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Auction Sales.

TO-DAY.

BY J. T. COLDWELL & CO., Auct's. No. 912 Pennsylvania avenue, between Ninth and Ten.-th sts.

ANNUAL PAWNBROKER'S SALE OF SLIAS HELDERBERGER AT AUCTION.

On MONDAY EVENING, January 31, at 7 o'clock, and every morning and evening thereafter until the whole stock of unredeemed pledges is disposed of at the Auction Rooms of J. T. Coldwell & Co., consisting in part of Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Rings and Pins, Guns and Pistols, Clothes, Dress and Coat Clothing, with a large and varied assortment of such goods as are generally taken on deposit by first-class pawnbrokers.

Terms cash. J. T. COLDWELL & CO., jan31 2t Auctioneers.

BY WM. L. WALL & CO., Auct., New Marble Building, Store Nos. 930 and 932 Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street.

SHIRTS, UNDERSHIRTS AND DRAWERS, LADIES' AND GENTS' HOSE, COMBS, BRUSHES, KNIVES, PERFUMERY, CHROMOS, REDSEAMS, TABLE CLOTHS, ETC., AT AUCTION.

On TUESDAY MORNING, February 1, 1870, commencing at 10 o'clock, we will sell on the first floor of our spacious salesroom the entire stock of a Gents' Furnishing Store—parties retailing business—which we name in part, viz:

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We call special attention of dealers and others to the above sale, as all goods will be peremptorily sold. W. L. WALL & CO., jan31 2t Auctioneers.

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

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED PROPERTY AND VACANT LOTS ON THIRD STREET EAST, BETWEEN MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE AND NORTH CAPITOL STREET.

Under and by virtue of a deed of trust to the undersigned, bearing date the 19th day of November, 1869, and recorded in Liber T and N, No. 5, of Folio 189, and at the request of the party secured thereby, and also by the party interested therein, I will sell at public auction, on the premises, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of February, A. D. 1870, part of lot five, (5) in Square numbered seven hundred and eighty-two, (782) fronting 25 feet on Third street and having a depth of about 80 feet. The said lot will be with the house, (a good one,) which is front, 2 stories high. The rear (vacant) will be sold in separate lots of about 25 feet front each. A plat will be exhibited at sale.

Terms cash: $50 down on each lot when property struck off, residue within three days. Terms not complied with, deposit to be forfeited.

CHAS. W. JOHNSON, Trustee. COOPER & LATIMER, jan31-d3t Auctioneers.

FUTURE DAYS.

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

TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE ON ELEVENTH STREET WEST, BETWEEN NORTH H AND I STREETS, IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON.

By virtue of two deeds of trust, dated respectively on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1869, and the 12th day of September, A. D. 1869, and recorded in Liber T and N, numbers seven and sixteen, folios 401 et seq. and 161 et seq., and by direction of the Trustees of the Union Co-operative Building Association, we will sell in front of the premises, at public auction, on TUESDAY, the 15th day of February, 1870, at 4 o'clock p. m., all that piece or parcel of ground and premises, lying and being in the city of Washington, and known and described as being part of lot numbered twenty, (20,) in square numbered one hundred and eighty-nine, (189,) beginning for the same at the intersection of the east and running thence south along West Sixteenth street seventeen (17) feet and six (6) inches; thence west one hundred and six (106) feet and six (6) inches; thence north seventeen (17) feet and six (6) inches; and thence east one hundred and six (106) feet and six (6) inches, to the place of beginning, the same being improved by a good and substantial two story Frame House.

Terms of Sale: One third cash, of which $100 must be paid at the time of sale, and the balance in six and twelve months, secured by a deed of trust, with notes bearing interest. Conveyancing and stamps at cost of purchaser. A deposit of $200 will be required at time of sale.

W. G. WILSON, Trustee. jan24d4d COOPER & LATIMER, Auct's.

Auction Sales.

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auct's. Southeast corner Pennsylvania and 12th streets.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AT AUCTION.

On WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1870, at 10 o'clock, m., I shall sell, by order of the Honorable Orphans' Court of the District of Columbia, the personal effects of the late Mary A. Hutchison, deceased, on G street south, between Second and Third streets west, (Island,) consisting of Household Furniture.

Terms cash. SAMUEL MORRISS, Executor. jan31-3t GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auc'ts.

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

MODERN OIL PAINTINGS AT AUCTION.

On WEDNESDAY EVENING, February 2, 1870, commencing at 7 o'clock, we shall sell a very choice selection of Modern Oil Paintings, comprising Landscapes, Fruit and Flowers. These Paintings are now on view at the Auction Rooms, and will be sold without reserve.

Terms cash. COOPER & LATIMER, jan31-d Auctioneers.

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers and Real Estate Brokers, 520 Southeast corner of Seventh and D streets.

HANDSOME BRONZE PLATE MIRROR, ROSEWOOD PARLOR SUITE, MARBLE-TOP CHAMBER FURNITURE, BLACK WALNUT EXTENSION TABLES, ETC., AT AUCTION.

On THURSDAY, February 3, 1870, at 10 o'clock a. m., we will sell, at Store No. 520 Seventh street, between D and E streets, the following articles, viz:

Handsome French Plate Pier Mirror, with Slab and Bracket.

Handsome Green Plush Velvet Covered Rosewood Parlor Suite, consisting of two Tete-a-Tete Sofas, two Chairs and four Side Chairs.

Black Walnut Bureau, with Marble Top.

Black Walnut Marble-top Centre Tables.

Four Damask and Lace Curtains, with Cornices.

Velvet, Brussels, Three-ply and Ingrain and other Carpets.

Black Walnut Marble-top Chamber Suites.

Painted Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing Bureaus and Washstands.

Mattresses, Feather Pillows, Baskets and Comforts.

Walnut Extension Tables and Cane Seat Dining Chairs.

Window Shades, Hall Oil Cloths and Hall Set.

Parlor, Chamber and other Stoves, Crockery, Glassware, &c.

And a lot of Kitchen Requisites.

Terms cash.

The House is for rent, containing seventeen rooms. Inquire on the premises.

GREEN & WILLIAMS, jan29-2d Auctioneers.

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

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF FRENCH PLATE MIRRORS, BRUSSELS AND THREE-PLY CARPETS, WALNUT AND MAHOGANY PARLOR AND CHAMBER FURNITURE, OAK COTTAGE CHAMBER SUITS, FRENCH CHINA DINNER SET, CROCKERY, GLASSWARE, COOKING STOVES AND KITCHEN REQUISITES, ETC., AT AUCTION.

By virtue of a deed of trust, dated the 5th day of December, 1868, and duly recorded in Liber No. 7, folios 8 et seq., one of the chattel records of Washington county, in the District of Columbia, I will sell, at public auction on WEDNESDAY, February 2d, 1870, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m., at the residence of the party secured thereby, on Fifteenth street and Vermont avenue, a very excellent assortment of Household Furniture, &c., consisting in part of:

Parlor Suits, Upholstered in Hair Cloth.

French Plate Mantel and Pier Mirrors.

Marble-top and other Tables.

Brussels, Three-ply and Ingrain Carpets.

Gilt and Brass Chandeliers and Chandelabras.

Wagner Rosewood Table.

Brass Mounted Rosewood Beds.

Mahogany Hair-cloth Sofa and Chairs.

Walnut Extension Dining Table.

French China Dinner Set.

Crockery, Glassware, Refrigerators.

Walnut and Mahogany Bedsteads, Bureaus and Washstands.

Mahogany Wardrobes, Window Shades.

Oak Cottage Chamber Suite, 10 pieces.

Walnut Dressing Table, with Glass.

Hair and Spring Mattresses.

Feather Bolsters and Pillows.

Colored Engravings, Toilet Sets.

Crockery and Glass Ware.

Kitchen Requisites, &c., &c.

Terms cash. W. G. WILSON, Trustee. jan28 1d COOPER & LATIMER, Auctioneers.

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

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE ON FOURTH STREET WEST, BETWEEN VERMONT AVENUE AND NINTH STREET WEST, IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON.

By virtue of a deed of trust, bearing date on 27th day of November, A. D. 1868, and recorded among the Land Records of Washington county, District of Columbia, in Liber T and N, No. 5, folio 41, et seq., and by direction of the trustees of the "First Co-operative Building Association," we will sell, at public auction, in front of the premises, on MONDAY, the 7th day of February next, at 4 o'clock p. m., all that piece or parcel of ground and premises, lying and being in the said city of Washington, and known and described as being part of lot numbered three (3) in square numbered three hundred and sixty-one (361), the said lot being (12) feet front and running back one hundred and fifty-three (153) feet three (3) inches, the depth of the lot.

Terms of Sale: One third cash, (of which $100 must be paid at the time of sale,) and the balance in six and twelve months, with interest to be secured by deed of trust on the premises sold, and if the terms are not complied with in five days after the sale, the trustees reserve the right to resell at the risk and cost of the first purchaser, after one week's public notice.

All conveyancing and revenue stamps at purchaser's cost. JERRY A. CLARK, WILLIAM A. FERWICK, Trustees. jan27-3tawtw COOPER & LATIMER, Auct's.

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

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE ON EIGHTH STREET WEST, BETWEEN H AND G STREETS NORTH, IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON.

By virtue of a deed of trust bearing date on the eighteenth day of January, A. D. 1869, and recorded among the Land Records of Washington county, in the District of Columbia, in Liber T and N, number 5, folio 61, et seq., and by direction of the party secured thereby, we will sell, at public auction, in front of the premises, on TUESDAY, the 8th day of February next, at 4 o'clock p. m., all that piece or parcel of ground and premises, lying and being in the said city of Washington, and known and described as being a part of lot numbered twenty-six (26) and twenty-seven, (27,) in the resubdivision of Square numbered three hundred and ninety-nine, (399,) and being contained within the metes and bounds following, viz: Beginning for the same at a point on the eighth street west, "one hundred and sixty-five (165) feet north from the southeast corner of said lot 26, and running north along the said street twenty (20) feet; thence west to the western or rear line of said lot numbered twenty-six, (26,) one hundred and twenty (120) feet; thence east to the place of beginning—the same being improved by a good and substantial two-story Brick House.

Terms of sale: One third cash; the balance in six and twelve months, with interest, to be secured by deed of trust on the premises sold, and if the terms are not complied with in five days after the sale, the trustees reserve the right to resell, at the risk and cost of the first purchaser, after one week's public notice. All conveyancing and revenue stamps at cost of purchaser; and a deposit of one hundred dollars must be made at the time of sale. JERRY A. CLARK, WILLIAM A. FERWICK, Trustees. jan27-3tawtw COOPER & LATIMER, Auctioneers.

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

CHANCERY SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a decree of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, passed in Chancery cause No. 1,181, Docket 8, Wm. H. De Vaughn et al. vs. Emma S. De Vaughn et al., we shall sell at public auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 23d day of February, A. D. 1870, at 4 o'clock p. m., on the premises, the west part of lot 15, in square No. 378, beginning for said part on North E street at the northwest corner of said lot, and running thence southwardly along the western boundary of said lot 15 about 26 feet 10½ inches; thence eastwardly parallel with North E street, a distance of 17 feet and 1 inch; thence northwardly parallel with the western boundary of said lot 15, a distance of 27 feet 10½ inches; thence westwardly parallel with North E street, a distance of 17 feet and 6 inches; thence northwardly par. lel with the western boundary of said lot 15, a distance of 10 feet to said North E street; thence westwardly on the southern boundary of said North E street, a distance of 16 feet to the place of beginning, consisting of a three-story BRICK DWELLING with basement, containing 10 rooms, on E street north, south side, between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Terms of Sale: One third of the purchase money to be paid cash in hand, the residue thereof in respectively 6 and 12 months from day of sale with interest, to be secured by deed of trust on the property. A deed given when all the purchase money is paid. Stamps and conveyancing at the cost of the purchaser. A deposit of $200 will be required of the purchaser at the fall of the hammer. If the terms of sale are not complied with within three days from the day of sale, the property will be resold at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser. J. C. BRADLEY, W. SCHARF, Trustees. jan26-d4aw4t COOPER & LATIMER, Auct's. (Star.)

Opticians.

THE EYESIGHT accurately suited with Pebbles or other Spectacles by merely answering a few questions.

H. H. HEMPLER, Optician, National Hotel. jan24-1y

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE 8TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1869.

Ann E. Bray, vs. No. 1648. Jas. H. Tourshend et al.

On motion of the complainant, by Mr. Jacobson, her solicitor, it is ordered that the defendants, Columbus F. Queen and Kate S. Queen, his wife, and William Emery, whose their appearance to be entered herein on or before the first rule day succeeding thirty days after this day; otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default.

True copy—Test: ANDREW WYLIE, J. Marsh Clerk. Justice of S. C. of D. C. dec7-Tu4w4t

WASHINGTON FACTS AND IMPRESSIONS.

It is understood that the nomination of ex-Judge Strong, of Pennsylvania, for the Supreme Court bench, in place of Mr. Stanton, will be forwarded to the Senate.

Senor Don Lerdo de Tejeda leaves for New York this evening en route for Mexico. Senor Puebla is one of the secretaries of the Mexican Legation, and is recalled by his Government on urgent business.

Mr. Peabody's remains have arrived at Portland. Reading the reports that come to us from that city it is difficult to determine whether it is a feast or a funeral that our brethren of Maine are celebrating.

Mr. Revels, the colored United States Senator from Mississippi, was upon the floor of the Senate for some time yesterday. Messrs. Harris, Pearce, and McKee, Representatives elect from that State were upon the floor of the House for some time.

Congress is to be asked to create a new Consulate at Pesth, in Hungary. The recent changes in the Austrian Empire, and the additional consequence thereby imparted to the ancient capital, seem to make it important that our Government should be represented there; and inasmuch as it can be done without any additional cost, it appears to us that the proposed measure is wise.

Address of the National Labor Union. The House of Representatives having granted the use of their hall for the delivery of the address, the Speaker, on consultation with the committee of the Union, has designated Thursday evening, February 3, as the time when the hall may be used for the purpose referred to.

Since the commencement of the present session of Congress in December there have been one thousand and sixty-one bills and fifty-six joint resolutions offered and referred. One hundred and six executive communications have also been received and referred, besides a number of miscellaneous communications. A large proportion of this matter has been printed.

Bill to Establish a Savings Bank.—Mr. Patterson introduced in the Senate yesterday a bill to establish a savings bank in the District of Columbia, naming as corporators Z. G. Robbins, Wm. B. Todd, Edward Simms, Jos. Casey, Jas. M. Latta, Henry Willard, Wm. H. Philip, A. E. Shepherd, Wm. P. Dole, Hugh McCulloch and M. G. Emery. Referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

At the next executive session of the Senate an effort will be made to dispose of the nomination of Attorney General Hoar for the position on the Supreme Court bench, to which he was recently nominated. Rumor has it that the nomination will be rejected by a considerable majority, and that it is the desire of Senators to get the nomination out of the way, in order that the President may send in another name.

The Admission of Mississippi.—In the Senate yesterday Mr. Morton introduced a "bill to provide for the admission of the State of Mississippi." It imposes the same conditions as in the case of Virginia, except that members of the Legislature are not required to take any oath. Similar bills were introduced in the House by Messrs. Whittemore and Mr. Cessna, and were referred to the Reconstruction Committee.

Assignment of Recruits.—Special orders No. 22, just issued from the War Department, directs the superintendent of general recruiting service at New York to forward detachments of recruits as follows: 59 to Fort Delaware, for assignment to companies K and L, 4th artillery; 7 to Fort McHenry, Md., for companies C, D, E and H, 4th artillery; 34 to Fort Washington, Md., for companies A and M, 4th artillery.

Mr. Armstrong, of Pennsylvania, introduced in the House yesterday a bill looking to an additional issue of $100,000,000 in greenbacks, to be paid out for the interest-bearing loan of the United States at their lawful value, which value, if necessary, shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury. The bill further provides for the return of the bonds for them upon similar conditions. The bill was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

Naval Orders.—The following naval orders were issued yesterday: Ordered—Oscar F. Stanton, to command the receiving ship Vandalia, Portsmouth, N. H.; Ensign Horace McElroy, to the Colorado, on the 15th of February; Ensign James W. Carlin, to signal duty at Washington, D. C., on the 7th of February next; Ensign Hamilton C. Tallman, to signal duty at Washington, D. C., on the 7th of February next. Detached—Passed Assistant Surgeon George S. Culbreth, from the naval hospital, New York, and ordered to the navy yard, New York.

Two more Virginia Representatives—Messrs. Ayer and McKenzie—were admitted to seats in the House of Representatives yesterday. Mr. McKenzie's case has not yet been reported on by the Election Committee, and consequently an effort was made to defeat the resolution for his admission. His loyalty was vouched for by Messrs. Schenck, Farnsworth, Maynard and others, and he was admitted. The only question before the Election Committee was, whether Mr. McKenzie was competent to take the test-oath, for Mr. Whittlesey does not claim having received a majority of votes. The fact that he took the oath yesterday is the best evidence that he could take it. The committee will have an easy task now in determining his case.

Wanted—A Suitable Site.—Yesterday the Joint Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, composed of Senators Morrill of Vermont, Trumbull and Cole, and Representatives Beatty, Smith of Tennessee, Tanner and Getz, in company with Secretary Fish and Gen. Michler, Superintendent of Public Buildings, visited all the unoccupied public squares, with the view of selecting a site for a new State Department building. Secretary Fish, it is said, is in favor of Lafayette square, in front of the Executive mansion. Several of the committee were opposed to this, as it would spoil one of the most beautiful parks of the city. The joint committee will meet on Tuesday next and determine upon the site.

Gen. A. Ames, the Military Governor of Mississippi and Senator-elect from that State, was at the Executive Mansion yesterday, and closeted with the President for over an hour. He laid before him the official papers of the action of the Mississippi Legislature in reference to the reconstruction acts, which were promptly transmitted to the State Department, with the request that the official notification be made without delay. The President expressed himself as much pleased with the condition of affairs in that State, and talked for some time with the General in reference to its future government. The interview was highly encouraging to the Senator-elect, and will doubtless influence him to accept the honor conferred by the people of the State, for which he has done so much during his term of service as Military Governor.

Among the nominations sent to the Senate yesterday was that of Mr. Francis A. Walker for the superintendency of the census. He is at present deputy special commissioner of the revenue, in charge of the Bureau of Statistics, Treasury Department, which position he has filled with ability for the past year. During the rebellion he served with some distinction, and at the close thereof held the rank of brigadier general. He was, prior to his appointment in the Treasury Department, connected with the Springfield *Republican*. The nomination at this time, it would appear, is little in advance of the bill authorizing the appointment of such an officer, as the census bill, as reported by the House, has not as yet been acted upon by the Senate.

Military Accounts to be Sworn to.—Secretary Boutwell has issued a circular to the disbursing clerks and proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department, directing that all accounts presented by officers, clerks or other employees of the Treasury Department, for mileage or expenses incurred while engaged on official business, must in future have appended thereto the oath of the party that the distances charged have been actually and necessarily traveled at the date therein specified, and that none of such distances have been traveled under any free pass on any railroad, steamboat, or other conveyance, and that the expenses as charged have been actually incurred and paid. No account of such party or parties unaccompanied with the oath above prescribed will be paid by any disbursing officer of the Department, or passed by the accounting officers.

The New Military Department.—Gen. Sherman yesterday issued the General Order already referred to in the Republican, announcing that—

"1. The Senators and Representatives from the State of Virginia having been admitted to their respective Houses of Congress, the command known as the First Military District has ceased to exist.

2. By direction of the President, the States of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina will compose the Department of Virginia, under the command of Brevet Major General E. R. S. Canby, headquarters at Richmond, Virginia, and will form a part of the Military Division of the Atlantic.

3. Commanding officers of all posts and detachments now serving in the limits of the new department will report to General Canby for instructions. The companies of the 5th infantry now serving in the State of North Carolina will be relieved as early as possible, and report to Brevet Major General A. H. Terry, commanding Department of the South, for orders."

The claims of the Western distillers for exemption of tax on whisky in bond has been presented to the Revenue Bureau. The following comparative statement shows the amount of business done in fine spirits during the months in 1868, 1869, when the distilleries are in full operation: Number of gallons distilled spirits produced from July to November, 1868, inclusive, on which tax was paid, 9,655,176. In bond December 1, 1868, produced during same time, 2,330,760. Total produced during the five months, 12,015,936.

Number of gallons produced from July to November 30, 1869, 22,772,953; excess of product of 1869 over 1868, 10,757,027; number of gallons in bond July 1, 1869, 16,665,838; entered in bond to November 30, 1869, 22,772,953; total gallons bonded to December 31, 1869, 39,438,891; withdrawn on payment of tax, 26,954,235; remaining in bond December 1, 1869, 12,402,545. The above is exclusive of grape, apple and peach brandy.

Amusements.

National Theatre.—Kelly and Leon's Minstrels opened at this theatre last night to a good house, notwithstanding the rain. The programme contained many acts entirely new here, among them almost amusing sketch, written by Mr. Kelly, called "Matrimony," introducing the only Leon in a feminine character well calculated to display his excellent qualities. Mr. Kelly was also very effective as the victimized husband. To-night the burlesque called the "Japs" will be presented, which is said to be extremely funny.

Wall's Opera House.—Despite the inclement weather there was a full house at Wall's last night to witness the revival of the famous comedy of "Our American Cousin," which was presented with that excellence which has characterized all of the performances during Miss Keene's engagement. This comedy, although so often played, always secures a good attendance. Miss Keene, as Florence Trenchard, was, as she always is, careful and excellent. Mr. Hawk's Asa Trenchard was fair. Mr. McNulty, as Binney, was really quite effective, and little Miss Nutt, as Spriggins, deserves especial credit. The same piece will be presented to-night. On Thursday night the fine old comedy "The School for Scandal" will be produced.

La Cotterie Carnival.—Ever since the announcement of the time when Professor Marini would give his annual *bal masque*, all the fashionable portion of our community have been on the *qui vive* of anticipation, and to-night we expect that the academy of the Professor will be crowded with a brilliant throng of those devoted to the terpsichorean art, all arrayed in unique and fanciful costumes. Those who have been unable to secure dresses will be glad to learn that Mr. Harry Donshue, the popular costumer, will be in attendance with a large assortment of costumes from which they may select.

Concert at Metzerott Hall.—Prof. Esputa will give a grand concert at Metzerott Hall to-morrow evening. The performers will be the pupils of Prof. Esputa, and will, no doubt, do credit to his excellent teachings. The proceeds of the concert are to be applied to the benefit of St. Mathew's Free School.

Card from Rev. Dr. Sunderland.

Washington, January 29, 1870.

Mr. Editor: I am very much gratified to get your paper of this date, purporting to be a "reply" to "recent attacks upon the Papacy," and to which I trust I shall have the pleasure, Providence permitting, of responding at no distant day.

Permit me for the present to express my regret that the title of "*Romanism*" should be so offensive to the adherents of the Church of Rome as to be made a ground of complaint. But what are we to do in the matter, when the Rev. Dr. White himself prefaces his lecture by setting forth this complaint, and then winds up this identical discourse by the following quotation:

"While stands the Coliseum, Rome shall stand;
When falls the Coliseum, Rome shall fall,
And when Rome falls, the world."

If this is the *Rome* of his affections, why should he be ashamed of his *mother*, or complain of being called after her?

Very truly, &c., B. Sunderland.

Society.

The President will give a reception next Thursday evening, from 8 to 10 o'clock. Due notice will be given when the next reception thereafter will take place.

Postmaster-General Creswell's reception last night was, without exception, one of the most brilliant of the season. The night was the most inclement of the year, and yet the attendance could not have been greater if the moon had been out in all her glory and loveliness and the stars had been glittering in the firmament. The toilets of the ladies were of the richest and most elegant description. Postmaster General and Mrs. Creswell received their guests with dignity and grace, and by kind words, kindly uttered, extended a hearty welcome to all. All the members of the Cabinet, Senators and Representatives in Congress, Foreign Ministers, attaches of the Legations, distinguished civilians, and ladies of the highest rank and intelligence, called to pay their respects to our distinguished Postmaster General and his estimable lady. Shortly before eleven o'clock President Grant and Mrs. Grant arrived, and both soon moved about the room, and entered with spirit into the enjoyment of the evening.

The President was, of course, heartily greeted by all present. He and Mrs. Grant conversed freely with all who approached them. Mr. Creswell had done everything in his power for the complete enjoyment of his guests. All of his elegant parlors were thrown open. One portion was set apart for the votaries of terpsichore, and the gayest and happiest of ladies and gentlemen enjoyed the dance to their heart's content. The President, escorting Mrs. Secretary Fish, made his way to the dancing room shortly after his arrival, and with pleased expression gazed upon the scene before him. Meanwhile Mrs. Grant was the centre of a brilliant circle in the main reception room.

Another room was set apart as a banquet room, where the most palatable dishes lured and tempted the appetite. In fact nothing was left undone to make this reception one of the most enjoyable of the season in all respects.

Among the distinguished guests present were Secretaries Fish, Boutwell, Robeson, Belknap, Cox, and Attorney General Hoar, all accompanied by ladies. Senators Ferry, Gilbert, Hamlin, McDonald, Nye, Spencer, Stewart, Trumbull, Williams and Hamilton, and a large number of Representatives and distinguished army officers, &c.

Mr. Alexander R. Shepherd gave a delightful entertainment last night at his residence, No. 1125 Tenth street. This was another of the parties proposed by prominent business men of Washington, to bring members of Congress and our citizens in closer communion, in order that they may better understand each other.

Mr. Shepherd's elegant parlors were thronged with the most prominent business men of the city, and distinguished members of Congress, all of whom heartily enjoyed the splendid entertainment provided.

After an hour or two of social conversation in the handsomely furnished parlors, the guests repaired to the dining room, where an abundance of delicacies and substantials. Around this hospitable board District matters were discussed with the national legislators present, and everything passed off in the most agreeable manner. The party separated at midnight with a kind good night for the host and for each other. These entertainments are doing an untold good. A better and kindlier feeling prevails in all directions, and each is learning to know the other better.

Mrs. Geo. W. Riggs gave her usual weekly reception at her residence on I street last evening, which was attended by a large number of the most prominent notables at present in the city. The diplomatic corps was also fully represented. After the reception the younger portion of the company participated in the joys of the dance, and it was quite a late hour before the merry throng dispersed.

The House Judiciary Committee has agreed to report a resolution to return to Mrs. R. E. Lee certain articles, formerly the property of General George Washington, which were taken from Arlington by General McDowell in the early part of the late war, and which are now in possession of the Interior Department. The resolution will be reported by Mr. Kerr, of Indiana. These articles have been for some time on exhibition in the Patent Office, and consist of Washington's camp furniture, his money chest, articles of household furniture, Chinaware, &c.

The Frog Trade and Turtle Soup.—All the world knows there has always been an active frog trade in France. In fact, many people whose knowledge of foreign manners was rather limited, conscientiously believed that those slimy-looking natives of marshy lands were the principle article of diet in *la belle* France. The little amphibious animal, however, enters largely into French dietary, and the trade in them has developed very considerably of late, a single frog merchant of Luxembourg having exported to France 200,000 frogs in three weeks.

As the after part of the animal only is used for consumption—as frogs—there is consequently a large portion left. But the careful, utilitarian Frenchman has found a profitable means of utilizing this rejected portion, and it is now cooked up at the French restaurants and sold as turtle soup. The rest of the body and the disgusting-looking slimy skin are swallowed by the gourmands as turtle soup, and they smack their lips relishingly under the impression that they are indulging in a beautiful plate of the genuine article. One never knows what he eats at restaurant, and especially at a French one.

Not a great while ago Dona Varona, while giving the the *grito* for free Cuba, was shot by a Spanish assassin. More recently Dona Luisa Fernandez has been condemned to death by a court-martial at Espiritu-Santo. She will be shot or garroted for the crime of having concealed in her house one of the insurgent chiefs. These are the sort of women's rights which prevail in Cuba, the right to risk life, and the right to brave death, and in more than these two instances the Creole women have known how to exercise them with heroic spirit. Absolute hate of the Spaniard has given a flash of strange fire to these acts of sacrifice, and the same ineradicable and unconquerable enmity belongs to the children and the brothers of the women of Cuba. The endurance of the Cubans can only be measured by the depth of that sentiment. Who can say that their cause has perished?

Probably the cheapest carriage of mail matter in the United States is that between Block Island and Newport, R. I. The contract for carrying the mails is let to the lowest bidder, and there being considerable rivalry at the time of their letting, the bids were accordingly low, the successful party agreeing to perform the duties "for one cent per year." The lowest terms ever before known on the same route were four dollars.

Schubert died in 1828, and twenty years afterward—in October, 1868—the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of his monument took place.

An Akron, Ohio, man has got into trouble by pulling a young lady out of the river by the ankle.

Limited partnerships—A Chicago marriage.

CUBA.

Resolutions for the Recognition of the Belligerents.

The following is the preamble and resolution introduced in the House yesterday by Mr. Fitch, of Nevada, in relation to Cuba:

Whereas the President of the United States in his last annual message enunciated the doctrine that "this nation is its own judge when to accord the rights of belligerency to a people struggling to free themselves from a Government they believe to be oppressive; and whereas the people of the island of Cuba have for more than one year past been "struggling to free themselves from a Government they believe to be oppressive" and whereas in pursuit of such effort they have maintained armed forces in the field, established a capital, organized a civil government, abolished slavery, and now hold possession of and exercise actual jurisdiction over a large portion of the island of Cuba; and whereas all efforts of the Government of Spain to suppress the insurrection in Cuba have proved abortive; and whereas the Republic of Cuba has reached a condition of national existence which entitles it to recognition of belligerency from other powers; and whereas the interests of the United States of America would be advanced and the sympathies of its people consulted by the success of the Cubans in achieving independence; therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to immediately issue a proclamation, recording the rights of belligerency to the Republic of Cuba.

Personal.

Commodore Vanderbilt refuses to make a will. He desires that his youthful wife shall have her full legal share of his property. She will be her, therefore, when he dies to some $23,000,000.

Thus far, Mrs. General Gaines has only realized $50 out of her large estate in the heart of New Orleans.

General Burnside recently attended the St. James Theatre, London, and "personally congratulated Mrs. John Wood, the manageress."

A game of chess, lasting ten years, has just been concluded between Dr. Carl Brensinger, of Germany, and his brother, of New York.

"Miss Rose E. Rollson, Bachelor of Arts," is anxious to enter in competition with Anna E. Dickinson for "the lecture championship of America."

Eugenie had her apartments at the Tuileries refurnished during her Eastern journey, and hung with the portraits of the favorite ladies of the court.

Capt. Hall, the Arctic explorer, with an Esquimaux man, woman, and child, was at the Treasury Department yesterday.

Gen. Dan Butterfield, N. Y.; Gen. Rufus Ingalls, U. S. A.; Gen. Alfred Pleasanton, U. S. A.; Gen. Geo. H. Sharpe, U. S. A.; Hon. M. J. Townsend, Troy, N. Y.; Hon. H. R. Selden, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Amos A. Lawrence and party, Boston; Gen. J. S. Fullerton, St. Louis; Hon. Hugh White and family, N. Y., and Paul W. Spofford, esq., N. Y., are at the Arlington.

Mr. Charles Dickens concludes his farewell readings at St. James' Hall, London, March 15th.

Ferdinand de Lesseps is trying to place Suez canal stock among the crowned heads of Europe, but there seems to be a suspicion abroad that it is not sufficiently watered.

Latest Telegraphic Brevities.

Thirteen hundred and seventy mechanics were discharged from the Charlestown (Mass.) navy yard on Saturday.

Admiral Paulding's flag at the Charlestown navy yard was pulled down on Saturday last, and the Admiral has gone to his home in Connecticut.

The official connection of all Admirals with navy yards has ceased.

A heavy fall of snow north and east of Boston is reported.

Startling revelations with reference to Senator Pomeroy are promised from Kansas.

John Reynolds, in custody at New York for the murder of Wm. Townsend, has confessed. His real name is Sylvester Bream. He is a native of the South of Ireland, and has been in this country five years.

The Commercial bank of Louisiana has been robbed of $50,000, evidently by an expert cracksman.

The State treasurer and auditor of Louisiana have been served with a peremptory mandamus requiring them to take only lawful money.

Dispatches from Rome state that the Pope has refused to receive the address of 137 bishops protesting against the dogma of infallibility.

Telegraphic Summary.

Judge Lewis Collins, of Maysville, Ky., a prominent citizen and author, died at Lexington, Ky., on Saturday night.

Figanière E. Morais, recently Secretary of Legation and Charge d'Affaires *ad interim* at London, is coming to Washington in the same capacity.

The Government tax on the legacies of the late Edwin A. Stevens was paid yesterday, amounting to $94,640. This does not include the legacy to the widow, which is exempt.

The employees at the Philadelphia navy yard about to be discharged have sent a petition to Congress asking leave to continue work and to allow their wages to accumulate until the passage of the appropriation bill by Congress.

On Friday night last the New York custom-house officers seized $8,000 worth of silks and other goods in the Hamburg and Bremen houses, near the docks of the German steamers in Hoboken. The goods were removed to the custom-house.

The officers of the Camden and Amboy railroad deny that any collision occurred at Jersey city to the Washington through train on Saturday evening. R. Stewart, assistant of the general superintendent of the Camden and Amboy road, says no such accident occurred as is reported.

The Paris journals of yesterday state that the French Minister of the Interior, in reply to the demand of the English company for the privilege of laying a cable from Algiers to France, said, in effect, that hereafter all monopoly in telegraphic cables would be abolished, and that even private parties were at liberty to lay cables.

A Woman's Wages.—A lady correspondent of the Missouri *Democrat*, in a letter to that paper on the subject of female employment, says:

As to sewing women, I will cite one instance, though there are hundreds. Two young girls, whom I know, work in a down-town shop, and make pantaloons at twenty-five cents a pair. This is all the manufacturers will pay. By close, steady application, by toiling from early morn till the darkness of the night, they can make two pairs each day, or twelve pairs a week, all for $3 or 50 cents per day. Now, if they have no homes; no parents—they must needs board, and at what price, Mr. Editor, can they obtain board in respectable families? Four dollars at the lowest. Only three dollars for their work, mind you, so where is the other dollar to come from? Whence their clothing? And to earn this paltry three dollars takes their every hour of daylight. Where is the time to feed their minds? In some shops they make lined jeans pantaloons for 20 cents a pair, and still the poor creatures make money at that price. What a preposterous idea!

A lady correspondent of the New York *Star* reports that Mrs. A. makes vests at 18 cents apiece for a wholesale house. She can earn $8 a month by working fourteen hours a day, including Sundays. She pays $3 a month for her attic, and has two small children to support. She has eaten meat once only—and then it was given to her—since Thanksgiving day. Another case: Kate A., a "finisher" of fine shirts, makes about $3 a week, working hard for it. She has a grandmother to support, and "has often lived for weeks on bread and water, in order to afford the old woman a little broth every day."

THE NEWS BY CABLES

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Queen will not be Present at the Opening of Parliament—The Telegraph Between London and Bombay Reopened.

London, January 31.—The Queen will not be present at the opening of Parliament. The speech will be delivered by a commissioner.

The overland telegraph to India is in working order again. Messages of to-day's date have been exchanged between London and Bombay. The dispatches announce the arrival of the Great Eastern at Bombay.

THAT VICTORY.

The Spanish Consul again Claims it for the Spaniards.

New York, Jan. 31.—The Spanish Consul of this city received the following official telegram:

Havana, Jan. 30.—General Puello attacked and captured an entrenched camp of the insurgents at Guaimairo, with only twelve hundred troops. He remained there seventeen days, destroying all fortifications there. The insur