

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 28

COMMERCIAL RECORD.

The Purpose of the War.
An Address on Sunday afternoon, to Brooklyn audience, by Senator Wm. H. Seward.

Wm. West Boston said—
"What I intended the speaker, do you go forth to it to be a crusade of emancipation? No, to. I hold that no man shall impinge me in my detestation of slavery. But it is everywhere. I love my fellow-men; I believe all men were born to be free. I believe that liberty is the born right of every man. And yet, can any man be so foolish, so unwise, as to suppose that there is too low for navigation, or too narrow for emigration, the boundaries of the slave states have their rights guaranteed to them by the constitution of the United States. We have the right, but if we do not assert it, we have no right. The principles of the principles of that constitution which has been over this land for so long. We cannot send forth our arms on purpose to annihilate. But it is in our power to do so. The emancipation comes along with it, that is their lookout."

If their slaves are set free, that is part of the war. We are sent there to bring peace to the world and destruction to this peaceful country; and if it comes as a military necessity, and not with a violation of the constitution, I will do it. I am not averse to it. I do not say that I believe that when a white man and a black man can get before the throne of God, they will both be as white as snow. But while you, on the one hand, go South to be a dragon-hunter. So far as I am concerned, I would see my arm with the socket before I would do it. Better than referring to the right of the owner of slaves that fled to the camp of the Thirteenth regiment, and remarked that he had been sent with them who would have paid to the slaves to be set free. I do not know where those soldiers are now, good fellows! And I know they would get away, for I should be taken home to run after them."

The Little Drummer Boy.
Last week, Monday, a young spirit went up to Heaven, and with the battle of a camp at Washington, leaving behind many to mourn and tenderly remember. Clarence McKenzie, a little drummer boy, but clever boy, attached to the Thirteenth (Brooklyn) regiment, was the hand of a soldier of the regiment. Clarence had before his departure for Washington with the Thirteenth, exhibited himself to many persons as being a very bright boy, and was known in Brooklyn as a Catholic Sunday School scholar. During his stay in Washington he won the affection of his commanding officer, and when he was sent to the depot hospital was a favorite with all for good among them. When he left Brooklyn, he was presented by the Sunday School in which he was a member, with a small sum of money, and with him through all the trials, and while there, often reading it. Always at night before retiring this book was opened and a chapter read from it, and when the following morning he was found dead in his bed, having given his life to his Master.

Clarence was buried in Brooklyn with military honors, last wed., but very many did not soon forget to sorrow for him, nor will ever forget him till die ever—[M. Y. P.].

Commercial Value of Minerals.—Who thinks of it! And yet, in the economy of nature, all minerals, every naturalist knows, while it is commerce the amount derived from them is astounding. We have no figures to produce to show our own trade, but our state does not receive a cent from the exportation of minerals, while Great Britain pays annually \$1,000,000 for the dried caravans and other dry goods in the colonies which are not mineral products. The value of minerals, of either kind, is scarcely less valuable. More than 500,000 human beings derive their sole support from the culture and manufacture of minerals.

Flour.—The market has been amazingly flat, and the price of flour is now at \$1.50 per barrel, while it was \$2.50 in April. In fact, there is no market for flour, and it is not even sold at cost.

FEATHERS.—The market for feathers has not yet reached its highest point, but it is not far off.

GAS PIPES.—The market for gas pipes is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per ton.

HIDES.—The market for leather is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

HORN.—The market for horn is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

IRON.—The market for iron is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

LINEN.—The market for linen is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

MARSHALLS.—The market for marlals is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

PELTS.—The market for pelts is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

PIGSKINS.—The market for pigskins is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

PLUMBERS.—The market for plumbers is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

ROSES.—The market for roses is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

SILK.—The market for silk is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

SOAPS.—The market for soaps is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

STAINING.—The market for staining is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

STEEL.—The market for steel is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

THIMBLES.—The market for thimbles is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

TOBACCO.—The market for tobacco is still unchanged, and is at \$10 per hundred.

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