

THE DAILY DISPATCH

TO ADVERTISERS.—The circulation of the DISPATCH is larger than that of any other Daily paper in this city...

RICHMOND, VA. Thursday Morning, December 16, 1853.

The speech of Mr. Butler could not possibly be published to-day. It will appear to-morrow.

THE FRENCH IN SONORA.

Our readers are already aware that a number of Frenchmen, headed by one Count Boulbon, have beaten the Mexican General Blanco, seized upon Sonora, and formally annexed it to France.

That France cannot hold this acquisition, we hold to be indisputable. She has not held any colony, with the exception of a few insignificant West India islands and Algier, beyond the sea, nor will she ever be able to hold them, without the consent of this country and Great Britain.

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Mr. Webster's late residence on Louisiana avenue, Washington, it is stated, has been rented by Mr. Gales, of the Intelligencer, who has also bought a portion of the furniture.

Lieut. Davenport arrived at Savannah, Ga., on the 8th inst., and it is announced in the News of that city that he is to resume his command either on the Cherokee or Crescent City, now that the difficulty is settled.

A bill to prevent the settling of colored persons in Ohio has been introduced in the Senate.

George Cowpage, the Ojibway Chief, is lecturing in Pittsburgh, on the religious belief, poetry, and characteristics of the Indians.

A CHINESE MISSIONARY.—The Rev. W. Speer has arrived at San Francisco from China for the purpose of laboring as a missionary among the Chinese in that city.

LOCAL MATTERS.

LECTURE AT THE ATHENAEUM.—Rev. John G. Morris, of Baltimore, lectured at the Athenaeum last Monday evening, giving some entertaining views of the microscopic world.

The lecturer first spoke of the results of the microscope, and the development of matter, and the discovery of new forms of matter and being, new modes of the shape and of animal existence, and showing the origin of life.

The lecturer then proceeded to give instances of wonderful microscopic views. Animals could be seen dissected, and a thousand times smaller than the grain of sand.

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ASSAULT.—William Mills was brought before the Mayor yesterday, charged with threatening to shoot Robert Patterson, on the 14th Decemr. Mills bore deep marks upon his face of having been roughly handled.

Mr. Parsons, the other man who went to Mills house, also corroborated Patterson's testimony, stating that when he saw the pistol pointed and Patterson struck with it, he jumped out of a side door out of the way.

For the accused, Virginia and Mary Turner, two young girls, were called. They depended to seeing a part of the fight—saw no pistol in Mills' hand at the time of, or after the fight—saw Mills knocked down and badly beaten, but did not see the commencement of the affray.

Mr. Mills was then bound over by his Honor in the sum of \$200 to keep the peace and be of good behavior.

CHARGE OF STEALING.—Frederick Bargaman was brought before the Mayor yesterday, charged with stealing four pieces of scolding, worth \$4.80, from the lumber yard of L. W. Glazebrook on Monday last.

Mr. Bargaman, on the other hand, brought forward a witness to prove that he (Mr. B.) had purchased the plank the Thursday preceding last Monday. This the witness failed to do clearly, and the Mayor sent the case on to the grand jury term of the Hustings Court in February next, admitting Bargaman to bail in the sum of \$200.

IMPORUNATE.—Miss Ellen Coleman entered the jewelry store of Mr. H. Hyman, near the corner of Main and 14th streets, on Friday last, to procure a bracelet which she had previously left to be repaired.

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DR. R. KIDDER TAYLOR has removed his Office and residence to the house at the corner of 8th and Main st., opposite Rogers' Stone Yard. No 5—2nd.

JOHN B. MARTIN, PORTRAIT PAINTER AND ENGRAVER, 116 Main street, over Taylor's Gun Store.

Change of Hours.—Increased Rate of Speed.—See what Adams & Co. are doing for their patrons!

Specie Wanted.—We will pay the highest premium for silver coin. Quarters and small change preferred.

B. W. STAPPE, Attorney at Law and Notary Public, in all the Courts of Henrico County and Richmond city.

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LADIES' GOLF WALKING SHOES.—Just received an assortment of the best Walking Shoes, very superior and suitable for this season for ladies that have to expose themselves.

AND LINDSEY'S CORK SOLES, that which nothing can be better for ladies to keep their feet warm and dry and to preserve their health.

STEAMSHIP MAIL LINE.—MORE NEW CLOTHING by Steamships of this week, we have received large quantities of "Ready-made Clothing" which as the season is so far advanced, we are disposed to sell at very low prices for cash.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.—Now receive a large variety of Goods for the Holidays, consisting of a great variety of Jewellery, Watches, Bonnet Pins, Brushes, Tooth Brushes, &c.

WHAT BETTER PROOF AS WANTED.—LEWIS is now selling off at cost to close business in this city. He will offer his Goods at very low prices to convince all that he is really selling off at cost.

PAINTS AND OILS.—10,000 lbs of Pure White Lead, 50 lbs Fire Proof Paint, 300 galls cheap Paint Oil.

NOTICE.—The Rounoke will make one more trip before she is taken off the route to be painted overboard.

NEW SHOULDERERS.—A lot of prime new Shoulderers, just received by P. WOOLFOLK, JR.

NEW SIDES.—Superior Sides, for sale by P. WOOLFOLK, JR., 189 Broad street.

WOMAN'S RECORD OF SKETCHES OF all Distinguished Women, from the beginning till A. D. 1853, with short biographies of every age, illustrated by 500

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