

STEVENS' FLOATING BATTERY.

Its Original Design—Changes in Dimensions, Armament and Arrangement—Amount Expended in Construction—Progress of Operations—

During the year 1840 the defenseless condition of New York harbor attracted the attention of the citizens of this city and the country at large.

The work progressed until the beginning of the late war, but only ten men were engaged by the navy.

Since the close of the war the work was again suspended, but General McClellan, while in Europe, was offered the position of chief engineer in its construction.

How New Yorkers are to Reach New York. A meeting of the committee was organized for the purpose of constructing a ship canal between Newark and New York.

The line will run from Dawson street, Newark, extending to the city of New York.

There are difficulties to be overcome in this undertaking, the principal one being the ascertaining the proper depth of water in the canal at Bergen Neck.

HUDSON. The Ex-Railway King in His Old Age. The following letter from George Hudson.

PERSONALITIES. Charles Algernon Swinburne is in Paris. Miss Bateman is at the New York Hotel.

ENGINE OF DESTRUCTION. The Flume Torpedo—It is Tested by Officers of our Navy.

From the Fall Gall Gazette, September 1. The United States flagship Franklin, with Rear-Admiral Radford on board, is at present in the Adriatic to test the qualities of the newly invented torpedo.

RAILROAD LINES.

PHILADELPHIA, WILMINGTON, AND BALTIMORE RAILROAD.—TIME TABLE.—Trains will leave Depot corner Broad street and Washington avenue as follows:

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AUCTION SALES.

BUNTING, BURBOROUGH & CO., AUCTIONEERS. 222 and 224 MARKET STREET, CORNER OF BARK STREET. Successors to John B. Myers & Co.

THOMAS BIRCH & SON, AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS. No. 1110 CHESNUT STREET, REAR ENTRANCE No. 1107 Sanson street.

MARTIN BROTHERS, AUCTIONEERS.—(Late Successors to M. Thomas & Sons.) No. 522 CHESTNUT STREET, rear entrance from Miner.

DAVID & HARVEY, AUCTIONEERS. (Formerly with M. Thomas & Sons), Store, Nos. 49 and 50 N. SIXTH STREET.

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A. S. ROBINSON, FRENCH PLATE LOOKING-GLASSES, ENGRAVINGS, BEAUTIFUL CHROMOS, PAINTINGS, MANUFACTURER OF ALL KINDS OF LOOKING-GLASS, PORTRAIT, AND PICTURE FRAMES.

ROBERT SHOEMAKER & CO. N. E. Corner Fourth and Race Sts. PHILADELPHIA. Wholesale Druggists.

THE NEAPOLITAN ICE CREAM AND WATER ICES. THE PUREST AND BEST IN THE WORLD. This celebrated Brick Ice Cream and Water Ice can be eaten in a cup or put in the water.

NORRY'S TASTELESS Fruit Preserving Powder. Is warranted to keep Strawberries superior to any kind process, at 50 cents a package.

WOODLANDS CEMETERY COMPANY.—The following Managers and Officers have been elected for the year 1869. President, William H. Moore. Secretary, George L. Dreyer. Treasurer, George L. Dreyer. Auditors, George L. Dreyer and George L. Dreyer.