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FOR SALE AND RENT.

FOR RENT.—A LARGE, HANDSOME ROOM, elegantly furnished, suitable for a lady and gentleman; located on K street, (Franklin Row) between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets. For particulars address P. O. Box 695. dec9-3t*

FOR SALE—A DESIRABLE HOUSE, CONTAINING nine rooms, with all modern conveniences. Terms easy. Inquire at No. 56 Defrees street. dec9-3t*

FOR RENT.—A DESIRABLE BRICK HOUSE, eight rooms, water and gas, large garden. Apply at 6 Gay street, between Montgomery and Gorsch streets, Georgetown. dec9-eod*

STORE AND DWELLING FOR RENT.—A three-story Brick House with Store-room. Suitable for any retail business. Situated on the corner of Fourteenth and P streets northwest. Inquire at No. 1918 Rhode Island avenue. dec9-3t

1412 I STREET, NEAR THE ARLINGTON, 12 rooms, FURNISHED APARTMENTS en suite, on first and second floors, with bath-rooms, &c. Prices moderate. dec5-6t

FOR RENT—NICELY-FURNISHED PARLORS and BED-ROOMS, communicating. Location one of the best in Washington—at No. 493 Eleventh street northwest. Modern improvements. dec5-6t

FOR RENT.—A PARLOR AND BEDROOM (furnished), in a most eligible location on Capitol Hill, and at a reasonable price. Will be ready and after the 1st January. Address HARMONY, this office. dec2-3t

FOR RENT—FURNISHED HOUSE—Consisting of saloon-parlor, dining-room, kitchen, and three bed-rooms, well furnished throughout. Apply at 1317 F street northwest. dec2-3t

A HANDSOME SUITE OF ROOMS, COMPLETELY FURNISHED, with use of bath and attendants, suitable for a Member or Senator, can be rented for the season by applying at No. 244 Four-and-a-half street, above Pennsylvania avenue. dec2-3t

FOR RENT—VERY DESIRABLE FURNISHED HOUSE, No. 228 First street east, Capitol Hill, 10 rooms; gas, &c. No. 421 B between Second and Third streets northwest, No. 512 Ninth street northwest, gas, water, &c., $400. Apply on premises, No. 423 E street, between Sixth and Seventh northwest, or 1 Gay street, between Bridge and Water streets, Georgetown. dec1-3t

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FOR SALE—SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS' worth of Board of Public Works Certificates, suitable for the payment of special taxes. C. H. JONES, No. 311 Seventh street. dec8-3t

FOR RENT—PLEASANT ROOMS ON CAPITOL HILL. Apply at No. 28 north B street, near Delaware avenue. 11-10

FOR RENT.—AT 1106 NEW YORK AVENUE, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, handsomely furnished rooms, including parlor and bedroom, on first floor. All modern conveniences. Meals may be obtained in the vicinity. nov-eod7t

FOR RENT—TWO LARGE, NICELY FURNISHED ROOMS, at No. 1219 G street northwest. oct-1f

FOR SALE BY

AUSTIN P. BROWN,

Corner New York avenue and Fifteenth street, WHO HAS MADE THE SALE OF THE GROUND RENT his specialty, at prices ranging in price from $25.00 to $50.00; and several other first-class Houses

ONE WHOLE SQUARE OF GROUND and lots in all parts of the city.

HOUSES and LOTS at Mount Pleasant. jel4-tf

PLEASANT FURNISHED ROOMS, WITH good Board, can be obtained at No. 395 L street northwest. jy22-tf

STORES NO. 313 AND 315 NINTH STREET for rent. Apply to O. M. HAYWARD & CO., or D. MEYER, 457 Ninth street. nov21-tf

RARE CHANCE—$4,100 CASH WILL BUY a new pressed-brick front HOUSE, with modern improvements, in first-class locality; worth $5,500. Apply at No. 522 Four-and-a-half street northwest. nov21-tf

FOR RENT—THREE FIRST-CLASS Dwelling Houses, with modern improvements—one on Maryland avenue, No. 108 southwest; one on G street, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets northwest; and one on Massachusetts avenue northwest, No. 1336. For full particulars apply to F. M. JONES, No. 1104 Ninth street northwest. nov14-tf

FOR RENT—PARLOR, WITH CHAMBER attached, at No. 406 E street, with a small private family. Terms reasonable. References required. Also, front room on second floor. nov8-1f

FOR RENT—FINE HOUSE, No. 519 FOURTEENTH street northwest, occupied for the last seven years by Hon. Ginery Twichell. Furniture for sale or rent. Inquire of Dr. DANIEL B. CLARKE, No. 477 Pennsylvania avenue. nov7-tf

FOR SALE CHEAP—TWO, THREE, FOUR, Five-story and Six-story special improvement bonds, in sums to suit. Inquire at room No. 15, northeast corner of Fifteenth street and New York avenue. dec4-6t

FOR SALE—HOUSE NO. 725 TWENTIETH street west; three-story press-brick front, English basement; nine rooms, with the modern conveniences. A rare opportunity for a profitable investment; the lot being one of the most desirable in the city. Price reasonable. Inquire of Attorney-at-Law, 451 Louisiana ave. dec3-1w

FOR SALE—A HANDSOME PAIR OF DARK BAY HORSES, about 15½ hands high; fleet trotters in harness, and both very superior saddle horses. The owner having no use for them will sell them cheap. Apply to WM. LAPE, HANAPIN, 20 Light street, Baltimore. dec2-3t

FOR SALE—BARGAIN, $10,000—THREE-story and basement pressed-brick Dwelling, containing ten rooms, besides bathroom and cellar; gas, fixtures and furnace; lot 16 feet 6 inches; between Ninth and Seventh northwest.

WM. F. BUTTMAN,

521 Seventh street, corner of D northwest. nov14-tf

FOR RENT—ON CAPITOL HILL, A HANDSOMELY-furnished and very desirable Brick House, with all modern conveniences. Occupied by a member of Congress. Terms moderate to a responsible person. Inquire at No. 20 C street southeast. dec1-3t

GOVERNMENT ARTILLERY WHEELS AND AXLES FOR SALE.

The Wheels and Axles are very suitable for stone and brick wagons, drays, trucks, or carts. Apply at the Washington Arsenal, S. W., Tenth and B streets, opposite Centre Market. dec3-5t

MADAME DARIEU OFFERS FOR RENT, at No. 520 G street, near Tenth, elegantly furnished HOUSE, with or without stable; gas, hot and cold water, &c. dec1-3t

FOR SALE—A VERY DESIRABLE Pressed-brick front HOUSE, two squares from the Capitol; wood pavements within eighty feet of the house; contains ten rooms, three stories and basement. All the modern improvements, marble mantles, &c. Will take District of Columbia Board of Public Works Certificates in payment. Location desirable. Inquire of

C. H. MOLDEN, Real Estate Broker,

nov3-tf 452 Pennsylvania avenue.

TWO SILK DRESSES, COST $400, (FIVE hundred dollars) almost new; also, three Broche shawls, Velvet Cloaks, &c., &c. For sale "very" cheap at JUSTH'S, 619 D street, between Sixth and Seventh streets northwest. nov21-3t

DYEING AND SCOURING.

WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY.—Gentlemen, the best way to get through the dirty weather and be able to give your wives, children or sweethearts the usual holiday presents, is by dispensing with the new suit. Send your pantaloons to HEALY'S, to be thoroughly dyed or cleaned, or bringing up a respectable appearance and saving sample for the above object. As the rush is already over, all orders will be promptly filled; the work done in the best manner; charges reasonable. No charge for the above advice.

WM. HEALY,

PREMIUM STEAM DYEING AND SCOURING ESTABLISHMENT,

Jefferson street, Georgetown, D. C.

P. O. Box 78. dec2-1f

GOVERNMENT SALES.

GOVERNMENT SALE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND MATERIALS.

Depot Quartermaster's Office, Philadelphia, Nov. 21, 1873.

Will be sold at public auction, at the Philadelphia Depot of the Quartermaster's Department (Schuylkill Arsenal) commencing on WEDNESDAY, January 7, 1874, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the direction of Capt. John F. Rodgers, M. R. A., United States army, a quantity of damaged and irregular army clothing and materials, consisting in part of

25,000 yards Dark Blue Flannel,
25,000 yards Sky-blue Kersey,
25,000 yards Blue wool Flannel,
25,000 yards Blue wool Flannel,
25,000 yards of white wool Flannel,
25,000 yards Gray twilled Flannel,
25,000 yards Jean,
25,000 yards Black Alpaca,

and various other articles, including a quantity of old iron, old canvas, old cordage; and also about 15,000 feet of old lumber, such doors, &c., also an old frame tenement building, consisting of about 40,000 feet lumber, sash, &c.

Full terms of sale will be stated in the catalogues, which can be obtained at this office, or at the office of Capt. John F. Rodgers, Schuylkill Arsenal, or Thomas & Sons, No. 139 and 141 South Fourth street, Philadelphia.

F. C. EASTON,

Assistant Quartermaster General, U. S. A.

PAINTING.

E. WALTER,

(Successor of Shanahan & Walter,)

690 Pennsylvania Avenue,

Between Sixth and Seventh streets,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, GLUE BRUSHES, ALCOHOL, COAL-OIL LAMPS, CHIMNEYS, &c.

Great inducements are offered for cash.

C. T. BOWEN,

HOUSE, SIGN AND ORNAMENTAL PAINTER AND GLAZIER,

No. 605 Louisiana Avenue.

Imitations of all kinds of wood and marble neatly executed in the latest and most approved styles.

JOBBING PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

EDWIN J. SWEET,

Real Estate Broker AND AUCTIONEER,

nov19-tf 511 Seventh st., opposite U. S. Post Office.

TAPE WORM

REMOVED WITH HEAD COMPLETE.

DR. J. T. NEELY,

No. 2005 Seventh street northwest,

Gives special attention to the REMOVAL OF THE TAPE WORM, which he guarantees to remove with head entire or send up no charge. CONSULTATION FREE. oct30-1f

WANTS.

WANTED—ONE FIRST-CLASS OYSTER AND ORDER COOK. Also, a woman to lay out oysters for frying. 429 and 431 Pennsylvania avenue. dec9-3t

PRIVATE TEACHER WANTED FOR English branches. Reply, with name and residence, and the hours which can be assigned for instruction, to B. R., Republican office. dec9-3t*

WANTED—A MEDIUM SIZE FIRE-PROOF SAFE, with burglar chest. Address, stating price and where it can be seen,

GANTZ & APPLEMAN,

dec8-3t* 320 Fourteenth street northwest.

WANTED—A PARTY WHO CAN ORNAment Mirrors. Call at the National hotel to-day. Inquire for ARNOLD JONES, Director for Prof. Macallister, the Great Wizard of the World. dec8

AN ENGLISHMAN AND WIFE (NO FAMILY) wants a situation; the man to take care of horses, wait on table, and do all kinds of general work, including carpentering; the wife to take charge of children, do needlework or light house work. Satisfactory references. Address C. & C., REPUBLICAN office. dec8

WANTED—FIVE THOUSAND CUSTOMers to purchase Mrs. Potts' Patent Cold-Handle Smoothing Iron. WM. H. LEWIS & CO., sole agents for the District of Columbia, at No. 369 K street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, northwest. dec5-3t

TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND others.—A young man, a short-hand writer, desires employment to write from dictation, afternoons and evenings; is a good penman and a long-hand writer. Moderate compensation. Address C. J. P., REPUBLICAN office. dec5-3t

EUREKA EMPLOYMENT OFFICE, NO. 519 E street, between Eleventh and Twelfth.

MRS. LOUISE C. BUTLER.

WANTED TO TRADE—ONE OF THE finest in Ward 2, adjoining the District of Columbia, paid to be fourth, for 6 per cent. Board of Public Works Certificates at par. Address Box 15, REPUBLICAN OFFICE. oct-tf

ALL KINDS OF CAST-OFF WEARING APPARELS can be sold to the best advantage by addressing or calling at MME. RAVEN'S, 426 D street, between Sixth and Seventh northwest. Notes by mail promptly attended to. Cash paid.

WANTED—A MAN AND HIS WIFE, without children, to take charge of the COOKING at the Government Hospital for the Insane, and a lady qualified for the duties of House Steward. Satisfactory evidences of integrity and temperance are required in all cases. nov28-tf

NOTICE—THAT E. S. JUSTH, 619 D street, between Sixth and Seventh streets northwest, sells remarkably good-fitting Clothing at the lowest cash prices. Call in use. Address N. B.—Second-hand clothing of all kinds bought at fair cash prices. nov25-tf

WANTED—EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT the popular selling Machine "VICTOR" has its needle attached to the shuttle, moves shorter in use, resting on a carrier; needle-bar and works of steel; easy running, simple, and durable; the most desirable machine for family use. Agent, No. 449 Pennsylvania avenue, between Four-and-a-half and Sixth streets. Also agent for Demorest's Patterns.

T. W. SPICER, Agent.

WANTED—AGENTS TO CLEAR FROM five to ten dollars per day. Apply to WM. H. LEWIS, 369 K street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth northwest. dec4-7t*

PERSONAL.

$6,000 TO LOAN ON GOOD SECURity. District Bonds preferred. Inquire at Room No. 15, Plant's Building. nov5-tf

$5,000 IN SEWER BONDS WANTED. Address 513 Seventh street.

SAVE FROM TWENTY TO THIRTY PER CENT. IN THE PAYMENT OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT BILLS AND GENERAL SEWER TAXES.

Real estate owners may save themselves the above reduction in their General Improvement and Sewer Taxes by placing their bills in my hands for settlement.

M. GOLDBERG,

oct-10t Real Estate Broker, 513 Seventh st.

$5,000 WANTED—THIS SUM FOR one year on property worth $20,000. Ten per cent. interest will be paid semi-annually. Address

M. GOLDBERG,

dec8-3t No. 513 Seventh street.

DR. JANE WILSON HAS REMOVED TO 323 Fourth street, between E and F streets northwest, and has pleasant rooms for ladies wishing medical treatment and the best of attendance. oct-tf

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

GOOD INVESTMENT FOR TAX-PAYERS.

The general improvement and sewer taxes will be paid at the very lowest rates. Tax bills under $100 paid at a large discount. Apartments tastefully furnished. Call before paying and make money.

B. H. WARNER, Real Estate Broker,

dec3-1f 511 Seventh street.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The copartnership heretofore existing under the name of WHEATLEY & ROBSON, in this city, dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. A. J. Wheatley retiring.

The business in the future will be conducted by O. W. C. Robson, where will always be found a full stock of Butter, Eggs, Poultry, &c., to chose at the cheapest.

O. W. C. ROBSON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 1, 1873. dec2-3t

TO CAPITALISTS OR OTHERS DESIRING to embark one or more thousand dollars in a new but profitable business, with a gentleman of unquestionable character and ability, who can come in full in 3, 6, 9 or 12 months, address 202 Pennsylvania avenue southeast, Washington, D. C. oct30-1f

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The Ladies or Gentlemen will get the BEST CASH PRICE for their Cast-off Clothing, Boots, Shoes, &c., by calling or addressing MME. RAVEN, 426 D street, between Eighth and Ninth northwest. Notes by mail will be promptly attended to. sep26-3m

"OLD DR. DARBY HAS BETTER FACILities than any other practitioner in the city for curing the Sick. Only 25 cents for advice and medicine. Drug Store corner Four-and-a-half street and Pennsylvania avenue. (Odd Fellows Building.) aug19-3m

HAS REMOVED TO NO. 406 LOUISIANA avenue, August 1, and opened with a full line of Gents, Ladies' and Misses' Fine Shoes.

JOHN J. PEARSON.

ATTORNEYS AND AGENTS.

PATENTS, CONNOLLY BROS., Solicitors, 608 Ninth street, Washington; 108 South Fourth street, Philadelphia.

No fees in advance.

No charge for preliminary examinations or advice. dec1-3m

CARRINGTON & CARRINGTON, Attorneys and Counselors-at-Law, EDWARD C. CARRINGTON, late District Attorney; JAMES B. CARRINGTON, late Judge, of Washington City. Office 88 Broadway, New York. Will practice in the Supreme Court of the United States, the Court of Claims, the Courts of Washington, D. C., New York city and Brooklyn. Claims and accounts collected in the Southern and Northern States. Prompt and faithful legal from for which our firm will be responsible. nov29-3m

E. McR. TINONEY & CO.,

Real Estate Brokers and Auctioneers,

No. 321 F STREET,

(Under Masonic Hall, Near 9th.)

LOANS NEGOTIATED, HOMES INVESTED, SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO PAYMENT OF TAXES AND COLLECTION OF RENTS. dec2-1f

JAMES E. WAUGH,

REAL ESTATE BROKER AND AUCTIONEER,

Corner Fifteenth and F streets.

nov-1m

JOS. T. H. PLANT,

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE AND NOTARY PUBLIC,

Corner Eighth and E streets northwest, Washington, D. C.

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS

for the States and Territories.

DEPOSITIONS for State courts a specialty. oct29-1f

C. S. BUNDY,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

No. 468 Louisiana avenue, Washington, D. C.

sep26-1f

TALLMADGE A. LAMBERT,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

sep19-1f No. 2, Colombia College Law Building.

REMOVAL.

CHAS. E. STANCLIFF,

Attorney-at-Law and Solicitor of Patents, AND

WM. PERRY BELL,

Attorney-at-Law,

have removed their Offices to 452 Seventh street northwest, over Ballantyne's bookstore. oct8-1f

JOHN W. FRAZER,

Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public AND SOLICITOR OF PATENTS AND CLAIMS,

Office, No. 493 SEVENTH STREET N. W.

jel2-1f

W. C., VIRGINIA MIDLAND AND O. S. RAILROAD COMPANY.

On and after Monday, December 8, 1873, the daily freight train will run between Alington and Lynchburg, to the great joy of the people of Lynchburg, connecting daily with Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad at Gordonsville and Charlottesville, Richmond and South, and all the lines to the City river and West.

Leave Washington, from corner of Sixth and B streets, at 7:00 a. m., by rail to Alexandria. Leave Alexandria at 7:30 a. m., and arrive at Lynchburg at 4:30 p. m.

Leave Lynchburg at 8:40 a. m., and arrive at Washington at 5:00 p. m.

FOR EXPRESS.

Leave Washington daily, excepting Sunday, at 4:40 p. m., Alexandria 5:20 p. m. by rail and arrive at Gordonsville 1:30 a. m., connecting closely with Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad trains to Richmond, Lynchburg and to and from Cincinnati and all the West.

Leave Gordonsville 2 a. m., and arrive at Washington at 7 a. m., in time for all North and West connections.

FOR MANASSAS LINE.

Leave Washington, corner Sixth and B streets, 7:00 a. m., daily, except Sunday.

Ticket offices at 493 Pennsylvania avenue, or at office, corner Sixth and B streets.

J. M. BROADUS, G. T. A.

FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

WHAT WAS SAID AND DONE IN BOTH BRANCHES YESTERDAY.

BILLS TO REGULATE THE COUNTRY'S FINANCES—CHEAP AND PERMANENT TRANSPORTATION—GENERAL SYSTEM OF RAILROADS—THE INCREASED SALARY—CUBAN BELLIGERENCY IN THE HOUSE.

SENATE.

MONDAY, December 8, 1873.

Mr. Chandler presented joint resolutions of the Legislature of Michigan in favor of the construction of the Niagara ship canal. Also, resolutions of the Michigan Legislature in favor of a survey for a canal across the State.

Mr. Conkling presented, with appropriate remarks, the resolutions of the Chamber of Commerce of New York in favor of specie resumption; which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Merrimon presented resolutions of the Legislature of North Carolina, asking modification of the internal revenue laws. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Sumner presented a memorial, signed by 300 colored citizens of Boston, asking the passage of his supplementary civil rights bill; which was laid on the table.

Mr. Stevenson introduced a bill providing for issue of the late Chief Justice Roger B. Taney and Salmon Portor Chase, to be placed in the room of the Supreme Court. Referred to the Committee on Library.

Mr. Hamlin introduced a bill to restore to the active list in the Navy Lieut. Geo. K. Fitch. Referred to the Naval Committee.

Mr. Windom introduced a bill to incorporate the Southern Trans-Continental Railroad Company, and to grant the right of way through public lands to same. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. West introduced bill in relation to the telegraph connection of the Capitol with the Government Departments.

Mr. Wright introduced bill to authorize the construction of a fire-proof building at Keokuk, Iowa. Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Lewis introduced a bill to incorporate the Capitol, North O street, and South Washington Railway Company. Referred to Committee on District of Columbia.

Also, to restore to the marshal of the District of Columbia the exclusive supervision of the jail in said District.

Also, presented the petition of Joseph Segar, of Virginia, asking pay as United States Senator from that State. Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Sargent introduced bill to reorganize the clerical force of the General Land Office. Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

Also, bill to relinquish to the city and county of San Francisco a certain portion of a public reservation.

Mr. Davis gave notice that he would at an early day introduce a bill to restore to newspapers the facilities for free transmission through the mails enjoyed by them prior to the repeal of the franking privilege.

Mr. Sherman introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Finance to inquire whether sections five, six and seven of the act of July 12, 1870, relative to the issue of fractional currency balances, have been complied with, and whether any further provision of law is necessary to secure the covering into the Treasury of unexpended balances of appropriations. Adopted.

Mr. Gordon offered an order, which was adopted, referring the memorial and papers in the case of Francis W. Sykes, claiming a seat as Senator from Alabama, to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, with power to send for persons and papers.

GENERAL RAILROAD SYSTEM.

Mr. Clayton submitted a resolution directing the Committee on Railroads to consider the expediency of reporting a bill providing for a general system of railroads in the District of Columbia, with provisions reserving to Congress the right to make such laws and regulations for safety and comfort of passengers as may be deemed necessary from time to time.

NATIONAL BANKS.

Mr. Sherman introduced bill to authorize the organization of national banks without circulation. Referred to Committee on Finance.

It provides that such banks may be organized upon depositing with the United States Treasurer not less than ten thousand dollars of United States registered bonds. National banks already organized without circulation are hereby authorized to withdraw their bonds in excess of ten thousand dollars, and national banks wishing to retire their notes may withdraw their bonds in amounts of ten thousand dollars upon depositing notes for redemption or lawful money with the Comptroller of the Currency, to be used for the purpose of reducing their circulation.

CHEAP TRANSPORTATION.

Mr. Logan introduced bill to provide for permanent and cheap transportation of persons and freight between the cities of New York and Chicago. He asked that it be referred to the Committee on Commerce. Judiciary, as there were constitutional questions involved.

The bill names James Wilson, Lewis E. Parsons, Joseph W. Chadwick, O. Dawson Coleman, Benjamin F. Allen, James Talcott, James H. Leonard Swett, Barton H. Campbell, David T. Littler, Robert R. Latham, Shelby M. Cullom, Henry S. Greene, Ward H. Lamon, J. Warren Gregory, Harvey Solomon, George W. Carter, M. T. Seymour, Elisha W. Keyes and Charles W. Waleg as corporators, under the name of the New York and Chicago Postal Railway and Telegraph Company, and gives them authority to construct and operate the road, with two or more tracks, from any convenient point in the city of Chicago, Illinois, or within ten miles thereof, on the shore of Lake Michigan, to any convenient point in the city of New York, or within ten miles thereof, on the Hudson river or the bay of New York—the road to be commenced within three years after the passage of the act, and the main line to be completed within six years.

The capital stock shall consist of one million shares of one hundred dollars each, but may be increased by a vote of two-thirds of the stockholders. The road is to be at nearly equal grade and as the topography of the country and the prospects of traffic will permit. The tracks shall be of iron or steel or solid steel-headed rails, and shall be constructed and managed in the best manner known to the art of railroading. The corporators shall have the right to purchase all necessary lands, cross any highway or navigable stream by tunnel or bridge so constructed as not to impair navigation, and to take and hold the quantity of land needed for the road it shall be reported to the United States court for the district in which such lands shall lie, which court shall appoint three commissioners to assess damages, &c. The bill further provides that the route, public highway, and that it shall not be subject to any restriction by State legislation as to rates of fare or freight or charges of any kind, except taxes to the same extent as other property, and as to the speed of trains, nor the control and management of said road. One train at least shall be run daily each way between New York and Chicago. The company shall charge for the carriage of troops, prisoners and mails a rate not exceeding two and one half cents per mile for passengers in first-class cars, with an addition not exceeding one half cent per mile for palace or sleeping cars, and not exceeding one fifth of a cent per mile per ton for products of the soil, forests or mines other than precious metals.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Mr. Anthony, Rev. Byron Sunderland was elected to be chaplain of the Senate, and James R. Young to be executive clerk.

THE INCREASED PAY.

Mr. Wright called up his bill to repeal the increased pay of Congress and other Government officers, with the exception of that of the President.

He said that in response to the demand of the Republican State Convention of Iowa he had introduced this bill. He also mentioned that other Republican State and county conventions throughout the country had made the same demand, and that he had seen elsewhere the resolutions of the opposite party had taken the same position. The repeal of these increased salaries was demanded not only by sound policy, but by sound principle. He referred to the appeals made by the people in sustaining the needs of the Government during the war, the cheerfulness with which they responded to all calls and bore the heavy burden of taxation put upon them.

The people loved their institutions, and would give up their last dollar to meet all the just and proper obligations of the Government. The people gave credit to the Republican party for what it had done for the country, but they expected that party to reduce the expenses of the Government as soon and as much as could be done with a regard for its proper administration. He alluded to the promises made by the party in the march the Government expenditures, and said the people, confiding in these promises, had again intrusted to them the control of the Government, and yet they had added to the expenditures of the Government a most unjustifiable salary grab. They had added to the compensation of those who had agreed to perform service for a certain sum. It was said that it was a small sum, yet two millions a year added to the salaries of the Members at a sum large enough to carry on the State government of Iowa, with its 1,500,000 people for two years. He denied that the high salaries were necessary to obtain good men for Congress. It was not to be desired that the peoples' representatives should come to Washington to live in

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$5,000 was an ample amount for the comfortable subsistence of any man. It was a large sum when the right by rally one half of the members of Congress before that same here. It was a larger sum than that [illegible] by one half of those who went out with the last Congress. If the salaries were to be increased to such large amounts it would be more of an object than ever to the men to come here. We had already had examples of the disgraceful scrambles and manœuvrings in State Legislatures at seven elections from time to time to take place. We did not want to furnish more incentives for the continuance of such struggles. He had no faith in the cry that it was necessary to give high salaries to Congressmen to preserve them from the dangers of temptations. He believed this to be a slander on the men of the country; and so far from removing the dangers of temptation this increase would have the contrary effect. He expressed his utter disbelief in the truth of very much of the stories of corruption among members of Congress, which were so rife. While insisting upon the repeal of the bill of last session, Mr. W. declared that he would be in favor of a system of just and fair compensation to all public officers, and would favor a revision of the salaries so as to secure that end, and at the early time to dispatch with the numerous bills for emoluments of the Government. There were members of men in this city now drawing $3,000 a year salaries who did not do a month's work in the whole year. No act since 1861 did more to flatter and vigorously encourage and that increase go back pay. The people will never be satisfied that in the face of the protestations of both parties in favor of economy, the salaries are increased beyond all precedent. The only proper thing is for Congress to

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and restore the pay to its former figure or the equivalent. As to the back pay he had nothing to say or no comments to make on the motives of those who took it. He could not reach it, although if he could he would. He concluded by saying that the cry of the people for more currency and cheaper transportation should be accorded to.

The Senate then went into executive session, and after some time therein adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Under the call of States for bills and joint resolutions for reference, the following, among others, were introduced and referred, viz:

By Mr. Frye, of Maine: Bill for the relief of Richard T. Morrell, of Washington, D. C. To Committee on Claims.

Also, bill relating to bounties to the widows and heirs of nine months' volunteers. To Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, bill to pay D. B. Allen & Co. for carrying the United States mails. To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Poland, of Vermont: Bill to provide for the distribution of the money received under the Geneva award. To the Judiciary Committee.

Also, bill to amend the bankrupt act. To Judiciary.

By Mr. Pierce, of Mass.: Bill to remit the duties on sugars goods entered by the late fire in Boston. To Ways and Means.

By Mr. Eames, of R. I.: Bill repealing the taxes imposed on deposits in savings banks. To Banking and Currency.

By Mr. Starkweather, of Conn.: Bill explanatory of the 25th section of the act to revise the statutes relating to patents and copyrights. To Patents.

Also, bill to continue the improvement of the Housatonic River. To Commerce.

By Mr. Starkweather, of Connecticut: Bill in relation to the Anacostia and Potomac Railroad Company. To District of Columbia.

By Mr. Buckner, of Missouri: Bill to provide for the free transportation of newspapers and periodicals through the mails. To Post Offices.

Also, bill for the erection of a public building at Hannibal, Missouri. To Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Merriam, of New York: Bill for the relief of Thomas Hillhouse, assistant treasurer of the United States at New York. To Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cox, of N. Y.: Bill for the resumption of specie payments. To Banking and Currency.

By Mr. Myers, of Pa.: Bill to repeal the stamp duty on matches. To Ways and Means.

Also, bill to repeal the French spoliation claims. To Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Smith, of Pa.: Bill to strengthen the national banks and to give elasticity to the currency. To Banking and Currency.

By Mr. Hays, of Ala.: Bill to refund to owners the proceeds of cotton seized after the late war. To War Claims.

Under the above call a large number of bills of a private nature were also introduced.

Mr. Swann, of Md., presented resolutions of the Maryland College of Pharmacy praying for the repeal of that part of schedule C of the internal revenue code, which imposes a tax on medicines. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, presented the memorial of George W. Andrews, J. Pettis Morris, N. B. Jaquins, Cady, Gilpen & Co., and Joseph Roberts, relative to the same subject. Same reference.

POLITICAL DISABILITIES AND THE TEST-OATH.

Mr. Maynard, of Tenn., from the Committee on Rules, reported a bill removing all political disabilities, and declaring general amnesty. Also, repealing what is known as the test or iron-clad oath of 1862, and prescribing the modified oath as the oath to be taken by all officials.

Mr. Lawrence, of Ohio, inquired whether the effect of this bill would be to admit Jefferson Davis to a seat in either branch of Congress. If so, he would oppose it.

Mr. Maynard said that it would have that effect. It would admit any one whom the people might see proper to elect.

Mr. E. R. Hoar inquired whether the Committee on Rules had a right to report general legislation at any time.

The Speaker said they had not if any one chose to object.

Mr. Butler, of Mass., objected.

Mr. Maynard said he would then move to suspend the rules in order to put the bill upon its passage, as it would require a two-thirds' vote anyhow.

Mr. Cox, of N. Y., hoped the bill would be passed unanimously. It would certainly be a more graceful act to do it in that way.

The bill was passed—yeas 187, nays 39.

Mr. Wood, of N. Y., asked leave to offer a resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to report the cost of re-funding the national debt. Objected to, and the resolution was withdrawn.

BELLIGERENT RIGHTS FOR CUBA.

Mr. Cox, of N. Y., offered a resolution recognizing a state of war in Cuba and recognizing the Cubans as belligerents.

Mr. Hale, of N. Y., objected to the resolution.

Mr. Cox moved to suspend the rules; but the House refused, and the resolution was withdrawn.

THE INCREASED SALARY.

Mr. Hale, of Me., from the Special Committee on the Salary Question, submitted a bill repealing the act of March 3, 1873, so far as it fixes the salaries for Congressmen and other officials at what they were before the passage of said bill. At the expiration of the present Presidential term the salary of the President shall be fixed at what it was before the increase. Mileage is restored by the bill, but members are not to receive mileage for attending the present session.

The following is the bill:

Be it enacted, &c., That so much of the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the Government for the year ending June 30, 1874, and for other purposes," approved March 3, 1873, as authorizes and fixes the salaries of Senators and Representatives in Congress, with two or more clerks, from any convenient point in the city of Chicago, Illinois, or within ten miles thereof, on the shore of Lake Michigan, to any convenient point in the city of New York, or within ten miles thereof, on the Hudson river or the bay of New York—the road to be commenced within three years after the passage of the act, and the main line to be completed within six years.

The capital stock shall consist of one million shares of one hundred dollars each, but may be increased by a vote of two-thirds of the stockholders. The road is to be at nearly equal grade as the topography of the country and the prospects of traffic will permit. The tracks shall be of iron or steel or solid steel-headed rails, and shall be constructed and managed in the best manner known to the art of railroading. The corporators shall have the right to purchase all necessary lands, cross any highway or navigable stream by tunnel or bridge so constructed as not to impair navigation, and to take and hold the quantity of land needed for the road it shall be reported to the United States court for the district in which such lands shall lie, which court shall appoint three commissioners to assess damages, &c. The bill further provides that the route, public highway, and that it shall not be subject to any restriction by State legislation as to rates of fare or freight or charges of any kind, except taxes to the same extent as other property, and as to the speed of trains, nor the control and management of said road. One train at least shall be run daily each way between New York and Chicago. The company shall charge for the carriage of troops, prisoners and mails a rate not exceeding two and one half cents per mile for passengers in first-class cars, with an addition not exceeding one half cent per mile for palace or sleeping cars, and not exceeding one fifth of a cent per mile per ton for products of the soil, forests or mines other than precious metals.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Mr. Anthony, Rev. Byron Sunderland was elected to be chaplain of the Senate, and James R. Young to be executive clerk.

THE INCREASED PAY.

Mr. Wright called up his bill to repeal the increased pay of Congress and other Government officers, with the exception of that of the President.

He said that in response to the demand of the Republican State Convention of Iowa he had introduced this bill. He also mentioned that other Republican State and county conventions throughout the country had made the same demand, and that he had seen elsewhere the resolutions of the opposite party had taken the same position. The repeal of these increased salaries was demanded not only by sound policy, but by sound principle. He referred to the appeals made by the people in sustaining the needs of the Government during the war, the cheerfulness with which they responded to all calls and bore the heavy burden of taxation put upon them.

The people loved their institutions, and would give up their last dollar to meet all the just and proper obligations of the Government. The people gave credit to the Republican party for what it had done for the country, but they expected that party to reduce the expenses of the Government as soon and as much as could be done with a regard for its proper administration. He alluded to the promises made by the party in the march the Government expenditures, and said the people, confiding in these promises, had again intrusted to them the control of the Government, and yet they had added to the expenditures of the Government a most unjustifiable salary grab. They had added to the compensation of those who had agreed to perform service for a certain sum. It was said that it was a small sum, yet two millions a year added to the salaries of the Members at a sum large enough to carry on the State government of Iowa, with its 1,500,000 people for two years. He denied that the high salaries were necessary to obtain good men for Congress. It was not to be desired that the peoples' representatives should come to Washington to live in

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