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Auction Sales.

BY COOPER & LATIMER, Auct'rs., (Successors to Jas. C. McGuire & Co.) Southwest corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street.

FRENCH PLATE, PIER AND MANTLE MIRRORS, ROSEWOOD PARLOR SUITS, DAMASK AND LACE CURTAINS, SUPERIOR SILVER PLATED WARE, ROSEWOOD AND WALNUT CHAMBER FURNITURE, DINING ROOM FURNITURE, ROSEWOOD AND WALNUT BEDSTEADS, PURE COTTON COOKING UTENSILS, &c., &c., AT AUCTION.

ON MONDAY MORNING, April 18, 1870, at 10 o'clock, at the late residence of the Italian Minister, old No. 359 Pennsylvania avenue, between Seventh and Eighteenth streets, we shall sell the following superior furniture, comprising:

Gilt Frame Pier and Mantle Mirrors
Gilt Parlor Poles, ornamented in Green Rep
Damask and Lace Curtains
Fine Plated Waiters, Meat Dishes, Soup Tureens
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French China, Cut and Engraved Glassware
French Bronze Table Set, 7 pieces
Gilt and Bronzed Chandeliers
60 lbs. Ice Cooking Coppers
Walnut and Mahogany Chamber Furniture
Green Rep Lounges, Hall Tables
Hair Mattresses, Bolsters and Pillows
Brussels and Three-ply Carpets
Oak Hall Suits, &c., &c.

Terms: Cash. COOPER & LATIMER, apl-tf Auctioneers.

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CHANCERY SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

By virtue of a decree of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, bearing date the 22d day of October, A. D. 1869, and passed in a cause wherein Annie E. Calhoun is complainant and Joseph Austin Calhoun and others are defendants, the undersigned, trustee, will offer for sale, on THURSDAY, the 28th day of April, 1870, at 5 o'clock P. M., on the premises, at public auction, to the highest bidder, all that desirable lot or parcel of land, part of that tract of land called "Mount Airy," situate in Montgomery county, Maryland, adjoining the city of Washington, containing one hundred and fifty (150) acres, more or less, and being the same property conveyed by Benjamin Stanton and wife to the said Joseph Austin Calhoun, by deed bearing date the 20th day of May, A. D. 1859, and recorded in Liber J. A. S. No. 146, one of the land records of Montgomery county, Maryland, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more full description of said property.

Also, the west half of lot four (4) in Davidson's subdivision of said Square 159, the same fronting fourteen feet six inches, more or less, on K street, in the rear of the premises now occupied by Mr. Davis for A. Hyde and John G. Clark by deed dated November 4, 1868, and recorded in Liber O. T. No. 25, folios 382 et seq., reference to which is hereby made for a further description of said property, with the improvements, which are a new three-story Frame House, fronting on K street, between Connecticut avenue and Eighteenth street west.

Terms: One third cash; balance in 6, 12 and 18 months, with interest, to be secured by the usual formal payments, bearing interest from day of sale. A deed given and a deed in trust taken on the premises. All conveyancing and recording at purchaser's cost. A deposit of $200 will be required at sale on the property bought off.

HERMAN H. MILLER, Trustee. apl-eod2d WM. L. WALL & CO., Auctioneers.

SALE OF A NAVY VESSEL.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6, 1870.

The Navy Department will offer for sale at public auction, at the United States Navy Yard, Brooklyn, on the 9th day of April, 1870, at 12 o'clock, M., the live oak frame, copper-fastened screw steamer

SEMINOLE,

Of 800 tons, old measurement.

The vessel may be inspected on her ground at any time on application to the Commandant of the yard. One half of the whole amount of the purchase money must be deposited at the time of adjudication, and the balance within ten (10) days thereafter, and the vessel must be removed from the navy yard within two (2) weeks from the day of sale.

The Government reserves the right to withdraw the vessel from the sale if satisfactory bids do not pay the appraised value with an increase of ten (10) per cent. on the same.

CHARLES M. MATTHEWS, Trustee. WM. L. WALL & CO., apl-eod2w Auctioneers.

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers and Real Estate Brokers, No. 319 Southeast corner of Seventh and D streets.

TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED PROPERTY ON SOUTH F STREET, BETWEEN FOURTH AND TWELFTH STREETS, EAST.

By virtue of two deeds of trust from Wm. Talbert to us, bearing date the 1st day of April, 1867, and 27th March, 1868, and recorded in Liber E. G. D. No. 150, folios 376 and 378, and Liber E. G. D. No. 154, folios 290 et seq., and at the request of the holders of the notes secured by said deeds of trust, we will sell, at the premises, on SATURDAY, the 23d day of April instant, at 5:30 o'clock P. M., the west half of lot numbered one (1), in Square numbered nine hundred and ninety-six (996), fronting twenty-five (25) feet on F street, and extending back in the rear of the lot, with the improvements thereon.

Terms of sale: One third cash, of which $50 must be deposited at the time of sale, and the residue within five days thereafter; the balance in six and twelve months, to be secured by deed of trust, with interest from the day of sale. If the terms are not complied with within five days, the deposit to be forfeited and the property resold at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser.

FRANCIS J. TOBEY, EDWARD CLARK, Trustees Eastern Building Association. GREEN & WILLIAMS, apd-dts Auctioneers.

BY WM. L. WALL & CO., Auct's., New Marble Building, Stores Nos. 900 and 902 Southeast Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street.

CHANCERY SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE AT THE CORNER OF TWENTY-THIRD AND E STREETS NORTH, IN WASHINGTON, D. C., KNOWN AS "DOUGLAS' GREEN HOUSE."

By virtue of a decree of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, in equity sitting, in the cause of Corcoran & Riggs vs. Henry Douglass et al., No. 1825, equity docket, of said court, the undersigned, as trustee, will expose for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, on MONDAY, the second day of May, A. D. 1870, at 5 o'clock P. M., on the premises, the following pieces or parcels of ground, being in the city of Washington, D. C., that is to say: First lot, beginning at the intersection of Twenty-third street west and E street north, and being in the square numbered two hundred and twenty-three (223), in the city of Washington, and designated as Mr. Everett's subdivision of said square, and running with the line of E street north one hundred and twenty-five (125) feet, to the line of square numbered one hundred and twenty-three (123) in the said city as the same subdivision is recorded in the Surveyor's Office, thence westwardly, including the line thereof forty (40) feet from the south west corner of said square, then running with the line of Fifteenth street west one hundred (100) feet, then one east one hundred and two twelfths (100 2-12) feet to the line of lot numbered four (4), thence with the line of said lot, in the square aforesaid, one hundred and twenty-three (123) in the said city as the same subdivision is recorded in the Surveyor's Office, thence, including the line thereof forty (40) feet from the south west corner of said square, then running with the line of Fifteenth street west one hundred (100) feet, then one east one hundred and two twelfths (100 2-12) feet to the line of lot numbered four (4); thence with the line of said lot (4) one hundred (100) feet to the line of lot numbered five (5); thence with line of lot numbered five (5) one hundred and twelve twelfths (112 12-12) feet to the beginning, containing forty-five and three-tenths (45.3) square feet of ground, with all the buildings, improvements, rights, and appurtenances to the said lots belonging.

This property is most eligibly situated at the corner of Fifteenth street west and north G street, opposite the Treasury buildings and the Quartermaster's Department.

Terms of sale: One third cash; the residue in three equal installments at one, two and three years, with notes equal to be given payable respectively 6, 12, and 18 months from day of sale with interest from said date. The bids will be received on the premises only if accompanied by a deposit of $100 in money or good check. If the terms shall not be complied with within five days after sale, the trustee reserves the right to resell the property at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser, by advertising such resale three days in some newspaper printed in this city. Conveyancing, &c., at purchaser's cost.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A THREE-STORY BRICK HOUSE AND LOT ON K STREET, BETWEEN FOURTH AND FIFTH STREETS, BY AUCTION.

On MONDAY AFTERNOON, April 18, at 4 o'clock, in front of the premises, I will sell, by virtue of a deed of trust, duly recorded, &c., &c., &c., all that certain piece or parcel of land known and described as south part of lot number (2,) in Square number (518,) on K street, between Fourth and Fifth streets, in rear of an alley, improved by a three-story Brick House.

Terms of sale are: One-third cash; balance in 6 and 12 months, with interest, to be secured by a deed of trust on the premises sold. All conveyancing and recording charges at purchaser's cost. A deposit of $200 will be required at sale on the property bought off.

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NEWSPAPER STATEMENTS—How our Patons Test Their Texts.—This is not an age when people believe on trust whatever they see in the public journals. Fifty or sixty years ago, when the necessity of a newspaper that had opened in one of the gazettes of "News Letter" of the day was questioned, it was considered a sufficient answer to all cavil to say, "It must be so, for I read it in the newspaper." It is not so now. Newspaper assertions must be verified before they are taken for granted, and this is especially the case as regards statements setting forth the remedial properties of proprietary medicines. For example, it cannot be in the interest of the proprietors of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters had been failing city and thoroughly tested by thousands, and found to be in perfect accord with the marked claims put forth in its behalf, that it was accepted by the public at large as a standard preparation. Hence, many imitations who had resorted to rum, a recognized agent in malarious fevers, a core for indigestion and biliousness, a means of strengthening the frame, whereby they might withstand the malefic influence, came forward and testified that its beneficial effects had exceeded their most sanguine expectations, or rather they had underrated it. To repeat such proofs was impossible. Great care has been taken from the beginning not to encumber the columns of the public journals with testimony which have been the death of many preparations that might otherwise have survived. They were therefore left to speak for themselves. Hostetter's Bitters, on the contrary, have never been announced in grandiose or inflammatory language as a cure for everything. Its claims are simple, pure, narrow, and vegetable; that it possesses remedial, invigorating, regulating, anti-bilious and anti-septic properties. This is exactly what the public know the medicine to be, and its enormous sale is an argument in its favor. apl1-eod3t

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ESSAYS FOR YOUNG MEN, on Starts and Wedded Life—the dangers of Celibacy, and the laws of true Marriage—with sanitary aid for those who are in any way addicted to matrimonial happiness, sent free in sealed envelopes. Address, HOWARD ASSOCIATION, Box 97, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. jal1-3m

A CARD.—A Clergyman, while residing in South America as missionary, discovered a simple and simple remedy for the cure of Nervous Weakness, Early Decay, Disease of the Urinary and Sexual Organs, and the whole train of disorders resulting from indiscretion and vicious habits. Great numbers have been cured by the noble remedy. Prompted by a desire to benefit the unfortunate and the young, I will send the receipt for preparing and using this medicine, in a sealed envelope, to any one who sends it, FREE OF CHARGE. Address JOSEPH T. INMAN, ofl-3m Station D, Bible House, New York City.

Dry Goods

CONTINUATION Of the Copartnership of M. TAYLOR & CO.

The terms upon which M. Taylor proposed to withdraw from our firm not having been arranged, we feel compelled to give notice to all Departments, with no 2 down, and almost all goods down to a gold basis, and goods offering to us daily by Northern importers and jobbers at

ASTONISHINGLY LOW PRICES;

knowing that we now have many rare advantages of giving our friends and customers

VERY CHEAP GOODS,

we have concluded to continue until further notice the present firm. In doing so we have revised all our stock on hand to conform to the times:

GOLD VALUE,

and are adding largely to it all departments at the present very low market rates. Our terms will be CASH, or prompt settlement each month. Northern account will be opened only on arrangement to do so by the money with a member of the firm.

M. TAYLOR & CO., No. 703 Centre Market Space.

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To 75 cts. yard, all Linen, Fringed Towels, 25 cts. 1 yard wide, Bleached Pillow Cases, 25 cts. Andrescoggin Cotton, 12½ cts. 1 Bale plaque Dress Goods, 50 to 75 cts. Ladies' Plain Hosiery Gauntlets, 25 cts. 10 Bales Brown Sheeting, 10 yards Black Silks, Irish and French Poplins, Japanese Silks at Bargains.

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JUST DEALING TO ALL, ONLY ONE PRICE.

Good Black Silk ..... $1.00 per Yard
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PLAIN AND PLAID JAPANESE SILKS, (Best in the market) at $1.20
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JOHNSON & COLLEY, 95 Market Space.

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Just received a large lot more of TOWELS, being portion of goods saved from the fire in Philadelphia last week.

Fringed Towels, 20 inches long, 10 cents.
" " 1 yard " 12 "
" " " 1½ " 15 "
" " " 1¾ " 18 "
" " " 2 " 20 "

Call and examine Linen Hand-Towels, very cheap. Special attention called to BLACK ALPACA, at 25 cents, worth 40 cents.

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WASHINGTON FACTS AND IMPRESSIONS.

INTERNAL REVENUE receipts yesterday were $185,185.37.

WALTER BROWN, the American champion oarsman, was yesterday appointed by the Navy Department instructor of rowing at Annapolis.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TERRITORIES yesterday agreed to report a bill for the immediate admission of New Mexico as a State.

AMONG the solvents reported yesterday at the Internal Revenue office were 50 barrels of whisky in the Thirty-second New York district, valued at $2,100.

IS IT NOT as much bribery to buy a man's vote with a plate of soup and a loaf of bread as to buy it with a greenback? Bowen and Cook are doing it.

CADET APPOINTED.—Mr. Morell Long, of Flint, Michigan, has been nominated by Hon. Randolph Strickland to the existing vacancy in the West Point Academy from the Sixth Congressional district of Michigan.

VICE PRESIDENT COLFAX, jr., arrived in the city at a late hour Monday night. He is a bouncing boy, and Mr. Colfax, sr., received the hearty congratulations of his friends yesterday. The mother is doing well.

MAJOR BOWEN and William A. Cook are shrewd politicians. If you doubt it, taxpayers, see the unusual number of men now employed on corporation work. Watch the crowds also who are led to the soup-houses.

BILLS SIGNED.—The President yesterday morning signed the bill for the removal of the political disabilities of Francis E. Shober, of North Carolina. He also signed a number of bills and resolutions, most of which were of a private nature.

THE MARKET-HOUSE BILL now seems to be in a shape in which its passage would be satisfactory to our citizens. We hope, therefore, that the Senate will speedily bring forward and pass it. The matter should not be delayed unnecessarily.

GEN. W. T. SHERMAN has accepted the invitation of the Grand Army of the Republic to preside at Mr. Murdoch's entertainment, at Lincoln Hall, on the anniversary of the assassination of President Lincoln, tomorrow evening, the 14th of April.

THE beautiful weather yesterday was highly favorable for the reception of Mrs. Grant, and the number of visitors at the Executive Mansion during the reception was quite large. Mrs. Grant was assisted by Mrs. Senator Scott, Mrs. Lynch, Miss Howe, Mrs. Dr. Sharpe and Mrs. Gen. Dent.

GENERAL MECHLER was before the Committee on Appropriations yesterday, in relation to the amount necessary to be expended upon the Washington Aqueduct, and Mr. Edward Clark, Architect of the Capitol Extension, in relation to appropriations for the Capitol building.

A DELEGATION of manufacturers of cotton spinning machinery, from New England, were before the Committee on Ways and Means yesterday, to oppose the amendment to the tariff bill adopted in committee, allowing certain spinning machinery imported free of duty. They claim that such legislative action will completely ruin the business in New England.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE PACIFIC RAILROAD on yesterday heard statements in relation to the trans-Continental or Memphis and El Paso railroad. The committee will vote on the question next Tuesday. The committee agreed to the bill introduced by Mr. Taffe for changing the location in Nebraska of the Burlington and Missouri river railroad.

THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE of the House of Representatives, yesterday morning, heard an argument from Mr. Gano, chairman of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, in favor of appropriating $250,000 to widen and improve the Louisville canal. No action was taken by the committee. Mr. Gano made an effort to have a bill for this purpose reported to the House separately, and not in connection with the river and harbor appropriation bill.

AMONG other matters which will be submitted to Secretary Boutwell on his return, will be the proposition to insert a clause in the Internal Revenue bill allowing United States District Attorneys two per cent. of the amount recovered on the bonds of defaulting officers. This, it is believed, will secure the Government against all loss from that source, and make bondsmen more careful how they become sureties.

UPON THE PRESENTATION of a claim for the refunding of taxes paid on manufactured articles remaining on hand when the law imposing such taxes was repealed, and which in point of fact had not been sold, although returned by the manufacturer in his monthly returns as sold, and the taxes assessed thereon voluntarily paid by him, it is held by the commissioner of internal revenue that such taxes were not erroneously or illegally assessed, and should not be refunded.

TENNESSEE AFFAIRS were under consideration in the Committee on Reconstruction yesterday morning again. Governor Senter made his final statement, and, as before, he was on both sides of the question. The next witness to be examined will be a man named A. E. Boone, who, in a letter written to the committee, claims to be an ex-Confederate; says he united with the Republican party at the close of the war, and that, in consequence of persecution, he has been compelled to leave his home in West Tennessee and take up his residence in Nashville.

NAVAL ORDERS.—The following naval orders were issued yesterday: Ordered—Capt. Geo. B. Balch, to navigation duty at the navy yard, Washington; Commander John Walker, to duty as assistant to the executive officer in the department of yards and docks, New York navy yard; Lieutenant Commander Charles McGregor, to signal duty at Washington; Lieutenant Francis M. Grove, to duty at the navy yard, Boston; Assistant Paymaster E. E. Lewis, to the Saugus. Detached—Capt. H. K. Davenport, from navigation duty at the navy yard, Washington, and placed on waiting orders; Capt. A. C. Rhind, from the navy yard, New York, and placed on waiting orders; Master Joseph R. Jones, from the navy yard, Boston, and ordered to the Palos; Assistant Paymaster George W. Long, from the Pawtuxet, and ordered home; First Assistant Engineer E. J. Whittaker, from the Atlantic fleet, and placed on waiting orders.

REVENUE STAMPS RECEIVED AND DISPATCHED.—The following exhibit of the operations of the stamp division of the internal revenue bureau during the month of March will give some idea of the business transacted in stamps: Tobacco stamps of all kinds dispatched, 16,816,149, valued at $2,054,961.88; stamps for distilled spirits dispatched, 358,800, valued at $3,780,150; revenue adhesive stamps dispatched, 37,809,997, valued at $1,609,556.72; beer stamps dispatched, 1,109,000, valued at $346,800. Total number of stamps received and on hand, 66,302,094, valued at $28,444,412.22. Total dispatched, 55,594,846, valued at $7,793,468.03.

NOMINATIONS.—The President sent the following nominations to the Senate yesterday:

Consuls—Samuel T. Day, of Florida, at Pictou; Wm. H. Faxon, of Connecticut, at Curacoa; Edmund Johnson, of Arkansas, at Ghent; A. Jourdan, of District Columbia, at Seville; Hamilton Richardson, of Wisconsin, at Acona.

Geo. Lount, to be Receiver of Public Moneys at Prescott, Arizona.

Paymaster John H. Stevenson, U. S. N., to be advanced fifteen numbers in his grade, and to rank next after Paymaster F. H. Hirman, for "extraordinary heroism."

John C. Wise, to be Assistant Surgeon in the navy.

Alanson B. Long, to be United States Attorney for Louisiana.

THE VOTE BY BALLOT.—In the House on Monday Mr. Lawrence introduced a bill, which was referred to the Reconstruction Committee, for the protection of the free exercise of the elective franchise, which provides that no citizen of the United States shall be required to write, print, or place his name on any ballot, or cause the same to be done, or otherwise do any act by which the name or identity of any person casting any ballot may be ascertained or known, the law of any State to the contrary notwithstanding; and fixing the penalty for a violation of the provisions of this bill, whether by judges of election or any other person, at a fine of one thousand dollars or imprisonment for one month, or subjection to both punishments, in the discretion of the court having jurisdiction.

A CANAL FROM THE JAMES TO THE OHIO. A delegation from the city of Richmond has arrived here to secure, if possible, from Congress, an appropriation for the purpose of building a canal connecting the waters of the James river and the Ohio, as a step to secure a continuous line of water communication between the East and West. To complete this work, although a portion of it has already been built, namely, the James River and the Kanawha canal, will require about $35,000,000. Virginia is ready to surrender her interest in the present canal, provided the General Government completes the work. There has been no Government survey of the work yet, but the river and harbor bill will probably contain a provision for the purpose, and this is all that will be done in the matter by the present Congress.

A CAUCUS of Republican Senators was held yesterday to receive the report of the committee recently appointed to investigate the personal troubles existing between Senator Cole and Secretary Gorham. The committee reported back the testimony without recommendation, and the time of the caucus was consumed in reading it. The testimony is said to be very voluminous, and to consist, on the part of the Senator, of affidavits as to certain opinions which the Secretary applied to him in private conversations more than a year ago. There was not, as might have been supposed from an item contained in an evening contemporary of yesterday, any question whatever as to the manner in which the Secretary has discharged his official duties. The controversy is wholly of a personal character, and has grown out of the faction fights in California. The caucus adjourned until to-day, when the whole matter will probably be disposed of.

REGISTRY OF FOREIGN VESSELS.—The sub-committee of the Joint Commerce Committee of the Senate and House on the subject of the registration of ships, meet this morning. They will then report to the full committee against the propositions which have been so frequently mentioned and discussed of allowing foreign vessels to register without the payment of the usual duty. The principle will be merely made uniform in both committees, so that the Senate shall not be going on with one kind of legislation and the House in exactly the opposite direction. The Secretary of the Treasury is opposed to allowing vessels which changed their flags to come back on any other terms than as foreign ships. In an official communication to one of the committees he states that the American tonnage sold to foreigners during four years of the war exceed the total amount sold during the past forty years of the Government. Mr. Boutwell is also of the opinion that the merchants who kept their flag during the trying time of the war should have some advantage now over those who abandoned it for foreign colors.

NATIONAL THEATER.—It would matter little what the charming Lotta would represent upon the stage, she would be sure to attract a full house. Her wonderful vivacity and sprightliness (to say nothing of her personal attractions) would always prove a load-star to the public.

Mr. Brougham's dramatization of the "Old Curiosity Shop," is as true to the story as it can be presented; but no one can make a connected play, or one in which the unities can be preserved, in preparing for the stage any of the stories of Charles Dickens. They are prolonged dramas in themselves; terse and effective; and an evening's entertainment, taken from any of them, must necessarily be an abridgement.

But Mr. Brougham has made a good part for Lotta in this piece, and she makes her duplicate character a telling part. The audience is delighted, of course.

Miss May Saville shows decided talent as an actress in the brief part she takes in this piece. We trust, however, to see Lotta, before she leaves this city, in a piece in which there are not so many repulsive characters. To-night the same piece will be repeated.

THE FOLLOWING will shortly be introduced into the Senate as an amendment to the "civil appropriation bill:"

And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to pay district attorneys out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, two per centum upon all moneys paid into the Treasury that may hereafter be collected or realized in any suit or proceeding conducted by them, upon the official bond of any defaulting public officer. The commissions so paid shall be in addition to the docket fee, taxable by law, and shall not be retained in the district attorneys' returns of fees and emoluments.

The opinion of Solicitor Banfield having been asked by Secretary Boutwell as to its expediency and utility, he has replied:

"In my judgment the public interest will be greatly promoted by the enactment of the proposed section. There is a very large amount of money involved in the class of cases to be affected by the proposed legislation, and I have no doubt that the District Attorneys would be incited to more promptness and rigor in their prosecution, if the fees and emoluments arising from them were made equal to those allowed in suits arising under the revenue laws, as provided by the 5d section of the act of March 3, 1863."

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.—This useful and distinguished association yesterday commenced its thirteenth annual session at Lincoln Hall, Prof. Joseph Henry presiding. On this occasion there were present: Professors Joseph Henry and S. F. Baird, of the Smithsonian Institute; Professors Simon Newcomb and J. H. C. Coffin, of the United States Observatory; J. E. Hilgard, of the United States coast survey; M. D. Mahon, of the West Point Academy; Benj. Silliman and H. A. Newton, of Yale College; Walcott Gibbs and Dr. A. B. Gould, of Harvard University; J. H. Coffin, of Easton, Pa.; Dr. Torry and L. M. Rutherford, of New York; P. Rogers, of Philadelphia; Professor Poey, of Havana; Gen. Meigs, Prof. Schafer, Col. Capron, Prof. Taylor, P. Baumgrass, of Washington, with many others, including a number of ladies. At 12 o'clock Prof. Henry called the society to order and announced its business. The first paper read was by Prof. Gibbs upon the "Measurement of Wave Length," which was highly satisfactory to the listeners. Next a paper was read by Prof. Simon Newcomb on the "Coming Transit of Venus," a phenomenon which has not occurred in over a century, the last occurring in 1769. It was an interesting paper and elicited discussion, in which Professors Henry, Rutherford, Coffin, Poey, Gould, Newton, Hilgard and others participated. Prof. Hilgard then read a paper on "Meridinal Arcs Measured" in connection with the United States coast survey; after which the academy adjourned till 12 o'clock, m., to-day. The public are invited to be present at these sessions, when further interesting papers will be read. We were informed that sickness prevents Prof. Agassis from attending this meeting. The exceeding ability and interest of these papers and discussions make them deserving of, as they should receive, a much fuller attendance than were present yesterday.

THE ADVOCATES of Bible reading in the public schools have thus far rather turned the tables on their opponents, and in some localities have assumed the aggressive. In St. Louis, where the Bible and all religious inculcation have for a good while been excluded from the schools, the question came up at the late election of dividing the school fund, and it was not only defeated by a very decided majority, but a school board was elected favoring the introduction of the Bible into the schools.

In Cincinnati, as already stated, where the Bible-reading issue was first distinctly raised, the Bible party have secured a majority of the school board.

THE FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.—To-day the colored people of the District will celebrate the ratification of the fifteenth amendment, and, judging from the preparations, the display will be quite imposing. We sincerely hope there will be a good turnout. The occasion is one that deserves to be celebrated, and the only pity is that Bowen and his clique would not permit the occasion to pass without an attempt to mix politics with it.

Telegraphic Summary.

THE Archbishop of Baltimore has published a sharp reply to the recent letter of the Bishop of Orleans.

THE steamships City of Brooklyn, the Manhattan, and the Siberia, from New York, have arrived at Queenstown.

THIRTY persons were arrested on Monday in Paris for taging to prevent the police from tearing down revolutionary placards.

DWIGHT DURNELL has been appointed city treasurer of St. Louis, vice Sweeky, defaulter.

A QUARTERMASTER'S TRAIN encamped on Bluff creek, Missouri, ten miles outside on the 10th ult., during an attack by a party supposed to be whites disguised as Indians.

A COMMITTEE of the Boston city government has been appointed to arrange for a public reception of the remains of the late Hon. Anson Burlingame.

THE new pilot boat John Mullen left St. Johns, N. B., eight days ago for a cruise, and has not since been heard of. It is feared that she is lost, with all on board.

THE last chapter of the first schema of the dogma of Papal infallibility was voted upon yesterday in Rome. The opponents of the dogma were required to vote in writing.

FIVE thousand more non-conformist ministers waited on Gladstone recently to protest against the sectarian clauses of the educational bill.

IT is but just to state that the failure at Cardiff on the 24th of March had no reference to Brown, Bowden & Co., of London, as might have been apprehended from the similarity of names.

CAPTAIN MEYLER, of the Saxonia, which arrived at Southampton Monday from New Orleans, reports the prevalence of heavy easterly gales and unusual high seas until the 35th degree of latitude was passed.

THE mysterious disappearance of Nellie Barns, three years old, on the 31st of March, from the house of her parents, has caused the city authorities of Boston to offer a reward of $5,000 for her recovery.

ON Monday, during a review of the troops in Paris, an unknown man created considerable disturbance in the crowd by shouting vengeance against the Emperor. He was taken into custody. No arms were found on his person.

JUDGE MCMINNY decides the Montgomery county Ohio elections against the Republican candidates, because the inmates of the National Soldiers' Home voted, when they were not citizens of Ohio, and not legally entitled.

IN WOONSOCKET, Rhode Island, yesterday morning the dead body of Daniel Lapham, a young carpenter, was found in the street, where it had apparently lain for some hours. He had been shot through the head. A pistol was found in his hat near by. Murder is suspected, but it may be suicide.

CAPTAIN LACON published a communication in the *Pall Mall Gazette* yesterday morning, wherein he defends the officers of the American steamer Oneida. He says: "Since the order of the Council of August 4, 1869, it is doubtful if there is any rule of the road at sea."

The Darien Canal Expedition.

The Navy Department has received charts and photographs of the country on and about the Isthmus of Darien from the naval surveying party sent out to explore that country for the purpose of locating the line of the proposed canal.

A letter from the Darien expedition, dated Caledonia Bay, March 16, states that on arriving the Indians on both sides of the bay were assured that they would not be molested, and their friendship was secured. Washington river was explored a mile from its mouth, when the boats found it impossible to proceed further and returned. It was decided to commence the survey about three hundred yards from the mouth of the river. Subsequently, Captain Selfridge, accompanied by other officers and sixty-four marines, started by the way of Caledonia river to reach the head-waters of the Savannah river, and returned on the third of March. They passed over Lieutenant Strain's route for a considerable distance, following the Caledonia river to the foot of the last range of the Cordilleras, dividing the Caribbean sea from the Pacific slope. They then crossed the mountains to the western slope, had an interview with the Indian chiefs and returned.

It was a successful reconnoissance, demonstrating that the Caledonia river has a rise of only fifty feet to the mountain spurs, and that between that point and the plain of the Sucubita river, on the Pacific slope, there is only a distance of one and a half miles of higher elevation. It is believed that the survey will prove that the water shed between the Caledonia and Sucubita rivers is not more than 150 feet in elevation. Pack mules have been sent for to Carthagena. Surveyors are running a line to the lowest of the mountain passes, but work is slow, owing to the undergrowth. The members of the expedition are in good health. Several passes will be examined by Captain Selfridge.

AN EMINENT physician has discovered that the nightmare, in nine cases out of ten, is produced by owing a bill for a newspaper.

THE MCFARLAND TRIAL.

NEW YORK, April 12.—The court-room is jammed. Mr. Graham, the prisoner's counsel, waggested with applause.

The first witness examined was Nicholas St. John Green, who testified that he was a member of the New York bar; had been so for sixteen years. Remembered of having been retained in the proceedings in the habeas corpus brought by Daniel McFarland against Albert D. Richardson. The motion before the court when he went into the case was to punish the father and mother of Mrs. McFarland for contempt, in not producing the children. Remembered having an interview with Richardson.

The Court stated that the witness could not be allowed to state what Richardson had said to him.

Mr. Geery offered to prove by the witness that Richardson had supplied money for litigation. The testimony was ruled out, as inadmissible, the defense excepting.

Mr. Geery asked the witness if he had received instructions from Richardson in relation to the case. The testimony was excepted to.

Mr. Graham argued that the evidence was showing that Mrs. McFarland acted under the influence of Richardson; that he was the whole cause of the alienation of Mrs. McFarland from her husband, and that in the prosecution of the suit for the recovery of his children, McFarland had to fight, not his wife, but Richardson. It was important to the prisoner to prove the relations existing between his wife and Rich