National Republican.

LOCAL NEWS.

[illegible] IN NEW YORK.—Schools.—At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Public Schools, held in their room at the City Hall, on Wednesday, Aug. 29, Mr. A. T. Wilson, Chairman of the committee appointed to examine the writing books of the different schools, and report [illegible] recommendations, which were unanimously adopted, that [illegible] be adopted, and printed during the ensuing year for the schools.

[illegible] OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PENMANSHIP.

[illegible] committee have attended to the duty assigned them as fully as the time at their disposal would allow. All of the public schools in the city have been visited, and the copy-books in each have been examined. They have also observed and made themselves acquainted with the manner in which the art has been taught, and have arrived at the following conclusions:

1. As a whole, the schools the "Spencerian system of penmanship," which has been in use during the last year, has been taught in a thorough, skillful, and satisfactory manner, and the results have been of a most gratifying character. Similar improvement in this respect can be found in the male and female grammar schools of the First district, the male grammar school of the Third district, and the female grammar school of the Fourth district. Several of the intermediate, secondary, and primary schools also entitled to high commendation for the many marked improvements.

[illegible] are a few schools, however, where the results appear to bear testimony to the fact that the instruction previously received something more than the mere imitative art of pen-craft writing, but that art of this system, become an easy and a [illegible] enough simple letters, with fixed principles, the rules, and that it must be fully mastered at least in theory, by the teacher before it can be intelligibly taught. Many of our most successful teachers made a practice of writing each copy in advance of the class, and such practice is without doubt the very best preparation for giving effective illustrations. It was also observed by the committee that several of these teachers greatly improved their own hand-writing by this exercise.

Notwithstanding the disadvantages which always attend the introduction of new systems for a time, the year has been one of unprecedented progress in the writing department. A very large number of our grammar school pupils have produced specimens of penmanship which have received the highest commendation from competent and critical examiners, and from the press of the city. These specimens far surpass anything of the kind ever before produced in the schools, and in some instances the scholar is decidedly in advance of the teacher.

We are now able to send from our grammar school a class of boys whose penmanship the business men will be pleased to employ in his correspondence and the merchant to fill up the pages of his ledger. Thus the wisdom of the Board in adopting the "Spencerian System" has been fully demonstrated already; and we are confident that still higher results will be reached in the future.

The following prizes have been generously bestowed for award at the close of the next year:

By the "National Union Business College:" 1. Full scholarship in the business course for the best improvement in the Male Grammar Schools. 2. Full course of instruction in plain and ornamental penmanship for the best improvement in the Female Grammar Schools. 3. Three months' tuition in plain penmanship for the best improvement in the Intermediate Schools.

By the "Washington Business College:" 1. A life-membership in the association of colleges, to be given in the male department of the Grammar Schools. 2. A scholarship for the full course of plain and ornamental penmanship, to be given in the Female Grammar Schools. 3. A scholarship in writing, good in this college six months, to be given in the Male Intermediate Schools. 4. A scholarship in writing, good in this college three months, to be given in the Female Intermediate Schools. A very large and handsome photograph album will also be awarded as a prize to the pupil of the Grammar Schools who shall execute the best specimen of plain off-hand penmanship in course of instruction dictated for the purpose.

The following recommendations to the teachers are made by the committee: "The Key to Practical Penmanship" is a most valuable aid in teaching, and should be upon every teacher's desk.

It is a plain, practical, and philosophical treatise, from which the best implements and materials for writing, positions for the pupil, the movements, spacing, and correct forms and graceful shades of all the letters, both capital and small, can be readily learned. Every exercise to be given to the pupils will be found elaborately treated of in the Key, and it should be carefully studied before any attempt to teach.

One-half hour each day should be given to the exercise in writing; and it is believed that the best time for this purpose is the first half hour of the morning session.

Teachers should see that all the copy-books have neat and convenient covers; and it is better that they should all be alike. This can be attended to by the teachers in most cases, and the pupils can pay the necessary expense. Care should then be taken that not even the cover of the book is blotted or soiled.

Each pupil must also be provided with a good pen-wiper, and a suitable piece of blotting paper.

From practical observation, the committee are induced to recommend the use of the "Spencerian Pens," No. 1, and the "School Pen," No. 5, and "Dyspell's Ink."

Copy-books should be used as follows: In Primary Schools—Copy-book No. 1; and instead of pen and ink, Faber's lead pencil No. 2. In Secondary Schools of the lower grade—Copy-books Nos. 1, 2, and 3; of the higher grade copy-books Nos. 2, 3, and 3. In the Female Intermediate Schools No. 1—Copy-books Nos. 2, 3, 3, and 3. In the Female Intermediate Schools No. 2, and in the Male Intermediate Schools—Copy-books Nos. 3, 3, and 3. In the Grammar Schools—Copy books Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 5. All of which is respectfully submitted.

MEETING OF THE WORKINGMEN'S CONVENTION.—Last evening this Convention held a special meeting in the Council Chamber, City Hall, for the purpose of receiving the report of the delegates who attended the National Labor Congress, held in Baltimore on the 20th instant, by authority of the Workingmen's Convention of this city.

The president, Wm. R. McLean, occupied the chair, and Mr. A. T. Cavis was chosen secretary, in the absence of that officer.

Messrs. R. C. Griffin and Joseph Webb, of the Machinists' and Blacksmiths' Union, appeared in the Chamber with their credentials as delegates from that Union and were admitted to seats.

J. C. C. Whaley, Esq., chairman of the delegates who were chosen to attend the Labor Congress in Baltimore, here read the report of the delegates, which comprises the proceedings of the Labor Congress and the interview with President Johnson on their visit to this city, all of which has been published.

On motion, the report was received, when,

On motion of Mr. Berger, the report was referred to the executive committee, with instructions to report at some future meeting; and the motion prevailed.

The Chair here appointed Messrs. Berger, Bradbury and Porter as a committee on finance.

On motion, the thanks of the Convention were tendered to the National Labor Congress for the faithful manner in which they performed their duties.

Mr. J. J. Mitchell submitted the following; and it was adopted:

Resolved, That the executive committee are hereby instructed to report such amendments to the constitution as may be necessary to a larger representation in this Convention on a numerical basis, and to report such other measures as may be necessary to secure a thorough organization of the workingmen of the District of Columbia.

The Convention then adjourned.

BILL POSTER, TAKE NOTICE!—In accordance with a resolution of the Board of Aldermen inquiring of the Superintendent of Police why the law relative to the defacing of buildings is not strictly carried out, that officer has given positive instructions to the lieutenant of each precinct to see that the said law is enforced. The law is as follows:

"It shall not be lawful for any person or persons to post or cause to be posted upon any building, fence, wall, lamp-post, tree, or tree-box, within the limits of the city of Washington, any poster, bill, or show card of any description, or in any way deface any building, wall, fence, lamp-post, tree, or tree-box with any inscription or letters, under a penalty of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty dollars for each and every violation of the provisions of this act."

The construction which the police place upon the law prevents the licensed bill-posters from operating, and even prohibits owners of buildings from posting signs or posters upon their own property. This construction, although justified by the letter of the law, reaches farther than the City Council intended, and a revision of the matter will probably be made.

MURDER HAS AGAIN.—Night before last, Officer Frazier arrested a colored individual by the name of Spotted Holmes, for the offence of assault and battery with intent to kill Minerva Carr, also colored. The assault was committed in Murder Alley, a few alights since, the instrument used by the excitement being the favorite weapon of the negro—a razor. Middle had divided by Officer Frazier on Wednesday night, in the lower part of Georgetown, fatally cutting his adversary, who, it is said, was at the head of a party of claim, about to come out of the house, through which he and trial to throw him down stairs. Frazier rushed thus, and both fell together. Frazier succeeded in [illegible] by the fall and the assaults that followed, having his hands cut in the struggle. The prisoner was committed to jail for trial.

A LIST OF RHEUMATISM MUST SUBJECT.—Remember that on Saturday, the mutch game of billiards between Mr. A. Gaze, of Paris, and Mr. F. C. Collingwood, at Brady's room, took place, that defeating at Brady's Gymnasium, Pittsburg and bowling rooms, on Louisiana avenue, and was witnessed by a large number of gentlemen throughout with great interest. Mr. Collingwood won the toss and the game by 104 points. Time in playing, 1 hour and 50 minutes. Mr. Collingwood has that weekend to the city, after a month's absence, and is now open for challenge for Messrs. A. S. Brady & Co.'s amateur champion one of the District of Columbia, which he now holds, and which is on exhibition at Brady's rooms. This game is augurative the Gilded season at Brady's, and was thoroughly contested, though both players were out of condition. Mr. Gaze will shortly play his French cushion game at Brady's.

ARREST OF A HOTEL THIEF.—A fellow of gentlemanly address, named Henry S. Roberts, was arrested at Willard's Hotel yesterday by Officer Howard, on a charge of robbing Col. Allen L. Anderson of $218 and a gold watch. The case was heard by Justice Morsell, when it appeared that Col. Anderson had just arrived from the West on his way home, and put up at Willard's. About 4 o'clock in the morning of the 20th same one entered his room and possessed himself of the articles referred to. From some cause or other suspicion attached to Roberts, who was arrested, and a watch and a portion of the money were found upon his person. He was committed for court. Roberts acknowledged his guilt, saying that he had operated in every State, and had never been caught before.

POLICE CASES.—Jane Brown and Elizabeth Bryant, two colored women, were arrested on Wednesday by Officer Hurdle, in the First ward, on complaint of John Coy, who charged them with grand larceny. Justice Drury sent them to jail for court.

Wm. Smith was arrested by Officer Johnson, on a charge of grand larceny. He was sent to jail for court by Justice Bates.

Geo. Proctor and Robert, colored, was arrested by Officer Proctor for assault and battery on Minerva Carr. He was committed to jail for court by Justice Bates.

DEAD.—Mr. James W. Spalding, a much-esteemed resident of this city, died at his residence, on 4½ of Seventh and L streets, yesterday, after a lingering illness. Mr. Spalding for some years past has been Commissioner of Improvements for the Second ward, and was a very faithful officer. For some time past he has been in very feeble health and unable to attend to his duties. His death, occurring as it did in the prime of his manhood, will be deeply deplored by a large circle of personal friends of the deceased.

CHICKEN THIEVES.—On Wednesday night last two men, supposed to be colored, effected an entrance into the back yard of Judge Sargent, Commissioner of Customs, residing on Capitol Hill, where they helped themselves, without leave or license, to five fine fowls of the Spanish persuasion, making their escape just as the Judge, alarmed by the noise in the yard, was about to investigate the cause.

FIGHTING.—Alfred Boyd and Philip Hamilton, both colored, were yesterday brought before Justice Bates for indulging in a game of football in the classic vicinity known as Murder Bay, on Wednesday night. Both parties were fined $5 for conduct unbecoming free gentlemen of color.

SPRAY BUNDLE.—A parcel containing a pair of shoes, stockings, etc., was left at Amen's restaurant, 500 Ninth street, last Saturday night. The owner is requested to call and receive his property.

NOT A WORD.—Our local reporter went to the police station last night and found that there was not a fight, fire or infanticide recorded. He returned disgusted.

DIED,

In this city, August 30, JAMES W. SPAULDING, aged 34 years.

The funeral will take place on Sunday, at 3 o'clock, P. m., from the residence of his mother, corner of Eleventh and L streets north.

WANTED—AN UNFURNISHED ROOM, WITH BOARD, for a Gentleman and Wife, from September 1. Address Box 670, Post Office. au31-3t*

ROOM AND BOARD WANTED BY A gentleman and wife in a private family residing north of the Avenue and within four squares of the REPUBLICAN office. Address A. B. C., office of NATIONAL REPUBLICAN, stating location and terms, which must be reasonable. No professional boarding-house keeper need apply. au7

FOR SALE—IN THE FIRST WARD A LARGE THREE-AND-A-HALF STORY BRICK HOUSE, THIRTEEN ROOMS, KITCHEN, LARGE DINING ROOM AND HALL, WITH LARGE CELLAR UNDER THE WHOLE HOUSE. The lot contains over 11,000 feet of ground, under cultivation, with grape vines, fruit trees, shrubs, flowers, &c. Gas and water throughout the house. It is a first-class residence, and is in one of the best locations in the city. Address S. M. J., at this office. jy15-tf

SAWYER'S PURE AMBROSIAL VEGETABLE COMPOUND, FOR SHAVING AND THE TOILET. A GREAT AMERICAN DISCOVERY.

No other Soap, foreign or domestic, has ever been offered which meets the public taste as completely as this excellent Compound. Thus far its success is unparalleled, and it now bids fair to take precedence of all others in the market.

Sold by KIDWELL & SON, au4 [illegible] E street, near Fourteenth.

CARD.

N. H. MILLER, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, OFFICE, NO. 411 NINTH STREET WEST, Near Pennsylvania avenue, Would respectfully inform his friends and the public generally that he is now attending to all legal business, and is administering the oaths, as well as all other oaths, Drawing Leases, Deeds, Wills, Power of Attorney, Landlord and Tenant Notices, &c., &c.

Legal advice given in all its branches.

☞ Particular attention paid to the collection of debts and claims in general. [illegible]

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JEREMIAH S. BLACK, WARD M. LAMON, C. F. BLACK.

BLACK, LAMON & CO., COUNSELLORS AND ATTORNEYS AT LAW IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE COURT OF CLAIMS, THE COURTS OF THE DISTRICT, THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS. OFFICE, 455 FOURTEENTH STREET, Directly Opposite Willards' Hotel. [illegible]

PUBLIC LAND SALES IN WISCONSIN.

SYNOPSIS OF THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION No. 710, DATED JUNE 14, 1866.

It orders public sales in the State of WISCONSIN as follows:

At the Land Office at LA CROSSE, on the 17th day of SEPTEMBER next, the reserved sections in thirty-six Townships and parts of Townships, in the counties of Bayfield, Ashland, Trempealeau, and Dalles.

At the Land Office at LA CROSSE, on the 24th day of SEPTEMBER next, seventeen parts of Townships the counties as above.

At the Land Office at FALLS ST. CROIX, on the 1st day of OCTOBER next, the reserved sections in forty-four Townships and parts of Townships, in the counties of Dunn, Pierce, and St. Croix.

At the Land Office at FALLS ST. CROIX, on the 22d day of OCTOBER next, ten parts of Townships, in the counties of Pepin and Pierce.

At the Land Office at EAU CLAIRE, on the 1st day of OCTOBER next, the reserved sections in ten parts of Townships, in the counties of Clarke, Chippewa, Eau Claire, and Dunn.

At the Land Office at STEVENS POINT, on the 29th day of OCTOBER next, one hundred and ten Townships and parts of Townships, in the counties of Marathon and Oconto.

At the Land Office at MENASHA, on the 8th day of OCTOBER next, sixty-seven Townships and parts of Townships, in the county of Oconto.

Containing over five and a quarter millions of acres of public lands.

J. M. EDMUNDS, Commissioner of the General Land Office.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, June 14, 1866.

NOTE.—Under the regulations of the Department, as heretofore, no advertisements, no payment can be made for advertising proclamations except to such publishers as are specially authorized to publish by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. jy31-w1m

BOYS' SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHING.

SELLING OFF TO REDUCE STOCK.

We offer our entire stock of Boys', Youths', and Children's Ready-Made Clothing and Furnishing Goods at greatly reduced prices, and would call an early call to secure choice selections at the [illegible]

WM. STEPHENS & CO., [illegible] Pennsylvania avenue. [illegible]

THE NATIONAL UNION PARTY.

PLATFORM OF PRINCIPLES.

The National Union Convention, now assembled in the city of Philadelphia, composed of delegates from every State and Territory in the Union, admonished by the solemn lessons which for the last five years it has pondered, the dangers which have threatened the Republic, the blessings which have been vouchsafed to us, and the duties which they impose, hereby gratefully for the return of peace, declares that we are a large majority of our countrymen in all sincerity to forget and to forgive the past, revering the Constitution as it came to us from our ancestors, regarding the Union in its restoration as more sacred than ever, looking with deep anxiety into the future as of instant and continuing trial, hereby issues and proclaims the following declaration of principles and purposes on which they have with perfect unanimity agreed:

1. We bow with gratitude to Almighty God the end of war and the return of peace to our afflicted and beloved land.

2. The war just closed has vindicated the authority of the Constitution, with all the powers which it confers, and all the restrictions which it imposes upon the General Government unabridged and unalloyed, and it has preserved the Union with the equal rights, dignity and authority of the States perfect and unimpaired.

3. Representation in the Congress of the United States and in the Electoral College is a right recognized by the Constitution as abiding in every State and as a duty imposed upon its people, fundamental in its nature, and essential to the existence of our republican institutions, and neither Congress nor the General Government has any authority or power to deny this right to any State or to withhold enjoyment under the Constitution from the people thereof.

4. We call upon the people of the United States to elect to Congress as members thereof none but men who admit this fundamental right of representation, and who will receive to seats therein loyal representatives from every State in allegiance to the United States, subject to the constitutional right of each House to judge of the election returns and qualifications of its own members.

5. The Constitution of the United States and the laws made in pursuance thereof are: "The supreme law of the land, anything in the constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding." All the powers not conferred by the Constitution upon the General Government, nor prohibited by it to the State, are reserved to the States or to the people thereof, and among the rights thus reserved to the States is the right to prescribe qualifications for the elective franchise therein, with which right Congress cannot interfere. No State or combination of States has the right to withdraw from the Union, or to exclude, through their action in Congress or otherwise, any other State or States from the Union. The union of them States is perpetual, and its government is of supreme authority within the restrictions and limitations of the Constitution.

6. Such amendment to the Constitution of the United States may be made by the people thereof as they may deem expedient, but only in the mode pointed out by its provisions; and in proposing such amendments, whether by Congress or by a convention, and in ratifying the same, all the States of the Union have an equal and an indefeasible right to a voice and a vote thereon.

7. Slavery is abolished and forever prohibited, and there is neither desire nor purpose on the part of the southern States that it should ever be re-established upon the soil or within the jurisdiction of the United States, and the enfranchised slaves in all the States of the Union should receive, in common with all their inhabitants, equal protection in every right of person and property.

8. While we regard as utterly invalid and never to be assumed or made of binding force any obligation incurred or undertaken in making war against the United States, we hold the debt of the nation to be sacred and inviolable, and we proclaim our purpose to maintain unimpeached the honor and the faith of the Republic.

9. It is the duty of the National Government to recognize the services of the Federal soldiers and sailors in the contest just closed by meeting promptly and fully all their just and rightful claims for the services they have rendered the nation, and by extending to those of them who have fallen the most generous and considerate care.

10. In ANDREW JOHNSON, President of the United States, who in his great office has proved steadfast in his devotion to the Constitution, the laws and interests of his country, unmoved by persecution and unswerved by reproach, having faith unassailable in the people and in the precepts of the Government, we recognize a Chief Magistrate worthy of the nation and equal to the great crisis upon which his lot is cast, and we tender to him in the discharge of his high and responsible duties our profound respect and assurance of our cordial and sincere support.

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COLUMBIAN COLLEGE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

The several departments will open as follows:

Preparatory Department, WEDNESDAY, September 12th.

Academic Department, WEDNESDAY, September 26th.

Law Department, WEDNESDAY, October 10th.

Medical Department, MONDAY, October 15th.

For further information, address [illegible]

G. W. SAMUEL, M. D., President. [illegible]

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ The Undersigned recommend to the Coal Dealers, Millers, Merchants, and all others interested in the trade of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, to meet at the hall over the Market House, on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, at 12 o'clock, m., for the purpose of taking into consideration such measures as the meeting may think adjustable to support the management of the Canal, by which the level at Georgetown has been kept, so low as almost to prevent navigation, and thus the dissatisfaction to the public.

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☞ Public Schools.—The teachers of the public schools of the Third School District are requested to meet at the Wallach School Building at 4 o'clock p. m. on SATURDAY, the 1st proximo.

au28-eo3t THE SUB-BOARD.

☞ At a Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Public Schools, held on Tuesday evening, the 14th instant, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the following places be designated as offices for the transaction of all Public School business by the respective Sub-Boards of Trustees:

For the Sub-Board, First district, (First and Second wards)—School-room, corner Fourteenth and G streets.

For the Sub-Board, Second district, (Third and Fourth Wards)—School-room on H, between Sixth and Seventh streets.

For the Sub-Board, Third district, (Fifth and Sixth ward)—Wallach School Building.

For the Sub-Board, Fourth district, (Seventh ward)—Male Grammar School room, Jas. K. Thompson, teacher, on Sixth street.

The Trustees will be in attendance at these offices from 8 to 9½ o'clock, on each morning of the week, from Monday to Friday inclusive, during the month of September, and all persons entitled to tickets of admission to the Public Schools, can procure them at the places and times designated.

By order of the Board.

au24-co1R R. F. BOSSEAU, Secretary

☞ War Department, Surgeon General's Office, WASHINGTON, D. C., August 10, 1866.—An Army Medical Board, to consist of Brevet Colonel J. B. Brown, surgeon, U. S. A., President; Brevet Lieutenant Colonel R. E. Wirts, surgeon, U. S. A.; Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Heger, surgeon, U. S. A.; and Brevet Major Warren Webster, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., Recorder; will meet in New York city on the 20th of September next, for the examination of candidates for admission into the Medical Staff of the United States army.

Applicants must be over twenty-one years of age and physically sound.

Applications for an invitation to appear before the Board should be addressed to the Surgeon General, U. S. A., and must state the full name, residence and date and place of birth of the candidate. Testimonials as to character and qualifications must be furnished. If the applicant has been in the medical service of the army during the war, the fact should be stated, together with his former rank and time and place of service, and testimonials from the officers with whom he has served should also be forwarded.

No allowance is made for the expenses of persons undergoing the examination, as it is an indispensable prerequisite to appointment.

There are at present eighty vacancies in the medical staff, forty-six of which are original, being created by the act of Congress approved July 28, 1866.

JOS. K. BARNES, au13-tothsaoo15 Surgeon General U. S. A.

☞ Collector's Office, City Hall, Washington, D. C., August 1, 1866.—NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS. Notice is hereby given that, by "an act approved July 28, 1866," the rate of tax on annual and personal property, stocks, &c., for the year 1866, is fixed at one dollar and ten cents on every one hundred dollars of the assessed value of said property. Upon all taxes upon all property not in arrears for taxes for general purposes an abatement of five per cent. is allowed from August 1, 1866, until the last day of October, 1866, after which no abatement will be allowed. WM. DIXON, au3-thsta30d Collector.

☞ Breech-Loading Arms.—The Board for the Examination of Breech-Loading Arms, of which General Hancock is president, is now in session at No. 51 Winder's Building.

Arms will be received daily, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 2 p. m., until further notice.

Inventors are requested to submit their arms in person or by agent to the recorder of the board.

W. OWENS, Capt. 5th U. S. Cav., Brev. Lieut. Col. U. S. A., mh13-tf Recorder.

☞ Madam Mountz' Pile Salve—a Valuable Remedy for that Disease; also, a Consumption Destroyer, and an Entire Cure for the Bronchitis, Asthma, &c.; can be found at Stott's Drug Store, opposite National Hotel; Gilman's, near Metropolitan Hotel; Ford's, corner of Eleventh and Pennsylvania avenue; Entwisle's, corner of Twelfth and Pennsylvania avenue; Elliott's, corner of F and Twelfth streets; Harbaugh's, corner of Seventh and G. jal3-tf

☞ Moth and Freckles.—Ladies afflicted with Discolorations on the Face, called moth patches or freckles, should use Perry's Celebrated Moth and Freckle Lotion. It is infallible. Prepared by Dr. B. C. PERRY, Dermatologist, 49 Bond street, New York. Sold by all druggists in Washington and elsewhere. Price $1. my17-tthsa1m

☞ Amanuensis.—Persons desiring the services of a COPYIST or AMANUENSIS, can be accommodated by a lady who writes a neat and plain hand, by applying at No 196 Sixth street west, between M and N streets north. ap29-tf

☞ Marriage and Celibacy, an Essay of Warning and Instruction for Young Men. Also, diseases and abuses which prostrate the vital powers, with sure means of relief. Sent free of charge in sealed letter envelopes. Address Dr. J. SKILLIN HOUGHTON, Howard Association, Philadelphia, Pa. au13-3m

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THE NORTH MISSOURI RAILROAD COMPANY has authorized us to sell their 1st Mortgage 7 per cent 30 years bonds. The whole amount is $6,000,000. Coupons payable on the 1st days of January and July of each year, in New York.

Before consenting to this Agency we have made a careful examination of the merits of these bonds by sending William Milner Roberts and others to report upon the condition and prospects of the road. Their report is on file at our office, and is highly satisfactory. We do not hesitate to recommend these bonds as being a first-class security and a most safe and judicious investment.

The proceeds of these bonds will be used in extending a road (already completed 170 miles into North Missouri) to the Iowa State line, where it is to connect with the railroads of Iowa; and to also extend westward to the junction with the Pacific railroad (at Leavenworth) and other roads leading up the Missouri river, so that this mortage of $6,000,000 will cover a completed and well-stocked road of TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE MILES in length, costing at least $16,000,000, with a net annual revenue after the first year of over $1,500,000, or a sum nearly four times beyond the amount needed to pay the interest on these bonds. The income of the road will of course increase every year.

The railroad connects the great city of St. Louis, with its 200,000 inhabitants, not only with the richest portions of Missouri, but with the States of Kansas and Iowa and the great Pacific railroads.

To the first applicants we are prepared to sell $500,000 at the low rate of 80 cents, desiring to obtain a better price for the remainder. This will yield about 9 per cent. income, and add 20 per cent. to principal at maturity.

Any further inquiries will be answered at our office, au15-tf JAY COOKE & CO.

STOVES! STOVES! STOVES!

A LARGE STOCK OF STOVES, SELLING CHEAP.

CALL AND SEE THE GREAT VARIETY NOW IN STORE AND FOR SALE CHEAP FOR CASH, COOKING, PARLOR AND CHAMBER STOVES, SEXTON'S HEATERS, FOR ONE, TWO AND THREE STORIES.

W. D. WYVILL, au17-2w 4½ Penn's Ave., bet. 3d and 4½

ORPHANS' COURT, July 28, 1866.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY—To Wit:

In the case of George H. Foster, administrator of August Meyer, deceased, the administrator aforesaid has, with the approbation of the Orphans' Court of Washington County aforesaid, appointed Saturday, the 1st of September next, for the final settlement and distribution of the personal estate of said deceased, and of the assets in hand, so 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, 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 NATIONAL REPUBLICAN previous to the said day.

Test: L. G. ROSBIN, Register of Wills. [illegible]

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH BEEF.

SUBSISTENCE OFFICE, U. S. A., No. 104 W. LOMBARD STREET, BALTIMORE, MD., August 30, 1866.

Sealed Proposals, in duplicate, will be received at this office until 12 M., on SATURDAY, September 8, 1866, for furnishing and delivering, free of cost, to the camps, barracks, hospitals and officers in, around and in the vicinity of Baltimore, Md., (including the garrisoned forts except Fort McHenry,) all the FRESH BEEF required by them for six months, commencing October 1st, 1866, or such less time as the Commissary General of Subsistence may direct.

The Beef to be of a good and marketable quality, in equal proportion of fore and hind quarter meat, (neck, shanks and kidney tallow to be excluded.)

The necks of the cattle slaughtered under this agreement shall be cut off at the fourth vertebral joint, and the breast trimmed down. The shanks of the fore quarters shall be cut off from three to four inches above the knee joint, and of hind quarters from six to eight inches above the gambrel or hock joint.

Bidders are required to be present to respond to their bids, and be prepared to give bonds for the fulfilment of their contract.

Proposals must be endorsed distinctly "Proposals for Fresh Beef," and addressed to the undersigned, who reserves the right to reject any or all bids not in the interest of the United States.

Conditions, requirements, payments, &c., as heretofore.

THOMAS WILSON, Brevet Lieut. Col. and C. S., U. S. A. au31-1ued Brevet Brig. Gen. Vols.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH BREAD.

SUBSISTENCE OFFICE, U. S. A., No. 104 W. LOMBARD STREET, BALTIMORE, MD., August 30, 1866.

Sealed Proposals, in duplicate, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock, m., THURSDAY, September 6, 1866, for furnishing FRESH BREAD to the troops in and around and in the vicinity of Baltimore, Md., including the various surrounding forts, (except Fort McHenry, Md.)

The Bread to be delivered at Warehouse No. 104 Lombard street, Baltimore, Md., or at such other point in the city of Baltimore as may be designated, in such quantities and at such times as an officer of the Subsistence Department may direct.

The Bread will be subject to a rigid inspection, and if not satisfactory purchases will be made in open market at the expense of the contractor.

All questions respecting quality and condition will be settled by the officer of the Subsistence Department receiving the Bread.

The Bread required to be furnished under this contract must be good, wholesome Bread, made in sheets of loaves, each loaf to weigh not less than eighteen ounces when received.

Bidders will state how many loaves of Bread of eighteen ounces each they propose giving for one barrel flour of 196 pounds, (packages not included,) the marks on the barrels as purchased by the United States to hold (when the barrels are undistributed.)

This contract will be made for six months from October 1st, 1866, or such less time as the Commissary General may direct.

Blank proposals can be obtained at this office.

Bids must be endorsed "Proposals for Fresh Bread," and addressed to the undersigned, who reserves the right to reject any or all bids deemed unreasonable. Bidders must be present to respond to their bids, and be prepared to give bonds for the faithful performance of their contract.

THOMAS WILSON, Brevet Lieut. Col. and C. S. U. S. A. au31-1ued Brevet Brig. Gen. Vols.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until the 1st of September, 1866, at 12 m., for 1,000 TONS BEST QUALITY CUMBERLAND COAL, run of mine, to be delivered at the Treasury Building, in such quantities and at such times as may be directed.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids that it may be to the interest of the Department to decline.

R. M. CLARK, Chief First Division, au30-3t National Currency Bureau.

GRAND NATIONAL CONCERT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' NATIONAL ORPHANS' HOME FUND,

under the auspices of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Union, Washington, D. C., at Grover's Theatre, on THURSDAY EVENING, August 2, 1866.

POSTPONED UNTIL THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 11th, 1866.

☞ 300,000 tickets will be sold at $1 each—75,000 presents awarded, valued at $250,000! $25,000 of the profits to be given to the Soldiers' and Sailors' National Orphans' Home Fund, $2,000 to the Washington Male and Female Orphan Asylum, the balance, after deducting expenses, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Union of Washington, D. C.

LIST OF PRESENTS TO BE AWARDED.

1 Three-story brick residence, H street, between Sixth and Seventh	$16,000
1 Three-story brick residence, Second st., near B	10,000
1 Three story brick residence, Tenth street, between M and N	8,000
1 Two-story brick residence, Tenth street, between M and N	5,000
1 Two-story brick residence, Tenth street, between M and N	4,000
2 Fine city lots, on Seventh street north	4,000
1 Splendid Carriage, Horses and Harness, complete	2,000
1 Splendid Diamond Ring	1,000
1 Set Diamonds complete, (Pin, Ear-rings and Rings)	1,000
1 Grand Piano, (Steinway's)	1,500
1 Solid Silver Tea Set	1,000
10 Grand Pianos, $600 each	6,000
10 Do. $500 each	5,000
100 Gent's Gold Watches, $200 each	20,000
50 Ladies' Do. $125 each	6,250
5 Grand Melodeons, $200 each	1,000
80 American Case Silver Watches, $75 each	6,000
75 Hunting Do. Do. $40 each	3,000
50 Diamond Rings, $100 to $300 each	7,500
25 Diamond Pins, $100 each	2,500
40 Sewing Machines, $100 each	4,000
20 Do. Do. $75 each	1,500
20 Silverplated Tea Sets, $75 each	1,500
50 Silver Castors, $25 each	1,250
4,000 Clocks, Albums, Jewelry, &c., $5 to $10 each	27,000
10,000 Tea and Table Spoons, at $2 each	20,000
10,000 Gold Pens, Sleeve Buttons, &c., $1 to $3 each	14,000
49,463 Book, Cutlery, Engravings, &c., $1 to $10 each	59,000
Total	$250,000

The awards will be made after the concert, on the stage of the theatre, where three thousand persons can witness it. A committee will be appointed by the audience to superintend the same.

Printed lists of awards will be published and supplied to agents and ticket-holders. Parties having tickets will retain them until after the awards are made, and if their numbers appear in the list, they will forward their tickets immediately, with full directions where the shipping of goods or deeds for the property. Tickets for sale at all the principal Hotels, Book and Music Stores in the city, and at the Headquarters, in the Mammoth Fair Building for the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' National Orphans' Home Fund, corner of Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, D. C.

The Directors appeal to the liberality of the people to give this enterprise their kind support, and thereby assist in relieving the wants of the Orphans of our fallen comrades.

CARD.—A large number of tickets remaining unsold, it will be necessary to postpone the drawing until THURSDAY, the 11th of October, 1866, at which time it will positively occur.

The many swindling schemes that have been presented to the public during the past few months somewhat delayed our sales, still we were able to satisfy the people throughout the country that this enterprise was genuine, and solely for charitable purposes. The Directors are confident of the sale of every ticket, and have allotted sufficient time to guarantee the sales without any further postponement.

MAJOR R. A. HALL, President Soldiers' and Sailors' Union; Col. CHAS.