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Auction Sales.

TO-DAY.

BY COOPER & LATIMER, Auct'rs, (Successors to J. C. McGuire & Co.,) Southwest Corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street, Star Office Building.

CHANCERY SALE OF REAL ESTATE OF TWENTY-FOURTH STREET WEST, BETWEEN O AND P STREETS NORTH, IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

By virtue of a decree of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, dated May 8, 1868, passed in a certain cause therein depending, in which James D. Gibbs and others are complainants and Marion D. Wright and others are defendants, the same being chancery cause No. 1020, I shall sell, as trustee, at public auction, on THURSDAY, the 13th day of May, 1869, at 5 o'clock p. m., on the premises, lots A, B and C, being the sub-division of original lot numbered twelve, (12,) in square numbered thirty-one, (31.)

A plat showing the sub-divisions may be seen at the office of the Trustee, No. 465 Sixth street west, and will be shown at the sale.

One lot will be sold with the privilege of the whole.

Terms of Sale: Cash.

All conveyancing, including stamps, at the cost of the purchaser.

A deposit of $50 on each lot will be required when the property is struck off.

R. S. WASHINGTON, Trustee.
COOPER & LATIMER,
(Star.) Auctioneers.
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BY CHAS. W. BOTELER, Auctioneer, (Successor to J. C. McGuire & Co.,) Corner Pennsylvania avenue and Tenth street.

SALE OF SUPERIOR PIANOFORTE, BRONZES AND LACE CURTAINS, GILT FRAME MIRROR, WALNUT PARLOR SUITE, BRUSSELS AND VENETIAN CARPETS, PAINTINGS AND ENGRAVINGS, BROKEN PARLOR AND CHAMBER FURNITURE, FINE CHAMBER FURNITURE, ROSEWOOD PIANO, CHINA, GLASS AND TEA SETS, &c., HORSES, CARRIAGES, &c., AT AUCTION.

ON THURSDAY MORNING, May 13, at 10 o'clock, I shall sell at the residence of Samuel Norment, esq., No. 10 Missouri avenue, between Third and Four-and-a-half streets, a large collection of superior household furniture, embracing in part, viz:

One superior Rosewood case Pianoforte, carved scroll legs, 6½ octaves.
Suit of Brocatel and Lace Curtains, Cornices, &c.
Solid Walnut Parlor Suite, upholstered in Green Velvet.
Large Gilt frame French plate Pier Mirror, with Gilt Table.
Fancy Parlor Chairs, superior Walnut Secretary and Bookcase.
Walnut Etagere, with Mirror back; Paintings and Engravings.
Solid Rosewood Parlor Table, with Siena marble top.
Fine Chinese China, and Parian Marble Mantel Ornaments.
Bronze Groups and Statuettes, elegant Jardeniers.
Velvet and Brussels Parlor, Hall, Dining room, and Chamber Carpet.
Walnut Hall Suite, Walnut Extension Table.
Walnut Sideboard, with marble top.
Dining-room Chairs.
Large French China Dinner Set, handsomely decorated.
French China Tea Set, fine cut and engraved glass.
Ivory Table Cutlery, Plated Castor and other Silver-plated Table Ware.
Walnut and Mahogany Dressing Cabinets, with marble tops.
Walnut and Mahogany Bedsteads.
Walnut and Mahogany Wardrobes.
Walnut Marble-top Washstands.
Superior Feather Beds and Curled Hair Mattresses.
Mahogany Sofa, Mahogany Bookcase, Oilcloths, Arm and other Chairs, Refrigerator, Hydraulic, &c.
Terms cash.

ALSO,

At 1 o'clock, I shall sell, in front of the House—
One superior pair of Black Family Horses.
One handsome Phaeton, nearly new.
One substantial Family Carriage.
Two Sets of Double Harness.
The Horses and Carriages will be sold on a credit of sixty and ninety days, for approved indorsed notes, bearing interest.
The House is for rent. To a good tenant the rent will be made reasonable. It is one of the most convenient and best arranged of any in the city. Inquire of the auctioneer.
CHARLES W. BOTELER, Auctioneer.
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BY COOPER & LATIMER, Auct'rs, (Successors to James C. McGuire & Co.,) Southwest corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street, Star Office Building.

BY VIRTUE OF A DEED OF TRUST, DATED the 4th May, 1869, recorded in Liber S. C. E. No. 4, folio 266, of the land records, District of Columbia, I will sell at public auction, on the premises, on SATURDAY, the 22d day of May, 1869, at six o'clock p. m., Lot No. 70, in Gilbert & Allen's sub-division square No 375, Washington city.

Terms: One-third cash, residue in equal payments at six and twelve months, with interest, secured upon the property. JAMES TOWLES, Trustee.
my1-td

BY GREEN AND WILLIAMS, Auctioneers and Real Estate Brokers, No. 426 Southeast corner of Seventh and D streets.

GUARDIAN'S SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the Orphans' Court, duly confirmed by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, I will sell on FRIDAY, the 7th day of May, at 5 o'clock, p. m., in front of the premises, that part of lot Twenty-two (22) in Square numbered five hundred and fourteen (514), fronting sixteen (16) feet on north M street, between Fourth and Fifth streets west, being the same property conveyed by John B. Williamson and wife, by deed recorded in Liber J. A. S. No. 22, folios 426 et seq., to Silas Davis, in trust.

Terms: Half cash, balance in six and twelve months, to be secured by deed of trust.
ELIAS DAVIS, Guardian.
The above sale is postponed until FRIDAY, May 14, at 5 o'clock, p. m. by order of the Guardian.
GREEN & WILLIAMS,
my10-4t Auctioneers.

BY CHAS. W. BOTELER, Auctioneer, (Successor to J. C. McGuire & Co.,) Corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Tenth street.

SALE OF PIANOFORTE, GILT-FRAME MANTEL AND PIER MIRRORS, WINDOW CURTAINS, FINE CABINET FURNITURE, &c., AT AUCTION.

ON TUESDAY MORNING, May 18, at 10 o'clock, I shall sell, at No. 448 8 xth street, between E and F, the effects of a private family declining housekeeping, consisting in part, viz:

One superior Pianoforte.
Handsome Suit of Rep Curtains and Cornices.
Gilt frame French plate Mantel and Pier Mirrors.
Walnut Etagere, Marble Top and Mirror Back.
Solid Walnut Parlor Suite, Walnut Centre Table.
Rich Mantel Vases.
Superior Velvet and Brussels Parlor, Chamber, Dining room, and Step Carpets, nearly new.
Hall Oilcloth, Walnut Hall Set.
Marble-top Sideboard, solid oak.
Extension Dining Table, Walnut Office Tables.
French China Dinner and Tea Sets.
Fine Glassware, Table Cutlery, Silver-plated Ware.
Arm Chairs, Lounges, Walnut Fire Screen.
Suite of Chamber Furniture.
Curled Hair and other Mattresses.
Toilet Ware Stoves, Cooking Requisites, &c.
Terms cash.
THE HOUSE IS FOR RENT. Inquire of the Auctioneer. CHAS. W. BOTELER,
my6-td Auctioneer.

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers and Real Estate Brokers, No. 426 Southeast corner of Seventh and D streets.

DESIRABLE BUILDING LOT.

By virtue of a deed of trust, recorded Liber J. A. S. No. 54, folios 420, &c., the subscriber will sell on the premises, WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at 5 o'clock p. m., the following desirable Building Lot, situated on G street north, between North Capitol street and Delaware avenue, and near the Railroad Depot, and known as Lot No. Two (2), Square No. Six Hundred and Eighty-three (683), containing 2,565 square feet.

Terms: Cash. Conveyancing and revenue stamps at cost of purchaser.
JOHN CARROLL BRENT, Trustee.
my6-eod4ds GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auct's.

BY GREEN AND WILLIAMS, Auctioneers and Real Estate Brokers, No. 426 Southeast corner of Seventh and D streets.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE BUILDING LOT FRONTING ON NORTH M STREET, BETWEEN NINTH AND TENTH STREETS WEST, AT AUCTION.

On THURSDAY, the 27th day of May, at 5 o'clock p. m., I shall sell on the premises, that valuable building Lot known as part of lot No. 15, in square No. 369, having a front of 22 feet 11 inches on north M street, running back with a depth of 120 feet, containing in all 2,730 square feet.

Terms: One half cash; balance in three months, with interest, and secured by a deed of trust on the premises. All conveyancing and revenue stamps at purchaser's cost. One hundred dollars will be required down on the day of sale.
GEORGE MASON, Assignee.
my7 eod GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auct's.

FUTURE DAYS.

BY COOPER & LATIMER, Auctioneers, Successors to J. C. McGuire & Co., Southwest corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street, Star Office Building.

BY VIRTUE OF A DEED OF TRUST, DATED the 4th May, 1869, recorded in Liber S. C. E. No. 4, folio 266, of the land records, District of Columbia, I will sell at public auction, on the premises, on SATURDAY, the 22d day of May, 1869, at six o'clock p. m., Lot No. 70, in Gilbert & Allen's sub-division square No 375, Washington city.

Terms: One third cash, residue in equal payments at six and twelve months, with interest, secured upon the property. JAMES TOWLES, Trustee.
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BY GREEN AND WILLIAMS, Auctioneers and Real Estate Brokers, No. 426 Southeast corner of Seventh and D streets.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF DESIRABLE PROPERTY ON THE NAVY YARD.

By virtue of a deed of trust from Truman M. Brush to Robert P. Dodge, dated April 17, 1869, and a decree of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, passed in Chancery cause No. 966, whereby I was substituted trustee in the place of the said Robert P. Dodge, I will sell at public auction, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of May, 1869, at 5 o'clock, p. m., in front of the premises, parts of lots 28 and 29, in square No. 404, being the south five feet fourteen inches of lot 28, and the north eleven feet four inches of lot 29, the whole fronting sixteen feet eight inches on Eighth street east, with a depth of one hundred and nine feet and inch.

This property is situated on Eighth street east, between O and P streets south, opposite the Marine Barracks, and is improved.

Terms of sale: Cash.

All conveyancing and revenue stamps at the cost of the purchaser.
WM. F. MATTINGLY, Trustee.
GREEN & WILLIAMS,
apl3-td Auct'eers.

SALE OF MANURE.

CENTRAL MARKET, May 11, 1869.

There will be sold, at public auction, on SATURDAY, May 15, at 11 o'clock, in the Market yard, a large quantity of MANURE.
JOS. GERHARDT,
my12-td Clerk Centre Market.

Government Sales.

BUILDINGS OF STEAM FIRE ENGINE AT CAMP WILLIAMS.

OFFICE QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 6, 1869.

Will be sold at public auction, under the direction of Captain D. G. Thomas, A. Q. M., on SATURDAY, 15th instant, at 11 o'clock, the Fire Engine Building, Pennsylvania avenue and Nineteenth street, recently occupied by the steam fire engine Hibernia, as follows:

1 Building, gravel roof, 34x15 feet, with passage way 12x15 feet.
1 Building, shingle roof, 48x11½ feet, with attachment 20x20 feet.
1 Privy Stable, shingle roof, 20x20 feet.
Shed, 16x12½ feet; Roof, 8x10 feet.

Terms: Cash in Government funds.

Buildings must be removed within ten days from day of sale.

By order of the Quartermaster General.
J. C. McFERRAN,
Deputy Quartermaster General, Brevet Brigadier General U. S. A. my10-1d

SALE OF NAVY VESSELS.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12, 1869.

The Navy Department will offer for sale at public auction, at 10 o'clock, at the U. S. Navy-Yard, Portsmouth, N. H., on the 26th day of May, at 12 o'clock, m., the iron side-wheel steamer "Mascoma," of 1,026 tons old measurement.

At the U. S. Navy-Yard, Brooklyn, on the 31st day of May, at 12 o'clock, m., the screw steamer "Housatonic," of 867 tons, old measurement, and the screw steamer "Pequot," of 801 tons, old measurement.

At the U. S. Navy-Yard, Norfolk, Va., on the 3d day of June, at 12 o'clock, m., the iron side wheel steamer "Winnipec," of 1,031 tons, old measurement, and the iron steamer "Alleghany," of 980 tons, old measurement.

The vessels and their inventories can be examined at any time, on application to the commandants of the respective yards. The whole amount of the purchase money must be deposited at the time of adjudication, and the vessels must be removed from the navy-yards within two weeks from the day of sale.

The Government reserves the right to withdraw the vessels if unsafe for any purchaser who will pay the appraised value with an increase of ten per centum thereto. my12-ostw

PUBLIC AUCTION.

OFFICE DEPUT COMMISSARY OF SUBSISTENCE, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5, 1869.

Will be sold at public auction at the Subsistence Storehouse, Monument Grounds, Fourteenth street, Washington, D. C., on Saturday, the 15th instant, at 10 o'clock, a. m., a lot of condemned SUBSISTENCE STORES AND PROPERTY, consisting of about 83 pounds Cracked Beef, 12 pounds Ham, 604 pounds Corn Meal, 572 pounds Cracked Rice, 1,560 pounds Hard Bread, 106 pounds Beans, 162 pounds Hominy, 1,847 pounds Dried Peaches, 34 pounds Sweet Potatoes, 5 pounds Sugar, 224 pounds Black Pepper, 129 pounds Mackerel, 100 pounds Salt Herring and a quantity of Dessicated Mixed Vegetables.

Also, Platform Scales, Counter Scales, Spring Balances, Liquid Measures, Faucets, Funnels, Scoops, Cleavers, Hatchets, Meat Saws, &c.

Terms cash.
apl1-3 C. S. U. S. A.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT STORES.

OFFICE GEN'L ACT'G A. DISBURS'G OFFICER, BUREAU OF M., V. AND A. L., WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5, 1869.

By order of Brevet Major General O. O. Howard, United States army, commissioner, will be sold by public auction on MONDAY, May 17, 1869, at 11 a. m., all the stores contained in store-house, Ketrick, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, consisting of office desks, chairs, stoves, &c.

Terms of sale, cash.
J. BROWN,
may7-td Bvt. Maj. and Disbursing Officer.

SALE OF LIBERTY ORDNANCE DEPOT, MISSOURI.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, April 28, 1869.

In pursuance of the act of July 25, 1868, and by authority of the Secretary of War, the LAND and BUILDINGS, constituting the Ordnance Depot near Liberty, Clay county, Missouri, will be SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, to the highest bidder, on the premises, at 12 o'clock, meridian, on the 15th day of June, 1869.

The property consists of Ten Acres of Land and the following Buildings of brick, viz:

1 Storehouse, two stories, 80 feet by 35 feet.
1 Officers' Quarters, two stories, 36 feet by 26 feet.
1 Kitchen, one story, 34 feet by 17 feet.
1 Carpenters' Shop, one story, 40 feet by 17 feet.
1 Blacksmiths' Shop, one story, 40 feet by 17 feet.
1 Soldiers' Barracks, one story, 40 feet by 17 feet.
1 Magazine, 25 feet by 18 feet.
1 Stable, 40 feet by 17 feet.

And also, several Frame Buildings, such as Laboratories, Sheds, Out-house, Corn-crib, Fencing, a good Well and Cistern, &c.

Further description is deemed unnecessary, as it is presumed that persons disposed to purchase will examine the premises.

The terms of sale, as prescribed by the law under which the sale is made, are one third in cash, the remainder in two equal payments of one and two years, with six per cent. interest on deferred payments, to be secured by deed of trust on the property.

Upon payment of the whole of the purchase money a deed in fee simple will be executed under the seal of the War Department.
T. J. TREADWELL,
Brevet Lieutenant Colonel and Major of Ordnance, in charge. apl0-wtt

GOVERNMENT SALE.

UNITED STATES NAVY YARD, NORFOLK, April 24, 1869.

Will be sold at this navy yard, on SATURDAY, May 15, 1869, commencing at 12 o'clock, m., at public auction, the following articles, on account of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, viz:

14,000 pounds Hemp Rope;
4 Manilla Hawsers;
1 Screw—91 feet long, 13 feet beam;
12 Cast iron Cylinders;
1 Head Cylinder;
1 Set Castings;
1 Set Bolts;
1 Cast-iron Lever Beams;
1 Piece Heater;
1 Cast-iron Burnishing Tank;
1 Upright Iron Drum;
1 Cast-iron Columns;
1 Spindle of Boring Mill;
1 Piece of Lathe;
2 Cast-iron Trip-hammers;
1 Part Hydraulic Press;
1 Bottom Plate of Crane;
1 Crane, incomplete;
4,500 Treenails;
1 Redwood;
1 A quantity of Yellow Pine Piles;
55 Shovels;
3 Spades;
25 Horn Lanterns;
3 Carpets, about 30 yards each;
4 Chairs.

Terms: Cash, at time of purchase, and the articles to be removed from the yard within ten days from date of sale.

By order of the Navy Department.
A. H. KILTY, Commandant.
W. M. SPEAR, Civil Engineer.
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SALE OF BUILDINGS.

HEADQUARTERS FIRST MILITARY DISTRICT, OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, RICHMOND, VA., May 4, 1869.

Will be sold at public auction, at "Camp Williams," near Richmond, Virginia, on WEDNESDAY, 12th instant, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m., the

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lately occupied by U. S. Troops at the Post three miles west of Richmond, Va., known as Camp Williams, consisting of—

1 Barrack, 20 by 112 feet.
1 Quarters, 22 by 34 feet.
1 Addition, 8 by 12 feet.
1 Quarters, 16½ by 40½ feet.
1 Quarters, 20½ by 57 feet.
1 Bakery, 18 by 36 feet.
1 Stable, 31 by 170 feet.
1 Building, 18 by 20 feet.
6 Sinks, 4 by 6 feet each.
200 Feet of Fence, 6 feet high.
12 Tables.
30 Benches.
24 Bunks.
1 Blacksmith Shop, 13 by 24 feet.
1 Office, 10 by 18 feet.
1 Carpenter's Shop, 18 by 31 feet.
1 Mess House, 13 by 21 feet.
1 Wash House, 12 by 16½.
1 Forage House, 8 by 15 feet.
1 Carriage House, 13 by 14 feet.
1 Hen House, 8 by 12 feet.
3 Laundresses' Quarters, 12 by 24 feet each.
9 Additions to do., 9 by 9 feet each.

Ten days will be allowed purchasers for removal of buildings.

Terms: Cash, in Government funds.

By order of the Quartermaster General.
J. G. CHANDLER,
Bvt. Colonel, Chief Quartermaster First Military District. my7-td

CARRIAGES! CARRIAGES! CARRIAGES! On hand a large assortment of superior made CARRIAGES, consisting of Coupes, Phetons, Jenny Linds, Rockaways, Buggies, &c., &c. Also, a large number of Second-hand Carriages.

Repairing promptly attended to.
ROBERT H. GRAHAM,
374 D street, between Eighth and Ninth, and 477 Eighth street, near D. my11-3t

PROPOSALS.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD, WASHINGTON CITY, April 27, 1869.

Separate sealed proposals will be received at this office until 1 o'clock, p. m., on FRIDAY, the 28th day of May, 1869, for building and equipping two Light Vessels of the following dimensions:

Length from outside of rabbet of stem to outside of stern post ..... 96 feet
Extreme breadth ..... 23 6-12 feet
Depth of hold from inside of floor timber to under side of deck plank, amidship ..... 11 5-12 feet

Drawings and specifications and any other desired information concerning these vessels will be furnished upon application in writing to the undersigned at this office.
W. B. SHUBRICK, Chairman.

WASHINGTON FACTS AND IMPRESSIONS.

BREVET MAJOR GENERAL CUTLER GROVER has been assigned to duty as acting assistant inspector general of the Fifth Military District.

THE PRESIDENT has discontinued his public receptions, and will hereafter only receive by card, at such times as the public business will allow.

SENATOR SUMNER has received an invitation from prominent citizens of St. Louis to deliver an address in that city. The letter communicating this request is highly complimentary to Mr. Sumner.

RESIGNED.—Colonel Alexander Duncan yesterday tendered to Secretary Cox his resignation as superintendent of the Interior Department building. His successor will probably be appointed to-day.

GEN. O. O. HOWARD has just returned to Washington from Albany, where he has been to secure funds in aid of the Freedmen's schools in Texas, and reports that his visit was very successful.

THE PASSES heretofore held by various employees of the Treasury Department to enter the building on Sunday and after office hours, have been revoked, and new ones will be issued in their stead.

THE CITY POSTMASTERSHIP.—It was reported last night that the commission of Judge Edmunds as postmaster of Washington had been filled up and sent by the Postmaster General to the President for his signature.

THE AUTHORITIES at the navy yard have determined upon the creation of a new office, that of captain of the watch; and Charles Watson, an ensign in the Potomac flotilla during the war, will most likely receive the appointment.

JUDGE BINGHAM, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, has called a meeting of his committee in this city on the 18th instant. It is understood that the meeting will be in relation to the further investigation of the charges against Judge Busted.

COMMISSIONER FISHER was engaged yesterday afternoon in hearing arguments upon the application of John M. Heck, of Holyoke, Mass., for an extension of his patent for dressing sewing thread. The invention is a valuable one, and considerable interest is involved in the result of the application.

THE COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE has decided that where parties are engaged in the manufacture of goods for furnishing material, paying for the work, or in any other manner, though only engaged by conducting it through agents, they are liable to the tax imposed by act of March 31st, 1867, upon manufacturers.

SECRETARY BOUTWELL states explicitly that the purchase of bonds to be made pursuant to the notice issued by Assistant Treasurer Van Dyck does not carry the intention of placing those bonds again upon the market, nor does the Secretary expect that they will in any form be reissued. His object is to reduce the principal and interest of the public debt. Arrangements are being made in the Treasury Department towards the establishment of a sinking fund, in conformity with the provisions of the act of 1862.

MAYOR SHUBTLEFF, of Boston, and a delegation of prominent Bostonians, accompanied by Assistant Secretary Richardson, visited the several Cabinet officers and Gen. Sherman yesterday and extended to them invitations to visit the national peace jubilee which takes place in that city in June. They visited the President for the same purpose on Tuesday evening, and received from all assurances that they would endeavor to attend. The committee also extended invitations to Mayor Bowen, Senator Sumner and others to be present during the jubilee.

PROTEST FROM WORKINGMEN.—The following protest signed by 350 mechanics and other employees of the Washington navy-yard, was forwarded to the Secretary of the Navy yesterday through the commandant:

"We, the undersigned, workingmen in the Washington navy-yard, respectfully protest against reduction of pay to the standard of eight tenths as at present prescribed by the Secretary of Navy for eight hours labor, and accept it with the understanding that we shall demand the balance (two tenths) due us at the hands of Congress, or through the Court of Claims."

Similar protests have been, or will be sent from all the navy-yards in the country.

MARRIAGE.—A brilliant and fashionable audience was present last evening at St. Aloysius church, to witness the nuptials of Orlando C. Ketcham, esq., of the Patent Office, and Miss Emma Collins, daughter of Reuben Collins, esq., of this city. The happy couple, after receiving the felicitations of their friends, left for Pennsylvania, where they will spend their honey moon. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Roccofort, whose paternal benediction on this occasion was received by all with heartfelt wishes for the happiness of the groom and bride, even unto the fourth generation.

SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE.—Mr. D. H. Lusk, in charge of the division of the Second Auditor's office for the settlement of paymasters' accounts, has resigned his position.

The branch of the above office, formerly at 397 Eighteen street, between F and G streets, in charge of Mr. D. A. Pierce, now occupies rooms in Winder's building.

It is understood that about thirty-three promotions will be made in this office during the present month, of which about two thirds are clerks who have performed military service during the rebellion, and all of whom have been recommended for efficiency.

FEMALE CLERKS IN THE PATENT OFFICE.—Rooms are now being fitted up on the Ninth street front of the Patent Office for the use of the 53 female clerks of that Department authorized by law. Heretofore all copying of this office has been given out by the piece to females, and a large number have had employment on such work, but none were employed in the building. The late act of Congress limits the force of female clerks to fifty-three, fixes their salary at $700 per annum, and provides that they must be employed in the building, under the same regulations as male clerks. They will commence work on the 1st of July next, the beginning of the new fiscal year.

RECENT advices from Rome, received in this city, gives to the semi-centennial celebration of the jubilee of Pius the IX to the priesthood, a significance not hitherto adverted upon by the English or American press. On that occasion, not only did the English and Prussian governments, by their direct representatives, send the warmest felicitations upon this auspicious occasion, but the minister of the North German Confederation, together with the congratulations of the diplomatic representatives of the Catholic nations, resident in Washington, united in testimony of the Christian expression, "On earth peace, good will to men."

The fact that Prussia, England and the United States, the representatives of the Protestant nations, directly and indirectly united in the congratulations, is regarded as ominous of the fraternal spirit indicated in the expression of President Grant, "Let us have peace."

GEN. GEORGE B. MCCLELLAN accompanied by Gov. Randolph, of N. J., visited the Executive Mansion yesterday and had a long and pleasant interview with the President. The object of the visit was to consult with reference to the Stevens floating battery in New York harbor, and during the interview the whole question of the defense of that harbor was discussed incidentally. General McClellan also called upon Admiral Porter at the Navy Department, upon the same subject. This is the first visit Gen. McClellan has made to Washington since he relinquished the command of the army in 1862. He was also very cordially greeted by the members of the Presidents staff, with each one of whom he is well acquainted.

THE GREAT RACE TO-DAY.—The great trotting race for a purse of $1000, between four renowned horses, will come off over the National race course, this afternoon, at two o'clock. From the reputation of those celebrated animals our citizens may confidently expect such an exhibition of speed as has rarely been witnessed in this locality. The elegant track is in excellent condition, and as the weather will doubtless be fair we have no doubt that the time will be in the twenties, possibly as low as twenty-six. The efforts of Mr. Zadoc Williams, the owner of the track, backed up as they are by Mr. Moffatt, his superintendent, should be recognized and encouraged by our citizens, for these gentlemen are leaving nothing undone for the pleasure and enjoyment of their patrons.

THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE SENSATION STORY. The highly sensational dispatch telegraphed from London yesterday, and published elsewhere in to-day's paper, in relation to a triple alliance excites no alarm here, but on the contrary is received with derision in well informed circles. The dispatch appeared originally in the New York *Tribune* of yesterday as a special cable telegram to that paper, and comes telegraphed to this city as an Associated Press dispatch.

It is believed here that it is a mere canard to effect United States securities in London and New York. Gen. Banks' resolution, which passed the House of Representatives just previous to the adjournment of Congress, may have been regarded as a very serious matter in some parts of Europe, but the Spanish Minister here was not slow to make the proper estimate of it. The fact is that our Government is anxious for the preservation of peace, and the accounts of filibusters fitting out to leave our shores for Cuba have not that foundation in fact which interested parties would wish to give them.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE.—Examination of returns of surveys of public lands in the Western States and Territories, executed during the latter part of last season, and adjustment of accounts of deputy surveyors, is being industriously prosecuted in the General Land Office, under the direction of Commissioner Joseph S. Wilson, preparatory to the issue of instructions under the new appropriations and the reception of returns of surveys executed under the same.

Among the accounts just reported to the Treasury for payment is one in favor of Odell, Gray & Pengra, deputy surveyors in Oregon, for twenty-six miles of standard lines, two hundred and fifty-two miles of township lines and one thousand and seventy miles of sub-divisions, amounting to over $14,000. By these surveys twenty-five townships, in the vicinity of Goose and Christmass lakes and Chewaucan marsh, are subdivided into tracts of one hundred and sixty acres each, and an aggregate area of 366,985 acres of excellent agricultural and timber lands is placed in readiness for disposal to settlers.

SURVEY OF THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF NEW MEXICO.—Commissioner Wilson, of the General Land Office, has approved the survey of the northern boundary of New Mexico, on the 37th parallel of north latitude, from the 103d to the 109th degree of west longitude, executed by Ehud N. Darling, esq., of Kansas, astronomer and surveyor under contract with the Interior Department of May 22, 1868.

This line, commencing on the east, reaches the Ratoon mountains at forty-six miles, thence the line passes over those mountains to the 129th mile, where it enters the San Luis valley, which is 39 miles wide at this point.

The Rio Grande flows through this valley, crossing the line on the 148th mile.

The line, after leaving the San Luis valley on the 167th mile, crosses the San Juan mountains and thence to the terminal point follows down the San Juan valley. The line is 331 miles and 60 chains. Professor J. Weissner, of Washington, D. C., acted as astronomer, and Alonzo Mace, esq., of New York city, as assistant astronomer of the expedition.

The survey was commenced July 19, 1868, and completed November 18, 1868.

The commissioner transmitted copies of the return of the survey to the Surveyor General at Denver, Colorado, and at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the 6th instant.

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.—President Grant yesterday paid a visit to the Secretary of the Interior at his own office. Leaving his carriage he entered by the south front of the building, and accosting a messenger inquired which room the Secretary of the Interior occupied. The messenger guided him to the room of the Secretary, and the President entered unannounced, finding the Secretary so busily engaged with papers that he did not notice the presence of his distinguished visitor until he had passed around his table and stood beside him. After some conversation the heads of the bureaus were sent for by the Secretary, and soon Dr. Van Aernam, Judge Otto, and Commissioners Fisher and Wilson made their appearance. The interview, which was purely of a social nature, lasted some time, the conversation naturally turning upon the campaigns of Gen. Grant. He related some highly interesting reminiscences of the war. The company then visited the upper floor of the building, where are the cases containing over ninety thousand models of inventions, exclusive of the rejected models, which occupy the west hall. Passing round the hall the company returned to the main entrance, and were about descending, when Mr. W. L. Seward, the one-armed messenger at the door, politely reminded the President that "visitors are requested to register their names." He smilingly complied, and going to the register, entered his name, "U. S. Grant, Galena, Illinois." Descending to the main hall the General bid the Secretary and his staff good bye, and retired from the building.

Latest Telegraphic Brevities.

Rev. John R. Smith, of Bath, Maine, who has been under examination for the last two days for alleged forgery, has been held in $5,000 bail for trial.

Wm. B. Spooner declines to resign the office of president of the State temperance alliance of Massachusetts, as requested by a vote of the association, and at a meeting yesterday the matter was indefinitely postponed.

Yesterday morning the accommodation train from Portland for Boston was thrown off the track between Berwick and South Berwick. One lady passenger, the engineer and baggage master were injured severely.

A report from the Northwest is to the effect that the new wheat crop is in an excellent condition, and promises an abundant harvest.

Margaret Murray, an inmate of a nunnery, who threw herself into the river on Sunday morning, at Chicago, and was rescued, died yesterday.

In Louisville yesterday, a number of General George H. Thomas' army comrades repaired to his headquarters to present him with a magnificent silver service, but the General declined its acceptance on the ground that he is determined never to receive donations under any circumstances.

G. C. Goodwin, of the firm of Goodwin & Co., druggists, Boston, was found lying dead on the sidewalk in Amity street, near Sixth, New York, yesterday morning. He was about seventy years old. The cause of his death is unknown.

The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives re-assembled at the custom-house, New York, yesterday morning to resume their examination of custom-house affairs and to take preliminary steps for the preparation of a new tariff bill.

There was a meeting of Californians at the Astor House, New York, yesterday to celebrate the completion of the Pacific railroad, at which Senator Nye, of Nevada, presided, and congratulatory resolutions were adopted.

Naval Orders.

Ordered—Commodore John C. Carter to duty in charge of the naval rendezvous at San Francisco, California.

Captain Fabius Stanly to open a naval rendezvous at Baltimore, Md., and Surgeon William Grier ordered to report to him for duty.

Lieutenant Commander Smith W. Nichols, G. B. B. Glidden and Geo. H. Wadleigh to the Naval Academy on the 29th of September next.

Surgeon Philip Lansdale to the Lancaster and as fleet surgeon of the South Atlantic squadron on the 15th of June next.

Assistant Surgeon Benj. S. Mackie to the naval hospital, New York, on the 1st of June next.

Assistant Surgeon Andrew M. Moore to the naval asylum, Philadelphia, on the 1st of June next.

Chief Engineer Wm. H. Rutherford to special duty in charge of machinery at Providence, R. I.

First Assistant Engineer A. V. Fraser to the navy yard, New York.

Boatswain Philip J. Miller to the practice ship Savannah on the 24th inst.

The order to Chief Engineer Henry Mason, assigning him to duty at Providence, R. I., has been revoked.

Detached—Lieut. Com. L. P. Gillett, from the Naval Academy on the 8th of June next, and ordered to take passage in the Sabine on the 30th of June next, to the European squadron, to report for duty.

Lieut. Com. Henry L. Johnson, from the Naval Academy, and directed to hold himself in readiness for duty on board the Juniata.

Lieut. Com. Lewis Clark, from the receiving ship Ohio, and ordered to the practice ship Macedonian.

Passed Assistant Surgeon John W. Coles, from the Naval Asylum, Philadelphia, on the 1st of June next, and ordered to the Lancaster on the 15th of June next.

Assistant Surgeon P. P. Bielby, from the Naval Hospital, New York, on the 1st of June next, and ordered to the Lancaster on the 15th of June next.

The Board of Naval Surgeons, of which Surgeon William Grier was president, and Surgeons Philip Lansdale and Thomas M. Potter were members, appointed some time since to visit and examine naval hospitals, has been dissolved, the board having completed the duties assigned them.

Chief Engineer Charles H. Loring is appointed a member of the Board of Visitors to the Naval Academy.

Paris Fashions.

The correspondent of the New York *Herald* furnishes the following items concerning the last *fete* of the French Empress:

At her first she wore a straw-colored robe, with variegated panules—a flounce she is very partial to; at her second a white satin dress, and roses all round the lower part of the robe; they were thrown on as if cut and flung where they were to cling. The chignon did not jut out behind nor bubble up, but the fair hair was plaited in lustrous tresses and fell somewhat low on the neck. A sober effect had evidently been intended—a bold timidity at trying something novel. It would be fastidious to repeat all the dresses here seen to advantage. They are ever the same long, rich trains, over puff and lace, ruched to death, and at the end of the season we may expect nothing new in ball dress. All the novelties are at the Bois for coming watering places and summer days, (when they do come.)

The last display at the drive was Madame de Metternich's turnout. Her footman wore her colors, (yellow and black,) and even the horses had at their ears, under rosettes of black silk, waving branches of yellow acacia. This was to honor Chevalier Spring. Mme. de Canisy went round the lake in a black silk robe, with train raised by leather straps and oxydized buckles. Her round Versailles hat was trimmed with a green feather. It fell from the front down behind, over plaited hair.

Blue taffeta, shot with black and a Marly casaque, looked like beetle wings on Comtesse de Brantes. A pale bride drove in an open caleche. She was in cigar poplin and held a rose in her hand. Her head-dress was the famous capulet—a lace scarf or shawl attached to the hair by a rose; it crosses on the bosom, forms a fichu and covers the panier behind. The Countesse de Castellane is always seen at the Bois in one of them. The elder blossom diadem is liked on fanchons and hats, because it is light and dignified. A white lace capulet is often worn with claret or nacarat bow. Cascades of light curls, so beautiful of an evening, are laid aside for thick coil and cable at the drive.

As a general rule underskirts with costumes this coming summer will be much richer than the overskirt. A shade called "feu" is in great demand. Double-breasted bodices and jerkins called "habits" are the fastest novelties. It is, indeed, high time that the Queen of Fashion should turn toward the Holy Land. Eugenie will soon leave for Jerusalem. The Emperor has marked out her itinerary himself. She is to go from Egypt to Beyrout, from Beyrout upland to Lebanon and the borders of the sea, with halts at Sour, St. Jean d'Acre, Jaffa, Mount Carmel and Nazareth.

JAMES JETER PHILLIPS.—The following is Judge Underwood's decision in the case of James Jeter Phillips, now under sentence of death at Richmond for the murder of his wife. It bears date February 23, 1869, but was withheld by Judge Underwood until after the announcement of Judge Chase's decision in the Cesar Griffin case:

"The petition in this case is denied and dismissed, on the grounds that the sentence under which the petitioner is held was pronounced before the 28th day of July,