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VERY BEST MANUFACTURE AND LATEST STYLES.
OIL PAINTINGS, ENGRAVINGS,
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SPRUCE SILLS, 30 FEET LONG.
THREE-INCH SPANISH CEDAR PLANK.
WILLIAMS & STOKES,
oct5-12t* TWENTY-FIRST and RACE Streets.
MARSHAL'S SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of sale, by the Hon. JOHN CADWALADER, Judge of the District Court of the United States, in and for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, in Admiralty, to me directed, will be sold at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at MICHENER'S STORE, No. 142 North FRONT Street, on THURSDAY, November 3d, 1864, at 12 M., Twenty-four Bags of Sea Island Cotton unginned.
WILLIAM MILLWARD,
U. S. Marshal E. D. of Pennsylvania.
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A SAFE STEAM BOILER.—THE subscriber is prepared to receive orders for the "HARRISON STEAM BOILER," in sizes to suit purchasers. The attention of Manufacturers and others is called to the new Steam Generator, as combining essential advantages in absolute safety from destructive explosion, first cost and durability, economy of fuel, facility of cleaning and transportation, &c. &c., not possessed by any boiler now in use. These boilers can be seen in daily operation, driving the extensive works of Messrs. Wm. Sellers & Co., Sixteenth and Hamilton streets, at S. W. Cattell's factory, Spruce street, Schuylkill, and at Garrett's Tremont Mill, Frankford.
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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,
Capital, $1,000,000, divided into 100,000 shares at $10 per share. Subscription price, $1.50 per share, being in full payment for a $10 share. No further call or assessment to be made. $25,000 cash reserved for working capital. Office, 28 MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE, Philadelphia.
The District selected by this Company is one of great interest, and is only partially developed, but where developed the results are very gratifying. The wells at Burning Springs and Petroleum are producing largely, while those of Horse Neck and Campbell's Run (where our lands are situated) show that this is a great oil-producing district, being in close proximity to the following wells now producing largely, viz: The "Great Well," on Horse Neck, produces 100 barrels per day, and increasing. The last great well in this neighborhood is on Dawson's Run, a feeder of Horse Neck, owned by Tack & Brother, of Philadelphia, and struck about three weeks ago. It flowed about 800 barrels of oil in a single day. Its average has been perhaps, 220 barrels a day. It is a shallow well 200 feet deep. Near this, Messrs. Tack & Brother have a well 320 feet deep, which yields from 25 to 50 barrels of oil daily.
The territory secured to this Company has been selected with great care, having called to our aid parties well known in the oil regions, besides having the opinion of a celebrated geologist from our own city. The lands purchased by this Company lie in Wood and Pleasant counties, in West Virginia, at Horse Neck and Campbell's Run, five miles from the Ohio river by a good wagon road.
Professor Thomas in his report says: "The borings at Horse Neck have developed the fact that in this region there are six formations of oil, each of which occurs at different depths, and that it belongs to an overlying formation of the Pennsylvania region."
At Horse Neck we have the following:
1. One-half interest in a lease of seventeen years in a tract of one acre, subject to one-eighth royalty, on which we have one well sunk 327 feet, with a twenty-horse power engine, tank, tubes, boring utensils, &c., and from which has been taken at the rate of 25 barrels of oil per day. When retubed will produce more.
2. Two thirds of a perpetual lease on one and a half acres, situate about fifty rods from the above; on this we have one well sunk 265 feet, and oil in the well 30 feet deep. The Bull Creek Oil Company own the other third interest. The indications show that by boring this well deeper it will be a flowing well.
3. Our third tract (33 acres in fee simple) is situated on Campbell's Run, about one mile and a half from the above, and five miles from the Ohio river. On Monday, September 5th, the great Track Well was struck, and flowed one thousand barrels in twenty-four hours. This immense well lies adjoining our properties.
In conclusion of Professor Thomas' report, he says: "The city of Pittsburgh, geological situation, and all indications show this tract to be not at all inferior to Horse Neck."
Books for subscription open at the Office, 28 MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE. oc25-6t
OIL SUBSCRIPTIONS.
Subscription Books to the following well-located and desirable tracts of land, situated in the
VENANGO OIL REGION,
and offering an adequate basis for two or more companies, will be opened this day:
No. 1.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land containing fifty acres, being and situate in Tionesta township, Venango county, and State of Pennsylvania. This property has a large front on the Tionesta creek, and is about four miles from the Allegheny river—there is on the creek about twenty acres boring land—balance hilly—no land on the north side of the run on the land. This tract lies immediately between two oil companies.
No. 2.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land containing one hundred and fifty acres, being and situate in Tionesta township, Venango county. This property is part of the Pearmen farm, and also has a large front on Tionesta creek. It has a large ravine on it, and some heavy oak, hickory, and hemlock timber. There are about thirty-five acres boring ground. It is also contiguous to the property of an oil company now at work.
No. 3.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land being and situate in Tionesta township, Venango county. This property contains fifty acres, of which about fifteen acres are boring ground; it fronts on the Tionesta creek, above Lacy's mills, and adjoins part of the property of an oil company.
No. 4.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing twenty-six acres, being and situate in Sugar township, Venango county. It fronts on Stuart's run, and extends across to Sugar Camp run, being not only near the forks of these two streams, but near the Allegheny river. It is part of the Waldo tract. There are about eight acres boring ground.
No. 5.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing sixty acres, being and situate fronting on the Allegheny river, in President township, Venango county, about midway between the towns of President and Tionesta. It joins the Hockstown farm, and also adjoins and is in the immediate vicinity of several oil companies.
No. 6.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing twelve acres, being and situate in Hickory township, Venango county. It is part of the Sutliff tract. It fronts on Hunter's run; is near the Allegheny river, and about a mile and a half northwest of the town of Tionesta. On this twelve acre tract there are about two acres boring ground.
No. 7.
All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing fifty acres, being and situate in Pinegrove township, Venango county, fronting on and near the mouth of a run emptying into Hemlock creek. About six acres boring ground. On this tract is some very heavy oak and hickory timber.
These seven estates embrace four hundred and three acres; of which say one-fourth is boring ground. As will be observed, all these tracts front on the Allegheny and its tributaries. The advantages of being on navigation where oil can be shipped direct from the well without transportation, and where ample timber may be had on the property to feed the engine, are obvious.
As the purchase of either of these tracts would require more money than the majority of persons have at command, it is proposed to divide them into one hundred interests of one thousand dollars each, thus affording the man of limited means, as well as the capitalist, an opportunity to secure an interest in this truly wonderful as well as money making region.
All of these properties have been selected for their eligibility, and, as may be seen by reference to a map, are unusually well located. They are all contiguous to, adjoin, and are between lands of companies having in the aggregate a capital of at least three million of dollars, whose "stock" is being rapidly disposed of.
As all are aware, the usual plan adopted for the development of such a property is to form a company and issue certificates of stock. The plan here proposed may be considered preliminary to the organization of one or more companies on these estates, which will cost the 100 ORIGINAL SUBSCRIBERS but one thousand dollars each, and are subject to no royalty, leases, or mortgages whatsoever, but will be got with an unquestionable title, in fee simple throughout. The subscribers can then, upon this substantial and solid basis, organize one or more companies, elect officers from among themselves, each subscriber being equally eligible to the position of President, Director, &c.
Some idea of the immense value of oil territory may be gathered from the following statements: At Tideonte (the "Economy oil") have yielded about one hundred barrels per day for three years; the "Heydrick," well has within the last three years yielded about 25,000 barrels of oil, and it still continues quite largely worked.
The Noble and Delamater well is pouring forth a constant stream of oil, at the rate of 500 barrels per day, equal to $6,000, or over two million dollars' worth yearly; the Jersey well yields about $5,000 daily. The Hyde and Egbert Farm, thirty-two acres, has been converted into companies, representing over seven million dollars.
The quality of oil in different localities varies. Every well-informed person knows that the oil from Tionesta creek is considered fully equal, if not superior, to any in the oil region.
Cherry Run, not far from some of these properties, and directly resembling them, was purchased in December last for $850. Two acres of the same properties have just been sold for over $400,000—one well having been bored which yields $80,000 per month, or nearly one million dollars per annum.
The land interest (which is entitled to one-half the oil) in three acres on this farm is held at $300,000.
The Columbia Company have four hundred acres in fee simple—that is, free from royalty, lease, or mortgage. Their stock was originally sold at $3.50 per share; it has been sold since at $250 per share. One gentleman, who had two thousand shares, which cost him $5,000, was offered $460,000 for them. Many similar cases might be cited.
THE TERMS
are as follows: No more than one hundred subscriptions will be taken. Not less than one share will be disposed of to any one person, but subscribers can take one or more shares, either for themselves or for others. Ten per cent. to be paid at the time of subscribing, the balance within ten days.
The Hon. Jas. L. Montgomery Bond, Esq., will receipt for subscriptions, to whose order all checks may be drawn, and by whom remittances by mail will be duly acknowledged.
The books will be opened to-day, and subscriptions received by DUNCAN M. MITCHESON.
Office N. E. corner FOURTH and WALNUT Streets,
oc25-3tif Hours 10 to 3. Second story, front room.
NOTICE—BANK OF GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 20, 1864.
Notice is hereby given, agreeably to Section 2 of the Act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act enabling Banks of the Commonwealth to become Associations for the purpose of Banking, under the laws of the United States," approved the 22d day of August, A. D. 1864, that the Stockholders of the Bank of Germantown have this day voted to become such Association; and that the Directors have procured the authority of the owners of more than two-thirds of the Capital Stock to make the certificate required therefor by the laws of the United States.
CHARLES W. OTTO,
oc22 30t Cashier.
PHILADELPHIA, OCT. 20, 1864.
Transportation of remittances to the Treasury Department at Washington, in payment of subscriptions to the recent loan, will be paid by the Department, when by HARDEN'S EXPRESS, Office 607 CHESTNUT Street. oc21-6t*
DAUPHIN AND COLORADO GOLD MINING COMPANY.
Chartered by the State of Pennsylvania.
CAPITAL STOCK, $1,000,000,
200,000 SHARES—PAR VALUE, $5.
President—JOHN B. ANDERSON.
DIRECTORS.
Thomas A. Scott, N. B. Kneass, Wm. S. Freeman, Robt. P. King, John M. Riley, James R. Mazes, John W. Hall, Harrisburg, T. C. McDowell, do. John Brady, do. N. W. Yile, Lancaster, Wm. G. Shute, Colorado. B. F. SOUTHWORTH, Secretary and Treasurer.
Office of the Company, No. 423 WALNUT Street—Room No. 6.
Authenticated specimens have been procured from some of the Company's lodes, and have been assayed by Professors Booth and Garrett with the most gratifying results. Subscription lists have been opened at the Office of the Company and at the Treasurer's Office (Internal Revenue), No. 427 CHESTNUT Street, Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Harrisburg, and Bank of Northern Liberties.
Together with a full assortment of
MILITARY GOODS,
EVANS & HASSALL,
418 ARCH Street.
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BANK OF NORTH AMERICA.
PHILADELPHIA, October 13, 1864.
A general meeting of the STOCKHOLDERS of this Bank will be held at the BANKING-HOUSE on MONDAY, the 14th day of November next, at 11 o'clock A. M., to consider and decide whether this Bank shall become an Association for the business of Banking under the laws of the United States; and whether it shall exercise the powers conferred by the act of the Legislature of this State, entitled "An act enabling the banks of this Commonwealth to become associations for banking under the laws of the United States," approved 22d August, 1864; and to take any further action that may be necessary.
By order of the Board of Directors.
oct1-1mo J. HOCKLEY, Cashier.
COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES AND ECUADOR.
Notice is hereby given that the Commission provided for by the Convention of November 25, 1862, between the United States and Ecuador, for the adjustment of claims, was duly organized at the city of Guayaquil, on the 15th day of August last, and that the said Commission will continue in session for the period of twelve months from that date.
All citizens of the United States having claims upon Ecuador are, therefore notified, to appear in person, or by attorney, and present the proofs in support of their claims to said Commission, or to file their claims and proofs with the Secretary of Commission, Don Antonio Grisanto Medina, " in Guayaquil, in the Republic of Ecuador.
Claims, which shall not be presented to the Commission within the twelve months it remains in existence, will be disregarded by both Governments as considered invalid. FREDERICK HASSANER,
Minister Resident and Commissioner of the United States.
WASHINGTON CITY, October 1, 1864. oct3-1m
OFFICE SOMERSET IRON AND COAL COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA, 61 CEDAR Street, New York, September 27, 1864.
NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting held this day, a resolution of the Board of Directors, passed this day, an installment of TWENTY PER CENT. on the subscription to the Capital Stock of the SOMERSET IRON AND COAL COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA, he and is hereby made, payable to JAMES WADSWORTH, Treasurer of said Company, on or before November 1st, 1864.
Attest T. M. TYNG,
oct-1mol Secretary.
TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY.
CALVERT STATION, BALTIMORE, October 21, 1864.
DIVIDEND NO. 3.—The President and Directors of this Company have this day declared a DIVIDEND OF TWO (2) PER CENT., clear of National and State taxes, for the year ending September 30th, payable to the Stockholders on the 10th of NOVEMBER next, at this office.
Transfers on the books will be closed from the 1st until the 10th of November inclusive. By order,
oc24-mwf10t J. S. LEIB, Treasurer.
CONSOLIDATION BANK,
PHILADELPHIA, October 13, 1864.
An election for Directors to serve the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on MONDAY, 21st day of November next, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. JOSEPH N. PRIESOL,
oc14-fmwtn014 Cashier.

The Press.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1864.

THE ARMY ON JAMES RIVER.

Cold Weather—Skirmishing on the Right—The Vote of the New York Regiments—Exchanging Papers—Has Lee's Army been Weakened?

[Special Correspondence of The Press.]

HEADQUARTERS ARMY POTOMAC, October 23, 1864.

Yesterday was by far the coldest day of the season, the atmosphere being almost wintry. In the afternoon it threatened rain, and the wind, off and on, blew a small hurricane, filling the air with blinding clouds of dust, and divesting "life in the open air" of nine-tenths of its romance. To-day has been very fine, though somewhat chilly. It is magnificent weather for army operations, and the wish is pretty general that Grant may take advantage of it.

Not half a dozen shots have been fired during the day, as far as we have heard, but last night there was some pretty brisk cannonading on the right. Such a thing is unusual on cloudy nights, and it was probably due to the fact that the rebel artillerists, who are scantily clad, were compelled to resort to this kind of exercise to keep themselves warm.

The commissioners appointed by New York to take the proxy vote of regiments from that State, for Presidential electors, are busily and quietly proceeding with the work. In the regiments from New York City a considerable number of votes have been cast for McClellan, but the soldiers from the balance of the State almost universally cast their ballots for the Administration. Both parties complain that a sufficient number of the printed ballots have not been distributed, to secure to every voter the elective franchise.

Of late the rebel pickets have not been quite so solicitous to exchange newspapers with us as formerly was the case. Perhaps an order from Lee about the matter may explain their change of mood. Heretofore they have set a high estimate upon *Harper's Weekly* and *Frank Leslie*, for one copy of either of which they would give half-a-dozen Richmond papers. But yesterday, and for several days past, they have refused to continue the exchange, and their pickets, when hailed, did not design to give us any response. Undoubtedly some movement is about to take place, or has taken place, about which they do not consider it essential we should get definite information. It is the opinion of some that Lee's army has been materially weakened within the past fortnight to reinforce Longstreet, and the opinion seems plausible enough. But if Richmond and Petersburg have been weakened in this respect, they have been strengthened in another. For a week past the trains upon the Southside Railroad have been heard upon our left, running almost constantly, and, undoubtedly, immense supplies have been gathered into the depots and magazines of the rebel capital.

For the first time in the experience of your correspondent, and for the first time in the history of this campaign, the sutlers' booths were closed to-day, out of respect to the Sabbath, an order to that effect having been issued. The order is an old one, but has hitherto been a dead letter. C. EDMUNDS.

HEAVY CANNONADING ALONG THE LINES—THE REBELS REPLY VERY RARELY—OUR LINES BEING STRAIGHTENED AND STRENGTHENED—AN ORDER AGAINST RACING IN THE ARMY—PASSES REQUIRED UPON THE MILITARY RAILROAD.

[Special Correspondence of The Press.]

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, BEFORE PETERSBURG, October 24—11 P. M.

There has been heavy and continuous firing along our lines to-day, particularly along the centre. It is impossible to say at present whether or not it was General Grant's design to provoke a general engagement in this matter. The rebels very rarely, indeed, condescended to make reply, for the good reason that ammunition is exceedingly scarce with them, and their communications with the rest of the Confederacy are now in much greater hazard of being severed than they have ever been before. Last night, however, they threw a few shells into Forts Davis and Wadsworth, without hurting anybody.

Perhaps the heavy firing to-day may be partially explained by the other fact that fatigue-parties have been engaged in straightening our lines, advancing them a little here and there, and strengthening positions that before might be considered strong. New earthworks have been thrown up, and before the sturdy strokes of our axemen acres of timber land have been cleared away, as though by magic. Meanwhile, let it be understood that these measures are not allowed to interfere with the preparations for aggressive action, which proceed as usual, under the anxious supervision of General Meade, and their coadjutors.

The following extract of an order, designed for the most part to put a stop to the horse-racing lately so common here, has just been issued, and is universally approved, the horse-jockeys only dissenting:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, October 22, 1864.

XII. All racing of horses, either public or private, is prohibited on the lines and in this army, as the practice leads to the use and abuse of public animals.

The Provost Marshal General is directed to cause the arrest of all mounted men and all other persons found riding public horses when not on duty or not having proper authority.

By command of Major General Meade:

A. WILLIAMS, A. A. G.

An order has likewise been issued requiring all officers, soldiers, and civilians to obtain a pass or certificate that they are on public business, before they can be allowed to travel on the railroad to or from City Point. C. EDMUNDS.

CONTINUED ARTILLERY PRACTICE AND SKIRMISHING—TWO DIVISIONS OF LEE'S ARMY ABSENT—OUR SHARPSHOOTERS ACTIVE.

[Special Correspondence of The Press.]

BEFORE PETERSBURG, Oct. 25, 1864.

The battery west of the Weldon Railroad, near Fort Wadsworth, fired several shots in the direction of the enemy's works. No response from the rebel artillery. Lower down, near Fort Hell, the artillery practice was more inspiriting. Throughout the night, skirmishing was incessant, ever and anon bursting forth into a half-smothered volley. On our left flank all is quiet and composed. As Lee has sent one fifth of about two divisions of his army, they are satisfied to remain inactive. Any movement that would give offence is apparently suppressed and prohibited, lest, peradventure, Grant might swoop down upon them before the return of their absent legions.

The 147th New York expect to be armed with Spencer rifles, as they have been selected by the commanding officer to do the skirmishing for the brigade. Much more attention is now paid to sharpshooters, their weapons, and practice, than ever before. Constant skirmishing before Petersburg, and the continual crack of rebel rifles, have been valuable lessons to our troops. It is a common sight to see a detachment of sharpshooters stealing towards the front every night, where their guns can always be responding to the rebels.

In spite of many cloudy demonstrations, there has yet been no visitation of rain or snow. Every brick, and board in the country is being pressed into the service by some soldier who is building a chimney or flooring his tent. R. H. McB.

Jeff Davis at Columbia, S. C.

HIS VIEWS REGARDING A CONVENTION OF THE STATES—HIS HOPES FOR THE CONFEDERACY.

The Columbia *South Carolinian* gives a full report of Jeff. Davis' speech, delivered at that place on the 4th inst., the main portions of which are as follows:

* * * South Carolina has struggled nobly in the war and suffered many sacrifices. There is, indeed, no portion of our land where the pall of mourning has not been spread; but I thank the Giver of all Good that our people still remain firm there, above all other places. I am told there have been none to waver and none to doubt. If there be any who feel that our cause is in danger, that final success may not crown our efforts, that we are