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INTERNAL REVENUE.

The report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue affords many striking evidences of the increased efficiency of his department since the inauguration of President Grant. The new Executive privately and publicly announced that he would make continuous and resolute efforts to enforce the revenue laws as well as all other enactments of Congress, and this promise has been faithfully redeemed.

The total receipts for the fiscal year 1869 exceeded one hundred and sixty millions of dollars, and the Commissioner estimates that in a short time the present system will yield from spirits, tobacco, fermented liquors, incomes, stamps, banks and bankers, legacies, and insurance and gas companies, alone, one hundred and seventy-three millions of dollars.

The public will have no objection to the retention of the tax on the salaries of officials, but no portion of the present system is more unpopular than that which affects incomes. American experience coincides with that of England, where this tax is so odious that it is imposed only as a matter of dire necessity and repealed as soon as extraordinary emergencies are passed.

The greatest modern improvement in the Internal Revenue law consists in the enhanced revenue from spirits and tobacco. This is no doubt due in part to a reduction in the rate of the taxation, and we fully agree with the Commissioner that it would be exceedingly unwise and impolitic to increase the present rates.

The Case of Cuba.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs has determined to endorse the wise policy with regard to Cuba which the President proclaimed in his message, Republicans and Democrats alike sustaining it.

A BLAST FROM BLAIR.

FRANK BLAIR, of whom the country had lost sight for some months past, turned up in New York the other night, and, in an address to a Democratic club, unburdened himself of what he was modest enough to regard as some very wholesome advice. While the hero of the counter-revolution has somewhat improved in temper and judgment since his last appearance before the public at Long Branch, his speech was nevertheless a simple rehash of the favorite Democratic dogmas.

TELEGRAPHIC AND POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS WITH FRANCE.

A cable telegram from Paris says "that portion of President Grant's message relating to neutrality in the matter of ocean cables, printed here to-day for the first time, causes great excitement." This feeling would be materially increased if the statements in the Postmaster-General's Report relating to the unjust and ungenerous course pursued by the Emperor in reference to direct postal communications between the two countries were also republished in Paris.

MYSTERIOUS.—A cable telegram from London states that the bonds of the late Confederacy have been appreciated in value by the supposition that the Alabama claims question would receive an early solution. The whole thing is mysterious, and especially so is the understanding on the part of the holders of the Rebel securities that the grand issue pending between the United States and Great Britain is so near a final adjustment as to favorably affect the worthless bits of paper on which the promises to pay of the late C. S. A. are written.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MEMORIAL MISSION OF THE NOW REUNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BETHANY, CORNER TWENTY-SECOND AND SHIPPEN STS. FAIR FOR THE SALE OF USEFUL AND FANCY ARTICLES FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10, 1869. The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, the 15th day of January next, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 5 o'clock P. M.

Either Money or Goods may be sent to the Executive Committee, at the Hall. A very excellent MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT every evening. 13 19

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FIRST ANNUAL CLEARING SALE

FINEST READY-MADE CLOTHING.

Imported Fabrics (For Custom Work), AND FASHIONABLE

Gents' Furnishing Goods.

Chesnut Street Clothing AT Market Street Prices!

THE ENTIRE PRESENT STOCK OF 818 and 820 Chesnut St.

To be sold off, in preparation for the next season's trade, at LOWER PRICES than have ever before been marked on

Such Superior Garments.

Bringing their prices down to the level of the lowest prices of the more ordinary Ready-made Clothing. The kind of business which we do—dealing only in the FINEST and MOST FASHIONABLE styles and materials—necessitates the clearing of our counters at the close of each season, for we are determined never to offer to the patrons of our house any other than the NEWEST and FINEST GOODS of each new season.

First Grand Clearing Sale

TO COMMENCE FRIDAY, December 10.

WE OFFER

- 500 OVERCOATS, of the highest grade, Velvet Collared, Silk Lapped, Sateen-faced, and all that, at prices ranging from \$16 to \$35. 500 SUITS for Dress, Business and Street wear, of all materials and styles, from \$20 to \$45. 400 COATS—Chesterfields, Sacks, Swallow-tails, Walking Coats, etc. etc. 400 PAIRS PANTS, cut in every style, made with greatest care, of finest goods, from \$5 to \$15. 300 VESTS—Velvet, Cloth, Silk, Cassimere and Plush, from \$3 to \$10.

Together with the BEST ASSORTMENT OF FURNISHING GOODS TO BE FOUND IN THE CITY.

BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S CLOTHING OF THE BEST MANUFACTURE.

Our stock is not enormously large, of course, at the present time, but every article of it is warranted "FINEST."

AND IT ALL MUST BE SOLD BY OR ABOUT THE FIRST OF THE NEW YEAR.

Every facility will be given customers or visitors to inspect our goods, and to fully satisfy themselves that now is their

BEST OPPORTUNITY TO SECURE BARGAINS IN FINE CLOTHING.

JOHN WANAMAKER, Manufacturer of Finest Clothing.

MERCHANT TAILOR AND DEALER IN GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, 818 and 820 Chesnut St.

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SPECIAL BARGAINS IN FIRST-CLASS CLOTHING.

A Dollar Greenback Equal to a Gold Dollar. Our prices reduced to gold value: Overcoats, usual price \$50, now \$25; Overcoats, usual price \$25, now \$12; Overcoats, usual price \$20, now \$10; Overcoats, usual price \$15, now \$7.50. (In order to secure a certain and rapid sale, the same liberal deductions in prices will be allowed on all descriptions of Clothing.) (Which we guarantee to be superior in style, and better made and trimmed than can be obtained at any other house in the city.) R. H. ADAMS, SEVENTH and MARKET S.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC. THE STAR COURSE OF LECTURES. YOUNG FOLKS SERIES.

Mr. PAUL B. DU CHAILLU, the famous African explorer, will give a course of three Lectures, to the YOUNG FOLKS of Philadelphia, in day times, as follows: On SATURDAY AFTERNOON, December 11, "IN THE EQUATOR;" On WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, December 15, "AMONG THE CANNIBALS;" On SATURDAY AFTERNOON, December 18, "LOST IN THE JUNGLES." The Lectures will be illustrated with immense paintings, hunting implements, weapons of warfare, and other objects of interest. Mr. Du Chailu will appear on one of these occasions in the identical costume worn by him in his travels.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC. THE STAR COURSE OF LECTURES.

ON THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 16, WENDELL PHILLIPS, THE MOST FINISHED ORATOR IN AMERICA, will deliver his celebrated oration on "DANIEL O'CONNELL." Admission, 50 cents; Reserved Seats, 75 cents. Tickets for sale at GOULD'S, No. 923 CHESTNUT Street, and at the Academy on the evening of the Lecture. Doors open at 7:30; Lecture at 8 o'clock. Orchestral prelude at 7 1/2. Tickets to be obtained at Gould's, No. 923 CHESTNUT Street, from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

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ON THURSDAY EVENING, December 13, HENRY WARD BEECHER, Subject—"HABIT." TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 1, HORACE GREELEY, "THE WOMAN QUESTION;" TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 22, Subject not yet announced.

LADIES' FAIR, IN AID OF THE BROAD STREET SYNAGOGUE, AT CONCERT HALL, ON TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 7, By the Hon. D. M. FOX and the Rev. Dr. JASTROW, and will continue for two weeks.

REMOVABLE. THE TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK has removed to No. 206 WALNUT Street, owing to the destruction of the Commercial Exchange Building by fire last night.

EVERY ONE INTENDING TO PURCHASE Holiday Presents should call and see the Fashion New Family Sewing Machines before investing. No. 704 CHESTNUT STREET. 13 19

ALTHOUGH THE CHARACTER OF OUR CLOTHING Is as High as Ever, WE OFFER THEM AT MUCH LOWER PRICES.

AT WHICH WE OFFER THEM AT MUCH LOWER PRICES THAN EVER BEFORE. Sufficiently to offer Unparalleled inducements Even to Gentlemen Who have been Afraid to buy at all. Nobody now need fear to call, For the cheapest of bargains, at GREAT BROWN HALL.

We have made it An Especial Study To Copher out The Lowest Cost At which we can sell Our "Water Stock!"

CALL AT ROCKHILL & WILSON'S Nos. 603 AND 605 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA. UMBRELLAS. HOLIDAY PRESENTS. UMBRELLAS! UMBRELLAS! Every Variety IN QUALITY AND FINISH. WILLIAM A. DROWN & CO., No. 246 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA. A TREMENDOUS DISPLAY OF CHROMOS AND FANCY GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS. JOHN R. NAGLE & CO., No. 630 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA. RODGERS AND WOSTENHOLM'S POCKET KNIVES, Pen and Steel Handles, of beautiful finish, RODGERS' and WILSON'S PATENT SAFETY RAZORS, and the celebrated LEGOLTER RAZOR SCISSORS, are now on hand, and we've crowded the prices Down! Down! Down! At our Elegant Hall, so Big and so Brown!

HOMER, COLLADAY & CO.'S

STOCK OF

DRESS GOODS, SILKS, ETC.,

Must be Sold Off by the Fifteenth of January.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Grape Poplin Only 25c., Worth 50.

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Homer, Colladay & Co. Double Fold. Heavy Corded Mohairs in Fashionable Dark Shades. 37c., Worth \$1.00.

Homer, Colladay & Co. For Walking Suits, Only 50c. Worth \$1.50.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Best Quality Serges For Walking Suits, Only 45c.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Silk Epinglines, Only 75c., Worth \$1.50.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Fine Empress Cloths in all the New Colors. 55c.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Best Quality Green and Blue Plaids Imported. Only 87 1/2c.

HOMER, COLLADAY & CO. CLOAK DEPARTMENT.

In this department we have made an entire revision of the Prices of our Cloths, Astrachans, Cloaks, Suits, and Velvets, and the greatest bargains are now offered to purchasers.

Nos. 1412 and 1414 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Black Silks, Best Lyons Make, \$1.50 worth \$2.50.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Black Silks, Best Lyons Make, \$2.00 worth \$2.75.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Black Silks, Best Lyons Make, \$2.25 worth \$3.00.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Black Silks, Best Lyons Make, \$2.50 worth \$3.25.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Hosiery of all Kinds, from 25 to 33 less than before.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Linen Housekeeping Goods, An immense Stock, At 25 to 33 1/2 Less.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Lyons Silk Velvets, All Widths, At Large Concessions.

Homer, Colladay & Co. Mourning Goods In Infinite Variety, Lower than since the War.