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Auction Sales.

TO-DAY.

BY WM. L. WALL & CO., Aucts.,
New Marble Building,
Store Nos. 319 and 321 south ms. Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street.

PIANO, CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, WALNUT CHAMBER SUITES, PARLOR SUITE IN HAIR CLOTH AND DE LAINE, SIDEBOARDS, COTTAGE SUITS, AT AUCTION

On THURSDAY MORNING, Jan. 6, 1870, commencing at 10 o'clock, we will sell, within our spacious salesrooms, (on the first and third floors,) a large assortment of New and Second-hand Furniture, moved to our stores for convenience of sale, of which we name in part:

One 7½ octave Upright Piano. (Dessauer.)
Fine Walnut Chamber Suites, (6-ft.)
One Wm. Walsh Chamber Suit, made to order, and finish.
Fine Walnut Parlor Suites, in hair cloth and rose.
Walnut and Oak Extension Tables,
Wardrobes, Bedsteads, Hat Racks,
Cottage Chamber Suites, oak, marble-tops,
Cottage Chamber Suites, chestnut and painted,
Marble-top Tables, Sofas,
Marble-top Bureaus, and Hat Racks,
Mirrors, Washstands, Lounges,
Oak Dining, Revolving and Wood-seat Chairs,
Walnut Rockers, Sleepy-hollow Chairs,
Curled Hair and Sprat Mattresses,
One Cook-stove, (Coral,) nearly new, with Extras,
Crockery, Glass and Wooden Ware,
CARPETS.

Immediately after the above sale we will sell, on the second floor, about 85 pieces of Velvet, Brussels, Tapestry Brussels, Three-ply and Ingrain Carpets.

ALSO,
37 pieces Oil Cloth, 4-4, 5-4, 6-4 and 7-4.
We call special attention of housekeepers and dealers to the above sale, as it is the best stock of Furniture ever offered at auction in this city.
No postponement on account of the weather.
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FUTURE DAYS.

BY COOPER & LATIMER, Aucts'rs.
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DESIRABLE TWO-STORY BRICK RESIDENCE, NO. 466 G STREET, BETWEEN EIGHTH AND NINTH STREETS WEST, AT AUCTION

On MONDAY AFTERNOON NEXT, January 10, at 5 o'clock, p. m., in front of the premises, we will sell the east 20 feet of square 453, improved by a three-story desirable BRICK RESIDENCE, No. 466 G street, between Eighth and Ninth streets west. It is two stories with brown stone trimmings, contains two parlors, hall, dining room and kitchen on first floor, four chambers and bath room on second floor, hydrant in yard and gas through the house; also, other conveniences. Immediate possession.
Terms of Sale: Two thousand dollars cash; balance in 6, 12 and 18 months, with interest secured by deed of trust, or may assume and 1 remain at 7 per cent. interest.
One hundred dollars deposit at time of sale.
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BY COOPER & LATIMER, Aucts'rs.
(Successors to J. C. McGuire & Co.,)
Southwest corner Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street.

NEARLY NEW HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AT AUCTION

On TUESDAY MORNING NEXT, January 11th, at 10 o'clock, at the residence, No. 1009 Fourteenth street, between H and I streets west, we will sell a collection of nearly new Household Furniture, comprising Elegant and Handsome Walnut Parlor suite, seven pieces, upholstered in green rep.
Walnut Parlor suite, six pieces, upholstered in hair cloth.
Walnut Chamber suite, marble-top, ten pieces.
Walnut marble-top Centre Tables, Whatnot ornaments.
Oak marble-top Sideboard, Lounge.
Oak Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Hall suites.
Oak Marble-top Chamber suite, trimmed with walnut, eleven pieces, including Wardrobe.
Fine Curled Hair Mattresses,
Hall Oilcloth, Carpets and Rugs, Door Mats.
Crockery and Glassware.
Cooking and Heating Stoves. Kitchen requisites, &c.
Terms cash.
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Southwest corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A VALUABLE BRICK HOUSE AND ROW USED AS A GROCERY AND DWELLING.

By virtue of a deed of trust, dated the 18th day of November, 1868, and recorded in Liber D and No. 2, folio 398, &c., of the land records of the District of Columbia, the undersigned trustee, at the request of the party secured thereby, will offer for sale, on the premises, on WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 26, 1870, at 5 o'clock, all that LOT OF GROUND situated on Georgetown Heights, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the eastern line of Congress street one hundred and seventy (170) feet south of the southeast corner of Road and Congress streets, and running thence south with said line of Congress street one hundred and seven feet six inches, more or less, to the northwest corner of Wm. G. Busey's lot; thence easterly with the north line of Busey's lot one hundred and twenty-two feet, more or less, to the west line of Fourteen feet wide alley; thence north with said line of said alley to the southeast corner of Road and Carter's lot, and thence with the south line of said Carter's lot to the beginning.
The attention of capitalists is called to this property, as it is one of most eligible building lots now for sale. It is directly opposite Tudor Place, and near to Mr. Robinson's late residence.
Terms: One half cash; balance in six and twelve months with interest, and secured on the property. A deposit of $100 will be required on each as the property is knocked down, or it will be immediately resold. If the terms of sale are not complied with within five days, the property will be resold at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser.
All conveyancing, including revenue stamps at the cost of the purchaser.
JOHN B. DONNELLY,
Trustee.
THOMAS DOWLING,
jan4-dd&s (Star.) Auctioneer.

BY WM. L. WALL & CO., Aucts.,
New Marble Building,
Corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street.

CHANCERY SALE OF A VALUABLE THREE-STORY BRICK DWELLING AND STORE, ON SEVENTH STREET WEST, BETWEEN I AND K STREETS NORTH.

By virtue of a decree of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, passed the 15th day of September, 1869, in Cause No. 1,564, in Equity, wherein George McClelland is complainant and John J. McCollom et al are defendants, and by virtue of a further order or decree made in said cause on the 27th day of November, 1869, I shall proceed to sell, on the premises, on FRIDAY, the 28th day of January, 1870, at 5 o'clock, all that piece of land situated in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, and being that part of lot number eight, (No. 8,) in square number four hundred and forty-seven, (No. 447,) contained within the following metes and bounds: Beginning on the line of Seventh street, at a point distant twenty feet from the southwestern corner of said lot, and running thence north twenty feet; thence at one hundred and sixteen feet to an alley; thence south with said alley twenty feet; thence west to the place of beginning.
The improvements consist of a newly-built three-story Brick House, with a good storeroom on the first floor and dwelling above.
The terms of sale, as prescribed by the decree, are: One third of purchase money to be paid in cash; the residue in two equal instalments at six and twelve months, with interest from the day of sale—the deferred payments to be a lien on the property, and a conveyance to be withheld until they are paid. Stamps and conveyancing at purchaser's cost. One hundred dollars will be required to be paid when the property is bid off.
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FOR RENT—THREE SUITES OF NEW AND handsomely furnished Rooms, southeast corner of Fourteenth and I streets, fronting Franklin Square. jan5-6*

A NEW EXCELLENT THREE-STORY BRICK HOUSE with extensive back buildings, No. 816 K street, two doors east of Four-and-a-half street, N. W., with modern conveniences, set back from the street, and made in front enclosed with iron railing. No more desirable residence in the city. Can be examined at ANY time after 2 o'clock to-day. Price $9,000.

DRUG STORE FOR SALE—STAND ONE OF the oldest, best, and central "Stores" in small. Terms easy. Must be sold quickly. Apply to J. O'TOOLE, firm of Dempsey & O'Toole, 346 Pennsylvania avenue, between Ninth and Tenth. jan4-6t

FOR SALE—A PATENT RIGHT TO AN IMproved Cooking Stove. Inquire at the Rogers House, 345 Pennsylvania avenue. Those wishing to purchase will please call, when a perfect explanation will be given by the inventor. jan4-3t* MARIEL BOWMAN.

FOR RENT.—The Three Story Brick House, No. 329 Twenty-first street, between G and H, with gas and water. Possession on the 5th of January. Also, store. Apply at 631 Pennsylvania avenue, Capitol Hill. jan4-3t

ELEGANT! ATTRACTIVE! CONVENIENT!

We offer for sale the THREE FOUR-STORY PRESSED-BRICK FRONT RESIDENCES, just being completed, on the north side of G street, between Sixth and Tenth streets.
They contain 12 rooms, bath-room, water closets, china closets, double parlors, hot and cold water throughout; farnish the entire house; black walnut doors, mantels and trimmings, marble mantels. Doors of the best North Carolina pine.
These houses are new and are made attractive by bay windows, terraced yards, and famous stone terraced steps; lot 24 feet front; with 12 feet wide alley in rear.
To parties desiring first-class Dwelling houses no better opportunity for purchasing can be offered. These are in the best location in the centre of the city, and convenient to all the street railways.
For price and terms apply to or address
JOSHUA WHITNEY & CO.,
Rooms 5 and 6, 510 No. 510 Seventh street, between G and H streets. dec31

SEVERAL HANDSOMELY FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without Board, either in Suites or Singly, at No. 404 Thirteenth street, north of the Avenue. Strangers visiting the city, or those desiring permanent rooms, will find it to their advantage to have a house so centrally located as at such a convenient distance from both the Avenue and F street cars. Table Boarders accommodated. dec28-1f

FINE FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT—IN A desirable location. Inquire at No. 326 C street, near Fifteenth.

FOR RENT.—AN ELEGANT SUITE OF ROOMS with Bath Room and Water Closet attached also, several single Rooms for gentlemen. Apply at 315 7th street, second door north of C street. nov6-1f

FOR SALE.—A FINE NEW HOUSE, SITUATED in the most desirable location and neighborhood in the city. Terms liberal. Inquire at No. 329 I str. st. between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets. oct26-d1f

FOR SALE—THREE-STORY BRICK HOUSE, 324 Maryland avenue, near the corner of Sixth street, S. W. Good cistern, cold water range, five grate heaters, marble mantels, all in good repair. Brick stable on rear of lot, with gas and water and room for three horses. Will be sold cheap for cash. Apply to GREGORY. oct7-1f

FOR SALE—THREE-STORY BRICK HOUSE, No. 325 Pennsylvania avenue, S. E. Lot 20 by 120 feet. Terms easy. Apply to J. C. McGUIRE & CO., Auctioneers. sep28-d1f

Wants.

WANTED—A LOT ON THE ISLAND, BETWEEN Sixth and Tenth streets. Address "A," at this office, with price and location.

WANTED—THREE PIECE PARLOR SUITE, IN hair cloth, and WARDROBE. Also, one with understories good plain cooking. None but those need apply. at THOROUGHFARE DAY, jan4-3t* 335 Pennsylvania avenue.

E. G. GRABWOHL, NO. 1140 SEVENTH st., corner Seventh and M, West side, buys and sells all kinds of ladies', gents' and children's cast-off clothing, underclothing, boots and shoes, hats, caps, blankets, quilts, bedspreads, shawls, &c. Any note by mail or otherwise promptly attended to. jan4-1m

E. S. JUSTH PAYS FAIR (CASH) PRICES FOR Ladies', Gent's and Children's second-hand Clothing. Underclothing, Boots, Shoes, &c. No. 418 Ninth street, between D and E streets, third door from Young Men's Christian Association Building. N. B.—Any Note by Mail promptly attended to. jan4-1m

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—WE ARE NOW prepared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time or for the spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to $5 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That a trifle of this notice may send their address, and test the business for themselves, we make the following offer: To such as are not well satisfied we will send $1 to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, a valuable sample, which will do to commence work on, and a copy of the *People's Literary Companion*—one of the largest and best family newspapers published—all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work, address E. C. ALLEN & CO., Augusta, Maine.

WANTED—NEW AND CAST OFF CLOTHING, old Gold and Silver, or any other article of value, at the old established Pawnbroker Store of E. FULTON & CO., 311 Ninth street, 4 doors north of Pennsylvania avenue. dec28-1f

Boarding.

BOARDING.
RUFUS SMITH,
of Loudoun county, Va., having rented House No. 502 Tenth street, between D and E streets, the same will be opened as a
FIRST-CLASS BOARDING HOUSE ON THE 1ST OF NOVEMBER. Bath rooms on all floors. Rooms single or in suits, with or without board. nov30-1f

FIRST-CLASS TABLE BOARD CAN BE HAD at the AMERICAN HOUSE, corner of Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue, for $30 per month. nov29-2m

Lost and Found.

LOST.—A LARGE SIZE ENVELOPE, CONtaining $40 in United States notes, supposed to have been lost in Center Market on Saturday morning last, or on Pennsylvania avenue or Seventh street, between the Avenue and Sixth street south. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it with the undersigned, corner of C and Seventh streets south. J. J. C. jan4-3t

$5 REWARD.—LOST, ON THE 3D INSTANT $5 either in the Post Office or between it and the Capitol, a lady's GOLD GUARD BREASTPIN. The finder will receive the above reward by leaving it at this office. jan4-1t

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COUGHLIN'S DRUG STORE, OPPOSITE the Masonic Temple. Money can be saved by buying there.

Amusements.

NATIONAL THEATRE.—Yesterday afternoon the Zafretta troupe gave a matinee, the "Hons that Jack Built" being the attraction. Last night Mr. Florence appeared as Bob Brierly in the "Ticket-of-Leave Man," Mrs. Florence sustaining the character of Emily St. Evermond. The play passed off in the most excellent manner, all the characters being well sustained. The introduction of "Shoo Fly," by Mrs. Florence and Mr. Varrey, was greeted with shouts of applause by the audience, which was very large, and among whom we noticed President Grant, General Sherman, and many other distinguished personages.
To-night the dramatization of Dickens' novel of "Dombey and Son" will be produced, Mr. Florence appearing in his masterly rendition of the character of Captain Cuttle. Mr. Florence is one of the very few actors now on the stage who essays this character, and those who have seen his impersonation of the lugubrious Captain, speak of it in terms of the highest praise. As there has been considerable interest among our play-goers to witness this play, we have no hesitation in predicting a crowded house. Indeed, this has been the case every night of the engagement of Mr. and Mrs. Florence thus far. The performance to-night will conclude with the commedietta of the "Young Actress," in which Mrs. Florence will sustain six different characters, introducing new songs and dances.

LA RUE'S MINSTRELS.—This troupe gave their third performance at Wall's Opera House last evening. Ricardo, the prima donna, possesses a voice wonderfully stimulating that of a woman, and his singing is most effective. The sensation of "Shoo Fly" is most amusing, and is greeted with rapturous applause each night. All the members of the company exert themselves to render the entertainment of a most attractive character, and any one desiring a hearty laugh should certainly visit Wall's Opera House.

OLD FOLKS' CONCERT.—An Old Folks' Concert will be given to-night at the Congregational church, corner of Tenth and G streets. Thirty juvenile performers will take part, and the entertainment will be of a most enjoyable character. Tickets are placed at the low price of 25 cents, and may be obtained at the music store of John F. Ellis.

MISS KATE BATEMAN.—Miss Kate Bateman will commence an engagement at the National theatre on Monday evening next, opening with her wonderful impersonation of "Leah," for the rendition of which she has secured an enviable reputation upon both sides of the Atlantic. She will be supported by Mr. George Jordan, who has been especially engaged for that purpose.

LECTURE ON RITUALISM.—A lecture on Ritualism will be given by Dr. J. W. Rogers, of Tennessee, late an Episcopal minister, at Carroll Hall, under the auspices of the Young Men's Catholic Association, on Sunday evening next. The lecturer has the reputation of being a fluent and entertaining speaker, and doubtless the lecture will be highly interesting.

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WASHINGTON FACTS AND IMPRESSIONS.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS yesterday were $554,818.06.

REPRESENTATIVE DAWES returned to the city last night from a brief visit to his home in Massachusetts. His daughter, whose illness called him home, has recovered.

ON WEDNESDAY EVENING NEXT the President will entertain the members of the Diplomatic corps at dinner. Secretary Fish and Senator Sumner will also be among the guests.

A NUMBER of well-executed imperial photographs of the late Edwin M. Stanton were yesterday received at the War Department, and have been distributed in the various offices.

THE United States steamer Alaska, recently built at Boston, will probably make her trial trip in the course of a week or ten days, after which she will sail from Boston to join the East India squadron.

A DESPATCH was yesterday received from Supervisor Dwyer, of Ohio, stating that he had caused the arrest of Alfred Everingim, distiller; Thomas Everingim, rectifier, and John Labaar, storekeeper, at distillery No. 3, Ninth district, for numerous violations of laws.

A CONVENTION OF LETTER-CARRIERS, composed of delegates from all the principal cities of the United States, where the free delivery system is in operation, will meet in this city on the 17th instant, for the purpose of calling the attention of Congress to their claims pending for an increase of salary equitable with other employees of the Government.

THE House Committee on Post Office Affairs returned last night from New York. It is now stated that the object of the visit was not with reference to a change of site, but to ascertain how the money already appropriated had been expended, and what further appropriations would be necessary on both the New York and Boston post office buildings.

PROPOSED BOAT RACE.—Mr. A. J. Kane, of Harvard University, had an interview with Admiral Porter yesterday, and obtained his permission for the Annapolis Naval Academy boat club to run a race with the new crew of the junior class of Harvard University, in which there is only one of the crew which rowed in England, Mr. Fay. Admiral Porter expressed a desire that the race should be either Annapolis or at West Point, between six-oared boats. Mr. Kane goes to Annapolis to-morrow to perfect the match.

NO NEPOTISM.—A claim for Government patronage was yesterday received at the Treasury Department by Secretary Boutwell from certain bidders on a proposal to construct the branch mint in San Francisco. The bidders based their hope for preference on the ground that they were relatives of the Secretary of the Treasury. The Secretary, on being informed of the fact, indignantly ordered the bids to be rejected, and that the parties be notified that nepotism does not enter into his administration of the duties of the office of Secretary of the Treasury.

GEORGIA REMANDED TO MILITARY CONTROL.—The following has been issued from the Adjutant General's Office, dated January 4, 1870:

General Orders No. 1.—The President of the United States directs that so much of General Orders No. 102, dated Headquarters, Third Military District, (Department Georgia, Florida and Alabama,) Atlanta, Georgia, July 22, 1868, and so much of General Orders No. 44, dated Headquarters of Army, July 28, 1868, as refers to the State of Georgia, is hereby countermanded. Brevet Major General Terry is ordered to exercise until further orders, within that State, the powers of the commander of a military district, as provided by the act of March 2, 1867, and the acts supplementary thereto, under his assignment by General Orders No. 32, dated Washington, December 24, 1869.

AFTERNOON RECEPTIONS.—The delightful weather yesterday was highly favorable for the receptions which took place at the residences of a number of our distinguished officials. Among those who received were Mrs. Vice President Colfax, Mrs. Secretary Fish, Mrs. Secretary Boutwell and daughter, Mrs. Secretary Belknap, Mrs. Creswell and Miss McIntyre, her sister, Mrs. Speaker Blaine, Mrs. General Sherman and daughter and others. The hours of receiving were from 1 until 4 o'clock, p. m., during which time the streets were fairly thronged with the equipages of the various members of the different Legations and many of our prominent citizens.

GOVERNMENT DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER.—The disbursements from the Treasury Department during the month of December were as follows:

Civil and miscellaneous	$2,864,732 86
War Department	4,330,242 56
Navy Department	2,141,046 93
Interior (Pensions and Indians)	992,823 45
Total	$11,797,292 12

The above does not include payments on account of interest or the redemption of the public debt.
The receipts during the month were: From customs, $12,000,000; internal revenue, $13,000,000; miscellaneous sources, $3,000,000. Total, $27,000,000.

PROPOSITION FROM FRANCE FOR A POSTAL TREATY.—The French Government has transmitted to Postmaster General Creswell, through the State Department, proposals for a new postal treaty with this country. A more liberal spirit characterizes the present communication than has been heretofore displayed, and a disposition is manifested to concede many points strenuously adhered to when Senator Ramsey was in France endeavoring to negotiate a new treaty. The present proposition, however, falls far short of what Mr. Creswell believes ought to be embodied in the next treaty, and he has therefore declined to accept it, and expresses his intention to send mails intended for France by way of Great Britain until the French authorities will consent to cheap ocean postage.

SOME TIME SINCE the Government proposed to sell the ground selected as a site for the new custom-house in San Francisco, and a conflict immediately began, (not unlike the trouble started in New York and extended to Boston) by which the supervising architect of the Treasury Department is arraigned for trifling with the best interest of the Government. After much delay and controversy, it has been decided that the Government claim is just, and the possession of the ground referred to is beyond dispute. Superintendent Stebbins, of the California Branch Mint, has submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury a detailed statement of the whole affair, and it has been decided to dispose of the ground and purchase a more suitable location for the San Francisco custom-house.

THE FORTY-EIGHT-HOUR FERMENTATION PERIOD.—Deputy Commissioners Douglass and Given, of the revenue bureau, leave here this morning for Cincinnati, for the purpose of taking testimony relative to the forty-eight-hour fermentation period. They will be accompanied by Mr. Bassett, phonographer, and the evidence will be submitted to Commissioner Delano. Their visit is in accordance with the request of Gen. H. L. Burnett, attorney for the Western distilleries, who have already entered their protest against the time fixed by the Commissioner. They will probably be absent until next Wednesday, and it is understood representative distillers from St. Louis, Louisville, Chicago and other Western cities will be present to testify in behalf of the claim desired.

WHISKY IN BOND.—There is a strong pressure being brought to bear to secure the passage, as an independent measure, of an amendment to the whisky law, extending the period now allowed for keeping fine whiskies in bond. The distillers allege that the time, (one year,) is not sufficient, and that if not extended longer, amounts of whisky, not of the proper age, will be forced on the market before the 1st of February. Therefore, they want a special measure of relief without waiting for the general codification of the international laws. This the Committee of Ways and Means are not likely to recommend, their experience on the copper, wood and other independent bills, leading them to look with disfavor upon what is termed "piecemeal legislation," it having been found that when a single interest gets relief by an independent measure, its friends at once become indifferent to the needs of others, if not absolutely antagonistic.

THE QUESTION OF NAVAL RANK.—The staff and line difficulties about the respective grades of rank in the navy have a much more serious and detrimental effect on the service than might naturally be supposed. The surgeons particularly appear to feel aggrieved, and more than one case of resignation has recently occurred. It is stated that this class of officers decide not to go to sea under existing rules and regulations, and prefer the alternative of leaving the employment of the Government altogether. In naval circles much complaint is also made against the officers known as executive officers. It is alleged that this official does not, or should not, properly belong to the American navy; that his appointment is a mere copy after the English system, where an "executive officer" in charge of and responsible for the ship is a matter of absolute necessity, from the fact that one-half the officers of the highest grades are utterly incompetent, they being in most instances victims of the aristocracy and their positions being purely nominal. In an American ship the "executive officer" is virtually a second captain, and in recent orders it is stated that he has been styled "second in command." There is no appeal even to the captain from his orders, and altogether his presence and interference is said to be productive of anything but harmony and proper discipline, so far as the subaltern officers are concerned. All these grievances have been brought to the attention of the Naval Committee of the House, and the result will, in all probability, be an entire recognization of the service. The staff officers are pressing their side of the question with vigor and energy, and there does not appear to be much doubt that a report conferring on them rank in proportion to existing grades of superiority in the navy will be presented.—*Wash. Cor. N. Y. Times, Jan. 4.*

ATTORNEY GENERAL HOAR'S CASE.—Attorney General Hoar returned to the city to-day, and was at his office at the usual hour. He subsequently called on the President, and was present at the Cabinet meeting. After the adjournment of the Cabinet the Attorney General and the President were again in consultation. In a conversation with the President, Judge Hoar is represented as having said that the President would not with his (Hoar's) consent withdraw his name from the Senate, and he thought it unaccountable that the Senate had taken the course they had with his nomination; that it was well known that during Johnson's administration offices were a sort of bargain business, and that Senators would pledge the nomination of a Democrat if Johnson would nominate a Republican for some other office.
He said he was sure the action of the Senate in his own case would strengthen him, and that such a course insured his stay in the Cabinet; that he preferred to be in the Cabinet, and that for six weeks he objected to the President's nominating him for the Supreme Court; that he did not really care for either place, and that he would much prefer to return to his old home and practice law. He added that he was here as a Republican and a friend of the President, and no plots of Democrats and disaffected Republicans should make him falter in his duties. In answer to a direct question, he said: "The President will not withdraw my name. I shall, through my Republican friends, insist on a direct vote on my nomination. I do not propose to resign my position in the Cabinet, if I am not confirmed, and I have promised as much to the President." He announced that he would resume his work at once, to prepare his arguments for the many cases on the Supreme Court docket at the approaching session.—*Wash. Cor. N. Y. Tribune, Jan. 4.*

The Trichinæ Excitement in Illinois.

A dispatch to the Chicago *Tribune*, from Belvidere, Ill., on the 30th ultimo, says:
The trichinæ cases continue to create much excitement in this and adjoining counties. Pork is discarded by every one, and those who have eaten any during the past fortnight are not easy until sufficient time elapses to make it certain they have escaped the terrible disease. It has been ascertained that the hog which caused the disease was six years old, and almost rotten. He was fit for nothing but to kill and bury. The progress of the case is watched with deep interest, as important scientific developements are likely to result from the proper study of the disease in so aggravated a form.
A practical chemist of Chicago sends to the *Tribune* the following remedy for *trichinæ spiralis*:
It is reported that trichinæ is again in our midst, arising from eating diseased pork. The afflicted ask for a curative agent. A series of experiments has enabled me to offer a remedy for trichinæ spiralis. Give the patient two drops of carbolic acid (crystals) thoroughly incorporated with forty drops of glycerine. Alternate (every three hours) with twenty drops liquor soda bisulphis, to be administered in a wine-glass of water. In urgent cases repeat these agents every hour, and continue until relief is obtained.
I find that *carbolic acid* and *sulphuric acid* will effectually destroy the *animalcule* and *parasitic* family. These anti-*parasitic* agents may be safely administered in a diluted form, as above prescribed, and no injurious results can possibly occur to the most delicate constitution.
The *trichinæ* may be found throughout the system, and in order to reach them with carbolic acid I advise its admixture with glycerine, which is the most efficacious vehicle for its dissemination through every part of the body, as glycerine will rapidly penetrate both flesh and bone, and carry with it such chemical agents as it may be charged with.
The *soda bi-sulphis*, in addition to destroying parasitic life, reduces the inflammation and allays the pain caused by the ravages of the *trichinæ*.

COL. YERGER.—This gentleman, who shot and killed Col. Crane, military mayor of Vicksburg, some months since, passed through here yesterday under military guard, en route for Washington, where it is stated he will be confined until the Supreme Court decides upon his application for a *habeas corpus*. Colonel Yerger, it will be remembered, was tried by a military commission and convicted, but his counsel appealed to the Supreme Court for a *habeas corpus*, with a view to his trial by the civil authorities, which application is yet pending.—*Lynchburg News, 5th.*

The *News* must have been deceived. Colonel Yerger has not arrived here, nor has any authority been given to bring him on.

THE NEWS BY CABLES

PORTUGAL.

Meeting of the Cortes—Speech of the King—Reforms Promised.

LISBON, Jan. 5.—The Portuguese General Cortes assembled to-day and was opened by King Louis. His speech referred with gratification to the state of tranquillity existing at home and abroad, and promised that the Government would introduce important measures of economy and reform.

Seeking for a Fortune.

PARIS, Jan. 5.—An expedition is preparing to sail from France to recover 500,000,000 francs in treasure, lost some years ago in Spanish vessels, on the coast of Spain.

LATE FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

(By French Cable and Havas's News Agency)

The French Ministry—Baron Haussmann Removed — What Prussia Thinks of the Ministry — The Trouble Between the Khedive of Egypt and Turkey—An Outbreak Feared.

PARIS, (midnight,) Jan. 5.—The ministry of Ollivier have demanded the removal of Baron Haussman, prefect of the Seine, on account of extravagance of his administration and unnecessary sums expended in enlarging the city. The Emperor has complied with the demand, and with this compliance the ministry has been accepted. M. Chevreau has been appointed his successor.
This action of the Emperor has created good feeling in Paris, especially among the Liberals, and their organs say this action of the Emperor will go far toward strengthening the dynasty, and laying strong foundations for constitutional sentiment based upon that of England.
BERLIN, Jan. 5—Midnight.—Official organ of Count Bismarck comments at length upon recent changes in French government. It regards circumstances under which French ministry been formed as guaranteeing friendliest relations between France and Germany.
VIENNA, Jan. 5—Midnight.—The changes in French government are regarded by Baron Van Beust and the Austrian ministry as indicative of neutral policy between Austria and France. The supposition that France would prevent Bismarck from extending the dominion of Prussia beyond the line of the Maine are dispelled.
CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 5—Midnight.—The difficulties which have so long been pending between the Khedive of Egypt and Sultan of Turkey are increasing, and serious results are anticipated in official circles. It is thought that the Russian influence is strengthening the Egyptian Monarch into a position of open war. The Khedive objects to borrowing money under the instruction of the Turkish monarchy, and unless England and France interfere to prevent an outbreak, it is feared that more serious consequences may ensue.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Governor Geary's Message.

HARRISBURG, Pa., January 5.—Governor Geary's message was sent in at noon. He congratulates the Legislature on the blessings of health and prosperity which are enjoyed.
The receipts during the year were $5,341,000, expenditures $4,850,000, including $472,000 towards the reduction of the public debt, leaving a balance in the treasury of $1,400,000.
The total amount of the State debt is $32,514,000. The total reduction of the debt since January 1, 1866, has been $4,889,000.
He recommends the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers as a refuge for those now compelled to beg a livelihood in the streets of our cities.
The Avondale disaster is referred to, and a law is recommended enforcing stringent regulations to prevent a recurrence of such calamities.
He recommends an additional judge for the Supreme Court as a public necessity.
He deprecates the movement made by the free-traders to obtain the introduction of steel and iron free of duty.
He favors the recognition of Cuba, and says it geographically belongs to the United States. He advocates the policy of the expansion of the currency by new national banks, to be established where none now exist.

NEW YORK.

The Fifteenth Amendment — Withdrawal of the Assent of the State to its Ratification.

ALBANY, Jan. 5.—In the State Senate today after much debate, Mr. Tweed's resolution repealing the ratification of the fifteenth amendment by the last Legislature was adopted by a vote of 16 to 13.
In the Assembly, a resolution was introduced declaring the income tax unconstitutional, and requesting the congressional delegation to oppose its re-enactment.
This afternoon the Assembly concurred with the Senate in withdrawing the ratification of the fifteenth amendment by a vote of 65 to 56.

Maryland.

ANNAPOLIS, January 5.—The Legislature met this morning, and F. C. Latrobe, of Baltimore, was elected Speaker of the House.
The Senate adjourned without completing its organization.

Maine.

AUGUSTA, ME., Jan. 5.—Both branches of the Legislature organized to-day. Hon. Wm. W. Bolster (Rep.) was elected President of the Senate, and Hon. Reuben Foster (Rep.) was elected Speaker of the House.

Colorado.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 4.—The Colorado Legislature organized yesterday. George A. Hillsdale was elected President of the Council, and George W. Miller Speaker of the House. Governor McCook's message was delivered this afternoon. He recommends female suffrage, the election of Governor and other Territorial officers by a vote of the people of the Territory, and a thorough immigration system.

Latest Telegraphic Brevities.

The Harper hotel at Sandwich, Mass., was destroyed by fire Tuesday night.
Albert Morgan, editor of the Boston *Sunday Express*, was severely injured on Tuesday by being thrown from his carriage.
The monitor Miantonomah, from New York for Portland, arrived at Boston yesterday.
The thirteen Spanish gunboats at New York were expected to go to sea last night.
General Walter C.