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SOUTHERN DESTITUTION.

Testimony accumulates to the effect that the condition of the people of the Southern States is deplorable. During the war they made vast sacrifices of men in the full vigor of life. Not less than three hundred thousand perished by diseases contracted in the field or of wounds received in battle. Many of these would have died from other causes had they remained at home; but after all proper allowances for natural waste of population, the drain attributable to the war was very serious. Nor was this the only loss. Vast burdens were imposed upon the people in the form of taxes, and other contributions towards the support of military operations. Then large amounts of property were destroyed to prevent them from falling into the possession of the national forces. As the Union armies fell back or advanced they seized what property they needed, and destroyed whatever might otherwise fall into the hands of rebels. In these various ways the savings of many years were consumed, and tens of thousands who had lived in comfort, if not in opulence, were reduced to want or something quite near thereto.

Besides, the peculiar labor system of these States was broken up. This is not a light matter. It is easy to say, let those who never worked before, go to work now; but it is not easy for men who have not been accustomed to labor; who have been accustomed to regard labor as degrading; who do not know how to set themselves at work, and who are ignorant of the manner in which industrial processes are conducted, to set about the task with any promise of bringing much to pass.

It may be admitted, moreover, that the blacks are not working as steadily or with as large commercial results, as when they were held in bondage. Under the old system, their happiness was not taken into the account; and they were driven so as to get the most out of them that was possible. Now, they consult their own comfort, doing no more than they please. This is just what white men do in a state of liberty, and the blacks, having attained to that state, follow the example set before them. So long as liberty remains to either race, this privilege cannot be abated. It is quite likely some of the blacks do not work as much as they ought. That a good many whites do not, abundant evidence everywhere attests.

Such a transition from one system of labor to another is always and necessarily attended by infelicities. It commonly happens that under a slave system branches of industry thrive which wither and nearly or quite disappear under a system of compensated labor. It takes time to adjust labor to vast changes in its condition.

In addition to these causes of impoverishment the Southern people have experienced two bad seasons for crops in succession. Natural causes have aggravated the miseries they brought upon themselves.

In view, therefore, of all these sources of distress, it is a work of supererogation to look into the temporary political status of any of those States for the solution of their troubles. If Georgia had been restored to its old place in the Union, there would have been no less blight or mildew, no fewer destructive insects, not a blade of grass or grain more than as the case has stood.—Time, patience, industry, perseverance, are the attributes by means of which the present misfortunes are to be retrieved. If the Southern States shall in ten years regain their former measure of prosperity, they will do well. When a hurricane has swept through a district its track can ordinarily be traced for a long while. The evidences of its destructive power are not easily effaced. So, when a gigantic war has rolled over a land it wastes and ruins, scars and blights, whatever it touches. It laps up the springs and streams of prosperity, leaving no channels where plenty once overflowed.

It is a dictate not only of humanity but of patriotism that as far as the present distress at the South can be medicated, it shall be. The people of the different sections are no longer foes, but citizens of a common country, and sharers in a common destiny. What lifts up one section, benefits the other. Commercial men, from the nature of their vocation, understand this better than men in some other callings. Let them take the lead in suggesting and carrying into effect the measures suited to the occasion.

FRENCH INTERVENTION IN ITALY.

"There is a dilemma. The Pope needs Rome for his independence. Italy aspires to the possession of Rome, which she considers as an imperative requisite of her unity. Well, we declare, in the name of the French Government, Italy shall not take possession of Rome! [Loud applause.] Never!"

These are the words in which Mr. Rouher announced to the Corps Legislatif the determination of the Emperor of the French on the Roman question. It was because of this determination, and the consequences which would be likely to result from it, that a scheme for thoroughly re-organizing the French army was submitted to the same body for approval. True, the statement was made that this scheme was altogether disconnected from all plans concerning Italy, and, while curtailing the national expenses, would operate as a guarantee for the peace of Europe. But no member of the Legislative body believed this statement, though it was made on the authority of the Emperor. Just as little was it credited by intelligent individuals outside the Chambers. The Emperor has earned the reputation of saying, not the things which are true, but the things which are convenient.

In accordance with the announcement of this purpose to prevent the consummation of Italian unity, the Emperor has ordered a reinforcement, consisting of twenty thousand men, to proceed to Civita Vecchia.

If anybody should infer from this that the cause of Italian unity was hopeless, and that, in the language of Mr. Rouher, Italy will never take possession of Rome, he would show a great misapprehension of the character of the French Emperor and betray a profound ignorance of these ideas by which the current of modern events is shaped and impelled. Napoleon is not a man of deep convictions, or of any convictions whatever. Cold, impassive, subtle and unscrupulous, he is actuated solely by what he deems politic at the moment.

When he desired to acquire Savoy he proffered his aid to Italy in consideration of the coveted province. Being unwilling to confess that he made war upon his neighbors, and sacrificed the lives of tens of thousands of his subjects, for a petty territorial aggrandizement, he resorted to high-sounding generalities, so as to cover his cupidity with a halo of generosity. Italy was to be free and united, and this in virtue of the doctrine of the solidarity of peoples. France was vaunted as the only nation that waged war disinterestedly for the defence of an idea. There was a grandeur in these utterances; and for a time the conduct of the Emperor seemed to be in harmony with his words. But he not only stopped suddenly short in his performance, but exacted the public payment of the compensation for which he sold the lives of his troops.

Now the Emperor presents himself as the enemy of Italian unity, and as the champion of the Pope. The contradiction involved in this change of attitude, he holds to be lighter than vanity. Consistency is no obstacle to any movement which he deems desirable. He now acts with the clerical party, not because he is a devotee, or has ever a decent respect for religion in any of its popular forms. His wife monopolizes the piety of his household, because she is the only member thereof whose sentiments flow in that direction. But Napoleon does not neglect the Politics of Religion, or, rather, he does not mean to let slip the advantages which are apparent in now favoring the wishes of those who control that vast organization known as the Catholic Church. His piety is not offended with the proposition to make Rome the capital of Italy, any more than it was a few years ago, when he pledged his word in the face of the world to produce that consummation; but his interests have taken a short turn, and he follows them.

What may immediately result from his fresh avowal cannot be foretold. Italy, unaided and alone, is not a match for France; and even the popular enthusiasm, high as it seems to run, will hesitate before challenging so unequal a strife. How far Prussia has been placed in a position, by more recent disclosures, which would induce her to stand aloof from Italy in case it should be involved in a war with France can hardly be estimated until the crisis shall actually happen. Within a month, Napoleon, in his address to the representatives of the French nation, declared that in respect to Germany he accepted a unification which had become inevitable; otherwise, he would consent to a condition of affairs in Germany which he means to resist to the utmost in Italy. Was he sincere in thus consenting that Prussia shall absorb as much of Germany as it can? Or, was this consent simulated only to detach Prussia from Italy in the emergency now arising? Can Prussia tell? She may feel that the avowal of Napoleon is simply an acknowledgement of her power—which power is equal to her necessities under any conceivable future circumstances. In this event she will be apt to let Italy do as best she can with her giant antagonist.

"Forever," Napoleon promises much more than he is master of. His lease of life is running to its close, and none can say who shall sit after him on the throne of France.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Notwithstanding there is no concert of action in regard to the Week of Prayer, proposed by the Evangelical Alliance, in this city, or immediate neighborhood, this season, we present a programme, suggested as better suited to American Christians, and omit the one prepared by the Alliance, for the benefit of those ministers and people who may desire to observe the occasion, irrespective of the action of others, as follows: Sunday, January 5th, 1868—Evangelization of the World. For missions to heathen and nominally Christian lands. That the Holy Spirit may bless all missionaries, mission schools and all native Christians, especially the native ministry. China (and India, too) the great mission field of the American Churches. Monday, January 6th.—Local Churches. For a blessing on the Word preached to the conversion of the impenitent, and the greater consecration of believers; on all meetings for prayer; on Christian households, and the baptized children of the Church. Tuesday, January 7th.—Home Evangelization. For lay effort, Young Men's Christian Association, Bible and Tract work, the Religious Press. Wednesday, January 8th.—The Freedmen. For the Divine blessing on all preachers of the gospel and teachers among them; upon all efforts to improve their condition, and specially that they may all enjoy the blessings of civil and religious freedom. Thursday, January 9th.—Home Missions. For Churches, Sabbath Schools, and institutions of learning in the destitute portions of the country. For Home Missionaries and their families, colporteurs, and all efforts to reach our foreign population with the Gospel. Friday, January 10th.—Our Country. For all in authority; for wise and just laws; the speedy and wise adjustment of all national difficulties; for the return of kindly and brotherly feeling in all parts of the country. For the proper influence of Christian men, and for union among Christians. Saturday, January 11th.—The Holy Spirit. For the blessing of the Holy Spirit on all efforts to promote the Kingdom of Christ; that revivals may be enjoyed in the churches, and that a missionary spirit may prevail in our colleges and seminaries, and that our country may be prepared to follow the leadings of Divine Providence. Sunday, January 12th.—Sabbath Schools. For Christian instruction in the Family and in Sabbath Schools. For the Christian culture of the youth of the land with reference to the future of the Church, and the world's evangelization.

Rev. B. I. Ives, a Methodist minister, chaplain to the State prison at Auburn, New York, has dedicated over one hundred and fifty churches, and in every instance has succeeded in raising the whole amount of indebtedness.

The Anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the M. E. Church, was held in Cincinnati last week, Bishop Clark presiding. According to the report of the treasurer, the receipts for the year were $27,314.63, the principal part having been contributed by the West. The Society cooperated chiefly with the missionary work of the Church. Twenty-nine schools have been organized, with fifty-one teachers, and about five thousand pupils in day schools, and nearly three thousand in Sunday Schools. Interesting addresses were delivered by Bishops Clark and Kingsley, and Rev. Frank S. De Hass, of Washington, D. C.

Rev. Charles Beecher, who was charged by the Georgetown (Mass.) Congregational Church, with heresy, and summarily suspended by the Congregational Conference, has been notified that the action is rescinded, on the ground that, the vote of suspension was "uncongregational and unconstitutional."

A series of articles, on the subject of "Holiness of Heart," is being published in the *Christian Intelligencer*, written by Rev. I. M. See, of the Reformed (Dutch) Church, which has provoked quite a lively discussion in that paper. His theory and experience of purity of heart, it is alleged by one writer, to be contrary to the standards of the Church. The discussion is likely to be protracted and instructive.

The *Western Christian Advocate*, speaking of the interesting work of grace in progress in the Fifth Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati, gives an account of a meeting held in the Sabbath school, connected with the Church, at which about five hundred and fifty persons were present, children and adults. During the special religious services, in place of the ordinary exercises, while the hymn was sung, "Come to Jesus just now," forty young persons rose to ask for prayer. At the close of the services about fifty persons remained for conversation and prayer.

The *American Presbyterian* takes strong and decided ground against the double session of the Sunday school on the Sabbath, and urges as a reason that the practice seriously militates against the attendance of the children on preaching. There is some ground for this view, and yet the great fact is generally lost sight of that the indisposition of youth to attend divine services arises too frequently from such causes, as the relaxation of parental discipline; tendencies of the age, and the demoralization which obtains in society, according to modern parlance.

The members of the Synod of Pittsburgh of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, who protested against the action and claim that the course of the majority leaves them the undoubted right to regard themselves as the Pittsburgh Synod, with its original doctrinal position, constitution and name. They organized the Synod of Pittsburgh by the election of officers: Rev. E. F. Ehrnfeld, President; Rev. Samuel B. Barnetz, Secretary; C. Yeager, Esq., Treasurer; and Rev. J. G. Gaeltman, Miss. President. Rev. J. H. W. Stukenberg and P. Graff, Esq., were elected delegates to the next meeting of the General Synod. Without entering into the discussion of the differences which agitate the Lutheran Church, it is proper to say, as we understand the matter, the action named above is by the party who claim adherence to the General Synod, while the other favor the General Council, formally organized recently at Fort Wayne, Ind. We believe the Lutheran church, Seventh street, Rev. S. Laird, pastor, adheres to the latter, while the Allegheny church, of which C. Yeager, Esq., of this city, is an active member, claim connection with the General Synod.

Great enthusiasm was aroused at the dedication of the magnificent Methodist Episcopal Church at Detroit, Michigan, recently, by Bishop Simpson's sermon on that occasion. A Congregationalist present, said: "The Bishop's sermon is worth two hundred dollars to me, put it down."

A correspondent of the *Journal and Messenger* (Baptist) declares that the Baptists "do not claim to be Protestant." He thinks there are not "different branches of the Church of Christ," but that Baptists alone are the "legal succession of the Apostolic churches."

The Anniversary exercises of the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, takes place to-morrow and Monday, at Albany, N. Y. Sunday sermons, suitable to the occasion, will be preached in all the M. E. churches. On Monday evening the anniversary proper will come off. Hon. R. E. Fenton, Governor of the State, will preside, and make the opening address, after which other distinguished speakers will deliver speeches.

Quite a discussion occurred at a grand Sunday School demonstration at Cincinnati, Ohio, not long ago, on the question "How to teach so as to lead the child to Christ." Three things were made prominent, says the *Western Christian Advocate*. 1. Prepare to *convince* as well as *persuade* your scholars, that is, intelligently and thoroughly; 2. Win their hearts by the gentleness and kindness of your manner—"the neck is bent by the sword, but the heart wins the heart"; 3. Have your souls, by long waiting on God, in the closet, full and overflowing with desire for the salvation of other souls.

During the sessions of the Society of Friends at Chicago last week, a number of the delegates appeared at the noon prayer meetings and took part in its exercises.

The Great Pictorial Annual.

Hostetter's United States Almanac, for 1868, for distribution, gratis, throughout the United States and all civilized countries of the Western Hemisphere, will be published about the first of January, and all who wish to understand the true philosophy of health should read and ponder the valuable suggestions it contains. In addition to an admirable medical treatise on the causes, prevention and cure of a great variety of diseases, it embraces a large amount of information interesting to the merchant, the mechanic, the miner, the farmer, the planter, and professional man; and the calculations have been made for such meridians and latitudes as are most suitable for a correct and comprehensive NATIONAL CALENDAR.

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NOTICE. REINEMAN, MEYRAN & SIEDLE, Jewelers, 42 FIFTH STREET, BEG LEAVE TO ANNOUNCE that owing to the destruction, by fire, on Friday morning, of their New Store Room, No. 42 Fifth street, they will not be able to open out on MONDAY, December 16th, as previously announced, but would inform their friends and the public in general that their new and unusually large and elegant stock of fine GOLD AND SILVER GOODS, WATCHES, DIAMONDS, CLOCKS, PLATED WARE, &c., That were designed especially for the new store will now be opened out at our present location, No. 29 Fifth Street, NEXT TO BANK BLOCK. And in order to give our patrons facilities to examine our IMMENSE NEW STOCK, We have immediately enlarged our present store, where we would invite the public to call and examine our GOODS AND PRICES before purchasing elsewhere. As it will probably take three months to refit the new store, and not having room for our large stock, we will sell everything at Greatly Reduced Prices.

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20 PER CENT. SAVED. A DISCOUNT of 20 PER CENT. from regular prices allowed on the entire stock of OVERCOATS, FROM DECEMBER 13TH, AT RAMALEY'S Fashionable Clothing Emporium, No. 336 Liberty Street.

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WE WILL KEEP ON HAND and make to order all kinds of Spring and plain WAGONS, CARTS, DRAYS, WHEELBARROWS, TRUCKS, LOCUST HUBS, And TURNED SPOKES, HAY RAKES and FORKS.

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PRICES REDUCED! For the Holidays, AT ERWIN, McCONNELL & CO.'S, 178 Federal St., Allegheny. AT 25 CENTS, GREY TWILLED FLANNELS. AT 25 CENTS, WHITE FLANNELS. AT 62½ CENTS, ALL-WOOL FRENCH MERINOS, DELAINS, PRINTS, GINGHAMS, TICKINGS, TABLE LINENS, BARRED COUNTRY FLANNELS, WHITE and GREY BLANKETS, LONG and SQUARE SHAWLS, BREAKFAST SHAWLS, Opera Centre BROCHA LONG SHAWLS, CLOAKING CLOTHS, GREY WATERPROOF, BROWN WATERPROOF, GENT'S MIXED MERINO SHIRTS And DRAWERS, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. At prices as low as any. ERWIN, M'CONNELL & CO., 178 FEDERAL STREET, ALLEGHENY.

CLEARANCE SALE OF CARPETS! FOR Thirty Days. WE have on hand a large stock of the best and newest styles of Foreign and Domestic Carpets, imported and selected with special reference to Pittsburgh market, which we are determined to sell off at a sacrifice, for Cash. It includes the richest Wiltons, Best Velvets, Tapestry and Body Brussels, in Parlor styles, and imported direct from the best Foreign Manufacturers, to be sold at less than present importers prices in New York. Three-Ply and Ingrain Carpets, in neat designs, for Chambers, from the best domestic Mills, at less than Factory Prices. Common Carpets at 25 cents per yard. Oil Cloths, of every width and quality. Druggets, for covering Carpets, much below the present cost of importation.

Hotel Keepers, House Furnishers, and all who will possibly need Carpets for the coming season, will do well to secure the bargains of our Great Special Clearance Sale, which we are confident are unequalled elsewhere.

N. B.—Our Upholsterers can now do House-furnishing with the most careful workmanship without the confusion and disappointment unavoidable in the Spring Months. All interested are urged to call at No. 23 FIFTH STREET, to inspect our prices and styles.

OLIVER McCLINTOCK & COMPANY.

AN ELEGANT HOLIDAY PRESENT. TWENTY REASONS FOR BUYING A MASON & HAMLIN CABINET ORGAN.

1. It is the BEST INVESTMENT you can make; safer and bringing greater returns than money loaned on interest or invested in bonds or lands.
2. It will render home attractive, and save more expensive and less beneficial amusements.
3. Its music will cultivate good feeling, and have the best influence.
4. It will enable your sons and daughters to learn to play, and so give them a valuable accomplishment.
5. It will give them facilities to qualify themselves as teachers of music, which is as good as a trade or profession. Thousands of ladies are now pleasantly supporting themselves by teaching music, which they learned merely as an accomplishment. If your daughter has some aptness for music, you would better give her a good instrument now, and encourage her to learn to play on it, than to give her thousands of dollars some years hence.
6. It will be a pleasure and comfort yourself during the long winter evenings.
7. It will last a lifetime, and you will value it more and more highly.
8. It is easier to learn to play on than a Piano Forte, and costs much less.
9. The Mason & Hamlin Cabinet Organs are THE BEST instruments of this class in the world.
10. This is proved by the testimony of the best judges. They have been awarded highest premiums at OVER SEVENTY industrial competitions, including the FIRST PRIZE MEDAL at the WORLD'S EXPOSITION AT PARIS, this year. In their circular, M. & H. print the testimony of more than three hundred of the best musicians in the country that their instruments excel all others. When one who wishes to sell you an instrument claims that it is recommended as the best by hundreds of the most distinguished organists, ask him to *show you their testimony*. *If it has ever been given, he will have it in print.*
11. Compare the instruments made by M. & H. side by side with any others; compare them critically and thoroughly, tone by tone, and you cannot fail to see superiority in many respects.
12. These instruments are the only ones having the celebrated AUTOMATIC BELLOWS SWELL, the most important improvement in reed instruments for twenty years.
13. They are the only instruments having PATENT SELF-ADJUSTING REED VALVES, and the various other patented improvements of Mason & Hamlin.
14. They are the only reed instruments having clothed mortices.
15. Compare the exteriors, and observe that the instruments of M. & H. have the best quality of ivory; ivory fronts to the keys; real ebony and not merely colored black keys; desks made in the most substantial manner of three separate pieces of wood, glued together, and not liable to break, &c., &c. This thoroughness of workmanship, and use of only best material, runs through the whole instrument.
16. The thoroughness of construction of these instruments gives them the greatest durability. They are not liable to get out of order.
17. They will improve by age, getting even better in quality of tone.
18. THEY ARE THE CHEAPEST INSTRUMENTS OF THE CLASS; not the lowest priced, indeed, though the difference in price between these and inferior instruments is not great. It costs a little more to do the very best work, but is cheapest in the end.
19. It is not safe to trust to the judgment of dealers, who are *tempted to think those instruments are the best on which they can make the greatest profits*. M. & H. have fixed their prices so low that they cannot afford to pay the large commissions given to dealers by makers of inferior work.
20. Every instrument made by Mason & Hamlin is fully warranted. If it proves defective, you can suffer no loss, as their guarantee is above question.

Send for a Circular, which will be sent gratuitously, containing full descriptions and illustrations of the different styles and prices, which vary from $75 to $1,000 and upwards, each; also with testimony in full from the distinguished organists of the country to the superiority of these instruments.

CHAS. C. MELLOR, No. 81 Wood Street, SOLE AGENTS FOR THE MASON & HAMLIN ORGANS. HOLIDAY STOCK JUST RECEIVED, AT FACTORY PRICES.

525 MILES OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD, Running West from Omaha, ACROSS THE CONTINENT, ARE NOW COMPLETED.

This brings the line to the eastern base of the Rocky Mountains, and it is expected that the track will be laid thirty miles further, to Evans Pass, the highest point on the road, by January. The maximum grade from the foot of the mountains to the summit is but eighty feet to the mile, while that of many eastern roads is over one hundred. Work in the rock-cuttings on the Western slope will continue through the winter, and there is now no reason to doubt that the entire grand line to the Pacific will be open for business in 1870.

The means provided for the construction of this Great National Work are ample. The United States grants its Six Per Cent. Bonds at the rate of $16,000 to $48,000 per mile, for which it takes a SECOND LIEN as security and receives payment to a large if not to the full extent of its claims in services. These Bonds are issued as each twenty mile section is finished, and after it has been examined by United States Commissioners and pronounced to be in all respects a first class road, thoroughly supplied with depots, repair shops, stations, and all the necessary rolling stock and other equipments.

The United States also makes a donation of 12,800 acres of land to the mile, which will be a source of large revenue to the company. Much of this land in the Platte Valley is among the most fertile in the world, and other large portions are covered with heavy pine forests and abound in coal of the best quality.

The Company is also authorized to issue its own First Mortgage Bonds to an amount equal to the issue of the Government, and no more. Hon. E. D. Morgan and Hon. Oakes Ames are Trustees for the Bondholders, and deliver the Bonds to the Company only as the work progresses, so that they always represent an actual and productive value.

The authorized capital of the Company is One Hundred Million Dollars, of which over five millions have been paid in upon the work already done.

Earnings of the Company.

At present the profits of the Company are derived only from its local traffic, but this is already much more than sufficient to pay the interest on all the Bonds the Company can issue, if not another mile were built. It is not doubted that when the road is completed the through traffic of the only line connecting the Atlantic and Pacific States will be large beyond precedent, and, as there will be no competition, it can always be done at profitable rates.

It will be noticed that the Union Pacific Railroad is, in fact, a GOVERNMENT WORK, built under the supervision of Government officers, and to a large extent with Government money, and that its Bonds are issued under Government direction. It is believed that no similar security is so carefully guarded, and certainly no other is based upon a larger or more valuable property. As the Company's

First Mortgage Bonds

Are offered for the present at NINETY CENTS ON THE DOLLAR, they are the cheapest security in the market, being more than 15 per cent. lower than United States Stocks. They pay

Six Per Cent. in Gold,

Or OVER NINE PER CENT. upon the investment, and have thirty years to run before maturity. Subscriptions will be received in Pittsburgh by JAMES T. BRADY & CO., N. HOLMES & SONS, 57 Market street, J. S. McCLEAN & CO., 75 Fourth street, HART, CAUGHEY & CO., Third and Wood streets, And KRAMER & RAHM, And in New York at the Company's Office, No. 20 Nassau street, and by CONTINENTAL NATIONAL BANK, No. 7 Nassau street, CLARK, DODGE & CO., Bankers, No. 51 Wall street, JOHN J. CISCO & SON, Bankers, No. 33 Wall street, and by the Company's advertised Agents throughout the United States. Remittances should be made in drafts or other funds par in New York, and the bonds will be sent free of charge by return express. Parties subscribing through local agents, will look to them for their safe delivery.

A new PAMPHLET AND MAP, showing the Progress of the Work, Resources for Construction, and Value of Bonds, may be obtained at the Company's Offices, or of its advertised agents, or will be sent free on application.

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer, NEW YORK.

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Embroideries, a splendid line.
Infant Robes, Caps and Waists.
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Two cases Balmoral Skirts, fresh goods, at $1.00.
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Gloves and Hosiery, all kinds, and cheaper than ever.
Brooches, Sets, Pins, Money Bags and Fancy Goods.
Fine Silk Umbrellas.
50 Dozen Bradley's Duplex Skirt, at $1.00, a great bargain; and many other articles too numerous to mention.
Good Fleecy Lined Hose, 20 cents.
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POSTPONEMENT. THE LADIES OF THE Pennsylvania Avenue M. E. Church Would respectfully inform the public that owing to a misunderstanding in procuring Lafayette Hall, The FAIR AND FESTIVAL which was to have been held on the 17th, 18th and 19th instant, has been postponed until the 11th, 12th & 13th OF FEBRUARY. Tickets already sold will be good at the time announced. COMMITTEE.

J. SCHOONMAKER & SON, PITTSBURGH White Lead and Color Works, Manufacturers of WHITE AND RED LEAD, ZINC, PUTTY, BLUE LEAD, McCOY'S VERDITER GREEN, And all colors dry or in oil. Office, No. 67 FOURTH STREET. Factory, Nos. 450, 452, 454, 456 and 458 Rebecca Street and 49, 51 and 53 Lacock street, Allegheny.

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AUCTION SALES.
BY A. McILWAINE.

308 SHARES ATLAS WORKS.—TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 31st, 1867, at 7½ o'clock, will be sold, on account whom it may concern, on second floor of Commercial Sales Rooms, 103 Smithfield street, the following Lots of Stock: 22 shares in the Atlas Works, Ninth ward. A. McILWAINE, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE BANK STOCKS, &c.—TUESDAY EVENING, December 31st, at 7½ o'clock, will be sold, on the second floor of Commercial Sales Rooms, No. 103 Smithfield street: 12 shares Iron City National Bank. 2 shares M. & M. National Bank. 75 shares Manchester Savings Bank. 2 shares Keystone Savings Bank. 10 shares Third National Bank. 13 shares Second National Bank. 16 shares Pittsburgh Nat. Coal and Coke Co. 10 shares Fruit House Association. 20 shares Pittsburgh Grain Elevator Co. A. McILWAINE, Auctioneer.

BRICK STORE ROOM AND DWELLING, No. 66 SMITHFIELD ST., next to Diamond Alley corner. TUESDAY AFTERNOON, January 7th, at 3 o'clock, on the premises, if not previously sold by private sale, will be sold by auction, that very valuably situate three story Brick House, No. 76 Smithfield street, containing eight rooms, bath room and hall; the store room now occupied as a barber shop, adjoining the office of the Pittsburgh Gas Co. The lot is 20 ft. front on Smithfield street, next to corner of Diamond alley, and extending 60 feet in depth, with privilege of a 2 feet 10 inch alley at the rear for access to Diamond alley. Terms at sale. For further particulars enquire of WM. T. CHALFANT, Esq., No. 149 Fourth street. A. McILWAINE, Auct'r.

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