NEWS SUMMARY.

Foreign Affairs.

—Thiers is universally regarded as the future President of France.

—M. Grevy has been elected President of the French National Assembly.

—The capitulation of Belfort has been signed, and the garrison has withdrawn.

—The Liverpool steamer Pacific, with twenty-six of her crew, has been wrecked off the Shetland Islands.

—In consequence of certain military preparations in the South of France, Bismarck will not consent to prolong the armistice beyond five days over the time originally agreed upon.

—In reply to a question in the British Parliament yesterday, Mr. Gladstone said that Odo Russell's arguments relative to the Eastern Question were unauthorized, but bore an official character.

—A caucus of a majority of the delegates at Bordeaux has decided that a Provisional Government, with Thiers as President, shall be established, and that on the conclusion of peace the Convention will adjourn to Paris, and submit to a plebiscite the future form of government.

Domestic Affairs.

—The Mechanics' cotton mill, at Swift's creek, near Petersburg, Va., was burned on Wednesday night.

—Some of the collieries of this State have resumed work, others are getting ready to commence, while many present the prospect of remaining closed for some time to come.

—A Reading despatch says that, owing to the strike in the coal regions, there will not be a single anthracite furnace in operation in the Schuylkill Valley after the first day of next month.

—The Secretary of War is in receipt of a letter from the commanding officer at Fort Dodge, Kansas, which states that a general outbreak of Indian hostilities is expected to occur early in the spring.

—Articles of impeachment against Governor Clayton, of Arkansas, have been adopted in the lower house of the Legislature, charging him with maliciously and unlawfully conspiring to deprive the Lieutenant-Governor of his office; and the prospect is that the Judge of the Supreme Court of the State will be dealt with, immediately, in the same manner. The Governor has had a lot of arms removed from the arsenal, and is said to be swearing in everybody as militiamen whom he can get to serve.

THE WATER WORKS.

Operations During the Year 1870.

Chief Engineer Graeff presented his annual report for 1870 to Councils yesterday. With reference to the remedying of the imperfect dam he says:—

There appears to be but one other way open, that is the building of an entirely new dam from the bed rock up, situated below the sunken cribs, at a point about thirty-eight feet lower down stream than the present front of the cribs. This involves the building of new and massive stone piers at the eastern end of the dam, and besides being much more costly, will, to a very considerable extent, impair the beauty of the works, as the front line or overfall of the dam will then be about sixty-eight feet lower down stream than it now is. The reservoir at George's Hill is only partly completed, the eastern section being finished so as to contain 16 feet in depth of water. The cost of this work has exceeded the estimate, on account, principally, of the unexpected large quantity of rock found in it, and an enlargement of its dimensions beyond what was originally intended.

The supply of water distributed during the past year has been much greater than during the previous year. The average daily supply from all the works, for the whole year, has reached 37,149,385 gallons. The average supply for the month of July was 46,008,735 gallons per day, and the maximum supply of any one day was on July 20, 1870, when 54,654,509 gallons were delivered.

The increase in the water supply is in much greater ratio than the increase of population. This occurs, probably, on account of the multiplication of modern conveniences for using water, such as water closets, wash-basins, stationary wash-tubs, wash-pavements, and the increased number of each now considered necessary or desirable in our dwellings; besides the more lavish discharge of waste-water into drains and sewers than formerly, whereby it can be wasted without fear of detection.

The receipts from all sources have been $935,370·96, being an increase of $121,909·13 over the receipts of the previous year. The expenses for maintenance of all the works were $448,604·84; the receipts have therefore been $486,766·13 more than the expenses of maintaining all the works. The operations of the machine shop are very satisfactory; a new lathe, large enough to face the valves of a cock thirty-six inches in diameter, has been added to our stock of tools; the cost of it has been fully paid by the saving effected in the fitting up of the 30 and 36 inch cocks alone.

CITY TRUSTS.

The Work of the Board for 1870.

The report of the Board of City Trusts was rendered to City Councils yesterday. We abstract as follows:—The Girard lands consist of about 18,000 acres outside of the city, of which 1500 acres contain coal in veins, at places 60 feet thick, the average thickness of veins being 30 feet, supposed to amount altogether to 250,000,000 tons.

The assessed valuation of the Girard real estate for 1870 was $3,484,918.

In addition to the Boudinot real estate, which is very valuable, there are funds to the amount of $14,000, invested in city loans.

Benjamin Franklin's legacy has amounted to $68,900, invested in city loan.

Five small legacies have been merged into what is known as the city fuel fund for furnishing fuel to the poor, amounting to $6700. Besides this, there are other legacies for the old districts formed before consolidation.

The Wills' Hospital fund amounts to $217,800.

The bequest of Thomas D. Grover to the district amounts to $94,350, of which $50,150 is invested in loans and $44,200 in real estate.

The receipts of the Girard estate for the year were $661,149·01, and expenditures $757,296·92. The amount expended for the Girard estate from the residuary fund was $244,371·76. Amount expended for Girard College, $149,934·95.

On the 1st of January, 1870, there were in Wills' Hospital—males, 8; females, 6; number admitted during same term—males, 160; females, 101; of these there were cured, 140; improved, 76; not improved, 13; eloped, 10; not treated, 15; improper conduct, 1; incurable, 6; total, 261. Number in house January 1, 1871—males, 18; females, 6.

Surgical operations during year:—House patients, 160; dispensary, 192. There were 49 operations for cataract; 29 were by extraction, 14 by solution, and 6 by suction operation. Nativity of dispensary patients treated during term:—United States, 1398; Ireland, 634; Germany, 109; England, 88; Scotland, 20; Wales, 13; France, 4; Switzerland, 4; Spain, 2; Granada, 1; Italy, 1; Prussia, 4; Canada, 1; Russia, 2; Austria, 1; Africa, 1; Belgium, 1; Sweden, 2; West Indies, 1; unknown, 36. Total, 2323. There are a large number of small trusts not worthy in their operations of an extended notice at present.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

Meeting of Both Branches of Councils.

The stated meeting of Councils was held yesterday afternoon.

Select Branch.—A report was received from the Board of City Trusts containing the proceedings for the past year.

A communication was received from the Mayor presenting resolutions passed by the Council of Chester that the Congress of the United States be petitioned to pass an act "that will allow bounties upon all articles of domestic manufacture entering into the construction and equipment of all iron and wooden steam and sailing ships engaged in foreign commerce equivalent to the duties now paid upon all imported articles used in the construction of American vessels, and that will give the carrying of the mails to the lines thus created which will offer the best terms for such service." Referred.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee on City Property, reported an ordinance for an additional story to be erected upon the east and west wings of the State House Row, for the purpose of accommodating the additional judges, jurors, etc. $25,000 are appropriated for the election of the buildings. After some debate as to the necessity for the building, a motion to refer to the Committee on Finance was not agreed to, and the ordinance passed, after being amended that the cost shall not exceed $25,000, and also appropriating an additional $1000 for an extension of the office of the Register of Wills.

Mr. Shoemaker, from the Committee on Law, made a report in regard to taxation, which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. Fereira presented an ordinance transferring the amount heretofore appropriated to the Twenty-seventh ward for school purposes to the Nineteenth and Twenty-third wards. Passed.

Mr. George A. Smith, from the Committee on Defense and Protection, reported back, with a favorable recommendation, the ordinance appropriating $3000 for the use of the department for 1871. (It was explained that the money was required for arsenal purposes.) Postponed.

Mr. King presented an ordinance that Charles H. Muirheid, Edwin H. Fitler, L. Theodore Salaignac, Edward M. Hopkins, Thomas Dolan, James D. Whetham, Edward Benton, and Beaureau Borie be appointed a commission for the management of Hunting Park for the term of three years. The commissioners are authorized to take possession of Hunting Park and appoint a superintendent, and are authorized to make rules for the government and care of the park, and lay out walks and drives in said park, and make such other improvements as they may deem necessary, provided that no expense shall be incurred or authorized until an appropriation shall first be made by Councils.

The ordinance was postponed for the present.

Mr. Miller presented an ordinance rearranging the boundary lines of the election divisions in the Nineteenth ward, and erecting a new division. Agreed to.

The ordinance to repeal section two of the supplement to the ordinance creating a paid fire department was agreed to. Yeas, 14; nays, 12.

The veto message of the Mayor in regard to the ordinance levying a special tax for the use of the Building Commissioners was taken up, and on the question, "Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor?" the vote stood:—Yeas—Messrs. Alexander, Bickell, Bumm, Burnell, Cochran, Downing, Fereira, Gates, Hanna, McIlvain, Park, George A. Smith, Thomas J. Smith, Cattell—14. Nays—Messrs. Harkness, Hodgdon, Kamerly, King, Littleton, Marcus, Miller, Shermer, Shoemaker, Snyder, and Spence—14.

This not being the requisite two-thirds, the ordinance was defeated.

The ordinance from Common Council authorizing the paving of Penn and other streets with rubble pavement was concurred in. Adjourned.

Common Branch.—A number of petitions were received and referred to appropriate committees.

Mr. Walker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented an ordinance appropriating $220 to pay arrears of ground rents on the property on which the Girls' Normal School is erected. Agreed to.

Also, an ordinance appropriating $2500 to pay for maps, etc., for use in the suit of the Schuylkill Navigation Company against the city. Amended so that this should be payment in full, and agreed to.

Also, an ordinance appropriating $50,000 for the improvement of the meadow banks along the Delaware and Schuylkill rivers in the First, Twenty-sixth, and Twenty-seventh wards, and to make a bank bulkhead or public roadway, 45 feet wide at the base and 20 feet wide at the top, extending from the Delaware river around to the Penrose Ferry Bridge, near Fifty-eighth street, provided that the meadow land companies shall pay the additional cost of construction and keep the banks in repair.

Mr. Bardsley offered a proviso that this sum shall complete the work to the satisfaction of the Chief Engineer and Surveyor and the Chief and Assistant Commissioners of Highways. (The cost of construction of these banks is estimated at about $130,000.) The amendment was agreed to. It was further amended so as to read, "final improvement," and agreed to.

Also, the ordinance creating a loan of $500,000 for the paving of Broad street, with the resolution to publish the same. The resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Walker moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution to publish the loan bill for the paving of Broad street passed. The motion to reconsider was not agreed to.

The following additional matters, reported from the Highway Committee, were considered:—An ordinance for the paving of Penn and other streets, in the Twenty-third ward, with rubble pavement. Passed.

Mr. Glenn, chairman of the Police Committee, presented an ordinance authorizing the erection of wooden boat-houses on a wharf in the Eighteenth ward.

Pending its consideration, the Chamber adjourned.

OBITUARY.

Count Alexander Mensdorff Pouilly.

A telegram from Prague, dated yesterday, reports the death of this distinguished Austrian statesman. He was born in Bohemia in 1813, and at the age of seventeen entered the Austrian army. During the Italian wars he served on the field, and in 1849 had attained the rank of general. In 1854 he was appointed Austrian Ambassador at the Court of St. Petersburg, and while there took active part in the famous diplomatic controversy which resulted in the Crimean war. To his agency, it is generally believed, was due the half hostile position assumed by Austria towards Russia during the contest. Count Mensdorff remained in St. Petersburg until 1860, when he was recalled. In 1862 he was appointed Governor of Galicia, which position he held for two years, when he was appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs and President of the Council of Ministers (October 27, 1864). He resigned his portfolio on the 27th of July, 1865, and from that time till his death remained in private life.

PROPOSALS.

ARMY BUILDING, CORNER OF HOUSTON AND GREENE STREETS.

NEW YORK CITY, Feb. 2, 1871.

Proposals in Duplicate will be received by the undersigned until 12 M., SATURDAY, March 4, for the following Subsistence Stores:—

300 barrels of Prime Mess Pork, containing 200 pounds net, 1 iron-hoop on each end
500 barrels of Flour, round hoops, full head-lined, and sealed bunge.
100 barrels of "S. F." Flour, round hoops, full head-lined, and sealed bunge.
15,000 pounds of Fine Salt, in barrels, full head-lined.
10,000 pounds of "Prime Med." Beans, in barrels, full head-lined.
20,000 pounds of Brown Sugar, in barrels, full head-lined.
5,000 pounds of Crushed Sugar, in barrels, full head lined.
5,000 pounds of Granulated Sugar, in barrels, full head-lined.
5,000 pounds of Cut Loaf Sugar, in barrels, full head lined.
5,000 pounds of Carolina Rice, in oak barrels, full head lined.
20,000 pounds of Green Rio Coffee, in oak barrels, full head lined.
5,000 pounds of Green Java Coffee, in mats, packed in gunnies, containing 3 mats each.
5,000 gallons of pure Cider Vinegar, in barrels, iron hooped.
20,000 pounds of family Soap, 2-pound bars, 80-pound boxes, net, strapped.
5,000 pounds of "Ada." Candles, 6's, full weights, 40-pound boxes, net, trapped.
1,000 pounds of Pure Ground Black Pepper, ¼-pound packages, in 25-pound boxes, strapped.
1,000 pounds of Breakfast Bacon, in 100-pound boxes, strapped.
1,000 pounds of Smoked Tongues, in 100-pound boxes, strapped.
1,000 pounds of Smoked Beef, in 100-pound boxes, strapped.
5,000 pounds of Sugar-cured Hams, packed in tierces.
1,000 gallons of Syrup, in ½ and whole barrels.
1,000 gallons of Molasses, in ½ and whole barrels.
1,000 dozen of Toilet Soaps, assorted.
600 boxes of Table Salt, in boxes containing 60 boxes each.
25 pounds of Cayenne Pepper, ground, in ¼-pound packages, packed in boxes of 25 pounds.
25 pounds of Cinnamon, ground, in ¼-pound packages, packed in boxes of 25 pounds.
25 pounds of Ginger, ground, in ¼-pound packages, packed in boxes of 25 pounds.
25 pounds of Allspice, ground, in ¼-pound packages, packed in boxes of 25 pounds.
100 pounds of Mustard, ground, in ¼-pound cans, packed in boxes of 12 pounds.
200 pounds of Yeast Powders, in ¼-pound cans, packed in boxes of 12 pounds.
50 kits of Mess Mackerel, containing 20 pounds, net.
250 boxes of Dessicated Codfish, 1-pound boxes packed 24 in a case.
100 boxes of Smoked Herring.
1,000 half-boxes of Sardines, in original cases.
1,000 pounds of Dried Peaches, in barrels full head lined.
1,000 pounds of Dried Appels, in barrels full head lined.
100 pounds of Nutmegs.
100 quarter boxes of Raisins, strapped 10 in a package.
100 half boxes of Raisins, strapped 10 in a package.
100 whole boxes of Raisins, strapped 10 in a package.
1,000 pounds of Dried Prunes, in 25-pound boxes.
240 cans of Fresh Salmon, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Fresh Oysters, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Spiced Oysters, in 2-pound cans.
600 cans of Tomatoes, in 2-pound cans.
600 cans of Green Corn, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Lima Beans, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Green Peas, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Lobsters, in 2-pound cans.
600 cans of Fresh Peaches, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Preserved Peaches, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Preserved Pineapples, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Preserved Damsons, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Fresh Pineapples, in 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Cranberry Sauce, in 2-pound cans.
240 bottles of Worcestershire Sauce, packed 12 in a case, imported "pints."
240 cans of Currant Jelly, 2-pound cans.
240 cans of Raspberry Jam, 2-pound cans.
2,400 cans of Condensed Milk, 1-pound cans, "Eagle" brand.
400 bottles of Assorted Pickles, consisting of English Chow-chow and Gherkins, and Domestic Cucumbers and Onions.
20 gross of Vanilla Extracts, 2 and 4-ounce vials.
20 gross of Lemon Extracts, 2 and 4-ounce vials.
400 pounds of Corn Starch, in 1-pound packages, 40-pound boxes.
720 pounds of Laundry Starch, in 1-pound packages, 36-pound boxes.
108 pounds Tapioca, in 1-pound packages, 25-pound boxes.
300 pounds of Chocolate, in 1-pound packages, 25 pounds each.
800 pounds of Vermicelli, in 1-pound packages, 25-pound boxes.
800 pounds of Maccaroni, in 1-pound packages, 25-pound boxes.
300 pounds of Carbonate Soda, in 1-pound packages, 36 pounds each.
250 pounds of Cream Tartar, in 1-pound packages, 25 pounds each.
3,000 pounds of Lard, in 5 pound caddies, packed 12 in a case.
100 pounds of Laundry Indigo, packed 15 pounds in a case.

The manner of making bids, requirements of bidders, the same as previous advertisements from this office. These stores are required for immediate shipment, and in quantities more or less at the option of the Government.

By order of Major W. W. BURNS,
2 7 tm 4t Chief C.S. Department of East.

TO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS.—Sealed Proposals, endorsed "Proposals for Building an extension to a Public School-house in the Tenth Ward," will be received by the undersigned, at the Office, S. E. corner of SIXTH and ADELPHI streets, until THURSDAY, February 23, 1871, at 12 o'clock M., for building an extension to a Public School-house, situate on Race street, below Fifteenth in the Tenth ward, said extension to be built in accordance with the plans of L. H. Esler, Superintendent of School Buildings, to be seen at the office of the Board of Public Education.

No bids will be received unless accompanied by a certificate from the City Solicitor that the provisions of an ordinance approved May 25, 1860, have been complied with.

The contract will be awarded only to known master builders.

By order of the Committee on Property.
H. W. HALLIWELL, Secretary.
2 13,16,20 23

OFFICE POST QUARTERMASTER, FORT MONROE, VA., Feb. 12, 1871.

Will be sold at public auction, at Fort Monroe, Va., on the 16th day of March, 1871, at ten (10) o'clock A. M., about eleven thousand two hundred and fifty (11,250) yards "T" RAILROAD IRON (worn), together with a number of FROGS and HARS.

Property to be removed at expense of purchaser, within a reasonable time.

A deposit of ten (10) per cent. will be required upon acceptance of bid. Terms cash.

By order of the Secretary of War.
JAMES CURRY,
2 14 tuthstm 15t Lieutenant and A. A. Q. M.

SALE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS AT AUCTION.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Dec. 6, 1870.

Will be sold at public auction, at Galveston, Texas, on WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1871, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., EIGHTEEN FRAME BUILDINGS, the dimensions of which can be ascertained on application to Lieutenant W. O. Cory, Acting Assistant Quartermaster.

Terms cash, in United States currency.
2 10 t mar 1 JAMES A. EKIN,
Chief Quartermaster Department Texas.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA, Feb. 1, 1871.

There will be sold at public auction, at Fort McPherson, Nebraska, on MONDAY, March 6, 1871, a lot of condemned Quartermaster's Stores, Grain, and Clothing; and at North Platte, Nebraska, on TUESDAY, March 7, 1871, 37 condemned cavalry horses.

Terms:—Cash in Government funds.
ALEX. J. PERRY,
Chief Quartermaster Dept. Platte,
2 10 1M 6 Brevet Brigadier-General, U. S. A.

PROPOSALS.

UNITED STATES MAILS, PENNSYLVANIA.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Sept. 30, 1870.

PROPOSALS for conveying the Mails of the United States from July 1, 1871, to June 30, 1872, on the following routes in the State of Pennsylvania, will be received at the contract Office of the Department until 2 P. M. of March 1, 1871, to be decided by March 30 following:—

2565 From Butler, by North Oakland, Barnhart's Mills, Baldwin, and Brunt, to Lawrenceburg, 22 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Butler Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7:30 A. M.;
Arrive at Lawrenceburg by 4 P. M.;
Leave Lawrenceburg Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 7:30 A. M.;
Arrive at Butler by 4 P. M.

2610 From Liberty Corners, by Storr's Mills, to New Era, 11 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Liberty Corners Saturday at 8 A. M.;
Arrive at New Era by 12 M.;
Leave New Era Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Liberty Corners by 5 P. M.

2634 From Bedford to Downingsville (Imlertown P. O.), 6 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Bedford Tuesday and Friday at 3 P. M.;
Arrive at Imlertown by 5 P. M.;
Leave Imlertown Tuesday and Friday at 6 A. M.;
Arrive at Bedford by 10 A. M.

2635 From West Bingham, by Bingham Centre and Bingham, to Spring Mills (N. Y.), 7 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave West Bingham Tuesday and Saturday at 8 P. M.;
Arrive at Spring Mills by 5 P. M.;
Leave Spring Mills Tuesday and Saturday at 12 M.;
Arrive at West Bingham by 2 P. M.

2636 From Pottstown to Cedarville (no office), 2 miles and back, three times a week, by a schedule satisfactory to the postmaster at Cedarville.

2637 From Oxford, by Mount Vernon, Coleraine, Kirkwood, Forestdale, and Bartville, to Christiana, 18 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Oxford Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Christiana by 6 P. M.;
Leave Christiana Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7 A. M.;
Arrive at Oxford by 12 M.
This route is supposed to be covered by existing service, and, if so, will not be let.

2638 From Horton's, by Rochester's Mills (no office), to Brady, 12 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Horton's Saturday at 8 A. M.;
Arrive at Brady by 11 A. M.;
Leave Brady Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Horton's by 4 P. M.
Proposals for more frequent service invited.

2639 From Osceola Mills, by Hollondale and Madera, to Smith's Mills, 15 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Osceola Mills Tuesday and Saturday at 7 A. M.;
Arrive at Smith's Mills by 12 M.;
Leave Smith's Mills Tuesday and Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Osceola Mills by 6 P. M.

2640 From Hanlin Station, by Eldersville (no office) and Independence, to Bethany (W. Va.), 16 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Hanlin Station Saturday at 8 A. M.;
Arrive at Bethany by 12 M.;
Leave Bethany Saturday at 1 P. M.
Arrive at Hanlin Station by 5 P. M.
Proposals for more frequent service invited.

2641 From Troy Centre (no office) to Tryonville, 6 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Troy Centre Saturday at 10 A. M.;
Arrive at Tryonville by 12 M.;
Leave Tryonville Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Troy Centre by 3 P. M.
Proposals invited for service twice a week, on Wednesday and Saturday.

2642 From Flicksville (no office) to Penargil (no office).
Bidders will state distance and proposed schedule of arrivals and departure.

2643 From Coopersburg, by Lanark, Limeport, Stuesburg, and Zion Hill (no office), to Coopersburg, 18 miles, three times a week, equal to 9 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Coopersburg Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 12 M.
Arrive at Coopersburg by 6 P. M.

2644 From Dixon, by East Lemon (no office), to Pierceville, 6 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Dixon Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7 A. M.
Arrive at Pierceville by 9 A. M.
Leave Pierceville Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 10 A. M.
Arrive at Dixon by 12 M.

2645 From Milroy to Siglerville (no office), 3 miles and back, three times a week, by a schedule satisfactory to the postmaster at Siglerville.

2646 From Sandy Lake, by North Sandy and French Creek, to Utica, 11 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Sandy Lake Tuesday and Saturday at 8 P. M.
Arrive at Utica by 6 P. M.;
Leave Utica Tuesday and Saturday at 7 A. M.;
Arrive at Sandy Lake by 10 A. M.
Proposals for an additional weekly trip on Thursday invited.

2647 From Millertown, by Colman's (no office), Uhler's Store (no office), Barnes' Hotel (no office), and Miller's Store (no office), to McKee's Half Falls, 18 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Millerstown Saturday at 6 A. M.;
Arrive at McKee's Half Falls by 12 M.;
Leave McKee's Half Falls Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Millerstown by 7 P. M.

2648 From Edge Hill Station (no office), by Fitzwatertown, Jarrettown, and Three Tons, to Prospectville, 8 miles and back, six times a week, by a schedule making close connections at Edge Hill Station with regular mail trains.

2649 From Newport, by Acker's Store (no office) and Montgomery's Ferry, to Liverpool, 15 miles—only that part of the route from Newport to Montgomery's Ferry will be let, 10 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Newport Saturday at 3 P. M.;
Arrive at Montgomery's Ferry by 6 P. M.;
Leave Montgomery's Ferry Saturday at 7:30 A. M.;
Arrive at Newport by 10:30 A. M.

2650 From Tobyhanna Mills to South Sterling, 8 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Tobyhanna Mills Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at South Sterling by 4 P. M.;
Leave South Sterling Saturday at 7 A. M.;
Arrive at Tobyhanna Mills by 10 A. M.

2651 From North East, by Greenfield, to Wattsburg, 16 miles and back, once a week.
Leave North East Saturday at 2 P. M.;
Arrive at Wattsburg by 6 P. M.;
Leave Wattsburg Saturday at 6 A. M.;
Arrive at North East by 10 A. M.
Proposals for an additional trip on Tuesday invited.

2652 From Herrickville, by James Mittens (no office), and William Nesbits (no office), to Rummerfield Creek, 5 miles and back, three times a week, in close connection with railroad mail trains, by a schedule satisfactory to the postmasters.

2653 From Wyalusing, by Lime Hill, Ballsbay (no office), and Camp School-house, to Herrick, 10 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Wyalusing Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 11:30 A. M.—or after arrival of mail train;
Arrive at Herrick by 2:30 P. M.;
Leave Herrick Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 7 A. M.;
Arrive at Wyalusing by 10 A. M.

2654 From Russell Hill to Keiserville (no office), 2½ miles and back, once a week, by a schedule satisfactory to the postmaster.

2655 From Phoenixville, by Pickering and West Pikeland, to Chester Springs, 7 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Phoenixville Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 12 M.;
Arrive at Chester Springs by 2 P. M.;
Leave Chester Springs Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 6:30 A. M.;
Arrive at Phoenixville by 8:30 A. M.

2656 From Cochransville to Londonderry, 2½ miles and back, three times a week, by a schedule satisfactory to the Postmaster at Londonderry.

2657 From Lanark to Allentown, 4 miles and back, three times a week, by a schedule satisfactory to the Postmaster at Lanark.

2658 From Truckeyville to Fagundus Forest (no office), 1 mile and back, three times a week, by a schedule satisfactory to the Postmaster.

2659 From Carrolltown, by Nicktown and Kinzieville, to Pine Flats, 13 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Carrolltown Saturday at 8 A. M.;
Arrive at Pine Flats by 12 M.;
Leave Pine Flats Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Carrolltown by 5 P. M.

2666 From Central office, in Philadelphia, to the following named sub-offices, from October 1, 1871, to June 30, 1872, viz.: Somerton, Byberry, Holmesburg, Olney, Tacony, Bustleton, Fox Chase, Milestown, Oxford Church, Torresdale, Verree's Mill, and Wheat Sheaf, twice daily, except Sunday, in each direction, or oftener if required, by a schedule satisfactory to the postmaster at Philadelphia, and the whole service and means of transportation to be under his direction.
Rate per annum to be stated in bids.

2661 From Liberty, by Brittonwood (no office) and Steam Valley (no office), to Trout Run, 15 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Liberty Saturday at 7 A. M.;
Arrive at Trout Run by 12 M.;
Leave Trout Run Saturday at 1 P. M.;
Arrive at Trout Run by 6 P. M.
Proposals invited for more frequent service.

NOTES.

Proposals must be to carry the mail with "celerity, certainty, and security," using the terms of the law, and they must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, certified to as such by a postmaster or judge of a court of record.

No pay will be made for trips not performed, and for each of such omissions not satisfactorily explained, three times the pay of the trip may be deducted. For arrivals so far behind time as to break connection with depending mails, and not sufficiently excused, one-fourth the compensation for the trip is subject to forfeiture. Fines will be imposed, unless the delinquency be satisfactorily explained, for neglecting to take the mail from, or into a post-office; for suffering it to be injured, destroyed, robbed, or lost; and for refusing, after demand, to convey the mail as frequently as the contractor runs, or is concerned in running, vehicles on the route. The Postmaster-General may annul the contract for disobeying the post-office laws or the instructions of the Department. He may alter the schedule of departures and arrivals, and also order an increase of service by allowing therefor a *pro rata* increase on the contract pay. He may also curtail or discontinue the service in whole or in part, at a proportionate decrease of pay, allowing, as full indemnity to the contractor for one month's extra compensation on the amount of service dispensed with, and a *pro rata* compensation for the service retained and continued. Bids should be addressed to the "Second Assistant Postmaster-General," superscribed "Proposals, State of Pennsylvania," and sent by *mail*.

For forms of proposals, etc., and other information, see advertisement of October 31, 1867, and of this date, in pamphlet form, at the principal post offices.

JOHN A. J. CRESWELL,
1 2 cod 1M1 Postmaster-General.

ENGINEER OFFICE, FIFTH LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT, BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 7, 1871.

TO IRON MANUFACTURERS.

SEALED PROPOSALS, in duplicate, on forms furnished for the purpose by the Lighthouse Board, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M., on WEDNESDAY, March 8, 1871, FOR BUILDING TWO SCREW-PILE LIGHTHOUSES, one at BENONIS POINT, Choptank river, Md., in about eleven feet water, and the other at LOVE POINT, head of Kent Island, mouth of Chester river, Md., in ten feet water, according to the plans and specifications for the same, which can be had, together with such other needful information, on application to this office.

The Lighthouses will be built on wooden piles, surmounted by cast-iron sleeves, in a manner similar to certain other lighthouses in this district.

Proposals may be made for either or both lighthouses, but the bids must state the price for each single structure.

Each bid must be accompanied by a written guarantee in the sum of one thousand dollars from two responsible parties, that in case the bid is accepted the bidder will within ten days thereafter enter into a contract on the terms of his bid. The Government reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Proposals will be endorsed "Proposals for Building Screw-pile Lighthouses at Benonis Point, Choptank river, Md., and Love Point, Kent Island, Chesapeake Bay, Md.," and addressed to the undersigned.

PATER C. HAINS,
Captain of Engineers,
2 9 2tt Lighthouse Engineer, Fifth District.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3, 1871.

Sealed Proposals, in triplicate, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on TUESDAY, March 7, 1871, for building a Superintendent's Lodge of stone, at each of the following-named National Cemeteries, viz.:—City Point, Cold Harbor, and Fredericksburg, Va., according to plans and specifications which will be furnished from this office on application of those desiring to bid.

Separate bids for building this Lodge of brick are also invited, plans and specifications for which will also be furnished from this office on application.

Blank forms for bids, details, and requirements furnished by the undersigned—a copy of the letter, with this advertisement, to be attached to each proposal offered.

HENRY C. HODGES,
2 8 1M7 Major and Quartermaster U. S. Army.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

BLACK HAWK GOLD MINING COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

AUCTION SALE BY TRUSTEES.

Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned, BENJAMIN WHITE and BERIAH WALL, of the City of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, under and in execution of the powers in us vested by the deed of trust executed to us by said Black Hawk Gold Mining Company, bearing date on the twenty-eighth day of May, A. D. 1866, and duly recorded, will sell at PUBLIC AUCTION at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New York, on the eleventh day of May, 1871, at 12 o'clock noon, all the estate, lands, quartz lode mining claims, mines, minerals, mining rights and interests, lands and premises, shafts levels, adits and mill-sites, stores, storehouses, dwellings, and other buildings and structures, water, water-powers, runs and falls of water, water-courses, and water rights and privileges, water-wheels, flumes, ditches, furnaces, engines, steam-powers, tracts, machinery, retorts, tools and fixtures, and all other estate and property, real, personal, or mixed, of said Black Hawk Gold Mining Company, situate in the County of Gilpin, in the Territory of Colorado, and conveyed to us in and by the deed of trust aforesaid, and all the interest and title of said Company therein.

Reference is hereby made, as a part of this notice, and for a full description of said estate and property, to said deed of trust, which may be examined at the office of W. H. Whittingham, No. 11 Wall street, New York City.

Terms of sale will be made known at the time and place of sale.

BENJAMIN WHITE, } Trustees.
BERIAH WALL, }
2 15 tu5 15 10

REAL ESTATE.—THOMAS & SONS' SALE.—Genteel two-and-a-half-story brick dwelling, No. 110 Jacoby street, between Race and Cherry streets, on Tuesday, February 21, 1871, at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at public sale, at the Philadelphia Exchange, all that two-and-a-half-story brick dwelling, with two-story back building and lot of ground, situate on the west side of Jacoby street, between Race and Cherry streets, No. 110; containing in front on Jacoby street 20 feet, and extending in depth 75 feet. It has the gas introduced, bath, etc. Terms—Cash. Possession 1st of October next.

M. THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers,
2 4 3t Nos. 139 and 141 S. FOURTH Street.

PUBLIC SALE.—THOMAS & SONS, AUCTIONEERS.—Well secured Ground Rent of $150 a year. On Tuesday, February 21, 1871, at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at public sale, at the Philadelphia Exchange, all that well secured redeemable yearly ground rent of $150 a year, clear of taxes, issuing out of all that lot of ground, with the three-story brick store and dwelling thereon erected, situate at the S. W. corner of Cedar and Dickinson streets, Nineteenth ward; containing in front on Cedar street 14 feet, and extending along Dickinson street 60 feet.

M. THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers,
2 16 3t Nos. 139 and 141 S. FOURTH Street.

REAL ESTATE.—THOMAS & SONS' SALE.—Two-story brick dwelling, No. 2221 Carpenter street, west of Twenty-second street. On TUESDAY, February 28, 1871, at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at public sale, at the Philadelphia Exchange, all that two-story brick dwelling and lot of ground, situate on the north side of Carpenter street, 196 feet west of Twenty-second street, No. 2221; containing in front on Carpenter street 15 feet, and extending in depth 48 feet to a 3 feet wide alley, with the privilege thereof. The house contains 6 rooms. Subject to a yearly ground rent of $24.

M. THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers,
2 4 3t Nos. 139 and 141 S. FOURTH Street.

ALEXANDER G. CATTELL & CO., PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 26 NORTH WHARVES AND No. 27 NORTH WATER STREET, PHILADELPHIA.
ALEXANDER G. CATTELL. ELIJAH CATTELL.

PUNCHING, CUTTING, SCORING AND Perforating Machines for paper and metals.
GEORGE C. HOWARD, No. 17 South EIGHTEENTH Street.
9 m3

HOISTS FOR ANY LOCATION, WORKED by Steam, Belt, and Hand.
GEORGE C. HOWARD, No. 17 South EIGHTEENTH Street.
5 9 m3

AMUSEMENTS.

WALNUT STREET THEATRE.—THIS (Friday) EVENING, Feb. 17, BENEFIT OF MISS CHARLOTTE WALCOT, when her sister, Mrs. D. MORRISON, formerly MISS CHARLOTTE NICKISSON, will make her reappearance on the stage (for this occasion only) as LADY GAY SPANKER in Boucicault's brilliant comedy, in five acts, of LONDON ASSURANCE.
Grace Harkaway.....Mrs. Charles Walcot
After which, PAUL CLIFFORD; OR, THE KNIGHTS OF THE ROAD.
Paul Clifford.....Mr. Charles Walcot

MRS. JOHN DREW'S ARCH STREET THEATRE. Begins ½ to 8 o'clock. DOUBLE BILL. FAREWELL BENEFIT OF LYDIA THOMPSON. TO-NIGHT (Friday), Feb. 17, THE BRIGANDS and the Two Great Scenes of PARIS, BY LYDIA THOMPSON AND TROUPE. SATURDAY—COMBINATION MATINEE. LYDIA THOMPSON, MRS. JOHN DREW. BENEFIT OF THE SUFFERING FRENCH. MONDAY—STUART ROBSON—CROSS TREE.

CHESNUT STREET THEATRE. E. L. DAVENPORT.....Lessee and Manager. THIS EVENING, Joseph C. Foster's grand spectacular drama of the OLD MAN OF THE MOUNTAIN, replete with gorgeous effects in every department, and the characters filled by DAVENPORT'S DOUBLE STAR COMPANY. MATINEE ON SATURDAY. Tickets secured