FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The following is a comparative statement of the condition of the Philadelphia Banks yesterday and on last Monday:

	Dec. 12	Dec. 19.
Capital stock	$13,318,640	$13,329,744
Loans	45,836,381	46,460,087
Specie	1,983,592	1,943,143
U. S. legal-tender	13,100,127	13,280,838
Deposits	39,622,645	39,168,580
Circulation	2,356,673	2,371,679

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF THE PHILADELPHIA BANKS.

BANKS.	Capital.	Loans.	Specie.	L. T. Notes.	Due from Banks.	Due to Banks.	Deposits.	Circul'n.
Philadelphia National	$1,500,000	$5,206,000	$98,000	$1,804,000	$254,000	$694,000	$3,659,000	$48,000
North America	1,000,000	4,329,621	201,141	1,239,676	77,488	772,239	3,686,018	64,709
Farmers' & Mechanics' Nat.	2,000,000	6,514,092	601,268	1,786,776	234,617	828,880	6,148,053	62,000
Commercial National	1,000,000	1,911,000	177,000	445,000	108,000	197,000	1,420,000	26,000
Mechanics' National	800,000	2,349,000	61,000	695,000	175,000	202,000	1,619,000	81,022
Nat. Bk. Northern Liberties	500,000	2,105,000	91,500	409,000	128,000	194,000	1,685,000	38,000
Southwark National	250,000	1,553,483	14,498	360,550	63,563	63,068	1,300,153	25,530
Kensington National	250,000	1,187,651	82,153	278,000	11,906	8,609	1,103,013	132,467
Penn Township National	300,000	965,417	67,040	276,807	66,973	40,369	815,372	16,773
Western	418,600	2,080,838	211,419	711,516	359,139	304,193	2,316,560	15,663
Manufacturers' National	670,150	1,775,000	......	380,650	367,000	235,000	1,621,360	26,460
National Bank of Commerce	260,000	966,786	73,936	246,363	47,693	10,418	1,004,104	64,490
Girard National	1,000,000	2,699,000	137,722	691,000	196,000	169,000	2,212,000	6,974
Tradesmen's National	200,000	669,929	60,481	372,879	34,280	32,686	825,064	21,150
Consolidation National	300,000	1,210,389		515,365	73,607	56,766	907,692	230,313
City National	400,000	1,062,250	70,904	393,455	86,283	51,715	944,500	169,361
Commonwealth National	237,100	811,812	76,681	289,931	180,617	8,940	871,857	164,030
Corn Exchange National	500,000	1,489,000	22,000	480,000	328,000	273,000	735,000	32,000
Union National	249,280	592,000	22,000	259,000	65,000	17,000	1,495,000	146,600
First National	1,000,000	6,139,000	......	1,886,000	874,000	2,600,000	3,728,000	674,000
Third National	200,000	606,669	......	166,274	95,444	106,802	403,973	161,400
Fourth National	150,000	610,030	......	185,920	71,250	203,890	354,720	67,500
Sixth National	91,740	229,230	......	62,647	17,465	6,730	161,232	60,610
Seventh National	112,864	331,000	......	75,000	104,000	9,000	320,000	62,000
Total	13,329,744	46,460,067	1,943,143	13,280,838	4,064,029	7,003,063	39,168,580	2,371,679

	Clearings.	Balances.
Dec. 12	$7,433,113 23	$561,683 21
" 13	8,032,181 24	919,731 17
" 14	6,628,432 73	656,443 63
" 15	6,752,677 44	480,404 78
" 16	6,962,139 66	440,546 35
" 17	5,998,631 89	460,206 31
	$41,707,065 69	$3,409,015 50

The banks of this city will be closed on Monday next, December 26, also on Monday, January 2, 1865. This is in accordance with previous custom, when holidays come on Sunday.

The stock market was rather dull yesterday, as is usual at the approach of the new year. Government loans were in steady demand, though prices were less firm. The 5-20 bonds sold at 109, a decline of ¼, and the 10-40 bonds at 102⅜, a decline of ⅝; the new 7-30 notes brought 99¾, and the 1881 loan, coupon off, 110. The miscellaneous railway share list was very dull. Pennsylvania Railroad declined 1¼, Reading Railroad ⅜, Catawissa preferred ⅜, and Camden and Amboy Railroad ¾. Little Schuylkill Railroad was steady at 44¾. In Company bonds there was very little said. Camden and Amboy 6s 1875 sold at 99, and 6s of 1883 at 100¼; Reading bonds 1870 at 102, Sunbury and Erie 7s at 107, and Elmira 7s at the same price. Of the bank stocks there were sales reported of Philadelphia at 156¾, Union at 63, and Girard at 63. The oil stocks were generally steady. Curtin again advanced, selling at 16; Maple Shade remained at 38¾. Race and Vine-street Passenger Railroad sold at 11¼, and Thirteenth and Fifteenth-street at 28. Canal and mining stocks generally were dull.

The following were the quotations of gold at the hours named:

10 A. M. 223
10½ A. M. 221
11¼ A. M. 216
11½ A. M. 217½
11¾ A. M. 215
12 M. 212
12¼ P. M. 214
12¾ P. M. 214½
1 P. M. 215
4 P. M. 218

The following were the closing quotations for the navigation, mining, and oil stocks:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Schuyl Nav	33¼	33½	Globe Oil	..	1¾
Schuyl Nav pref	39½	39¾	Howe's Eddy Oil	..	1½
Susq Canal	14¾	15½	Hibbard Oil	2⅝	2¾
Big Mount Coal	6⅛		Hoge Island	..	3
Clinton Coal	..	1½	Hyde Farm	3	3¼
Fulton Coal	7¾	7⅞	Irwin Oil	10⅝	10¾
Feeder Dam Coal	½	⅝	Keystone Oil	1½	1¾
Green Mt Coal	4	4½	Krotzer	1⅛	1¼
Keystone Zinc	1¾	2¼	Maple Shade Oil	37½	39½
N Y & Mid Cl F'd	10	12	McClintock Oil	5	5½
N Carbondale	..	2	Mineral Oil	3⅜	3½
New Creek Coal	1	1¼	Mingo	..	3⅛
Penn Mining	..	19	McElheny Oil	5½	5¾
Atlas	1½	2	McCrea & Cherry R	..	3
Allegheny River	..	1¾	Noble & Del	9¾	10½
Alleghy & Tideout	1⅜	1½	Oil Creek	7½	8
Big Tank	2⅝	2¾	Organic Oil	1	1 1-16
Branden Island	..	3	Olmstead Oil	..	2
Beacon Oil	..	1¼	Penna Petro Co	..	3
Bruner Oil	1	1¼	Perry Oil	4⅝	4¾
Bull Creek	2 94	3½	Phila & Tideout	..	3
Briggs Oil	4.94	5	Pope Farm Oil	..	1¾
Burning Spring	1	1¼	Petroleum Centre	3¾	3¾
Continental Oil	2.81	3	Phila & Oil Creek	1⅝	1¾
Crescent City	1¾	2½	Revenue	2½	2¾
Curtin	15⅜	16⅝	Roberts Oil	..	2
Corn Planter	6⅞	7	Rock Oil	3⅞	..
Caldwell	6⅝	7	Rathbone Petrol	1⅞	3
Cow Creek	1¼	2 1-16	Sherman	..	3¼
Cherry Run	26	29½	Seneca Oil	..	7
Dunkard Oil	..	1	Story Farm Oil	3 3-16	3⅝
Dunkard Creek Oil	1¾	2	Schuyl & Oil Crk	..	3⅝
Densmore Oil	..	8	Sunbury	..	3⅝
Dalzell Oil	8⅜	8¾	Tarr Farm	3¼	3⅞
Excelsior Oil	1¾	1½	Tarr Homestead	4⅝	5¼
Egbert	8⅝	8.81	Union Petroleum	1.94	2
Eldorado	2	2½	Upper Economy	..	1½
Farrel Oil	¾	1¼	Venango Oil	..	1
Franklin Oil	1.56	1⅝	Walnut Island	3	3 1-16
Great Western	..	5	Watson	..	4
Germania	1 1-16	1¼			

A new banking firm, under the copartnership title of Adams & Levis, have commenced business at 305 Chestnut street, and will negotiate for the sale and purchase of Government and other stocks for those who may favor them with their orders.

The following banks have added to their capital since last report, as follows:

First	Smithfield, Ohio	$37,000
Fifth	Chicago, Ill.	50,000
Market	Boston, Mass.	240,000
First	Ann Arbor, Mich.	50,000
First	Yarmouth, Mass.	175,000
First	Jamesburg, N. Y.	15,000
First	Wilmington, Ill.	25,000
First	Lewiston, Maine	50,000
First	Winchendon, Mass.	25,000
Millbury	Millbury, Mass.	50,000
Second	Rockford, Ill.	50,000
First	Newburyport, Mass.	100,000
First	Killingly, Conn.	55,000
Total		$898,000
Aggregate additional capital		$6,326,000
Previously authorized		$121,756,020

Whole number of banks authorized to date six hundred and thirty-one, with a total capital of $128,151,020.

The following additional depositories of the public money have been designated by the Secretary of the Treasury: First, Elizabeth, N. J.; Lancaster, Lancaster, Mass.; Girard, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mechanics', Newburyport, Mass.; First, Reading, Pa.

Amount of currency issued to the national banks for week ending December 17 ....$1,632,900
Previously issued 70,750,840

Total currency issued $72,383,740

Drexel & Co. quote:

United States bonds, 1881 ....116¾@117¼
United States Certif. of Indebtedness ....97½@ 97¾
Quartermasters' Vouchers ....94½@ 95½
Gold ....216 @218
Sterling Exchange ....234½@238
Five-twenty Bonds ....109 @109½

PHILADELPHIA STOCK EXCHANGE SALES, Dec. 19.

BEFORE BOARDS.

600 Egbert ....lots 8⅝ | 200 O C k & Ch'y Run. 3⅜
100 Dalzell Oil .... 8⅝ | 200 do b60 4
200 Germania 1

FIRST BOARD.

60 U S 5-20s ....108¾ | 100 Schuyl Nav..C&P 33⅜
3000 do ....109⅛ | 110 Delaware Div.lots 39
1000 State 5s ....93¾ | 200 Reading R s30 57¼
2000 U'n Canal bds.lots 21 | 100 do s30 57¾
3980 Reading 6s, '70 ...102 | 3 Penna R 66
4000 U S 10-40s .....lots102⅜ | 50 do b5 66
1000 Elmira 7s ....107 | 20 Lit Schuyl R 44¾
4000 Sunb & Erie 7s.lots 107 | 11 13th & 15th-st R.... 28
100 Excelsior .... 1¾ | 100 R & Vine-st R.b30 11¼
200 Mingo .... 3⅜ | 400 Feeder Dam....lots ⅝
100 Mineral Oil .... 3⅜ | 50 Northern Cent 55
50 Phillips Oil .... 5 | 100 Seneca 6⅜
300 Union Petro.lots b5 2 | 100 Howe's Eddy 1⅜
200 OC'k & C'y Run.b5 3⅜ | 100 Egbert Oil 8⅝
20 Girard 63

BETWEEN BOARDS.

2000 Reading Bds '70..102 | 100 Read R...opg&int 57⅜
3 Penna R .... 66 | 100 El Dorado 2
4000 C & Am 6s '83.lts..100¼ | 8 Penna R ....lts 65⅜
50 Oil Creek .... 8 | 900 Dalzell Oil.....lts 8⅝
100 N Central .... 54¾ | 3000 U S 6s '81...cp off.110
700 U S 5-20 Bds.lts.n.109 | 5000 do ....cp off.110⅛
300 do ....in 100s.109 | 300 Curtin Oil 16
500 Harrisburg Bds .100 | 100 Sch Nav b30 33⅜
200 Story Farm .....lts 2¼ | 400 City 6s new..C&P 99
300 Walnut Isld...lts 3 1-16 | 14 Norristown R 53
50 Cataw R ....pref 37⅜ | 100 Swatara Falls 6
200 Perry Oil .... 4⅝ | 100 Krotzer Oil 1⅜
200 do .... 4⅞ | 200 Pope Farm .... ¾

SECOND BOARD.

500 U S Tr7-30 Nts.nw 99⅜ | 5 Union Bank 63
1000 State 5s ....b5 93 | 100 Organic Oil 1
1000 U S 6s '81.lts.cpoff 110 | 200 Walnut Isld....b5 3 1-16
5000 C & Am 6s '75. lts 99 | 300 Oil Creek ....lts 8
100 Read R C&P..b5 57 | 4 Philada Bank 156¾
100 Caldwell .... 7 | 100 Map Shade..b5&int 38⅜

AFTER BOARDS.

100 Penna R ....b5 65 | 200 New Creek Coal 1⅛
28 do .... 65 | 300 Big Tank 2⅝
200 Catawissa R .... 16⅛ | 100 Briggs 4-94
50 do ....pref 37⅜ | 100 Curtin 16
150 do ....lots.pref 37⅞ | 100 do 16
100 Dunkard Oil .... 1 | 100 do b30 16⅛
300 Story Farm ....b5 2¾ | 200 Caldwell 6⅞
100 Reading R C & P. 57 | 100 do b60 7
500 do lts. opg&int 57⅜ | 300 Dalzell 8⅝
100 do ....b30 57⅜ | 300 Excelsior 1-44
2000 Cam & Amb 6s '75. 99 | 500 Germania 1 1-16
100 Maple Shade....b15 38⅜ | 400 Story Farm ....lots 2⅝
1000 Hunt&B'd Top 3ds 95 | 400 Krotzer 1⅜
200 Union Petro....lots 2 | 100 Oil Creek 8
100 Walnut Island.... 2-94 | 250 Perry 4¾
200 do .... 3 | 300 Pope Farm .... ¾
300 U S 6s .....coup.off.110 | 200 Reading..C & P..s5 57⅜
4000 U S 5 20 B'ds.reg.109 | 200 do..C & P. 2 dys 57⅜
300 do ....109 | 200 Walnut Island 3
200 Caldwell Oil .... 6⅞ | 150 Caldwell b30 6⅞
5 Cam & Amb .... 151 | 200 do s30 6⅝
100 Dalzell Oil ....b5 8⅝ | 100 Catawissa pref 37⅛
100 Perry Oil .... 4⅝ | 100 Corn Planter 6⅞
200 Bruner Oil .... 1¼ | 300 Dalzell 8⅝
300 do .... 1-56 | 300 Caldwell 6⅞
200 Reading ....s30 57 | 100 Tarr Farm b5 3⅝
50 Perry .... 4⅝ | 100 Union Petro 2
5000 Great Basin .... 3⅛ | 400 Eldorado 2 1-16
6000 U S 10-40s ....102⅜ | 300 Reading 57⅜
17 Penna R .... 65 | 50 Walnut Island 3 1-16
27 Schuy Nav .... 33 | 50 do 3
200 St. Nicholas .... 4⅝ | 50 Pope Farm .... ¾

"OUTSIDE ROOM" SALES.

200 Perry ....b5 5 | 100 Phila & Tideout .b5 3⅜
50 Excelsior .... 1⅜ | 100 do 3
100 Reading..opg & int 57⅜ | 200 Walnut Island 2.94
45 do ....opg & int 57⅜ | 100 Big Tank 2 1-16
100 do-b5 C&P & int 57⅜ | 500 Hibbard 2⅝

The New York *Post* of yesterday says:

Gold opened at 221, and, after falling to 211¾, rose to 216. The loan market is dull, as is usual at this season. The abundance of capital in quest of investment on call is still accumulating. At seven per cent. there is no difficulty in obtaining loans on miscellaneous securities. Commercial paper is quiet at 7@9½. The bank statement shows an increase in loans of two million, and in deposits a decrease of two million three hundred and fifty one thousand dollars. The changes in the circulation are unimportant. The six hundred and thirty-one National banks now authorized have an aggregate capital of $128,151,020. The currency now amounts to $72,383,740, of which $1,632,900 were issued during the week ending December 17.

The stock market opened dull and closed heavy. Governments are firm. New five twenties are active and wanted at 109⅛@109¼, coupon sixes of 1881 at 117⅜@117½, certificates at 97⅛@97¼, and ten-forties at 102⅜@102½. The subscriptions for the ten-forties are suspended for the present, as the first series of one hundred millions has been taken, and some doubt is expressed as to whether the second series, amounting to an equal sum, will not be for the present withdrawn.

Coal stocks are steady, bank shares firm, mining stocks neglected, petroleum stocks less excited, railroad bonds quiet, and State stocks flat.

Railroad shares are depressed and irregular. Michigan Central is the weakest on the list, and has fallen [illegible], in consequence of the fear of further com[illegible] Canada.

[illegible] quotations were made at the board as [illegible] of Saturday afternoon:

	Mon.	Sat.	Adv.	Dec.
United States [illegible]	117¼	116¾	⅝	..
United States 10-[illegible]	[illegible]	102⅜	[illegible]	..
United States certificates	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
American Gold	[illegible]	109	[illegible]	..
Reading Railroad	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Pittsburg Railroad	[illegible]	[illegible]	..	⅜

After the board Reading closed at 114⅞ [illegible] 10. [illegible] call Reading closed at 113⅞, Pittsburg at 103⅞ [illegible] 1⅞

Philadelphia Markets.

DECEMBER 19—Evening.

The Flour market is very dull, and the demand is limited, owing to the decline in gold. The only sales we hear of are in a small way to the retailers and bakers at from $9.50@10 for supe: fine, $10.50@11.25 for extra, $11.50@12.50 for extra family, and $12.75@13.50 ₰ bbl for fancy brands, as to quality. Rye Flour and Corn Meal are quiet.

GRAIN.—The demand for Wheat is limited and the market is dull. Small sales of reds are making at 250@265c for fair to prime, and white at 285@290c ₰ bu, as to quality. Rye is selling in a small way at 175c ₰ bu. Corn is very dull. New yellow is offered at 170c ₰ bu. 1,300 bus old and new mixed sold at 180c ₰ bu. Old yellow is held at 188c ₰ bu. Oats are firmly held; 3,000 bus sold at 92c ₰ bu.

BARK.—There is little or nothing doing; first No. 1 Quercitron is held at $42.50 ₰ ton.

COTTON.—Prices have declined, and the market is very dull. Middlings are quoted at 128@130c ₰ lb, cash.

GROCERIES.—There is little or nothing doing in Sugar or Coffee, and prices are unsettled and lower, owing to the decline in gold.

IRON.—Pig Metal continues dull, and there is very little doing. Anthracite is quoted at $50@60 ₰ ton for the three numbers.

PROVISIONS.—Holders are firm in their views, but there is little or nothing doing in the way of sales. Mess Pork is quoted at $40@42 ₰ bbl.

SEEDS.—Flaxseed is in steady demand, with sales 300 bushels at $3.75, and 1,000 bushels on private terms. Timothy is quoted at $5 ₰ bushel. Cloverseed is scarce and in demand. About 200 bushels sold at $14.25@14.50 ₰ 64 lbs.

WHISKY.—Prices have advanced, and the demand is good; 500 bbls sold sold at 205@210c ₰ gallon, closing firm at the latter rate.

The following are the receipts of Flour and Grain at this port to-day:

Flour ....1,670 bbls.
Wheat ....6,700 bus.
Corn ....2,200 bus.
Oats ....4,900 bus.

Philadelphia Cattle Market.

DECEMBER 19—Evening.

The arrivals and sales of Beef Cattle have fallen off this week, reaching about 2,100 head. The market is rather dull, but prices are well maintained, and extra Pennsylvania and Western Steers have advanced. Sales are making at 17½@19½c for first quality—the latter rate for choice; 15@16½c for No. 2, and common at from 10@14c ₰ lb, as to quality.

Cows are unchanged. About 100 head sold at from $30 up to $90 ₰ head, as to quality.

SHEEP are firmly held, and prices are rather better; 3,000 head sold at 7@8½c ₰ lb, gross.

HOGS are better; 3,400 head arrived and sold at from $15@17.50 the 100 lbs, net.

The Cattle on sale to-day are from the following States:

900 head from Pennsylvania.
650 head from Illinois.
575 head from Ohio.

The following are the particulars of the sales:

50 Chester county, Martin Fuller & Co., 14@17½c.
102 Ohio, Mooney & Smith, 15@17½c.
62 Chester county, Homes & Kimble, 15@18c.
45 Chester county, A. Kennedy, 14@16½c.
32 Chester county, B. Baldwin, 11@17c.
100 Western, Jas. McFillen, 18@19c.
90 Western, P. Hathaway, 18@18½c.
58 Western, P. McFillen, 18@17½c.
60 Chester county, M. Ullman, 15@19½c.
80 Pennsylvania, H. Chain, 10@16c.
20 Pennsylvania, J. & J. Chain, 10@15c.
20 Western, J. Aull, 12@14c.
30 Chester county, E. Nealey, 14@17c.
45 Chester county, Chandler & Co., 15@18c.
86 Western, T. Duffey, 12@14c.
110 Western, Duffy & Co., 18@17c.
60 Chester county, J. Webb, 13@17c.
20 Chester county, M. Corson, 15@18c.
90 Chester county, B. Hood, 12@17½c.
40 Lancaster county, Climpson, 12@16c.
49 Pennsylvania, Morgan, 11@15c.
100 Pennsylvania, Dryfoos & Co., 11@15c.
73 Western, A. Lenz, 12@16c.
170 Western, Frank & Co., 12@16c.

COWS AND CALVES.

The arrivals and sales of Cows at Phillips' Avenue Drove Yard reach about 100 head this week. There is a good demand, and prices remain about the same as last quoted. Springers are selling at from $30 to $70, and Cow and Calf at $35 up to $90 ₰ head, as to quality.

CALVES are firmly held. 40 head sold at from 9@10½c ₰ lb, as to quality.

THE SHEEP MARKET.

The arrivals and sales of Sheep at Phillips' Avenue Drove Yard are small this week, only reaching about 3,000 head. The market, in consequence, is very firm, and prices are rather better, with sales of common to good at 7@8c, and extra at from 8¼@8½c ₰ lb, gross, according to quality.

THE HOG MARKET.

The arrivals and sales of Hogs at the Union and Avenue Drove Yards reach about 3,400 head this week. The market is more active and prices have advanced, with sales at $15@17.50 the 100 lbs net, the latter for prime corn fed.

2,380 head sold at Henry Glass' Union Drove Yard at from $15@17.50 the 100 lbs net.

1,020 head sold at Phillips' Avenue Drove Yard at from $15 up to 17.50 the 100 lbs net, as to quality.

New York Markets, Dec. 19.

ASHES continue dull and nominal.

BREADSTUFFS.—The market for State and Western Flour is dull, heavy, and 20c lower; sales of 4,000 bbls at $9.50@9.65 for superfine State; $10@10.10 for extra State; $10.75@11 25 for choice do; $9.50@9.70 for superfine Western; $10@10.50 for common to medium extra Western; $10.85@11 for common to good shipping brands extra round hoop Ohio, and $11.05@12 for trade brands.

Southern Flour is dull and lower; sales of 300 bbls at $10.50@12 for common, and $12.10@15 for fancy and extra. Canadian Flour is dull, and 20c lower; sales 250 bbls at $10@10.20 for common, and $10.25@12 for good to choice extra.

Rye Flour is quiet. Corn Meal is dull. Wheat is dull and nominal, and 7@8c lower; sales 4,200 bus good Chicago spring at $2.28, and 7,000 bus winter red Western at p.t.

Rye is dull and nominal. Barley is quiet. Barley malt is dull. Oats are dull and lower, at $1.04 for Western. The Corn market is dull and nominal at $1 88@1.90 for Western mixed.

WHISKY.—The market is active and firmer; sales 2,000 bbls at $2.03 for State, and $2.03@2 06 for Western.

TALLOW is heavy and lower; sales 50,000 lbs. at 16¾@17½c.

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DAMAGED OATS.—Will be sold at public auction, on FRIDAY, December 23d, at 12 o'clock, M., at No. 248 NORTH WHARVES, Philadelphia, 1,544 BUSHELS OF DAMAGED OATS, condemned as unfit for use of Government.

S. L BROWN,
de20-4t Col. Q. M. Dept, U. S. A.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, CINCINNATI, Ohio, December 15, 1864.

PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M., SATURDAY, December 31, 1864, from dealers, for such of the following articles as they can furnish, for the Quartermaster's Department, U. S. Army:

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2 barrels best Copal Varnish.
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When samples are furnished they must have the name of the bidder upon them, and be numbered to correspond with the bids.

The articles bid for, and time of delivery, must be stated, and each bid must be guaranteed by two responsible sureties, guaranteeing over their own signatures that the bidder will enter into bond for the fulfilment of his contract, should one be awarded him.

Bids will be opened at the time above specified, and bidders are invited to be present.

The right is reserved to reject any bid deemed unreasonable.

By order of Col. Wm. W. McKim, Chief Quartermaster, Cincinnati depot.

A. J. PHELPS,
de20 7t Captain and A. Q. M.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M., SATURDAY, December 24, 1864, for the immediate delivery at the United States Storehouse, HANOVER-STREET WHARF, of the following articles—viz:

5,000 feet Oak Boards, 1 inch, square edge, well seasoned.
5,000 feet Oak Plank, 2 inches thick, well seasoned.
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All of the above-described to be of the best quality, and subject to the inspection of an inspector appointed on the part of the Government.

Bidders will state price, to include delivery, both in writing and figures, the quantity bid for, and the time of delivery.

Each bid must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, whose signatures must be appended to the guarantee, *and certified to* as being good and sufficient security for any amount involved, by the United States District Judge, Attorney, or Collector, or other public officer, otherwise the bid will not be considered.

The right is reserved to reject all bids deemed too high, and no bid from a defaulting contractor will be received.

By order of Colonel Herman Biggs, Chief Quartermaster.

GEORGE R. ORME,
de20-5t Captain and A. Q. M.

ARMY SUPPLIES.

CLOTHING BUREAU, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, Dec. 8, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the respective offices of Army Clothing and Equipage in New York City and Philadelphia, until 12 o'clock M., on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, for furnishing by contract, at the Depot of Army Clothing and Equipage in either city, at the option of the contractors:

200,000 Army Blankets, wool, gray (with the letters U. S. in black, 4 inches long, in the centre), to be seven feet long and five feet six inches wide, to weigh five pounds each.

Proposals will be received for the delivery of Blankets of either American or English manufacture, but must be, in all respects, equal to the Army Standard, at the respective Depots where they are to be delivered.

Bidders will state the number they wish to furnish; how soon they can commence, and the number they can deliver monthly.

Proposals must be accompanied by a proper guarantee, signed by at least two responsible parties, setting forth that if a contract is awarded to the party making the bid, that he, or they, will at once execute the contract, and give bonds for the proper fulfillment of the same.

The right is reserved by the United States to reject any part or the whole of the bids as may be deemed for the interest of the service.

Proposals should be endorsed "Proposals for Furnishing Blankets," and those for New York should be addressed to Brigadier General D. H. VINTON, Deputy Quartermaster General, New York city, and those for Philadelphia should be addressed to Colonel HERMAN BIGGS, Quartermaster's Department, Philadelphia. de13-8t

LEGAL.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA.

John J. Hallowell vs. Joseph B. Evans, alias Venditioni Exponas, Sept., 1864, No. 347.

The auditor appointed by the Court to report the distribution of a fund produced by a sheriff's sale, under the above writ, of all that certain three-story brick messuage or tenement, back buildings, and lot or piece of ground, situate on the east side of Eleventh street, at the distance of three hundred and four feet southward from the south side of Girard street, in the Twentieth ward, of the city of Philadelphia; containing in front or breadth on the said Eleventh street seventeen feet (including on the north side thereof the southernmost half part of an alley three feet in width by the whole depth of the thereby granted lot,) and extending in length or depth eastward of that width seventy-one feet, to the one-half inches to a four-feet wide alley leading northward and communicating with the said three-feet wide alley, subject to the yearly ground rent of $57, will attend to the duties of his appointment, on WEDNESDAY the Twenty-eighth day of December, A. D. 1864, at 3½ o'clock P. M., at his office, No. 142 South EIGHTH Street, Philadelphia, when and where all parties interested must present their claims or they will be debarred from coming in on said fund.

de15-10t JOHN B. COLAHAN, Auditor.

ESTATE OF ABRAHAM FRANCE, DECEASED.—LETTERS TESTAMENTARY upon the Estate of ABRAHAM FRANCE, late of the City of Philadelphia, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said Estate will please make payment, and those having claims will present the same without delay to

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del7-3m C. H. MANN, Proprietor.

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ASHLAND, Pa., Nov. 9, 1864. no24-1m

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PROPOSALS.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER, DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA, No. 721 MARKET Street, Dec. 15, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until noon of MONDAY, Dec. 26, 1864, for furnishing the United States with forage, viz: Corn, Oats, Hay, and Straw, for the use of animals in the public service at this post or district, including Chester, Fort Mifflin, Chestnut Hill, Nicetown, Haddington, Beverly, N. J., White Hall, and any other locality within this command that may be directed, for the period of six months from January 1, 1865. All grain to be of the best quality, 32 pounds to the bushel of Oats, and 56 pounds to the bushel of Corn. Hay of best quality timothy. Straw of good quality, Rye or Wheat as may be ordered; all to be inspected and approved as delivered.

Proposals will state price per 100 pounds for hay and straw, and per bushel for grain, delivered at places of consumption in such quantities and at such times as may be ordered.

Bidders should give their names in full, as well as their place of residence, and each proposal should be accompanied by a bond in the sum of ten thousand dollars, signed by two or more responsible persons, guaranteeing that in case a contract is awarded for the forage they will enter into bonds for the fulfilment of the contract.

The United States reserves the right to reject all bids deemed incompatible with its interests.

ALBERT S. ASHMEAD,
de15-t26 Captain and A. Q. M.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT, PHILADELPHIA, December 15, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M., WEDNESDAY, December 21st, 1864, for the immediate delivery at the United States Store House, HANOVER-Street Wharf, of

ONE HUNDRED (100) PAULINS.

To be made in the best manner, of 15-ounce cotton duck, best quality, army standard, size 20 by 30 feet, when finished, and subject to the inspection of an inspector, appointed on the part of the Government. Samples of duck required.

Bidders will state price both in writing and figures, the quantity bid for, and time of delivery. Price to include packages and delivery.

Each bid must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, whose signatures must be appended to the guarantee, *and certified to*, as being good and sufficient security for the amount involved, by the United States District Judge, Attorney, or Collector, or other public officer, otherwise the bid will not be considered.

The right is reserved to reject all bids deemed too high, and no bid from a defaulting contractor will be received.

By order of Col. Herman Biggs, Chief Quartermaster.

GEORGE R. ORME,
de15-6t Captain and A. Q. M.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER, No. 1103 GIRARD Street.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until noon of WEDNESDAY, 21st inst., for furnishing the Stationery that may be required at this office, in accordance with the following schedule, for six months commencing January 1, 1865:

White Cap Paper, ruled, to weigh not less than 12 pounds per ream.
White Legal Cap Paper, ruled, to weigh not less than 12 pounds per ream.
White Letter Paper, ruled, to weigh not less than 9 pounds per ream.
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White Folio Post Paper, ruled. Name price of paper per ream.
Buff Envelope Paper, 24x32 inches.
Blotting Paper, 19x24 inches. Price per sheet.
Blank Books, demi size, full bound. Price per quire.
Blank Books, folio size, full bound. Price per quire.
Blank Books, cap size, half bound.
Envelopes, white or buff, No. 12. Price per 1,000.
" " " 9x4 inches.
" " " 8¼x3¾ in.
" " " 5¼x3 in.
Letter Copying Books, letter and cap size, 500 and 1,000 pages each, per dozen.
Memorandum Books, octavo, per dozen.
Writing Fluid, equal to Arnold's, quart and pint bottles.
Copying Ink, equal to Arnold's, quart and pint bottles.
Carmine Ink, equal to Davids', glass bottles and stoppers.
Ink Powder, per dozen papers.
Lead Pencils, equal to Faber's, Nos. 2 and 3, per dozen.
Red and Blue Pencils, equal to Faber's, per dozen.
Glass Inkstands, assorted, per dozen.
Steel Pens, assorted, per gross.
Steel Pens, Gillet's, No. 303 and 404, per gross.
Pen Holders, assorted, per dozen.
Tin Paper Folders, per dozen.
Red Sealing Wax, ½-ounce and 1-ounce sticks, per pound.
Red Tape, No. 23, per dozen pieces.
Glass jars of Mucilage and Brushes, large and small sizes, per dozen.

All the articles must be of the best quality. Samples of each article must accompany each bid, with the name of the bidder distinctly marked thereon, and only one price must be named for each article.

Should any articles not enumerated above be wanted they must be furnished at the lowest market price.

Proposals must be made only upon the regular forms furnished at this office.

The United States reserves the right to reject all bids, or parts of bids, deemed incompatible with its interests.

ALBERT S. ASHMEAD,
de7-t21 Captain and A. Q. M.

SUBSISTENCE OFFICE, U. S. ARMY, No. 20 SOUTH Street, BALTIMORE (Md.), December 9, 1864.

SEALED PROPOSALS, *in duplicate*, will be received at this office, until 12 M. on THURSDAY, December 22, 1864, for furnishing the United States Subsistence Department with:

FOUR THOUSAND (4,000) HEAD OF GOOD FAT BEEF CATTLE, on the hoof, delivered at the State Cattle Scales, at Baltimore, Md., in lots of (1,000) one thousand each every (10) ten days; to be weighed within one and a half days after arrival, at the expense of the contractor. They must average about (1,300) thirteen hundred pounds gross weight; all falling short of (1,050) one thousand and fifty pounds gross weight. Bulls, Stags, Oxen, Cows, Heifers, and Hornless Cattle, will be rejected.

A deduction of ten (10) pounds will be made from the weight of each Steer accepted under this contract, provided the animal does not stand in the pens two and one half hours before being weighed, or is not weighed immediately after removal from the cars.

Blank forms for proposals can be had on application at this office, either in person, by mail, or telegraph.

Proposals by telegraph, or other irregular, informal proposals will not be considered.

The Government will claim the right of weighing any one animal separate, if its appearance indicates less weight than the minimum above mentioned; the expense of weighing will be paid by the party erring in judgment.

Each bid, to secure consideration, must contain a written guarantee of two responsible persons, as follows:

"We, ——, of the county of ——, State of ——, do hereby guarantee that —— is (or are) able to fulfil a contract in accordance with the terms of his (or their) proposition, and should his (or their) proposition be accepted, he (or they) will at once enter into a contract in accordance therewith, and we are prepared to become his securities, giving good and sufficient bonds for its fulfilment."

The responsibility of the guarantors must be shown by the official certificate of the Clerk of the nearest District Court, or of the United States District Attorney, to be enclosed with the bid.

Bidders must be present to respond to their bids, and prepared to give bonds and sign the contract before leaving the office.

The Government reserves to itself the right to reject any or all bids considered unreasonable.

Payments to be made after each delivery, if funds are on hand; if none on hand, to be made as soon as received.

Bidders will please state prices if payment is made in currency, and also prices if made in orders for Certificates of Indebtedness.

Proposals must be endorsed distinctly, "PROPOSALS FOR BEEF CATTLE," and addressed to "Captain J. H. GILMAN, C. S., Baltimore, Maryland."

If a bid is in the name of a firm, their names and their post-office address must appear, or they will not be considered.

Each person or every member of a firm offering a proposal must accompany it with an oath of allegiance to the United States Government, if he has not already filed one in this office.

All bids not complying strictly with the terms of this advertisement will be rejected.

J. H. GILMAN,
del2-9t Captain and C. S., U. S. A.

OFFICE OF THE DEPOT QUARTERMASTER,

FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, Nov. 10, 1864.

PROPOSALS FOR ARMY TRANSPORTATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M on the 31st day of December, 1864, for the Transportation of Military Supplies during the year 1865 on the following routes:

ROUTE No. 1.—From Forts Leavenworth, Laramie, and Riley, and other depots that may be established during the above year on the west bank of the Missouri river, north of Fort Leavenworth, and south of latitude 42 degrees north, to any posts or stations that are or may be established in the Territories of Nebraska, Dakota, Idaho, and Utah, south of latitude 44 degrees north and east of longitude 114 degrees west, and in the Territory of Colorado north of 40 degrees north. Bidders to state the rate per 100 pounds per 100 miles at which they will transport said stores in each of the months from April to September, inclusive, of the year 1865.

ROUTE No. 2.—From Forts Leavenworth and Riley, in the State of Kansas, and the town of Kansas, in the State of Missouri, to any posts or stations that are or may be established in the State of Kansas, or in the Territory of Colorado, south of latitude 40 degrees north, to Fort Union, N. M., or other depot that may be designated in that Territory, to Fort Garland, and to any other point on the route. Bidders to state the rate per 100 pounds per 100 miles at which they will transport said stores in each of the months from April to September, inclusive, of the year 1865.

ROUTE No. 3.—From Fort Union, or such other depot as may be established in the Territory of New Mexico, to any posts or stations that are or may be established in that Territory, and to such posts or stations as may be designated in the Territory of Arizona and State of Texas west of longitude 105 degrees west. Bidders to state the rate per 100 pounds per 100 miles at which they will transport said stores in each of the months from April to September, inclusive, of the year 1865.

The weight to be transported each year will not exceed 10,000,000 pounds on Route No. 1; 15,000,000 pounds on Route No. 2; and 6,000,000 pounds on Route No. 3.

No additional per centage will be paid for the transportation of bacon, hard bread, pine lumber, shingles, or any other stores.

Bidders should give their names in full, as well as their place of residence, and each proposal should be accompanied by a bond in the sum of ten thousand dollars, signed by two or more responsible persons, guaranteeing that in case a contract is awarded for the route mentioned in the proposal, to the parties proposing, the contract will be accepted and entered into, and good and sufficient security furnished by said parties in accordance with the terms of this advertisement.

The amount of bonds required will be as follows:

On Route No. 1.......$100,000
On Route No. 2.......200,000
On Route No. 3.......60,000

Satisfactory evidence of the loyalty and solvency of each bidder and person offered as security will be required.

Proposals must be endorsed "Proposals for Army Transportation on Route No. 1," "2," or "3," as the case may be, and none will be entertained unless they fully comply with all the requirements of this advertisement.

Parties to whom awards are made must be prepared to execute contracts at once, and to give the required bonds for the faithful performance of the same.

Contracts will be made subject to the approval of the Quartermaster General, but the right is reserved to reject any or all bids that may be offered.

Contractors must be in readiness for service by the first day of April, 1865, and they will be required to have a place of agencies at or in the vicinity of Forts Leavenworth and Union and other depots that may be established, at which they may be communicated with promptly and readily.

By order of the Quartermaster General.

H. C. HODGES,
no19de23 Capt. and A. Q. M., U. S. A.

COPARTNERSHIPS.

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED.—THE firm of BILLINGS, ROOP, & CO., of this city and New York, expired THIS DAY by limitation. The business of the said firm will be settled by either of the undersigned.

J. M. BILLINGS,
S. W. ROOP,
S. W. ROOP,
Executor of W. F. Washington.
H. E. KIBBE.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1, 1864.

LIMITED PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.—The undersigned have THIS DAY entered into a Limited Partnership, agreeably to the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled an Act relative to Limited Partnerships, etc., passed the twenty-first day of March, A. D. 1836, and the supplements thereto, and they do hereby give notice that the name of the Firm under which said partnership is to be conducted is ROOP & KIBBE; that the general nature of the business to be transacted is the general Dry Goods, Importing, and Commission business, and that the same will be carried on in the city of Philadelphia; that the names of the General Partners of the said Firm are SAMUEL W. ROOP, HENRY E. KIBBE, CLINTON J. TROUT, and JOSEPH C. ROOP, and the name of the Special Partner is JAMES M. BILLINGS, all of the city of Philadelphia; that the capital contributed by the said James M. Billings, the Special Partner, to the common stock, is one hundred thousand dollars in cash, and that said partnership is to commence on the first day of December, A. D. 1864, and terminate on the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1867.

SAMUEL W. ROOP,
HENRY E. KIBBE,
CLINTON J. TROUT,
JOSEPH C. ROOP,
General Partners.
JAMES M. BILLINGS,
Special Partner.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1, 1864.

NOTICE.—The undersigned successors of BILLINGS, ROOP, & CO., in New York, will continue the *Importing and Commission Business*, at No. 38 WARREN Street. J. M. BILLINGS & CO.

J. M. BILLINGS,
E. J. CHAFFEE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1, 1864. de2-6w

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.—THE undersigned have this day formed a copartnership, under the style and title of ADAMS & LEVIS, for the purpose of transacting a General Banking and Stock Brokerage business.

Oil, Telegraph, and Express Company stocks made a specialty.

Government Loans and Specie bought and sold.

THEO. ADAMS,
GEO. R. LEVIS,
de19-1m 305 CHESTNUT Street.

DISSOLUTION.—THE COPARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the name and style of J. R. & J. PRICE is this day dissolved by the death of John Price.

The surviving partner, J. R. PRICE, who will continue the business at 247 MARKET Street, is alone authorized to settle the accounts of the late firm.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19, 1864. de19-6t*

WRITTEN AND VERBAL DESCRIPTIONS of Character, Constitution, and Talent, with ADVICE on Business, Health, Education, Self-Improvement, Management and Training of CHILDREN, social adaptation, &c., daily and evening, by JOHN L. CAPEN, Phrenologist and Bookseller,
oc11-tuthsly1f No. 25 S. TENTH St., above Chestnut.

REFINED TALLOW FOR MACHINERY, manufactured by L. M. & C. ELKINTON, 116 MARGARETTA Street. de13-1m*

AUCTION SALES.

JOHN B. MYERS & CO., AUCTIONEERS, Nos. 232 and 234 MARKET Street.

LARGE POSITIVE SALE OF BOOTS, SHOES, ARMY GOODS, TRAVELLING BAGS, FELT HATS, CAPS, LADIES' AND MISSES' FURS, &c.

A CARD.—We invite the early attention of purchasers to the large and valuable assortment of boots, shoes, brogans, travelling bags, &c., embracing samples of 1,100 packages, forming a prime and fresh assortment, to be peremptorily sold, by catalogue, on four months' credit, commencing THIS MORNING, at 10 o'clock precisely.

LARGE PEREMPTORY SALE OF BOOTS, SHOES, BROGANS, &c. THIS MORNING.

December 20th, at 10 o'clock, will be sold by catalogue, without reserve, on four months' credit, about 1,100 packages boots, shoes, brogans, balmorals, &c. shoes, army goods, travelling bags, &c., of city and Eastern manufacture, embracing a fresh and prime assortment of desirable articles for men, women, and children, which will be open for examination early on the morning of sale.

NOTICE.—Our sale of 1,100 packages boots and shoes, &c., on TUESDAY MORNING, Dec. 20, will comprise, in part—

— cases men's 24-inch grain cavalry boots.
— cases men's and boys' nailed boots.
— cases men's and boys' thick boots.
— cases men's, boys', and youths' calf, kip, and grain boots.
— cases men's, boys', and youths' calf and kip brogans.
— cases men's, boys', and youths' calf gaiters.
— cases men's, boys', and youths' calf and kip balmorals.
— cases women's, misses', and children's calf and kip heeled boots.
— cases women's, misses', and children's goat and kid heeled boots.
— cases women's, misses', and children's morocco and enamelled boots.
— cases women's, misses', and children's gaiters, balmorals, &c.
— cases men's, boys', and youths' brogans.
— cases women's and misses' nailed boots.

N. B.—The above will embrace a prime and general assortment, well worthy the attention of buyers. Open for examination early on the morning of sale.

CLOTH AND FUR CAPS, LEATHER CUTTINGS, AND UMBRELLAS.
THIS MORNING.

Also, At 10 o'clock, will be sold—
An invoice of cloth and fur caps, fashionable styles.
Also, 2,000 lbs leather cuttings.
Also, 10 cases gingham umbrellas.

LARGE POSITIVE SALE OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS.

We will hold a large sale of foreign and domestic dry goods, by catalogue, on four months' credit and part for cash,

ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,

December 22d and 23d, commencing each day at 10 o'clock, comprising about 1,300 packages and lots of staple and fancy articles, included in which will be found the following, viz.:

Brown sheetings and shirtings.
Bleached do do.
Heavy Canton flannels.
Super corset jeans.
Heavy brown drills.
Fancy madder prints.
Black and colored cambrics.
Scarlet twilled flannels.
Blue do do.
Gray do do.
Miners' plaid do.
Heavy Kentucky jeans.
Heavy madder prints.
Heavy bed blankets.
All-wool tweeds.
Fancy printed cassimeres.
Plain and printed satinets.

NOTICE TO CLOTHIERS—LARGE SALE OF TAILORING GOODS.

Also,
— pieces Belgian broad cloths.
— pieces heavy velours.
— pieces Castor and President beavers
— pieces Esquimaux and Moscow beavers.
— pieces Astrachan coatings.
— pieces Whitney and pilot beavers.
— pieces Belgian tricots and seal skins.
— pieces silk and wool cassimeres.
— pieces Devonshire and Melton coatings.
— pieces dark-mixed repellants.
— pieces cap and cloak cloths.
— pieces mohair, Italians, vestings, paddings, canvas, &c.

Also, dress goods, white goods, travelling shirts, army shirts and drawers, hosiery, cravats, ties, sewing silk, skirts, notions, &c.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF HOSIERY, GLOVES, &c.

Included in sale, on a credit of four months—7,000 dozen cotton and woolen hosiery, gloves, gauntlets, shirts, drawers, &c., of a favorite importation.

BROCHE CHAINE LAINE LONG SHAWLS, SCARFS, CLOAKS, &c.

Also, a full line of broche chaine laine long shawls, scarfs, cloaks, &c.

PARIS DRESS GOODS AND VELVET RIBBONS

Also, Paris merinoes, poplins, delaines, mohairs, alpacas, coburgs, &c.

Also, a full assortment of silk velvet ribbons, braids trimmings, &c.

POSITIVE SALE OF CARPETINGS, &c. ON SATURDAY MORNING.

Dec. 24, at precisely 11 o'clock, will be sold, by catalogue, on four months' credit, an assortment of superfine and fine ingrain, venetian, hemp, cottage, and rag carpetings, which may be examined early on the morning of sale.

FURNESS, BRINLEY, & CO., No. 615 CHESTNUT and 612 JAYNE Street.

SALE OF FRENCH, BRITISH, AND AMERICAN DRY GOODS.
THIS MORNING,

Dec. 20th, at 10 o'clock, by catalogue, on four months' credit, 400 lots of fancy and staple imported dry goods.

DOMESTIC GOODS FOR CASH.

Also, brown and bleached muslins, drills, flannels, satinets, jeans, ginghams, &c.

SALE OF 400 CARTONS RIBBONS,

The entire balance of the importation,
THIS MORNING,

Dec. 20th, at 10 o'clock, on four months' credit. Cartons Nos. 4 and 5, corded-edge black, white, and colored poult de soie ribbons.

Cartons Nos. 10 a 30, do.
" " 4 a 100, triple chain black gros grain do.
" " 10 a 80, extra fancy sash ribbons.

N. B.—The attention of the trade is requested, as this will be the last sale this season of this importation.

BLACK SILK VELVET RIBBONS. CELEBRATED STEAMBOAT BRAND.
THIS DAY.

—cartons Nos 1½ to 30 black silk velvet ribbons.

SALE THIS MORNING (TUESDAY),
Dec. 20th, at 10 o'clock.

A CARD.—The attention of purchasers is requested to our sale this morning (Tuesday), Dec. 20th, at 10 o'clock, on four months' credit, including an invoice of domestic goods for cash.

NOTICE.—TO DEALERS IN RIBBONS.
THIS MORNING,

500 cartons bonnet, sash, and trimming ribbons, comprising a very choice assortment of plain and fancy goods; also, steamboat brand black silk velvet ribbons, to which the attention of purchasers is requested, as this will be the last offering this season of this importation.

M. THOMAS & SONS,
Nos. 139 and 141 South FOURTH Street.

SALES OF STOCKS AND REAL ESTATE, at the EXCHANGE, every TUESDAY, at 12 o'clock noon.

☞ Handbills of each property issued separately, and on the Saturday previous to each sale 1,000 catalogues, in pamphlet form, giving full descriptions.

☞ FURNITURE SALES at the Auction Store every THURSDAY.

☞ Particular attention given to Sales at Private Residences, &c.

REAL ESTATE AND STOCKS, Dec. 20
MARKET STREET, SECOND STREET, SIXTH STREET, AND SEVENTH STREET PROPERTIES, 20th DECEMBER, BY ORDER OF TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND OTHERS.

CARD.—Our sale on Tuesday next will comprise, in addition to the above valuable business properties, valuable COAL, IRON, AND TIMBER LANDS, city dwellings, two farms, Germantown property, ten acres Schoolhouse lane, stocks, loans, &c. See catalogues.

SALE OF MEDICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS.
THIS AFTERNOON.

Dec. 20th, at the auction store, valuable medical and miscellaneous books, from the library of a physician deceased.

Sale No. 2047 Brandywine street.
NEAT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, TAPESTRY CARPETS, &c.
ON WEDNESDAY MORNING,

28th inst, at 10 o'clock, at No. 2047 Brandywine street, the neat household and kitchen furniture, fine tapestry Brussels carpets, &c.

May be examined at 8 o'clock on the morning of the sale. The house is to rent.

Administrator's Sale, No. 118 Vine street.
BAR FIXTURES, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, &c. &c.
ON WEDNESDAY MORNING,

At 10 o'clock, at No. 118 Vine street, the bar fixtures, bagatelle board, rosewood piano, liquors, household furniture, tapestry carpets, &c. May be examined at 8 o'clock on the morning of the sale.

EXECUTORS' SALE—FINE WINES, &c.
ON WEDNESDAY,

Dec. 21st, at 12 o'clock, at the auction store, by order of the executors of B. Gerhard, Esq., a quantity of very fine Madeira, Sherry, Port, Claret, and other wines, brandies, whiskies, &c. Catalogues now ready.

☞ Samples two hours previous to sale.

Sale Nos. 139 and 141 South Fourth street.
SUPERIOR FURNITURE, ELEGANT DINNER SET, BILLIARD-TABLE, MIRRORS, FINE CARPETS, &c.
ON THURSDAY MORNING.

At 9 o'clock, at the Auction Store, superior household furniture, elegant dinner, dessert, and tea set, superior billiard-table, mirrors, fine carpets, etc., etc.

Executors' Peremptory Sale on the Premises—Estate of Henry Horn, Deceased.
COUNTRY RESIDENCE, FURNITURE, FARMING UTENSILS, STOCK, &c.
ON FRIDAY MORNING,

Dec. 23d, at 11 o'clock, on the premises, Flourtown, Montgomery county, Pa., the mansion, with the outbuildings and 15 acres of land; and immediately after, the household furniture, farming utensils, horses, wagons, cows, poultry, &c. Full particulars ready in handbills. Sale absolute.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF AN INTERESTING AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF OIL PAINTINGS.
ON SATURDAY MORNING,

Dec. 24th, at 11 o'clock, will be sold, without reserve, a collection of fine modern paintings, comprising over 100, among which are many works of merit from the studios of talented artists of this city and New York, considered some of the finest specimens offered for a long time.

The paintings are now on exhibition with descriptive catalogues.

B. SCOTT, JR., AUCTIONEER, Nos. 622 CHESTNUT and 615 SANSOM Street.

SALE FANCY GOODS, SILVER PLATED WARE, &c.
THIS MORNING.

20th inst., at 11 o'clock, will be sold, a large assortment of fancy goods, silver plated ware, suitable for the holidays.

LARGE AND PEREMPTORY TRADE SALE OF 1,500 CASES OF BOOTS, SHOES, BROGANS, &c.
ON WEDNESDAY MORNING,

Dec. 21st, at 10 o'clock precisely, will be sold 1,500 cases boots, shoes, brogans, &c., embracing a general assortment of city and Eastern work of the very best manufacture, consisting of men's, boy's and youths' calf-kip and wax-sewed and pegged boots, brogans, balmorals, &c.; ladies', misses', and children's calf, kid, and morocco boots and balmorals; also, men's kid, and women's buffalo overshoes, gum shoes, cavalry boots, &c.

N. B.—The particular attention of the trade is invited to this sale, as every sample and duplicate will be sold without the least reserve or limitation of any kind.

PHILIP FORD & CO., AUCTIONEERS,
525 MARKET and 522 COMMERCE Streets.

POSITIVE SALE OF 1,250 CASES BOOTS AND SHOES.
ON THURSDAY MORNING,

December 22d, commencing at 10 o'clock precisely, we will sell by catalogue, for cash, 1,250 cases prime boots, shoes, brogans, balmorals, cavalry boots, &c., from first class city and Eastern manufacture, comprising a general assortment of goods.

PANCOAST & WARNOCK, AUCTIONEERS, 240 MARKET Street.

LARGE POSITIVE SALE OF 800 LOTS AMERICAN AND IMPORTED DRY GOODS, MILLINERY AND HOSIERY GOODS, EMBROIDERIES, &c., &c., by catalogue,
ON WEDNESDAY MORNING,

December 21, commencing at 10 o'clock precisely. Included will be found a large and general assortment of new and desirable goods for present sales.

C. J. WOLBERT, AUCTIONEER, No. 16 SOUTH SIXTH STREET.

GENUINE CHAMPAGNES, EXTRA FINE OLD BRANDIES, WINES, WHISKIES, GIN, CLARETS, &c.
THIS MORNING.

The 20th inst., at precisely 11 o'clock, at No 16 South Sixth street.

A large invoice of choice champagnes, pure old brandies, Madeira, sherry, and port wines, Holland gin, extra clarets, Jamaica rum, old whiskies, &c., in demijohns. These old and fine liquors are in cases and demijohns, and are particularly recommended to private gentlemen and first-class hotel keepers. Catalogues now ready.

BY HENRY P. WOLBERT,
AUCTIONEER,
No. 202 MARKET Street, south side, above Second st.

Sales of Dry Goods, Trimmings, Notions, &c., every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY Mornings, commencing at 10 o'clock.

BARRITT & CO., AUCTIONEERS,
230 MARKET Street, corner of BANK.

CATALOGUE SALE OF 1,000 LOTS OF FIRST-CLASS READY-MADE CLOTHING,
ON FRIDAY MORNING,

December 23, at 10 o'clock, in single garments and lots, comprising suits, overcoats, dress, sack, and business coats, pants, vests, with every variety of seasonable first-class clothing.

Also, large stock of fancy over and undershirts, drawers, &c.

ALSO,
LARGE CONTINUATION SALE OF THE SAME STOCK,
ON SATURDAY MORNING,
December 24, at 10 o'clock. de20-4t

WE RESPECTFULLY CALL THE attention of all connoisseurs to the following truths:

The first-class Lunch of America, Day and Night, The best quality of all kinds of Liquors, The choicest brands of Cigars, are always to be found at the METROPOLITAN HOTEL, 623 ARCH Street.
de16-tuthstf* A. FORM. BLAIR, Proprietor.