Recovery of Mr. Prentice. Mr. George D. Prentice, senior editor of the Louisville Journal, acknowledges the sympathy of the press during his recent illness, in the following felicitons manner: "Our heartfelt thanks are due to very many

of our brethren of the press for their kind notices of us during our late illness. Their sympathy soothed and cheered and strengthened as. It seemed to throw a calm and lovely hight upon the world, and make us wish to linger still among our fellow-men. There is much that is beautiful and holy and hallowing in sickness. Its influences are purer and better than those of health. Indeed, the reebleness of the body is often the health of the soul. We see and hear what we may not in the season of our physical strength. Myriad spirits of air flutter over the dividing line between the two worlds, uttering to mortal beings the tones they have learned in heaven. As we move downwards upon the sembre and mysterious pathway that leads to the door of the tomb, we behold, as from the depths of a shadowy well and cavern, the pale serenities of floating stars, all invisible in the clare and sunshine of the upper air, and their waered and blessed light need never fade from

Crosby Opera House Art Association. To the Editor of the New York Herald: — Having seen in the Herald a letter impugning my motives and those of the managers of the Crosby Opera House Art Association in not at once closing their books, might I request you to allow me the liberty

of making a brief roply to it?

The time since the subscription lists were first opened is barely four months—a period far shorter than that in which any Art Union of even one-tenth its magnitude has ever completed the disposal or its

Up to the present more than one half of the whole number of certificates have been disposed of But will your correspondent permit me to ask him whether himself, als friends, or the public generally would be contented with my action were 1 to bring the Crosby Arl Association to an immediate close, retaining the unso d shares in my own band*? At its first commencement I determined to hold no certificates in my own possession at the closing of the holes.

My reason for this was that I wished to avoid every possibility of anything like doubt in the minds of the subscribers as to the honesty and justice of the final result. For the same reason the committee selected by the management, who have kindly consented to superintend the drawing and who are composed of the wealthiest and most influen-tial nercantile residents in Chicago, concurred with me. But from previous inexperience in the compil-cated details of so large a scheme, I am free to con-fess that myself and the management were unable to determine the time required for carrying it to a ter-mination with any degree of certainty. Conse-quently I cannot but think that when the public has repeatedly allowed time or ten months for the completion of the share lists of infinitely smaller art associations, we scarcely presume too much upon their kindness when we require somewhat more time than that which has clapsed since July last. time than that which has elapsed since July last.

Let me, however, assure your correspondent and
the others for whom he speaks, that the day for the
drawing will be fixed within a few days after the
returns from the various agents in different parts of
the country for October have been received, and I
may honestly affirm that if is my wish, even more
than his, that the day shall be determined as immediately as possible.

U. H. CROSEY.

More Discoveries of the Sir John FrankHa Expedition.

The captain and part of the crew of the barque
Antelope, of New Bedford, which was lost at Niantelik Island, on the 6th of October hast, recently arrived at St. John's, in steamers from Cumberland
iniet. The St. John's Commercial Journal says:—
The officers of the Antelope bring interesting information of discoveries made by Mr. C. F. Hall
respecting the Franklin expedition. Mr. Hall has
in his possession a gold watch, some silver spoons,
and other revices supposed to have belonged to the
Franklin party. He also learned that the remains
of some of Franklin's men were lying under a boat
in Committee Bay, where they had been placed by
the natives after death. The natives would not permit Mr. Hall to go and examine them, but as several mit Mr. Hall to go and examine them, but as severa vessels will winter in Repuise Bay, it is believed Mr Hall will secure assistance and push his way to where the remains are situated.

Charcoal Pogs for Actual Cautery.-The Lon don Lancet favors the use of charcoal pegs for cautery. It says that when they are lighted they burn like a cigar, the end being somewhat pointed. They should be applied in a direct horizontal line, because pressure sideways would break the point. The composition is as follows:- Powder d charcoal, three hundred grains; nitrate of potash, twenty-two grains; gum tragacanth, seventy-five grains; water, three hundred and sixty grains. Mix into a mass, and roll in the shape of ordinary leatpencil about three inches long. Very few ashes when any form they may be blown away, the current of air thus keeping up

A Spade Not a Spade.-A Paris letter-writer A Spade Not a Spade.—A Paris letter-writer says:—"Greek words are now terribly the fashion. A lady told a friend of mine only vesterday that she had been 'much suffering,' had sent for Royer, and after a serious discussion, and the exhibition of sal volatile, she had recovered. 'Effectively, then,' said my friend, 'Madame has been very ill!' 'Very ill, my friend! I had one foot at least in the valley of the shadow of death,' 'And your disease,' Cholera?' 'No, monsieur, kepbalalgie,' 'ludoed!' says puzzled but sympathizing triend, 'that was says puzzled but sympathizing triend, 'that waterrible. He went home, and found that the Greek word only implied headache. Calling a space a space is last going out of fashion."

Cornish Antiquities -- A remarkable "logon. or artificial cavern, has been discovered and partly opened at Troveneage, in Cornwall, Engand. It has been traced from its commence-ment—unroofed for about twenty eight feet, and reofed for rather more than six feet. The excavation terminates at a small doorway or lintelled opening, and close by this, an the left hand side, a narrow passage, through which a man may creep, leads into a low arched chamber, about tifteen feet long, twelve feet broad, and from three and a half to four feet high. There is every appearance of the continuation of the cave beyond the doorway, and it will be followed up.

The Prussian Mercantile Fleet.—The whole merchant fleet of Prussia before the war consisted of one thousand six hundred and sixtyfive ships of all dimensions, the greater number of small tonnage, employed in the coasting trade. At the present time ten thousand two hundred and two vessels sail under the Prussian flag or Prussian protection.

"Rousing" Preaching.—The Sunday evening lectureship of St. James', Aldgate, in the diocese of London, has become vacant. The following are the conditions:-"Income from voluntary contributions, depending entirely upon the popularity of the lecturer. Evangelical senti-ments and an earnest, rousing style of preaching are indispensable."

-The Opinion Nationale lately announced the death of a gentleman of immense wealth, who owed his fortune to his hat! The story is as follows:—In the year 1816, a poor man named Moulin, a turner by trade, travelled the coun-try barefooted, and with his pack on his shoulders, in search of work; and happening to pass through the village in which was situated the great machine manufactory of Messrs, Bouton & Weill, he applied to them for employment, Mr. Bouton, seeing his wretched appearance, was not prepossessed in his favor, and refused to give him work, when, all at once, as refused to give him work, when, all at once, as the poor man was about to depart, his attention was attracted to his hat. "Halloo! my good man, what sort of a hat is that you have on?" "A wooden one, sir." "A wooden hat! Let me look at it. Where did you buy it?" "I made it, sir." replied the turner. "Made it! How?" "I turned it, sir." "Well, but the lathe turns articles of a round form, and this is oval." "That's true, sir," answered the workman; "but I made it all the same. I displaced the centre bit, and I then turned as I liked. I have a long way to go, and I wanted a hat which would not get injured by rain." etc. Mr. Bouton saw at once that the journeyman hat which would not get injured by rain," etc. Mr. Bouton saw at once that the journeyman turner had unknowingly made a great discovery, that of the "cosentrie" motion. He engaged him as a workman in his manufactory, where, by means of his intelligence and good conduct, Moulin gained a fortune, [which, later on, enabled him to become proprietor of the vasi establishment of Messrs. Bouton & Weill.

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more than one locality, it is out due stated at what reduced price the articles would be furnished in the increased number.

5. Each bid must be accompanied by a good and sufficient guarantee or at least two responsible parties, that the contract, it awarded, will be latifically and promptly executed. (The responsibility of the guaranters must be shown by the official certificate of the clerk of the nearest District Court, or of the United States District Attorney.)

6. The Covernment reserves to itself the right to reject all bids, it unsatisfactory; and to delay the award not later than the first of January, 18W; and also, in some instances, to change the points of delivery of a portion of the head blocks, in which case a reasonable allowance for increased, or deduction for dimmished, transportation will be made.

7. The time of delivery to be subject to future arrangements, sufficient time being allowed after the lists of names are furnished to the contractor.

8. The articles must conform rigidly to the sample, and will be subject to such inspection at the point of delivery as the Chief of the Bureau may direct.

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10. Proposals should be plainly endorsed "Proposals for Iron Head-Biocks," and be addressed "To the Quartermaster-General U. S. A., Washington, D. C.

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DROPOSALS FOR STATIONERY .-

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE.
WASHINGTON, October 19, 1866
Scaled Proposa's will be received at this office
until the Fincenth day of November, 1863, at 12
o'clock M... for supplying the Assessors and Collectors of Internal Revenue throughout that portion of
the United States lying cast of the Rocky Mounnains, with STAT-1ONERY for the fiscal year ending
June 20, 1867, and until the lateau of January, 1867. June 30, 1867, and until the 1st day of January, 1867, for supplying the Assessors and Collectors west of the Rocky Mountains.

Bidders may obtain a schedule of articles to be furnished, with conditions under which such articles are to be delivered, upon application to any Assessor or Collector, or to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. No proposals will be entertained from parties who

are not regular manufacturers or dealers in the articles bid for, nor will proposals be considered unless accompanied by satisfac ory guarantees that the contract will, if awarded, be faithfully executed. Bids which contain prices less than the fair cost of the articles will be considered fraudulent and re-

The Two Hundred and Forty Collection Dis-tricts are distributed into Five Departments, as shown by the schedule inruished, and each pro-posal must name the Department it is proposed to supply.

The Commissioner reserves the right to reject any bids or parts of bids which the interest of the Govbids or parts of bids which the bids should be addressed. or parts of this which the interest of the Gov-ernment may require. The bids should be addressed to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, endorsed "Proposals for emplying Stationery to Internal Revenue Officers,"

E. A. ROLLINS. 10 24 wim tno14 Commissioner.



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