE NEW PHILADELPHIA PRODUCE AND BUTTER STORE.—Keep none but best articles and fresh—Pure Country Lard, fifteen varieties of superior Crackers, Fresh Groceries, Sugars cheap and good. Wholesale and retail. 334 D street, near 10th street. dec 9 3t*

☞ EVERY BUSINESS MAN, OFFICER, Lawyer, Editor, Clerk, Members of Congress, and every house should have one immediately. One of those most useful PORTABLE BOOT BLACKING BOX; only $2 to $5, and are worth $10 to every one. Call and see, at 334 D street, one door below 10th st. dec 9 3t*

☞ A LADY, COMPETENT TO MAKE LADIES' and childrens' dresses, and understands family sewing generally, wishes to obtain EMPLOYMENT in a few respectable families by the day or week, or would take work home. Address J. M., Star Office. dec8-3t*

### OFFICIAL.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 8, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 58.

1. The Government has received information that numbers of refugees, lately within the limits of the British Provinces on our northern border, have removed with the intention of obtaining employment at the depots of military stores, for the purpose of incendiarism. The plots by which, some months since, many steamboats on the western rivers were fired and destroyed by rebel agents, have now been extended, with the intent to attempt the destruction by fire of military stores, shipping, manufactories, and public and private property, at various points throughout the loyal States.

2. The strictest vigilance and greatest care in guarding against incendiarism are enjoined upon all officers in charge of property of the department.

3. Officers of the Quartermaster's Department will employ at depots where valuable stores are kept no persons who have at any time within the last six month been living in Canada, as refugees from the disloyal States or as fugitives from the draft.

4. All officers of this department will require from those whom they may employ at depots in positions which could facilitate access to stores or storehouses satisfactory evidence not only of loyalty, but of residence within the loyal States, in addition to the usual oath of allegiance.

5. All posts within or near the field of active operations, refugees coming from the rebel territory, upon presenting satisfactory evidence of loyalty, will be employed, if needed, but great caution must be exercised in employing such persons
M. C. MEIGS,
Quartermaster General,
Brevet Major General.

*War Department, Provost Marshal Gen's Office, Washington, D. C*, December 8, 1864.

CIRCULAR No. 41.

Reliable information has been received that a large number of evil-disposed persons, consisting of rebel sympathizers, secessionists, marauders, and other outlaws, who have collected in Canada with a view to enter the commercial cities of the North, and particularly those on the Canadian frontier, with the ostensible purpose of seeking employment, but who are, in reality, intent upon the destruction of life and property, will shortly arrive in the United States.

All officers of this Bureau are instructed to place all persons suspected to be of this class under strict surveillance, and to arrest such as evidently belong to it.

Provost Marshals will confer with the municipal authorities with a view to preventing the mischief contemplated, and will aid the civil authorities in discovering these persons and causing their arrest.

JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General.

☞ SEATON HALL,
Corner D and Ninth streets.

MR. GEORGE VANDENHOFF,
the Celebrated
DRAMATIC READER AND AUTHOR,
whose entertainments have attracted overflowing audiences in New York, Boston, and nearly every large city east and west, will give
THREE DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENTS, OR IMPERSONATED READINGS, on
MONDAY, December 12,
TUESDAY, December 13,
FRIDAY, December 16,
at the Beautiful
SEATON HALL,
Corner of D and Ninth streets.

Admittance, Single tickets, Reserved Seats.....$1
Tickets for the course, Three Readings.....
Tickets can be had at Metzerott's Music Store, where a diagram of the Hall may be seen.
dec 9-3t*

W. O. BALDWIN, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, 435 fifth street, between G and H.
dec 9-tf

FOR SALE—A chestnut STALLION, nearly thorough-bred, 7 years old; 16 hands high; can trot inside of 3 minutes. Will be sold cheap to anyone wishing to purchase at once. Inquire of Colonel MORRISON, 380 E st.
d 9-1w*

NEW YORK HOTEL, CORNER 7TH AND E STREETS,
F. A. BAILLY, PROPRIETOR,
Has the honor to inform his friends and the public in general that he has opened a new saloon, specially reserved for the ladies. Meals served at any time. Game, Oysters in every style.

Mr. Bailly will pay special attention to the orders for Balls and Soirees. In his establishment can be found also, the richest assortment of Fancy Boxes, for Christmas and New Year's Day presents.
de 9-eo1jan 1*

NAVY DEPARTMENT.
BUREAU OF STEAM ENGINEERING,
December 9, 1864.

Sealed Proposals will be received at this Bureau until meridian January 10, 1865, for the Iron described in the following classes. Each bid must be made for an entire class, and the price to be a round sum for the class delivered at the respective Navy-Yards. No payment will be made until the whole is delivered; delivery to commence in twelve days after notification of acceptance of bid, to proceed continually, and the whole to be delivered in two months thereafter.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, the right being reserved of rejecting the lowest bid if it be deemed exorbitant.

The usual guaranties will be required, and the contract will be dated the day the notice of acceptance is given.

Printed schedules and instructions can be obtained by application to the Bureau.

Proposals must be directed to the Chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering, and endorsed "Proposals for Iron," that they may be distinguished from other business letters.

The following are the classes required at the respective Navy-Yards:

WASHINGTON.
CLASS 1.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 36 | plates Boiler Iron, | 7-16, | 46 by 98 | inches. |
| 30 | do do | 3-8, | 84 by 98 | do |
| 32 | do do | 1-2, | 43 by 98 | do |
| 32 | do do | 1-2, | 43 by 100 | do |
| 48 | do do | 3-8, | 30 by 110 | do |
| 12 | do do | 3-8, | 30 by 128 | do |
| 36 | do do | 5-16, | 40 by 96 | do |
| 16 | do do | 7-16, | 36 by 109 | do |
| 16 | do do | 3-8, | 39 by 109 | do |
| 16 | do do | 5-16, | 48 by 109 | do |
| 24 | do do | 5-16, | 46 by 56 | do |
| 32 | do do | 3-8, | 34 by 46 | do |
| 32 | do do | 3-8, | 28 by 45 | do |
| 12 | do do | 7-16, | 61 by 112 | do |
| 6 | do do | 7-16, | 61 by 90 | do |
| 32 | do do | 7-16, | 43 by 43 | do |
| 32 | do do | 5-16, | 43 by 78 | do |
| 24 | do do | 5-16, | 33 by 125 | do |
| 24 | do do | 5-16, | 42 by 136 | do |
| 16 | do do | 5-16, | 50 by 56 | do |
| 16 | do do | 5-16, | 43 by 54 | do |
| 16 | do do | 5-16, | 43 by 48 | do |
| 32 | do do | 7-16, | 50 by 114 | do |
| 28 | do do | 3-8, | 20 by 60 | do |
| 12 | do do | 3-8, | 50 by 109 | do |
| 12 | do do | 5-16, | 48 by 109 | do |
| 30 | do do | 3-8, | 30 by 120 | do |
| 12 | do do | 5-16, | 36 by 120 | do |

The above to be of the best American flange iron.

WASHINGTON.
CLASS No. 2.

10,000 pounds best American square bar iron, ¾-inch
10,000 pounds best American square bar iron, ⅝-inch
2,000 pounds best American square bar iron, ½-inch
30,000 pounds best American flat bar iron, 2½ by ⅝-inch
5,000 pounds best American flat bar iron, 2 by ⅞ inch
14,000 pounds best American flat bar iron, 2 by ½-inch
1,000 pounds best American flat bar iron, 1½ by ½-inch
20,000 pounds best American round bar iron, 1⅝-inch
60,000 pounds best American round bar iron, 1⅜-inch
10,000 pounds best American round bar iron, ⅞-inch

In lengths as may be required.

WASHINGTON.
CLASS No. 3.

60,000 pounds best American T iron, 3½ by 4½-inches, 16 feet long

WASHINGTON.
CLASS No. 4.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4,000 | pounds iron rivets, | 1⅝ by 11-16 | inch diameter |
| 4,000 | do do | 1⅜ by 11-16 | do |
| 4,000 | do do | 2 by 11 16 | do |

CHARLESTOWN.
CLASS No. 1.

324,000 pounds best American boiler flange iron, from 5-16 to ½ inch thick, in sheets of such dimensions as may be required.

CHARLESTOWN.
CLASS No. 2.

54,000 pounds best American round iron, from 1 inch to 1½ inch diameter, in lengths as may be required.

CHARLESTOWN.
CLASS No. 3

20,000 pounds best American T iron, 3½ by 4 inches, the 3½ inch part to be ⅜ inch thick, and the 4 inch part ⅜ inch thick. The lengths as may be required.

CHARLESTOWN.
CLASS No. 4.

32,000 pounds boiler rivets, 1½ inches long and ⅝ inch diameter. d 9 1awtf

RESUMED BUSINESS.

BENJAMIN NEWMAN has a full and complete stock of Fall and Winter DRY GOODS, which will be sold without regard to price—Cloaks, Shawls, Woolen Goods, Dress Goods, Cottons, Prints, Merinoes, Delaines, Table Cloths, Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, and Notions. Ladies call early. Auction flag out. B. NEWMAN,
dec 8 1w* 443 7th street.

FOR SALE—A PARLOR COOK STOVE, eight Gold and Silver Watches, five Revolvers, a quantity of Cutlery and Silver-plated Ware, thirty per cent. less than any store in the city.

N. B.—Three Sewing Machines to rent, at SINGER'S Sewing Machine Agency, 416 E st., near the Post Office. nov 30-1m*

OPERA GLASSES, with the finest acromatic lenses in a great variety, at FRANKLIN & CO.'S Opticians,
944 Pa av., between 12th and 13th sts., and
d 2-6t 388 Pa. av., under the National Hotel.

## BALLS, PARTIES, &c.

F. B. LABBE'S DANCING ACADEMY
Is now open for the reception of pupils at Parker's Hall, Pa. avenue, between 4th and 7th sts., opposite Metropolitan Hotel.

Days of tuition for ladies, misses and masters, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 3 o'clock until 7. Gentlemen's classes same evening, from half-past 7 until half-past 10.

N. B. The hall can be rented for balls or parties by applying on the above evenings. de 9-1w*

THE ISLAND SOCIAL CLUB
Take great pleasure in announcing to their friends and the public generally that they intend giving their
FIRST GRAND SOIREE
AT ISLAND HALL,
Corner 6th and B Streets, Island, on
WEDNESDAY, December 14, 1864.

Tickets 50 cents, admitting a Gentleman and Ladies.

By order of Committee of Arrangements.
dec 6 1w*

MARINI'S FASHIONABLE DANCING ACADEMY,
*TEMPERANCE HALL*,
E street, between 9th and 10th sts.

This Academy is now open for the reception of pupils.

DAYS OF TUITION.
For Ladies, Misses and Masters—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 3 to 5 p. m.
Gentleman's Class—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 8 to 10 p. m.

Those desirous of joining may do so by applying at the Academy during school hours. Quarter commencing on entry. oc 8

## LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—A SUM OF MONEY which the owner can have by applying at this office, and describing. dec 9-3t*

LOST—On the 8th instant, between D and O sts., on 7th street, two small GOLD PENCILS, with cords. Any one returning the same to the owner, at 354 H street, will be liberally rewarded. 1t*

LEFT IN A DRY GOOD STORE, between 9th and 7th streets, on Tuesday 6th, a brown plush MUFF. Whoever will bring the same to 16 Pennsylvania avenue, will receive a reward. de 9-3t*

$5 REWARD.—Lost, in street car No. 28, between 7th street and the depot, two GREEN BOXES of NETS. (samples.) The above reward will be paid by leaving the same at 311 B street.
de 9 3t*

$5 REWARD—Strayed or stolen, Wednesday night, a SORREL HORSE, with a McClellan saddle and bridle, blind in both eyes, and a white spot in his forehead. The above reward will be paid if returned to No. 533 N. J. av., near B st.
de 9-3t* GOTTLOB WIENERS

$5 REWARD—Strayed from the subscriber a BLACK COW, with white up her back and white tail; also, white on hind legs. Any one returning her, or giving any information that will lead to her recovery, will receive the above reward from BENEDICT JOHNSON, near the college gate, in Georgetown, D. C. de 9-3t*

$5 REWARD.—Strayed, on evening of December 8th, a small bay MARE, quite fleshy, with bridle and saddle, from 15th, between H and I sts.; has white forehead and some appearance of scratches on fore feet; when last seen was near the corner of 19th and K. Anyone returning her as above, to 16th street, will be paid.
d 9-3t* DICKSON & KING.

$150 REWARD.—Stolen from my father's plantation, about the 1st of December last, two HORSES—one a brown, about 15 hands high, 12 years old, with heavy mane and tail; the other a light bay, with, perhaps, one white foot behind, and a small star in the forehead, 9 years old; both in good condition, lame in their front legs, as if foundered, and up headed when moving. I will give $100 for the detection and conviction of the thief or thieves, and $25 for the delivery to me of either of the horses, or information leading to their recovery.
CHARLES C. HILL, Collington,
de 9-eo3t* Prince George's county, Md.

BRACELET FOUND AT GROVER'S THEATER on Wednesday night. d 8-2t

$20 REWARD will be paid by the subscriber for the apprehension of the party who stole the Bagatelle Balls from Restaurant No. 577 8th st. east, or $10 for the recovery of the balls. [d8 2t*] CHAS. F. WAGNER.

LOST—A LEATHER SATCHEL, this (Thursday) morning, coming from the Capitol Hill to the corner of D and 7th street, containing about $800. A liberal reward will be given if left at Squire Ferguson's office, corner of Penn'a avenue and 1st street west. d 8-3t*

TAKEN ESTRAY—On December 5th, one BAY HORSE, SADDLE and BRIDLE. May be seen at Hugnely & Bowen's stable, New York avenue, between 6th and 7th streets. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay expenses, and take him away. d 8-3t*

## BOARDING.

BOARD—A large pleasant well furnished ROOM on the first floor, with BOARD for two persons, $40 per month. 414 9th street, corner of H street, north of the Patent Office. dec 9-2t*

BOARD FOR FAMILIES OR SINGLE PERSONS, southwest corner 21st and H sts. One Room for three, $30. Two Parlors to rent at 373 Pa. av. Meals furnished, at 50 cents each, in rooms.
d 9-3t*

SEVERAL PERSONS CAN BE ACCOMMODATED with ROOMS and BOARD, at No. 162 G street, between 20th and 21st, at moderate rates. Also, several Table Boarders can be accommodated, at $25 per month. dec 5-6t*

## PERSONAL.

MADAM AHOLIAB, an impressed medium, still continues to read the past, present, and future with great accuracy, and is able to advise with safety in all matters of importance. No. 249 C street, between 4½ and 6th sts., Island.
de 8-1w*

TIME EXTENDED.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, U. S. INT. REVENUE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON, December 3, 1864.

The time for paying the Special Income Tax of five per cent. is hereby extended to December 15, 1864.
L. CLEPHANE,
de 3-19t Collector for Dist. Columbia.

TO THE CITIZENS AND STRANGERS OF THE DISTRICT.

We now have the pleasure of informing our friends and customers that we have completed opening our stock of fine FANCY GOODS for the holidays, and shall be pleased to show them to all persons wishing to make purchases. We name in part rich China, Bohemian and Lava Vases, Mustache and Motto Cups and Saucers, Punch Bowls, Bureau Sets, Colognes, Puff Boxes, Card Receivers, Tete a Tete Sets, Cigar Stands, Tobacco Boxes, Toy Tea Sets, and a variety of Toys. Also, a beautiful assortment of Dinner, Tea and Toilet Sets.

WEBB & BEVERIDGE,
de 8-1tif* 504, Odd Fellows Hall, 7th street.

369 SEVENTH STREET. 369

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LARGEST STOCK
FURNITURE AND HOUSEKEEPING GOODS IN THE DISTRICT!
AND AT PRICES THAT DEFY COMPETITION!

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CARPETS, RUGS, MATS,
OILCLOTHS, WINDOW SHADES,
from the New York Auctions at Greatly Reduced Prices.
BLANKETS,
CUTLERY,
PLATED SPOONS AND FORKS,
WILLOW WARE,
GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE.
500 BED COMFORTS, which we can and are selling less than any house in this city.
1,000 COMMON BEDSTEADS, at manufacturers' prices.
de 8 10t H. BONTZ,
369 7th street, between I and K.

FURS! FURS! FURS!!!

$10,000 worth of FURS for Ladies and Children, now on hand, which we guarantee to sell 25 per cent. cheaper than any other place in the city.

Ladies will please take notice that these goods are consigned to us by the largest house in New York, and we are therefore enabled to sell them very cheap.

LANSBURGH & BRO.
371 and 375 Seventh street,
dec 3-1m a few doors above I street.

FOR SALE—A ROUTE OF THE STAR. Apply at the Star Office counter at 5 o'clock p. m., or at No. 309 7th street, bet. L and M. dec 2-tf

NEW SINGING AND PIANO FORTE CLASS has been opened by Professor Wolowski, at 353 6th street, between H and I. Through his new method, a person having only a slight knowledge of music will be enabled in very short time to read music readily and execute on the Piano with rare perfection. As to the vocal part, he arrives at most extraordinary results. no22 1m

MOORE'S WEST END DRUG STORE, 113 Penna. avenue, south side.
On hand a fine supply of Perfumery, Powder Soaps, &c. Toilet Articles, &c., Pure and genuine Medicines, &c. nov 19-2w

FURS! FURS! FURS!
THE LARGEST STOCK IN THE CITY!
THE BEST AND THE CHEAPEST!
At S. M. MEYENBERG'S,
48 Market Space, bet. 7th and 8th sts.,
nov 29-1w Under the Avenue House.

528 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, 528
between 2d and 3d,
Is the best place in the city to get your Clothing Boots, Shoes, Hats, and all sort of Gents Furnishing Goods, and a full assortment of Boy's Clothing.
Closed every Saturday.
dec 6-eo1m* J. L. UFFENHEIMER.

FOR SALE—One Concord built EXPRESS WAGON, with Shifting Top, Pole, Shafts, and Brake. Is nearly new. One of the best wagons in the city. Can be seen at 542 13th st., Island.
de 7-3t*

# SECOND EDITION.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

### GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Jay Cooke & Co. furnish the following quotations of Government securities:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 1864.

| | Buying. | Selling. |
|---|---|---|
| U. S. 6's Coupon 1881..... | 116 | 117 |
| U. S. 5-20's..... | 108 | 109 |
| 7 3-10 Treasury Notes..... | — | — |
| One Year Certificates..... | 97⅛ | 98 |
| Certificate Checks..... | 98 | — |

NEW YORK—FIRST BOARD.

Coupons, 116⅝; 5-20's, 108⅜; Certificates, 97⅛; Gold, 241¼.

### FROM THE FRONT.

**Activity Along the Lines Before Petersburg—Sharp Firing at Dutch Gap—Rebels Anticipating a Battle Before Richmond—Richmond Papers have no News from Georgia or Tennessee.**

[Correspondence of the Associated Press.]

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, Dec. 7, p. m.—This has been rather a calm day along the lines in front of Petersburg. Some little picket firing was indulged on the right of the lines, but the artillery on both sides was very quiet.

Considerable activity prevailed in the lines north of the James river to-day, but the rain storm, which set in early this morning, seemed to have put a stop to whatever changes, if any, were intended.

Firing was kept up at Dutch Gap all day, as usual, but not with such persistency as yesterday.

Richmond papers of to-day contain no news from either Georgia or Tennessee. They seem to have anticipated a battle in front of Richmond the past two or three days, and have evidently been preparing to resist our advance.

DECEMBER 8, A. M.—All quiet this morning.
W. D. MCGREGOR.

THE PAROLED PRISONERS AT ANNAPOLIS.

Up to the present time 5,000 of the prisoners paroled at Savannah have arrived at Annapolis, all of whom have been mustered and are now receiving pay from the paymasters sent there for the purpose. Owing to the non-arrival at Annapolis since Monday last, of any boats with prisoners from Savannah, it is believed by the officers engaged in mustering the men that Sherman's movements have interfered with the exchange.

### GOING TO THE FRONT.

The dispatch boat M. Martin, arrived here yesterday with dispatches for the Government. She is now at the Sixth-street wharf, waiting to take Mrs. General Grant on board, who is going to City Point on a visit to her husband.

### CASHIERED.

First Lieut. F. A. Young, of the 20th regiment Veteran Reserve Corps, has been cashiered for drunkenness on duty.

First Lieut. A. W. White, of the Union Light Guard, has also been cashiered, for breaking arrest.

### MOSBY'S MEN.

Ten of Mosby's men, who were captured in the Luray Valley on the 3d instant, were sent in from Harper's Ferry to-day. They were committed to the Old Capitol by Col. Ingraham.

### FROM THE SOUTH.

**Grant's Army in Motion, according to the Richmond Papers—Sherman's Mysterious Moves—What the Rebels think about it now—They think they have found his "Objective Point," and then again they don't know about it—They admit that he is abundantly provisioned.**

We take the following from Richmond papers of the 6th:

[From Richmond Dispatch, Dec. 6.]

The sounds from the enemy's camps below Richmond throughout Sunday night indicated that their troops were in motion; but nothing positive is known of their movements except that it was discovered on yesterday morning that the white troops had been withdrawn from our front near Fort Harrison and their place supplied with negroes. The Yankee papers announced some time ago that all the negroes in Grant's army were to be put in the Eighteenth Corps, under Weitzell, and we presume this arrangement was being carried into effect when the marching and countermarching of Sunday night was heard; all the negroes were being brought over to this side from Bermuda Hundred and Petersburg, and an equal number of white troops were being sent south of the river to fill their places.

Negroes on yesterday, for the first time, strutted on picket in front of General Barton's lines. Their appearance has not caused any interruption of the usual quiet. They have deported themselves peaceably, and, so far, have not been fired upon by our men. There is no longer any doubt that Grant has been reinforced by the Sixth Corps, and that he will, in a few days, make another demonstration on our lines.

**The War in Georgia—Sherman's Movements.**

Official intelligence has been received that Sherman is at last moving towards the Atlantic coast in earnest. His objective point is believed to have been discovered; but it is deemed injudicious to mention it yet awhile. The prospect is that there will be a battle within the next three or four days which will decide the question whether their man is to reach the coast in safety.

**The Fighting at the South.**

Sherman seems to be becoming more timid in his movements, or more exhausted in his ability to advance his army. For five days, up to last Friday, his average marching had been only five miles per day. This delay is, of course, most dangerous to him. It gives the Confederates time (which was about all they wanted) to gather troops in his front. He has wasted too much time to think now about obliquing to his right, and marching for Brunswick, on the Georgia coast, and must, of necessity, strike for Savannah, or Beaufort, South Carolina, the nearest point.

He was expected by the Yankee fleet at Savannah as early as Sunday, the 26th ultimo, and all that night the Federal shipping off that point was throwing up signal rockets for his information. He had not gotten as far as Millen on last Friday, and the telegraph line to that point was working at that time. All the ferries on the Savannah river are guarded, and all means of crossing the men have been put out of his way.

The Charleston Courier, of the 1st, says: The news from Georgia is also very cheering. Sherman was reported, Tuesday morning, very slowly and cautiously feeling his way. Gen. Wheeler had driven back his advance forces from Millen to the Ogeechee Bridge. The enemy are said to have suffered severely. After the repulse, our scouts report Sherman's main body turned, and was moving off precipitately in the direction of Brunswick, Georgia. A large column is reported moving in the direction of Darien, Georgia. Our forces are following them up closely, and it is hoped will be able to intercept and capture a large number before reaching the coast.

The Augusta (Georgia) Chronicle has some facts about Sherman's march in Georgia, from which we take a few paragraphs:

"The two wings of Sherman's army united at Milledgeville, where they stayed three days.

"In their route, they destroyed, as far as possible, all mills, cribs, and gin-houses, cotton screws and gins, cotton, implements, etc., and carried off all stock, provisions, and negroes.

"When their horses gave out they shot them. At Eatonton they killed over one hundred.

"At Milledgeville they only destroyed the arsenal, depot, and penitentiary. They did not burn the factory near that place.

"The farmers having devoted a large share of their attention this fall to syrup making, there is a large quantity of corn yet ungathered in the field, which was left by the Federals. But there is not a horse or an ox in the country, hence the saving of the corn will be a difficult matter.

"The enemy were under strict discipline, and when privates were found depredating on private property they were severely punished by order of Gen. Sherman. Of course, stragglers committed depredations with impunity.

"The right wing of the Federal army under General Howard, crossed the Ocmulgee river between Adams Ferry and Macon. It is said that the town of Forsyth was completely demolished.

"The Federals expressed great astonishment at the rich country they were passing through, and the abundance of provisions in it.

"General Slocum gave orders to the citizens along his route to shoot down his stragglers without mercy.

"One punishment inflicted by some of the Federal Generals for plundering was severe whipping."

"SYRIA, THE JEWESS; OR, THE MAGICIAN OF TOLEDO."—Such is the title of a new romance from the pen of the famous Louis Leon, whose great stories, "The Silver Ship" and "The Step Daughter's Portion," so electrified the reading world but a few months since in the columns of that admirable story and sketch paper, the New York Weekly. "Syria, the Jewess," is now running through the columns of the New York Weekly, and we think we may promise all who will read it a rich literary treat.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

### The Lake Erie Pirates.

TORONTO, Dec. 8.—In the case to-day the rebel Burleigh applied for a month's postponement to obtain evidence from Richmond. A discussion will be given to-morrow.

On her arrival at Collingwood, the Steamer Georgia was searched, but nothing contraband was found.

## LOCAL NEWS.

**The Case of Lusby, Charged with the Brutal Violation of the Little Girl, Octavie Rosseau.**

This afternoon, at three o'clock, John F. Lusby, who, it will be recollected, was arrested on suspicion of being the party who committed the horrible outrage upon the daughter of Mr. Charles Rosseau, on Capitol Hill on the night of last Thanksgiving day, the injuries which she received at the time causing her death about 1 o'clock on the succeeding night, was brought out before Judge Fisher in the Criminal Court room on a writ of *habeas corpus*.

Lusby, who is a spare built man, of about 30 years of age, was brought into the court room about 3 o'clock by Mr W. P. Wood, the Superintendent of the Military Prison, (he having been confined in Carroll Prison since his arrest,) and his deputy, Mr. C. H. Wilson, and was taken to the prisoner's box, where he took a seat.

W. Y. Fendall, Esq., and Bradley, Jr., appeared for the prisoner.

Mr. Fendall opened the case and read the application for the writ of habeas corpus, made by Wm. H. Lusby, brother and next friend of the accused.

Also, the writ of habeas corpus, with the return of Mr. Wood, superintendent of the Old Capitol prison, thereon, and he now asked that cause be shown why he should not be restored to his liberty.

The prisoner, when placed in the dock, appeared calm and self-possessed. His appearance is not unprepossessing, with mild blue eyes, high forehead, pleasant features, and rather genteel figure.

District Attorney Carrington adverted upon the grave character of the charge, and said he had some witnesses in attendance, and, even if not able to give positive proof now of guilt, they could show cause for sending the case to the grand jury.

As we go to press evidence is being taken in the case, which we will give to-morrow.

SIMONS COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, No. 12.—This branch of Masons met yesterday noon, as was mentioned in yesterday's paper, at Jackson Hall, on the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and C street, where the members (colored) formed in procession, and, headed by Tally's and Hay's (colored) brass bands, marched to Israel Church, on South Capitol street, where the ladies of the Washington Union Club were awaiting their presence to formally present to the commandery an appropriate banner. The members of the club were very handsomely attired, and each wore a pointed star of gold on the left breast. The building was densely packed, and several hundred persons stood around the outside, unable to gain admittance. Delegations from Baltimore, Alexandria and Georgetown were present.

Master of Ceremonies John Gray called the assemblage to order, when the proceedings were initiated by music. This was followed by prayer by the Rev. David P. Jones, of Baltimore. Mr. Carter A. Stewart, of this city, delivered a lecture, which appeared to be a brief but thorough digest of Masonry, especially treating on Knights Templar. At the close of the lecture Miss S. C. Proctor presented the banner with an address.

Sir Knight G. W. Brooks, in accepting the gift, promised to do all that could be expected of a gallant knight.

The banner was of white satin, edged with a heavy gilt fringe, and the red cross of Constantine was finely wrought in the center. About the cross was the inscription:

"In hoc signo vinces. Non nobis, Domine, non nobis, sed nomine tuo de glorium."

The inscription on the reverse side read as follows:

"Simons Commandery, No. 12, Knights Templar. Instituted December 8, 1855. A. O. 757. Washington, D. C."

At the close of the presentation, the procession reformed under the direction of Lloyd Jones, chief marshal, and moved off in the following order:—Grand Tyler, Philharmonic Band, Eureka Lodge, Social Lodge, Hiram Lodge of Georgetown, Phœnix Lodge, delegation of Universal Lodge, of Alexandria, delegation from Baltimore, Hays's Band, Grand Lodge of the District, and Simons Encampment of Knights Templar.

The procession passed along the avenue, through the President's grounds, and on to Georgetown, returning to the city about five o'clock, when they disbanded.

In the evening they met at Assembly Rooms, corner of 12th street and Ohio avenue, where they discussed the supper prepared for them until a late hour, and then dispersed, much pleased with the day's performance.

During the course of the evening they went through the Knights Templar's drill in fine style.

This celebration was in honor of the anniversary of Simons Encampment. The Knight Templars have been organized about six years, but this was the first time they ever turned out.

THE CASE OF DR. KEASBY.—The case of Dr. Keasby, surgeon to the Board of Enrollment, was resumed this morning before the Court-martial in session at 467 14th street, of which Brigadier General Briggs is President and Lieutenant Colonel H. B. Burnham Judge Advocate.

Mr. Hine, for the accused, renewed the objection raised yesterday, that the accused should not be required to plead to that from which he could not defend himself.

The Judge Advocate objected to the accused offering anything short of a plea.

The court was cleared, and on the doors being reopened—

The Judge Advocate argued that it was not necessary that the names of the parties should appear in the specifications, as claimed by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Hine, for accused, answered that it was utterly impossible to come prepared to refute the charges unless the names were given. The accused had examined hundreds of men, and it was impossible for him to know wherein he done wrong unless the name of the man was given.

After considerable argument the court was cleared to decide whether or not to entertain the motion that the accused be not required to plead to the second specification, and on reopening it was announced that the motion to sustain the objection of the accused to plead was overruled.

The accused