The Morning Post.

J. HARPER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

PITTSBURGH:
SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 2, 1848.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

FOR PRESIDENT,
LEWIS CASS,
OF MICHIGAN.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
WM. O. BUTLER,
OF KENTUCKY.

DEMOCRATIC ELECTORAL TICKET

SENATORIAL ELECTORS.
WILLIAM BIGLER, of Clearfield.
DAVID D. WAGENER, of Northampton.

REPRESENTATIVE ELECTORS.
I. HENRY L. BENNER, Philadelphia County
II. HORN E. KREBS, do. do.
III. ISAAC SHUMP, do. do.
IV. A. L. ROUSPORT, do. do.
V. JACOB S. YOST, Montgomery do.
VI. ROBERT P. WRIGHT, Lehigh do.
VII. WILLIAM W. DOWNING, Chester do.
VIII. HENRY HAUSMAN, Lancaster do.
IX. PETER KLINE, Berks do.
X. BERNARD SCHOONOVER, Monroe do.
XI. WM. SCOTT, Wyoming do.
XII. JOSIAH BREWSTER, Tioga do.
XIII. JOHN C. KNOX, Clinton do.
XIV. JOHN WEIMAR, Lebanon do.
XV. ROBERT J. FISHER, York do.
XVI. FREDERICK SMITH, Franklin do.
XVII. JOHN CRESWELL, Huntingdon do.
XVIII. CHARLES A. BLACK, Greene do.
XIX. GEORGE W. BOWMAN, Bedford do.
XX. JOHN R. SHANNON, Beaver do.
XXI. GEORGE P. HAWKINS, Allegheny do.
XXII. W. B. DAVIS, Crawford do.
XXIII. TIMOTHY IVES, Potter do.
XXIV. JAMES G. CAMPBELL, Butler do.

FOR GOVERNOR,
MORRIS LONGSTRETH,
Of Montgomery County.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,
ISRAEL PAINTER,
Of Westmoreland County.

FOR CONGRESS,
SAMUEL W. BLACK,
OF PITTSBURGH.

FOR ASSEMBLY,
JOHN J. MITCHELL, Pittsburgh
JOHN S. HAMILTON, do.
EDMUND SNOWDEN, Allegheny.
WILLIAM L. MILLER, Versailles.

REGISTER,
EDWARD M'CORKLE, Indiana.

EDITOR,
JOHN O'BRIEN, Lawrenceville.

COMMISSIONER,
JAMES WALLACE, Baldwin.

RECORDER,
DR. JOHN POLLOCK, Clinton.

CORONER,
BENJAMIN WILSON, Elizabeth Borough.

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The Nomination for Governor.

Our readers will be informed, by the Telegraphic Dispatch from Harrisburgh, in yesterday's paper, that the Democratic State Convention, appointed to choose, from among the distinguished men of our State, the most suitable one to ask their suffrages for the office of *Governor*,—have selected MORRIS LONGSTRETH, of Montgomery county, as the candidate for that important station. In view of the event, it becomes us, as the organs of the Democracy of Allegheny,—and as representing also the will of a large portion of western Pennsylvania—to say, that, though we preferred another distinguished citizen for this station, we have no regrets to express at the result. We aim at what we conceive to be the best interests of the State alone,—without any reference to mere individual aggrandizement; and, therefore, when we find that we differ from a majority of our party, respecting any particular line of policy—as we accord to others the same right to think and act which we claim for ourselves,—we have no private griefs to satisfy, because of the contrary decision of a majority. If, when there is a proper time for discussion, we cannot think as some others do, when the time for *action* arrives, we can at least do according to the best of our ability; and we have never yet been found acting contrary to the reflected will of the Democracy, whether in a General, a State, a County, or a Township Convention.

We deem it necessary to make the above remarks, in view of the previous action of the Democracy of our county, and of a large portion of the West. To those who know the manner in which we last year sustained the distinguished gentleman who has been nominated, it is perhaps unnecessary to say any thing more, than that he will be as warmly supported by Western Pennsylvania for Governor as he then was for Canal Commissioner. We contend for him for that office, on account of his high mental capacities and acquirements; his excellent business habits; and his unbending integrity of character,—as well as, on account of his sterling devotion to sound political principles. We believe him well qualified in every respect, for the high and honorable trust to which he has been named: we believe that the great and glorious principles of government, so nobly contended for by the lamented SMITH, will find in him a firm and unwavering advocate: we believe that he has given evidence of faithfulness, and high qualifications, in every station which has yet been assigned to him; and we have full and entire confidence in his continued honesty and integrity to the principles of the Constitution.

A few Facts for Bragging Whigs!

As there are a few crazy whigs, who make it a point to brag and bluster eternally about Gen. Taylor's prospects and popularity, we shall state a few *facts*, for their earnest consideration.

1. In 1844, the entire strength of the federal whig party was not sufficient to elect Henry Clay, the great embodiment of their principles, and the most popular man in their ranks, although his opponent was that "obscure individual," James K. Polk.

2. Gen. Taylor cannot, under any circumstances, poll as large a vote as Mr. Clay, in a single State in the Union.

3. There is no enthusiasm for Gen. Taylor in any part of the country, as there was for Mr. Clay, nor will the whigs spend a dollar for the "hero of the blood hounds," who refused to pay ten cents postage on the letter conveying to him the news of his nomination.

4. There are at least ten whigs to one democrat who will support the Free Soil ticket, nominated by the Abolition branch of the federal party, at Buffalo.

5. CASS and BUTLER will be elected President and Vice President of the United States, by an overwhelming majority of the people, in November.

☞ Gen. Taylor is expected to visit Louisville, Ky., in a short time. The Journal intimates that he is compelled to the visit by business of a pressing character.

☞ A whig at our elbow is very anxious to know if this "business of a pressing character" has any connection with the purchase of negroes for his immense sugar and cotton plantations in the South. Perhaps the editor of the Pittsburgh Gazette, by leave of the *fifteen whigs*, can tell.

☞ The Greensburgh Republican states that there did not appear to be, over half a dozen of persons actively engaged in the "Van burners' meeting at that place, on Tuesday last; and they were principally abolitionists and heretofore bitter opponents of the Democratic party.

Democratic meeting in the 7th Ward.

Pursuant to public notice, there was a large gathering of the Democracy of the 7th Ward, on Thursday evening. A respectable number of Democrats from other Wards attended. Several excellent speeches were made, which were vociferously applauded. A. B. M'CALMONT, Esq., was called to the stand, and eloquently portrayed the prospects of our Country under the present Administration of Democratic principles, and contrasted it with Federal predictions of ruin in 1844, and asked why should there be a change?

JOHN J. MITCHEL, Esq., next addressed the meeting, and spoke for an hour in a beautiful and eloquent manner. In the course of his remarks he exposed in a masterly style, the false assertions made by the Taylor Candidate, Mr. Hampton, at the late Taylor meeting, relative to Mr. Jefferson being in favor of a National Bank, a system of Internal Improvements, &c. &c. Though an admirer of Gen. Taylor's military fame, he fully discussed his civil qualifications, and commented upon his various letters and the course of the late Philadelphia Convention. From present indications he believed that Van Buren would secure a great number of consistent Whigs of the North.

Gen. W. LARNED, Esq., with great felicity of illustration reviewed the course of the Whig party, particularly on the Wilmot Proviso question, and in his usually eloquent and spirited manner, presented the claims of the Democratic party on the confidence of the people. In conclusion, he announced to the meeting the nomination of Morris Longstreth for Governor, and paid a handsome tribute to the virtues of our late excellent Governor, Fre. R. Shunk. The meeting adjourned with three hearty and enthusiastic cheers for CASS, BUTLER, LONGSTRETH, and the COUNTY TICKET.

American Art Union.

The Engravings of the American Art Union, for the members of 1847, have been received by Mr. George W. Fahnestock, Hon. Sec. of the Society, corner of First and Wood streets, and are now ready for delivery. They are unquestionably the most spirited engravings we have ever seen. The large one is entitled; "*Jolly Flat Boat Men*," by T. Doney, from a painting by G. C. Bingham, Esq. The smaller one represents "*A Sybil*," engraved by J. W. Casilear, from a painting by Daniel Huntingdon.

The transactions of the American Art Union, for 1847, have been published, and will be highly interesting to the members, as the book contains the names of members, with their places of residence. We are pleased to learn that the Society is now in the most flourishing condition, and that the list of members is constantly increasing. It is desirable that those who wish to become subscribers for 1848, should pay their subscriptions as soon as possible, as the list of members has increased to so great an extent that the Association requires them to be closed much earlier than last year.

Samuel Kerr, Esq., of Mercer.

An esteemed friend and correspondent speaks thus of this gentleman: "I am pleased to see the Democracy of Mercer county have nominated my old friend SAMUEL KERR, Esq., to the Legislature. This is a most judicious selection. Mr. KERR is a gentleman against whose moral character and qualifications, the opposition can say nothing. When in the Legislature a few years since, he made a useful and industrious member; and was ever attentive to the true interests of his constituents. He will make a good member again; and I have no doubt of his election by a handsome majority."

The John Donkey.

We have been much pained to see, in our eastern exchanges, an account of the decease of *the* John Donkey, the father of all the long eared, braying race! This event is truly a lamentable one! for, although the Donkey would bray, there was something of music in the sounds, as he occasionally uttered them! But thus it is with all sublunary things—*death* and *change* is marked upon all! Death overtakes *some*, and places them beyond the necessities of this life: while *others* are forced to change, lest the pall of death shall overshadow them! The John Donkey *died* for want of food;—*our* John Donkey has *changed* in order to get food! Sic transit gloria mundi!!!

South Carolina.

It is now certain that the electoral vote of this State will be given to CASS and BUTLER. Large and enthusiastic meetings are being held in all parts of the State, at which the great mass of the people avow their preference for the Democratic nominees. The last prop of Taylorism in the South has fallen to the ground.

☞ We call the attention of Western publishers and others, to the "Card" published in to-day's paper, in relation to the Telegraphic despatches of Carter & Co. We have, for a few weeks past, obtained our news and market reports from this company, and we have no hesitation in saying that their facilities surpass those of any other association in the east.

☞ The editor of the New York Tribune, Horace Greely, has gone to the Lake Superior mines, in which he has an interest. Having discovered that Taylorism don't pay expenses, he has turned his attention to a more profitable speculation.

☞ In the Congressional District, composed of Jefferson, Columbiana and Carroll counties, in Ohio, Col. JOSEPH CABLE, of Carrollton, has been nominated to Congress by the Democratic Convention. Dr. Fries at present represents that District.

☞ John Van Buren, we observe, has taken the stump for his "Dad." Prince John was very successful in dancing with Queen Victoria, but he can never meet with success in converting honest Democrats to the "Free Dirt" or Abolition faction. "Dad" is evidently under that load of hay!

☞ The Cleveland Plaindealer states that bets are freely made in that city that Van Buren will not get an electoral vote in the Union. What will the Barn-burners say to that?

☞ The Detroit Free Press offers to lay a wager that Gen. Cass will obtain the electoral vote of Michigan by many thousands over both Taylor and Van Buren.

☞ We learn from the Steubenville Herald, that one hundred and forty-four new buildings have been erected in that city, during the last year.

☞ William Dock, Esq., of Dauphin county, has been nominated for Congress by the Democratic Convention in that district.

Correspondence of the Morning Post.

PUNXSUTAWNY, Jefferson Co., Pa., Aug. 24, 1848.

MR. HARPER.—Dear Sir:—Agreeably to promise, I send you a few lines. Yesterday I returned from a tour through Jefferson, Elk, Potter, McKean, Warren, Venango, and Clarion counties. The people are all right—there's no defection—no faltering of the Democracy in the "Wild Cat" region, as the Whigs call it by way of reproach. They are *united to a man* upon the statesman and soldier, LEWIS CASS, and the Poet and Hero, Wm. O. BUTLER. The Ides of November they have fixed upon for a grand rally—they will march up to the enemy in solid phalanx, and with unbroken front, put him to rout, "horse, foot and dragoons."

The little Magician in this vast extent of country can raise scarcely a "corporal's guard"—politically speaking, he is dead! dead! dead!" His few surrection is impossible, for he is plunged into an abyss so deep, so dark, that no human ken can pierce it. His Wand, once so potent, is now stretched out in vain, and its talisman sic power is gone! In seven neighboring counties, after the strictest an quiries, I have been able to hear of only three democrats upon whom the leprous taint has taken; *one* of them, I know to have been against us in '44. For every democrat that will vote against Cass in this section, *at least* ten whigs will vote against Taylor. Yours, truly, D. B.

LOCAL MATTERS.

ELIZABETH.

Democratic Mass Meeting.

The Democratic voters of the Borough of Elizabeth convened in the Town Hall on the 16th of August, 1848, for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety and importance of holding and celebrating a mass meeting in said Borough. R. C. STEVENS was called to the chair, and B. WILSON was appointed secretary; and after many spirited and animated speeches it was unanimously resolved that a DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING be held in the Borough of Elizabeth, in the County of Allegheny, on Friday, the 8th day of September, A. D. 1848, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

Resolved, That R. C. STEVENS, Henry M'Ginley, Robert Galloway, Benjamin Wilson, and John Harshie, be a committee to invite and procure suitable speakers to address said meeting.

Resolved, That the Secretary have the proceedings and call of this meeting published in the daily and weekly Democratic papers of Allegheny county.

Resolved, That this meeting adjourn.

R. C. STEVENS, President.
BENJAMIN WILSON, Secretary.

Democratic Meeting Last Night.

There was a tremendous meeting of the Democracy of Allegheny, last evening, in the Diamond. Col. BLACK was quite successful in his effort. Such enthusiasm, as was manifested by the audience, we have not often witnessed. We can say no more to-day; on Monday we may give an abstract of the Colonel's address.

THE WRONG HOUSE.—On Thursday, an inexperienced youth from the country, stopped at the front door of Breed's Building, Fourth street. He looked hesitatingly for a moment, and then said, in an imperative tone, "I want supper!"

"Sir?" said a gentleman, sitting on the steps.

"I want supper, and as soon as you can get it."

"O, certainly; just step into the office there, and register your name."

He quickly obeyed. He saw a young man writing at a desk, whom he addressed:

"Register my name for supper."

"Sir?" said the clerk, not knowing the import of the command.

"Register my name for supper; and get it soon; I'm in a hurry."

The gentleman at the desk looked wild. He surveyed the proportions of the supper customer for about one minute, and was about to explain, when the hungry man exclaimed:

"I have money to pay you; register my name and let me have supper."

"We don't furnish supper to our customers; we can give you lodging, and that is all."

Here our hero was on the verge of indignation. He laid upon his tongue's end a curse or two for city restaurants generally; but his utterance was checked by some one who pitied him in his embarrassment, whispering in his ear, "This is the Mayor's Office."

He lost his appetite at once, and fled.

THE TOMBS.—There was but little of excitement in the Mayor's office yesterday morning. Four cases were on the Captain's list, and these were *very common*, as the watchmen say. All were charged with drunkenness, and one or two with vagrancy. There was one poor boy brought up, and after hearing he was sent to the bill. He is one of the many who are lost to society and to themselves on account of lack of proper training. He possesses good natural talent, which has been subverted most shamefully by a life of dissipation. There appears to be no hope for him. Age cannot restore one so entirely low, and it seems he is without friends who feel it their duty to make an effort.

☞ The officiating clergymen were highly pleased with the results of the late Camp Meeting, near McKeesport. Not an accident occurred that gave pain to those who attended from pure motives.—This is an indication of a growing disposition among the people in this neighborhood to treat the rights of their fellow beings with respect. We don't believe the world is becoming worse, as many profess to do.

SAD ACCIDENT.—While a wedding party, from Ross township, was passing through Allegheny city on Wednesday evening, on their return home, the horse on which one of the ladies sat, took fright at the light in a tavern window, and started off at such a rate as to be beyond the control of the reins. The lady was thrown, and very seriously, though not fatally injured. A buggy was procured, in which she was taken home.

☞ Some Democratic young men of Allegheny, have organized a *Glee Club*. They were out the other evening, and gave evidence of great musical taste. Go ahead, boys, you'll be wanted soon. The excitement so long looked for is just beginning to break forth, and in a few weeks there will be a perfect tempest in the political world.

☞ The young man who was "taken in" on Thursday morning, on a charge of riot in Diamond alley, gave good bail in the sum of $500, and was set at liberty. He will stand his trial.

☞ This makes the fourth person now under bond to appear at the next Term, to answer the charge of riot in Diamond alley.

☞ There was a row in the Diamond last evening, which originated at the Barker Meeting. Some man very foolishly attempted to reply to Joe, when the mob took after him and chased him down Diamond alley. He took refuge in a house and saved himself.

☞ The next term of the Quarter Sessions will be a busy one. The jail is now quite full; there is a tenant for every cell, we are told; and the applications are still coming in.

☞ The thieves appear to be turning their attention to the horse business. We have heard of as many as a dozen stolen horses, within the past few weeks. Lock your stable doors!

☞ It will be seen by reference to the Laws of Congress, published in this day's paper, that the sum of $10,000 has been appropriated to complete the Marine Hospital at this city.

☞ The Factory Operatives of Allegheny intend to put some questions to Governor Johnson, concerning his course in relation to the Ten Hour system. Will he answer?

☞ The Whigs have a Ratification meeting in Temperance Hall this evening. Hampton, Darragh and Palmer are announced as the speakers.

☞ The annual Firemen's Parade will be later this season than usual. It is to take place some time in October.

☞ The Theatre opens this evening. We need do no more than call attention to the card.

☞ The Democratic Glee Club will meet at the Oregon House every evening.

Died—On Thursday, Aug. 31st, at half past 10 o'clock, JAMES WILLIAM, son of J. W. and Sarah E. Kennedy.

☞ **I. O. of O. F.**—ANCHORA LODGE, No. 269, of the I. O. of O. F. meets at their Hall, corner of Fourth and Market streets, every Wednesday evening, at half past 7 o'clock, precisely.

By order,
JOSEPH S. M. YOUNG, Sec'y.

Visiting Brothers are hereby cautioned against visiting any of the Lodges meeting at the corner of Wood st. and Virgin alley, as the Anchorna Lodge, No. 269, is the only legal working Lodge of ODD FELLOWS in this or Allegheny city. [aug20-tf

City Lots for Sale.

PURSUANT to a resolution of Councils, will be offered for sale, by public outcry on the premises, on Wednesday, the 13th day of this month, at 3 o'clock, P. M. of said day: Those two valuable City Lots, commonly known as the Old Water Works Lots, bounded as follows, viz: parts of lots Nos. 33 and 34 in the plan of Pittsburgh, having a front on Duquesne Way of 120 ft. and extending back along Cecil's Alley 250 ft. Also, part of lot No. 35 in said plan, having a front on Duquesne Way of 50 ft. and extending back along Cecil's Alley 160 ft. On which are erected two large substantial brick buildings, formerly used by the city for Engine Houses. Terms: One thousand dollars in hand, and the balance in three equal payments at three, six and nine years, with interest, payable semi-annually, at the office of the City Treasurer, to be secured by bond and mortgage.

JAS. B. MURRAY,
Chairman Com. on City Property.

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SUGAR LEAD—400 lbs. just received and for sale by
B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.
sep2 Corner 1st and Wood sts.

BY AUTHORITY.

Acts and Resolutions passed at the First Session of the Thirtieth Congress.

(PUBLIC—No. 75.)

AN ACT making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the following sums be appropriated for the naval service, for the year ending June thirtieth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, in addition to the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars of the unexpended balances of former appropriations for the naval service. The remainder of such unexpended balances, after deducting the said sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars, to be carried to the surplus fund.

For pay of commission, warrant, and petty officers, and seamen, including the engineer corps of the navy, two million one hundred and eighty-nine thousand two hundred and eleven dollars.

For pay of superintendents, naval constructors, and all the civil establishments at the several navy yards, seventy-four thousand two hundred and twenty dollars.

For provisions for commission, warrant, and petty officers, and seamen, including engineers and marines, attached to vessels for sea service, six hundred and seventy-seven thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars.

For surgeons' necessaries and appliances for the sick and hurt of the navy, including the marine corps, twenty eight thousand five hundred dollars.

For interest, repair, armament, and equipment of the navy, including wear and tear of vessels in commission, cost of steamers, purchase of ferry, and one million two hundred thousand dollars for completing four first-class steamers, two million five hundred and thirty-one thousand four hundred and seventy-four dollars.

For ordnance and ordnance stores, including incidental expenses two hundred and eighteen thousand four hundred and twenty dollars.

For nautical books, maps, charts, instruments, binding and repairing the same, and all expenses of the hydrographical office, thirty-five thousand dollars. And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to expend five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, in causing the observations to be made which have been recently recommended to him by the American Philosophical Society and the Academy of Arts and Sciences.

For the pay of the superintendent of the Naval Observatory at Washington city, who shall be a captain, commander, or lieutenant in the navy, three thousand dollars, which shall be the salary per annum of said superintendent. And the provision in the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven," which is in these words, viz: "including three thousand dollars for pay of the superintendent, who shall be either a captain, commander, or lieutenant in the navy;" shall be construed to apply to the superintendent of said Naval observatory, and shall take effect from and after the passage of that act.

For contingent expenses that may accrue for the following purposes, viz: freight and transportation; printing and stationery; advertising in newspapers, books, maps, models, and drawings; purchase and repair of fire engines and machinery; repair of and attending on steam engines in yards; purchase and support of horses and oxen, and driving teams; carts, lumber wheels, and the purchase and repair of workmen's tools; postage of public letters; furniture for government houses; fuel, oil, and candles for navy yards and shore stations; cleaning and clearing up yards; watchmen and incidental labor not chargeable to any other appropriation; labor attending the delivery of stores and supplies on foreign stations; wharfage, dockage, and rent; travelling expenses of officers; funeral expenses of officers; rent; stationery, and fuel to navy agents, and storekeepers; flags, awnings, and colors; pilotage; premiums and other expenses of recruiting; apprehending deserters; per diem pay to persons attending courts-martial, and courts of inquiry, or other service authorized by law; to judge advocates; pilotage and towage of vessels; assistance rendered to vessels in distress, seven hundred thousand dollars. And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized, from the sum aforesaid, without further notice or advancement, out of the appropriation for provisions to purchase, at his discretion, a sufficient quantity of flour and cornmeal prepared and dried by the process and machinery invented by F. B. Stagord, of Ohio, to be sent to different naval stations, to test the capacity to resist the influence of time and climate, and to ascertain what advantage there may be in introducing the use of the same for the navy.

For the transportation of the United States mail between New York and Liverpool; between New York and New Orleans, and Havana and Chagres; and between Panama and Astoria, under the act of the third of March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, eight hundred and seventy four thousand six hundred dollars. And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to advance to the contractors for said service, or to their assignees, for the purpose of enabling them to finish the steamships contracted for under their respective contracts, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars per month on each of said ships, after such ships shall have been launched, but the money so advanced under any one of said contracts shall not exceed the amount of one year's compensation, stipulated for in such contract, to be secured in all cases by a lien on said ships, in such manner as the Secretary of the Navy may require; and the money so advanced shall be faithfully expended in finishing said ships to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Navy; and compensation on the contract from Panama to Astoria shall commence from the time the ships are ready for service, and placed at the disposal of the United States; the said annual compensation, however, not to commence until first October, eighteen hundred forty-eight: *Provided*, That the contractor for the line from Panama to Astoria, as the condition of his advances, be required to stop and deliver the mails at San Domingo, San Francisco, and Monterey in California, if required so to do, by the Secretary of the Navy, with the concurrence of the Postmaster General: *And provided further*, That, in consideration of the foregoing advances, the line of steamers called for under the contract with A. S. Sloo shall stop, going and returning, at Charleston, if practicable, and Savannah.

For contingent expenses for objects unthereinbefore enumerated, two thousand dollars.

To pay ornrages due for grading University square, and other expenses, for the construction of the dock, the charts and instruments, being a reappropriation in part of a sum enacted to the surplus fund heretofore appropriated for that purpose, ten thousand forty-three dollars and seventy-seven cents.

For furnishing the marine hospital building at New Orleans, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For meteorological observations, to be conducted under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy two thousand dollars.

For the establishment of a depot for naval stores, which the Secretary of the Navy is hereby required to cause to be located at or near the city of New Orleans, twenty thousand dollars.

For the construction, extension, and completion of the following objects, and for the current repairs at the several navy yards, viz:

AT PORTSMOUTH.

For completing quay wall and wharf, and wharf number one; wall west side of shiphouse number four, and filling in timber shed opposite number seven, and addition to smithery I; brick powder magazine; gutters, &c., for blowing-fire to forges; and for repairs of all kinds, fifty thousand five hundred and fifty-one dollars.

AT BOSTON.

For timber shed number thirty-seven, and pier wharf of angle number fifty-nine; coal-house near dry-dock, and pier wharf in rear of carpenter's and joiner's shop; for eight knee docks, and trucks for stowage of guns in gun park; for completing brick barn; and repairs of all kinds, ninety-seven thousand three hundred and fifty-one dollars;

AT NEW YORK.

For iron and copper store, cooperage, coal, wharf and filling in timber pond; dredging channels and wharf in front of hospital lands; steam engine in smithery, steam pipes, &c., and cistern for each reservoir, paving and flagging, and granite sticks, and platforms for cannon, and for repairs of all kinds, one hundred and six thousand dollars.

For the dry dock, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For the purchase by the Secretary of the Navy of the land, above and under water, bounded by Flushing avenue, in the city of Brooklyn, in the State of New York, the United States Navy yard, hospital grounds, and the Wallabout bay to the channel, two hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no part of said sum of money shall be applied to the payment of the purchase money until a good and perfect title is secured to the United States for the said land and its appurtenances.

AT PHILADELPHIA.

For removing and extending ship-house G; completing wharf, number two; dredging machine; and repairs of all kinds, fourteen thousand five hundred dollars.

AT WASHINGTON.

For chain cable forges, and fitting part of number eleven for a boiler shop; steam hammer for smith's shop, and alteration in hydraulic proving machine; converting joiner's shop in number twelve to mould loft, and steam hammer in place of old tilt hammer; ordnance workshops, and extending brass foundry; extending block smith's shop and Iron foundery, and finishing shop for machinery; converting old foundry into stables, and for repairs of all kinds, thirty-two thousand four hundred and eighteen dollars.

AT NORFOLK.

For extension of quay walls; completing slip forty-eight and for the storehouse, number nineteen; brick stables; steam hammer and engine; brick gun place, coal house and landing wharf; culvert drill press; punching machine and cutting shears, and for repairs of all kinds, one hundred and forty-four thousand one hundred and thirty-six dollars.

AT PENSACOLA.

For two third-class officers' houses; completing timber shed number twenty-six; dredge machine; scow; four warrant officers' houses, and guard-house; coal house; paint shop and rail tracks; permanent wharf; drain in rear of officers' quarters; wharf and rail track in front of storehouse number twenty-six; paving, grading, planting trees, fencing, and for repairs of all kinds, one hundred and fifty-nine thousand and hundred and twenty five dollars.

For construction, in part, of a new timber shed at said navy-yard, fifty thousand dollars.

For payment of such arrearages as the Secretary of the Navy may in law and equity decide to be due to Jefferson and Foster, seven thousand dollars.

AT MEMPHIS.

For completing commandant's house and storehouse; turning-house; engine and machinery for saw mill; timber shed, and boat builder's shop, and wall to enclose yard; embankments, and excavations; machinery for ropewalk, and for repairs of all kinds, one hundred and seventy-four thousand and thirty-eight dollars.

AT SACKETT'S HARBOR.

For the completion of officers' quarters, and for repairs of all kinds, two thousand dollars.

FOR HOSPITALS, viz:

At Boston—For repairing hospital buildings and dependencies; fences, and furnaces, painting, grading, and whitewashing, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the completion of the marine hospitals now building, viz: Pittsburgh, ten thousand dollars; at Cleveland, ten thousand dollars; at Louisville, ten thousand dollars.

For the purpose of erecting marine hospitals on sites owned by the United States at the following places, viz:

At St. Louis, ten thousand dollars; at Natchez, ten thousand dollars; at Paducah, ten thousand dollars.

At Napoleon, Arkansas, (so soon as the government title to the site selected and purchased shall be perfected,) ten thousand dollars.

Also for the construction of a marine hospital on such site as shall be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury on the lands owned by the United States at Chicago, ten thousand dollars.

At New York—For purchase from the city of New York of water-lot No. 1 to hospital lands; for surgeon's house; paving, guttering, and completing sewer, and for current repairs, twenty thousand and fifty-seven dollars.

At Washington—For current repairs, one hundred dollars.

At Norfolk—For repairs of galleries, cells, bath-house, fence, and surgeon's house, one thousand four hundred dollars; and for making accessory repairs for the marine hospital at Norfolk, sixteen hundred dollars.

At Pensacola—For blocking up ponds and drains; repairs to hospital, and for current repairs, six thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars.

At Mobile—For necessary repairs of the marine hospital, one thousand and ninety dollars.

FOR MAGAZINES, viz:

At Boston, six hundred dollars.

At New York, five hundred dollars.

At Washington, two hundred dollars.

At Norfolk, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars.

MARINE CORPS.

For pay of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, privates, and others serving on shore, subsistence of officers, and pay for uniform clothing, two hundred and eighty-three thousand dollars.

For provisions for marines, serving on shore, sixty thousand dollars.

For clothing, eighty-one thousand four hundred and ninety-two dollars.

For fuel, eleven thousand three hundred and thirty-four dollars.

For military stores, repair of arms, pay of armorers, accoutrements, ordnance stores, flags, drums, fifes, and musical instruments, eight thousand dollars.

For transportation of officers and troops, and for expenses of recruiting, twelve thousand dollars.

For contingencies, viz:

Freight, cartage, toll, cartage, wharfage, compensation to judges advocate per diem for attending courts-martial, courts of inquiry, and for constant labor; house rent, in lieu of quarters; burial of deceased marines; printing, stationery, forage, postage, pursuit of deserters, candles, oil, straw, furniture, bed sacks, spades, shovels, picks, carpenter's tools; keep of a horse for messenger, pay of the matron, washerwoman, and porter at hospital headquarters, twenty-two thousand dollars.

For the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries; further, to supply deficiencies in appropriations made for the service of fiscal year ending the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of seventeen thousand and three hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for improvements and repairs at the naval school at Annapolis, to be extended as follows: For enclosing the grounds embraced in the new purchase, repairing the houses thereon, docking, grading, and improving the grounds, six thousand eight hundred dollars.

For repairing and fitting superintendent's house, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For building an arsenal, five hundred dollars.

For raising the row of houses occupied by professors one story, six thousand dollars.

For completing mess-room and lyceum, five hundred dollars.

For painting outside of houses, and other necessary repairs, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For five engines and apparatus complete, five hundred dollars.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That in execution of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and forty seven, making appropriations for the naval service, &c., directing among other things the construction of floating dry-docks at the navy-yards at Philadelphia, Pensacola, and Kinsey, and in the pursuance of the reports in favor of the two plans, hereinafter named, as best adopted to naval purposes, made by a board of officers appointed to examine all the plans and by the Bureau of Yards and Docks, the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed forthwith to enter into a contract with Samuel B. Dahlgren and Rutherford Moody, for the complete construction within a reasonable time from the date of the contract, of a sectional floating dry-dock, basin, and railways, at the navy-yard at Philadelphia; according to the plan and specifications submitted by them to the Navy Department; and also to enter into a contract with one of the other of the respective parties named in the above complete construction, within a reasonable time from the date of the contract, at the navy-yard at Kinsey, of a floating dry-dock, basin, and railways, upon either of the above named plans that the said Secretary may prefer as best adapted to said yard; the said works at each yard to be of the largest dimensions proper to the said plans and specifications: *Provided*, That in each case such contract can be made at prices that shall not exceed by more than ten per cent. the prices which have been submitted by either of the said proprietors to the Navy Department for a floating dry-dock on either of said plans, and for the basin and railway of the dimensions above stated, at any of the said navy-yards: *And provided further*, That the said Secretary shall also, by further contract with the said parties, enlarge the dimensions of said works at each yard to a capacity sufficient for docking war steamers of the largest class, at least three hundred and fifty feet in length, if the dimensions above mentioned should not be found adequate for that purpose.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of four hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated towards said works from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, which sum, together with the sum of one million one hundred of the appropriations made by said act of March third, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, for floating dry-docks at the navy-yards aforesaid, shall be applied towards the payments to be provided for in the said contracts, and be equally divided between the said contracts for the said works at the three navy-yards aforesaid.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That hereafter the amount of money commutation allowed by law in lieu of the spirit ration shall be increased to four cents.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That when any master in the navy, or passed midshipman, holding an acting appointment, as master from the Secretary of the Navy, has performed, or shall hereafter perform, the duty of a lieutenant, under an order of the commander of the vessel to which he was attached as an acting master, or to supply a deficiency in the established complement of lieutenants of said vessel, whether belonging to a squadron or on separate service, which order shall have been subsequently approved by the Secretary of the Navy, shall be allowed the pay of a master for the period of service during which he shall have performed such duty.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That in calculating for the pay of surgeons in the navy, hereafter, the time upon the graduate scale of pay shall be reckoned from their original entry into the service.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Navy be and he is hereby directed to report to Congress, at the commencement of the next session, the number of persons in the naval service, forced in each of the years eighteen hundred and forty-six and eighteen hundred and forty-seven, specifying the name of the ship, office, the seniors, and the number of lashes inflicted; and it shall be his duty to make a similar report for each year thereafter.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That on the application of the Secretary of the Navy, the President of the United States be authorized, when, in his opinion, the contingencies of the public service may require it, to make, for any portion of the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars of unexpended balances of former appropriations, mentioned in the first section of this act, from one head of appropriation to any other head of the appropriations made for the naval service; and in all cases of such transfer, a special account of the moneys transferred, and their application, shall be laid before Congress at each session previous to its adjournment.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Postmaster General, under the direction of the President, to cause the net receipts of postages collected on the several line of steamers from New York to Liverpool, from New York to Chagres, and from Panama to some point in the territory of Oregon, stipulated for in contracts made with the Secretary of the Navy, to be deposited in the treasury to the credit of the appropriation, for the annual compensation for the service to be rendered under said contracts, or otherwise apply the said postage in payment of the said annual compensation.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the proviso of the act of third of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled "An act making appropriations for the naval service for the half calender year beginning the first of January, and ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four," &c., as requires that materials of every name and nature for the use of the navy be furnished by contract with the lowest bidder, be and the same is hereby so far modified, that it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Navy, hereafter, to enter into contract for tobacco, from time to time, as the service requires, for a period not exceeding four years; and in making such contracts, he shall not be restricted to the lowest bidder, unless, in his opinion, economy and the best interests of the service will be thereby promoted.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That the number of professors of mathematics in the navy shall not exceed ten; that they shall be appointed and commissioned by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and shall perform such duties as may be assigned them by order of the Secretary of the Navy, at the naval school, the observatory, and on board ships-of