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JOHN A. MINICK.
Mr. JOHN A. MINICK. The note alluded to above never arrived my mail or otherwise, and is no longer valid as a note only to me, signed
C. W. ROWLAND.
Cincinnati, February 10, 1864—6:1 m

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THE undersigned, who has been connected with the American House, in this city, for nine years, has leased the well known and popular Hotel, for a term of years, and pledges himself to his friends and the public to use his utmost efforts to sustain the reputation of the UNITED STATES HOTEL, as a first-class house. The public may rely upon finding at this house, all the appliances and comforts of a first-class hotel.
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Just North of the Mayor's Office, and he has just received a full line of
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Is of the Best Quality, and comprises everything for the Gentlemen's Wear.
Gentlemen are invited to call, examine Goods and leave their orders. The proprietor trusts that his successful career here as a First Class Tailor, with a full guarantee that he will give satisfaction at his new place of business. ma 24 dly

Notices.

NOTICE TO BOOK KEEPERS AND BINDERS.
AUDITOR'S OFFICE, MONTGOMERY CO., OHIO,
DAYTON, May 9, 1864.
PROPOSALS for furnishing the Blank Books and Stationery for the county offices of this county during the year ending June 1, 1865, according to a schedule which will be furnished on application will be received at this office until the first Monday of June next.
By order of the County Commissioners.
m10 td THOMAS O. LOWE, Auditor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF A FINE FARM.
WE will sell, on the premises, one mile southeast of Liberty, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the Union and Germantown road, on
SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1864,
Between ten and four o'clock, the farm belonging to the estate of Jacob Hoover, deceased, containing one hundred and sixty three acres, one hundred acres of which is under cultivation, the balance timber. It is one of the best wheat farms in the county.
Terms—One third cash; the balance in two equal annual payments with interest secured by mortgage on the premises. Title indisputable.
DAVID HOOVER,
ELIJAH HOOVER,
ad1w4w Administrators with the will annexed.

NOTICE.
A PETITION will be presented to Governor Brough for the pardon of Taylorson Hagan, now a prisoner in the Ohio Penitentiary.
a30w3w CATHARINE HAGAN.

JOHN R. BARTS ESTATE.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been appointed and qualified as administrator on the estate of John R. Barts, late of Montgomery County, Ohio, deceased.
EMELINE BARTS,
Geo. Matthews, Atty. Administratrix.
May 12, 1864. m21-3w.

Wanted.

WANTED—Carriage Woodworkmen, Blacksmiths and Painters want d immediately. The best of wages given. Apply to
a14 W. W. PHILLIPS, Fourth street.

WANTED—A situation as Engineer on a stationary engine, by a young man lately from Canada, who has had five years' experience; has no objection to going to the country. An early engagement is solicited. Please address H. M. B., Office of this paper, stating where an interview may be had.

GAS COAL—A serious question of the advance on gas coal, is staring all manufacturers that use the manufacture of Gas, the Gas Company are now polite to advance the price of Gas one dollar per 1000 feet from the first day of May next unless notice
m4d3 S. T. EVANS, Secretary.

ATTACHMENT NOTICE.
Perry Weaver, Plaintiff, against Nat. or N. Boys, Defendant. Before John Burnett, Justice of the Peace of J. E. Township, Montgomery County, Ohio.
ON the 15th day of March 1864, an Attachment issued in order of attachment in the above action for the sum of sixteen dollars and twenty five cents. Trial on the 16th day of May, at one o'clock P. M.
ld6w PERRY WEAVER.

Daily Empire.

Last Night's Dispatches.

From Grant.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—We have dispatches from General Grant down to four o'clock yesterday afternoon. There seemed, the dispatch says, to be some prospect of Lee's making a stand north of the Chickahominy. His forces are on the Mechanicsville road, south of Totopotomy creek, between that stream and Hawe's shop. His right is resting on Shady Grove. Dispositions for an attack were being made by General Grant. General Wilson's cavalry had been ordered to destroy the railroad bridges over Little river and the South Anna, and break up both roads from those rivers, to two miles southwest of Hawes' shop, where our headquarters of ours were established. There is as yet no telegraphic line of communication with Washington.

A dispatch from General Sherman, dated yesterday, the 30th, 8 A. M., reports no change in the position of the armies. Some light skirmishing had occurred, subsequent to the affair on Saturday.

No intelligence from any other quarter has been received by this department.

E. M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, May 31—To Major General DIX: A dispatch from General Grant dated at 6, o'clock this morning at Hawes' Shop, has just been received. It is as follows:

The enemy came over on our left last eve, and attacked. They were easily repulsed, and with considerable slaughter. To relieve General Warren, who was on the left specially, General Meade ordered an attack by the balance of our lines. General Hancock was the only one who received the order in time to make the attack before dark. He drove the enemy from his intrenched skirmish line, and still holds it. I have no report of our losses, but suppose them to be light.

Other official dispatches, not from General Grant, were received at the same time, giving details. They are as follows, the first being dated yesterday, 30th, 8 P. M.:

In the course of the afternoon, Warren has pushed down on our left until his flank division, under Crawford, had reached a point west of Shady Grove Church. Crawford having got detached from the rest of the corps, was attacked, and driven back a little. The enemy then threw a force, which appears to have consisted of Ewell's corps, upon Warren's left, attempting to turn it, but was repulsed. The engagement was short, sharp and decisive. Warren holds his ground at a distance of seven miles from Richmond. He reports that he has taken a considerable number of prisoners, and there are many rebel dead on the field. Of his own losses he has made no report.

His latest dispatches say the enemy are moving to his left, apparently to clear the approach to Richmond in that direction. On our right an active conflict has been raging ever since dark, but has just closed. As soon as the enemy attacked the left of Warren, Wright and Hancock were ordered to pitch in, but do not seem to have got ready until night fell. No report has yet been received from them.

The other dispatch above referred to is dated 6 o'clock this A. M. and states that Hancock's attack last night Colonel Brooks drove the enemy out of strongly entrenched skirmish line, and he do it. The losses are not reported. Burnside's whole corps got across the Totopotomy Creek last evening, and is in full connection with Warren. The left of Hancock rests upon this side of the creek.

The sixth corps is in union Hancock's right and threatens the left flank of the enemy. Smith ought to arrive at New Castle by noon, whence he can support Warren and Burnside if necessary.

Sheridan, with Gregg's and Torbert's division of cavalry is on the right and the rear, for the purposes reported in a former dispatch. The country is rough, is thickly wooded with pines, with good opening. The indications this morning, are that the enemy has fallen back south of the Chickahominy. Nothing of later date has been received by this department.

(Signed) E. M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, May 31—11.30 P. M.—To Major General DIX: The following dispatch from Butler:

Yesterday all day, heavy firing was heard in the direction of Mechanicsville. Six refugees from Richmond report that Grant was on the Mechanicsville turnpike, fourteen miles from Richmond yesterday, that they heard the firing, and that Grant was driving Lee.

A woman reports that a meeting was held yesterday while she was Richmond, to see whether the city should be surrendered or burned. The Mayor advocated surrender, and was put in Castle Thunder.

Lee attacked my lines yesterday and was repulsed. To-day, all day, they have been demonstrating against my works on Spring-hill, on the eastern bank of the Appomattox, but were repulsed. Nothing further, since my telegram of this evening, from General Grant.

(Signed) E. M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

The point of crossing the Pamunkey can not exceed fifteen miles from Richmond, being an advance of at least seventy miles in Grant first moved.—*Pittsburg Commercial.*

Why did not Grant go there in the beginning, instead of going to Spottsylvania, and there losing one quarter of his army? Can the Pittsburg paper tell us?—*Cin. Eng.*

The Springfield *Republic* says: "The track on the Atlantic & Great Western Railway is so far laid through our county, that a locomotive came down on Saturday within two miles of the city. The ties are laid nearly all along the line west of the city in the border of Montgomery."