

Evening Telegraph

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 1871.

THE LEGAL-TENDER CASES.

It is now formally announced that the Supreme Court of the United States have finally decided, by a majority of one, first, that the act of Congress known as the Legal-tender act is constitutional and operative in reference to contracts made before its passage; and, second, that it is valid in its application to contracts made since its passage.

By reference to the act of July 14, 1870, it will be observed that merchandise imported under its provisions shall have priority given to its examination by the collector at the port of New York for the purpose of forwarding the same to its destination, such examination being sufficient only to verify the invoice and entry.

This circular, with the documents referred to therein, gives all the information that is needed on the part of our importers to enable them to take full advantage of the new regulations. The Government, the railroad companies, and the Collector having done their part, it is now incumbent upon the merchants of Philadelphia to do theirs, by giving the direct transportation system a fair trial.

THE TENURE OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERGY.

The late controversy in St. Clement's Church in this city has given rise to the discussion of several points of ecclesiastical law which are interesting if not novel. Among them is the question of the tenure of the rector of an Episcopal church; how does he hold his office, *de bene esse*, that is during good behavior or for life, or does he hold it during the pleasure of the parish or congregation?

THE DIRECT TRANSPORTATION OF IMPORTS TO INTERIOR CITIES.

At the second session of the Forty-first Congress an act was passed providing for the transshipment in bond at the place of importation, and the direct transportation thence to the place of its destination, of foreign merchandise, "without appraisement and liquidation of duties" at the former place.

Wines, distilled spirits, perishable and explosive articles, and all articles in bulk, are specially excepted by section twenty-nine of said act from its provisions; and no merchandise, except such as shall appear by the invoice or bill of lading, and by the manifest of the importing vessel, to be consigned to and destined for the port of Philadelphia, can be entered for immediate transportation to this port without being subject to appraisement and liquidation of duties at the port of arrival in the United States.

religious and charitable associations is a permissive withdrawal in order to enter another association of the same kind. The dismissal is of a person in good standing, not of one disgraced or dishonored; and a card of dismission is given him by which he can at once enter another society. Fertile as is the English language, however, it is difficult to suggest any other appropriate word in lieu of *dismissed*, which has by long usage in this connection acquired a technical meaning in religious and charitable societies.

The word *discharged* might have been used if the idea of an enforced separation was intended to have been conveyed; but even this word in the army, where it is always used, has to be prefixed with the adjective *honorable* or *dishonorable* to describe the character of the discharge. But there can be no reasonable doubt suggested by any thinking person of the entire absence of power in either the minister or congregation to dissolve the connection between them without the consent of the other, nor even then without the approbation of the ecclesiastical authority.

NOTICES.

NOW ON EXHIBITION AND SALE, THE GRANDEST STOCK OF FINE CLOTHING FOR MEN AND BOYS THAT OAK HALL HAS EVER CONTAINED. THE BEST YET, THE CHEAPEST YET. WANAMAKER & BROWN HAVE MADE IMMENSE PREPARATIONS FOR THE PRESENT SPRING AND SUMMER. ALL MANNER OF FINE CLOTHING. READY-MADE OR TO BE MADE TO ORDER. NEW FABRICS, NEW STYLES, SURE "FITS" FOR ALL. GENTS' DRESS AND BUSINESS SUITS, ELEGANT AND CHEAP. YOUTHS' AND BOYS' CLOTHING, DURABLE AND CHEAP. CHILDREN'S STYLISH SUITS, BEAUTIFUL AND VERY CHEAP. ALL WARRANTED TO WEAR WELL, AND GIVE ENTIRE SATISFACTION IN EVERY RESPECT.

Burlington Herring, First of the season, just in store. E. BRADFORD CLARKE, (SUCCESSOR TO SIMON COLTON & CLARKE), S. W. Corner BROAD and WALNUT, 131 tusthst

PAPER HANGINGS, ETC. HOWELL, FINN & CO., NINTH and CHESTNUT Sts. FINE PAPER HANGINGS. The Best New Designs Spring Styles. FRENCH, ENGLISH, AMERICAN GOODS, MADE ESPECIALLY FOR OUR RETAIL TRADE. No samples given; no patterns to dealers or paper-hangers. Orders only to

HOWELL, FINN & CO., No. 900 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA. CLOTHING. HINTS FOR TO-DAY! Suit for the Boy At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Business Suits for Spring Wear At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Fine Melton Chesterfields At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Elegant Dress Pants At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Choice Clergymen's Suits At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Easy Fitting Sacks At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Everyday Spring Suits At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Fine lot of Piece Goods Ready to be made to order At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Choice of Vest Variety At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. Finest Custom Department On this Continent At ROCKHILL & WILSON'S. R. & W. Rockhill & Wilson's Great Brown Hall is ahead of every other establishment in Philadelphia in Excellence, Promptness, Reliability, and Cheapness. IT IS TO YOUR INTEREST TO CALL AND SEE. ROCKHILL & WILSON, 603 and 605 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

HABILEMENS' No. 224 CHESTNUT ST. CHARLES STOKES & CO. UNDER THE CONTINENTAL HOTEL PHILADELPHIA, PA. BEAUTIFUL and FASHIONABLE and so, of ELEGANCE, COMFORTABLE, Promptness In delivery found here. M T R I C H O A R P R N G. CHEAP No less in QUALITY than in PRICE. Repair for Individual tastes found here.

WESTON & BROTHER, TAILORS, S W. Corner NINTH and ARCH Sts., PHILADELPHIA. A full assortment now in store OF THE CHOICEST NOVELTIES OF THE SEASON FOR GENTLEMEN'S WEAR. A SUPERIOR GARMENT AT A REASONABLE PRICE. 49 5mtp

PIANOS. STEINWAY & SONS' GRAND SQUARE AND UPRIGHT PIANOS. Special attention is called to their PATENT UPRIGHT PIANOS. WAREHOUSES, No. 1006 CHESTNUT Street, Philadelphia. SCHOMACKER & CO., GRAND SQUARE AND UPRIGHT PIANOS. Special attention is called to our Upright Pianos. They possess the highest improvements of any instruments made, and are unrivalled for tone and durability. Also, sole Agents for the celebrated BURDETT ORGAN. SCHOMACKER & CO., No. 1108 CHESTNUT Street. 4 13 1m4p

TRAVELLERS' CREDITS. Our Letter of Credit gives the holder the privilege of drawing either on DREXEL, HAJES & CO., Paris, IN FRANCE, OR ON Messrs. A. S. PETRIE & CO., London, IN ENGLAND. As may be found most convenient or profitable, and is available throughout Europe. To parties going abroad we offer special facilities, collecting their interest and dividends during their absence without charge. DREXEL & CO., No. 34 SOUTH THIRD STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

CARPETINGS, ETC. PEABODY & WESTON, No. 723 CHESTNUT St., WILL OPEN A NEW LOT OF CARPETS On WEDNESDAY Morning. CHEAPEST CARPETS IN THE CITY.

On WEDNESDAY Morning. CHEAPEST CARPETS IN THE CITY. Ingrains, - - 70c. Upward. Three-ply, - - \$1.35 do. Tapestry Brussels, \$1.15 do. Body Brussels, - \$1.60 do. Crossley's Velvets, \$2.25 do.

CHEAPEST MATTINGS IN THE CITY. CARGO JUST ARRIVED PER CLIPPER "TAEPING," 25 Cents a Yard and Upward. PEABODY & WESTON, No. 723 CHESTNUT St., PHILADELPHIA. 4 27 tust St

WATCHES, JEWELRY, ETC. ROBBINS, CLARK & BIDDLE, CORHAM BRIDAL SILVER. ROBBINS, CLARK & BIDDLE, CHESNUT STREET, FOUR DOORS FROM TWELFTH. 5 1 1mtp

J. E. CALDWELL & CO. No. 902 CHESTNUT Street. NEW DESIGNS IN PLATED WHITE METAL TEA SETS. PEARL AND SATIN FINISH. 5 15 stull

HENRY HARPER, No. 722 CHESTNUT Street, A NEW STOCK AT LOW PRICES OF WATCHES, OPERA AND VEST CHAINS, FINE JEWELRY, SILVER BRIDAL PRESENTS, Rogers' Silver-Plated Spoons, Forks, Tea Sets, Castors, Ice Pitchers, Etc. 4 19 1m4p

WANTED - SUMMER BOARDING FOR A gentleman and wife, with invalid sister, and servant, where but few other boarders are taken. The place must be well shaded, convenient to railroad or steamboat station, not more than ten miles from the city. One airy, comfortable room on the first floor is indispensable. Address, with particulars, M. H. F., No. 418 B. BROAD Street. 4 21 tustw

GROCERIES, ETC. CRIPPEN & MADDOCK, Dealers and Importers in Fine Groceries, No. 115 S. THIRD Street, BELOW CHESTNUT. Invite the attention of buyers to the following:- White Wheat St. Louis Family Flour.

DRY GOODS. EDWIN HALL, No. 28 SOUTH SECOND STREET, OPENED THIS MORNING, FRESH INVOICES OF STRIPE SILKS, BLACK AND WHITE, GREY AND WHITE. GRISALLE STRIPES, BLUE AND WHITE, GREEN AND WHITE, LILAC AND WHITE. ALSO, FRESH INVOICES OF CHEEK SILKS.

Black Silks Of the best makes, real LYONS GOODS. LACE SACQUES, LACE POINTES. EDWIN HALL, No. 28 SOUTH SECOND STREET, Invites attention to his stock of LACE GOODS.

LACE POINTES, \$3. LACE POINTES, \$10. LACE POINTES, \$12. LACE POINTES, \$15. LACE POINTES, \$18. LACE POINTES, \$20. LACE POINTES, \$22. LACE POINTES, \$25. From that up to \$100. LACE SACQUES, FLOWING SLEEVES. LACE SACQUES, TIGHT SLEEVES. LACE CIRCULARS, BLACK AND WHITE. FAISLEY SHAWLS, BROCHE SHAWLS, NEW SPRING SHAWLS, from \$3 up.

EDWIN HALL, No. 28 SOUTH SECOND STREET. Above Chestnut. 11tp SEWING MACHINES. THE AMERICAN BUTTON-HOLE Complete Sewing Machine OBTAINED TWO PRIZES AT THE CINCINNATI INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION. A GOLD AND SILVER MEDAL WERE AWARDED.

A few testimonials are given from a large mass of correspondence of similar character and tone:- I have worked on a Howe and Singer, and find none to work so beautifully as the American. It gives perfect satisfaction. Mrs. Dr. J. H. YOUNG, Ashland, Schuylkill county, Pa. I have used a Howe, Grover & Baker, and Singer, and would not give the American Combination for all of them. It gives me perfect satisfaction. I consider it the best in the market. Mrs. J. H. YOUNG, No. 144 S. Fremont street, Baltimore, Md. The American is a perfect Gem of a machine. I would not take a hundred dollars for it, if I could not get another. Mrs. AMANDA FAUX, Esq., Pa. OFFICE OF THE TROY HOSIERY MANUFACTURING COMPANY. Troy, N. Y., April 24, 1869. Your machine makes very satisfactory work, both as to quantity and to quality, and I do not hesitate to recommend them to be superior to anything I have yet seen for the purpose to which they are adapted. T. BUCKLEY, Treasurer. I have used different machines for nine years past, but have never seen any equal in all respects to the American. It is perfectly simple in the combination, easily operated, and does the most beautiful work. Mrs. JULIA E. BLACK, Benzonia, Mich. I have had one of your Combination, Buttonhole and Sewing Machines in use for 15 months, and consider it, by far, the best I have ever used. It works beautifully. Mrs. ANNIE C. DAVIDSON, Fashionable Dressmaker, No. 1508 Chestnut street, 3

I can testify that one of the best good things I know of is your American Combination Sewing Machine. I have found more satisfaction in using it than any of the other three I have owned. This really beats all. I heartily and honestly commend it to all who wish a machine that will be sure to give perfect satisfaction. Rev. J. W. SCHENCK, Pastor of the Third Reformed Church, No. 1435 Filbert street, Philadelphia. PRICE OF THIS CELEBRATED MACHINE ONLY \$75. PRICE OF THE PLAIN MACHINE, \$60. Call at the Company's Warerooms, No. 1215 CHESTNUT STREET, and examine it in motion. 5 2 tustst

CURTAINS AND SHADES. WALRAVEN, MASONIC HALL, No. 719 CHESTNUT St., Offers some new designs for CURTAINS AND LAMBREQUINS, FRENCH CRETONNES, STRIPED TERRY and COTELINES. Also, GIMPS AND TRIMMINGS of entirely new patterns. An assortment of LACE CURTAINS of especial elegance and cheapness, some as low as \$1.00 a window. BROCHE TAPESTRY PIANO AND TABLE COVERS are offered greatly below intrinsic value, with a large assortment of EMBROIDERED CLOTH PIANO AND TABLE COVERS. 5 16 tustmtp