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Monetary and Commercial Review.

BALTIMORE, November 22, 1861.

There was some movement in City 6's and Railroad bonds to-day, but in other stocks there was nothing whatever done. For all the principal securities the market was however firm. Baltimore and Ohio was particularly strong, $47 being bid for it at the Board, an advance of $1 on the price bid yesterday. It was however generally held at $50, although a single lot of 25 shares was offered at $49¾. For Northern Central Railway $16¾ was bid, and $16¾ asked. The sales of Railroad bonds embrace $500 Baltimore and Ohio 1875's at 74, an advance of 1 per cent., $1,000 do. 1885's at 68, and $1,000 Northern Central 1885's at 62. Northern Central 1885's closed at 61 bid, 62 asked, and Baltimore and Ohio bonds left off at 82¾ bid for 1867's; 74 bid, 76 asked for 1875's; 70 bid for 1880's; 68 bid for 1885's; and 45¾ bid, 51 asked ex interest for 1862's, the extra dividend bonds. For City 6's there was a pretty good inquiry, and sales were made at the Board of $500 1575's at 89, $1,950 1890's at from 88¾ down to 88, and there was a sale after the Board of $1,000 1890's, at 88. For Maryland 6's 1870 90½ was bid, and 91 asked, but no sales were made. Bank stocks were generally firm. For Merchants' $87 was bid to day, an advance of $1, and Bank of Baltimore closed at 372¾ bid, $75 asked. There are very few desirable stocks offering, and higher prices than are bid would no doubt be paid for many stocks if they were to be had.

Money continues very abundant, but the demand for it is limited, and capitalists find it a very difficult matter to make satisfactory investments. The banks take all the good endorsed paper that is offering, and good single name passes readily on the street at from 7¾ to 12 per cent., the inside figure being for strictly first-class signatures. Money can be readily had on call with good collaterals at 5@6 per cent.

The foreign exports from Baltimore this week have been heavier than for a long time past, the value of them for the week ending on Thursday amounting to $359,052, against only $66,948 the previous week. Included in the exports were 4,650 bbls. flour, 49,905 bushels wheat, 4,893 bushels corn, 3,505 hhds. tobacco, 400 bbls. pork, 291,200 lbs bacon, 75,117 lbs. lard, and 47,716 lbs. tallow.

In New York to day Virginia 6's declined 1 per cent.; Missouris ¾; Tennessees 1¾; North Carolinas 1; Erie ¾; New York Central ¾; and Treasury notes ¾; but Canton and Reading brought the same figures as on yesterday.—The market closed weak.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

FRIDAY, November 22, 1861.

$500 Baltimore 6's '75		88
450 do.	'90	88¾
500 do.	'90	88¾
1,000 do.	'90	88
500 B. & O. R. R. bonds '75		74
1,000 do.	'85	68
1,000 Northern Central Railroad bonds '85		62

AFTER THE BOARD.

1,000 Baltimore 6's '88		88

PRICES AND SALES OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK. BY TELEGRAPH.

Through WILLIAM FISHER & SON, Stock and Bill Brokers. No. 22 South street.

	1st Board	2d Board.
Virginia 6's	47¾	00
Missouri 6's	43¾	42¾
Tennessee bonds	42	00
North Carolina bonds	59	00
Canton Company	10	00
Erie Railroad	32¾	30¾
New York Central Railroad	79¾	78¾
Reading Railroad	34¾	34¾
Treasury notes 2 years 6 per cents	99¾	00
	steady.	week.

The Philadelphia *Press* of yesterday says:

Prices were lower at the stock market to day. Reading Railroad shares sold at 17¾ at the first board, and afterwards at 17 50. City 6's, of the new issue, are weaker, and State 5's heavy at previous quotations. The market closed heavy and dispirited, the result of the assaults by the bear interest upon the market in New York. In the money market there is no alteration of any kind to note. Capital is plentiful as ever, but confidence is wanting and credit dear.

The New York *Post* of Thursday afternoon says:

The stock market continues weak, and is again lower. There was a good degree of steadiness early in the day, but towards the close there was considerable pressure to sell, and prices may be marked ½@1 per cent lower on the speculative list. The heaviest of the list is Pacific Mail, which dropped to 91 against 93 yesterday. After the board the stock was still lower, selling at 90¾. The misgivings in regard to our foreign relations have made this stock the weakest of the speculative shares, where but a week ago it was among the strongest. The large earnings of the company have ceased to exert a favorable influence.

The New York *Herald* says:

There has been a decline of 1¼@1½ per cent. on the general speculative list. Pacific Mail and Panama—both representing properties which would be exposed to risk in the event of war with England—were greatly depressed to-day. Pacific sold at 90—a decline of ten per cent. in about a week. At the board Erie fell 1 per cent.; Erie preferred, ¾; Central, ¾; Hudson, ¾; Michigan Central, 1; Rock Island, 1¼; Toledo, ¾; Illinois Central, ¾; guaranteed, ¾; and so on throughout the railway list. Bank stocks were better: Park advanced 2 per cent; American Exchange was firm at the recent advance. Governments and State stocks were neglected, without change in price. At the second board stocks gene ally rallied ¾@¾ per cent, and the market showed more strength.

The New York *World* says:

The foreign exchange market is heavy, with a tendency to lower rates. The quotations of the banking firms for sixty day sterling bills are 108 to 108¾, with few transactions at the lower rate, and none at the higher. Prime commercial bills are in demand, and sell freely at 107¾ to 107¾.

REVIEW OF THE BALTIMORE MARKETS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 22.

ALCOHOL.—We continue to quote Alcohol at 43 cts. per gallon for 95 per cent. Sales of some 75 to 100 bbls. have been made this week at this figure.

ASHES.—Ashes are selling at New York at $5.31¼ per 100 lbs. for both Pot and Pearl, but we hear of no sales here.

BRIMSTONE.—There is no Brimstone here, but crude Sicily, is quoted at New York $42 50@45 per ton.

BREAD.—Bread is unchanged in price and it is still selling at 4¾ cts. for Navy; 5 cts. for Pilot; and 6¾ cts. for Water Crackers, less the usual discount. The government we notice advertise for 200,000 lbs. for the army.

BARK.—Quercitron Bark ranges in price at from $18 to $22 per ton, according to quality. There is a pretty good inquiry for it and a lot of some 15 tons fair quality was sold a few day since at $19.50 per ton.

COFFEE.—Coffee has been very quiet again this week the sales so far as we have heard embracing only 600 bags Rio at 15 cts net, and 300 bags do. at 15¾ cts. net. Holders generally are however quite indifferent about selling except at extreme rates, and at the present very high prices, buyers purchase only to supply their immediate wants. We quote as follows, viz: Rio at 14¾@15 cts. for ordinary; 15¾@16¾ cts. for fair to prime; Laguayra at 17¾@18 cts.; and Java at 21@22 cts. per lb. There have been no imports this week, but the stock of Rio here is about 18,000 bags.

COTTON.—The market for Cotton has been quiet for a week or two past, and we have heard of no sales this week. The supply here is light, and Middling is now held at 24¾@24¾ cts. per lb.

CHEMICALS.—Soda Ash is selling at 2¾@2¾ cts. cash, for 80 per cent; Sal-Soda at 1¾@2 cts.; Bi-Carb Soda at 3¾@4 cts.; and Bleaching Powders at 2¾@3 cts. per lb.

CANDLES.—Candles continue quiet, but Adamantine are firm at 17@20 cts. per lb. We quote Chemical Sperm at 25@28 cts.; Sperm at 35@32 cts.; Paraffine at 25@34 cts.; and Patent Wax at 45@48 cts. per lb. Mould may be quoted at 10@12 cts. for Western, and 12¾@15 cts. per lb. for Baltimore.

COAL.—There is nothing doing in Cumberland Coal there being very little here, but Anthracite is active and very firm. It is selling by cargoes for steam purposes at $4.50@4.80 f. o. b., and from the yard for domestic use at $5.25 per ton of 2,240 lbs. The stock here is unusually light

COPPER.—We hear of no sales of Copper, but Baltimore refined Ingots which are held firmly at 20¾@21 cts. per lb cash. Yellow Metal Sheathing is selling at 19 cts., and Yellow Metal Bolts and Nails at 22@23 cts. per lb.

FEATHERS.—Feathers still range at from 30 to 45 cts. per lb, as in quality, but there is very little doing in them

FRUIT.—Foreign Fruit is still scarce and firm. Raisins are selling at $2.70@2 75 for bunch, and $3 per box for layer. There have been no sales of Figs here as yet this season. We quote Figs at 8@10 cts; Dates at 4@5 cts; Zante Currants at 10@12 cts.; Plums in kegs at 8 cts; and Prunes in kegs and jars at 18 cts. per lb. There are no Oranges here, but Lemons, of which there are a few in market are selling at $7 per box. Green Apples are still selling at $3@3 25, and we quote Cranberries at $7 per bbl.

FISH.—There is a better demand for Fish and for all descriptions prices are higher. Mackerel have improved since last week full $0 50 cts. per bbl., and we quote them at $9 50 for No. 1's; $7.@7.50 for No. 2's; $5 50 for large No. 3's; $5@5 25 for medium do; and $3 25@3.50 per bbl. for small do. Madgalen and Halifax Herrings are selling at from $1.75 to 2 25, and we note a sale this week of a cargo of 350 bbls. Labrador do. at $4 per bbl. They are selling from store at $4.25@4.50 per bbl.

FLOUR.—There has been comparatively little done this week in Flour, but the market has nevertheless throughout it been quite steady. We have reported sales of 1,000 bbls. Ohio Extra at $6; 250 bbls. City Mills Super at $5 50; and of 2,000 bbls. City Mills Extra, at a fraction under $6 50 per bbl. The last named lot was taken for Brazil. There have also been sales in lots to the trade here of about 1,000 bbls. Howard Street and Ohio Super at $5 62½@5.75 per bbl., the latter figure being for very choice brands. Super Flour closes steady to-day at $5 62½@5 75 for Howard Street; $5.50@5 62½ for Ohio; $5.37½@5.50 for City Mills; and we quote Extra do. at $5 for Ohio; $6@6.25 for Howard Street; and $6.37½@6 50 per bbl. for standard shipping brands City Mills. The export this week are as follows, viz:

	bbls.
To Liverpool	2,492
" Queenstown, Ire	600
" Bremen	1,256
" Holland	302
Total	4,650

FAMILY FLOUR.—Family Flour is selling by the drayload to the trade at $8.25 for the best brands Baltimore, $6 50@7 for Ohio and Howard Street, and Baltimore high grade Extra is bringing $7.75 per bbl.

RYE FLOUR.—Rye Flour is in demand and firm at $4.37½@4.50 per bbl. A lot of 150 bbls was sold two or three days since at the inside figure, and some sales have also been made at the top price.

CORN MEAL.—There is some demand for Corn Meal but there, is we believe none here. We quote it nominal at $3.25 per bbl. for both Baltimore and Brandywine.

The following are the inspections of Flour and Meal for the week ending November 21st, 1861:

	bbls.	hf bbls.
Howard Street	8,284	....
City Mills	6,287	200
Ohio	3,476	....
Family	3,091	....
Total wheat Flour	21,137	200

Together with 438 bbls. Rye Flour, and 50 bbls. Corn Meal.

GRAIN.—There has been a fair supply of Grain at market this week, the receipts amounting in the aggregate to about 150,000 bushels, which, however, is some 40,000 bushels less than was received last week. For all varieties the demand has been moderately active, and prices have been well maintained, especially for the better qualities. The foreign shipment of Grain have been heavy this week, embracing some 50,000 bushels of Wheat, all of which went to Europe, and 5,000 bushels Corn.

WHEAT.—Wheat continues to arrive pretty freely, the receipts this week adding up about 70,000 bushels. There has however been a good demand for it, especially for the better grades, and it has ruled through the week pretty steadily, at about last Friday's quotations. Most of the receipts have been sold at 110@120 cts for common and medium red, 130@138 cts. for good to prime do., 110@115 cts. for common white, 130@140 cts. for medium grades do, 145@150 cts. for fair do., 155@165 cts. for good to prime do., and 170 cts. for choice parcels do. To day the market was weaker than on any previous day this week, and the sales showed a little falling off in prices, but there were no prime Wheats at market.

RYE.—There have been some 2,500 bushels Rye at market this week, and it has mostly changed hands at 63@66 cts. for Maryland, and 65 cts. for Pennsylvania.

CORN.—The receipts of Corn this week add up about 30,000 bushels, but there has been through the week a pretty good demand for it, and most of the lots received have changed hands at from 60 to 65 cts. for new yellow and white, 63 to 68 cts. for old yellow, and 70 to 75 cts. per bushel for old white. To day the market was dull, and prices were lower than they were a day or two since, old yellow selling at 60@65 cts., and old white at 68@74 cts. per bushel. No sales of new Corn were reported.

OATS.—Oats have been in good supply again this week, the receipts amounting to about 50,000 bushels. They have however nearly all been sold at 36@37 cts. for inferior Maryland, 39@42 cts. for fair to prime do., and 41@44 cts. per bushel for Pennsylvania, and they closed steady at these figures.

PEAS AND BEANS.—Black-eyed Peas are scarce and wanted, and they are selling as fast as they arrive at $1.75 per bushel for new crop. Beans are active at $2@2 25 per bushel.

GUANO.—The season for the sale of Guano is over, and there is now little or nothing doing in it. The Agents' price for Peruvian is still $60 per long ton, and dealers ask $55 for short, and $61 per long ton We quote California or Elide Island Guano at $45@47; Ichaboe do. at $45@48; Sombrero do. at $27; and A A Mexican do. at from $18 to $22 per ton of 2,240 lbs. Reese Manipulated Guano sells at $45; Maryland Company's Super Phosphate at $40@43; Whitelock & Co's. at $43; Turner's Excelsior, Rhodes' and Dellerg's Super Phosphate of Lime at $45; and Baugh's raw bone Phosphate at $45 per ton of 2,000 lbs.

GUNNY BAGS.—Gunny Bags are still selling at 13 cts. for small, and 16@18 cts. each for large.

GINSENG.—There is no Ginseng selling but we continue to quote it at 45@50 cts. per lb.

HEMP.—We quote Hemp as follows, viz: at $130@135 for rough American; $215@220 for dressed do; $230 per ton for Russia; 5¾ cts. per lb. for Manilla; 5¾@5¾ cts. for Sisnn; and 5 cts. for Jute.

HAY AND STRAW.—Hay is in good demand and firm at $17@18 per ton for good baled Timothy. The sales making are principally to the government. Rye Straw is in moderate request at $15 per ton.

HIDES.—There are no foreign Hides in market, and of course nothing is doing in them. We quote wet city slaughtered as before at 7¾ cts.; and wet country do. at 7@7¾ cts. per lb.

IRON.—There is but little doing in Iron but the market for it is very firm, and holders are not disposed to press sales. We continue to quote as follows, viz: Baltimore Charcoal Forge at $27@27¾; Catoctin do at $24@25; Charcoal No 1 Wheel at $27@28; Anthracite Iron at $23@24 for No. 1; $21@22 for No. 2; $20@21 for No. 3; Scotch Pig at $22 from ship, and $23@24 per ton from the yards We quote Blooms as heore at $40 for puddled, and $60@62½ per ton for best Charcoal; Bar Iron at $47½@50 for common English and American, and $57½@60 per ton for refined do.; and Sheet do. at 3¾@4 cts. for English; 4¾@4¾ cts. for American, and 17¾ cts. per lb. for Russia. Boiler Plates are selling at 3¾ cts. for puddled, and 4@4½ cts. per lb. or refined Charcoal, and we quote Nails at $2.80@2.85 per 100 lbs., cash, and $3, six months, for Cut 4d. and upwards.

INDIGO.—Indigo is quiet but very firm at the quotations, which are at follows, viz: 120@175 cts. for Bengal; 105@130 cts. for Kurpah; 120@150 cts. for Guatemala; 75@85 cts. for Madras; 30@60 cts. for common to fair, and 70@112 cts. per lb. for good prime Manilla.

LEATHER.—There is a fair business doing in Leather, and it is selling about as fast as it arrives at prevailing rates, viz: 27@30 cts. for City slaughtered Sole; 25@28 cts.; for Country do.; 26@28 cts. for Spanish Sole; 30@32 cts. for City harness Leather, black; 27@33 cts. for Country do.; 25@28 cts. for Rough Skirting; $3.50@5 for Upper in rough hide; 50@60 cts. for rough Calf Skins; and 85@100 cts. per lb. for finished do.

MOLASSES.—There is nothing of consequence doing in Molasses owing to the very light stock here. It is however very firm at the quotations which are as follows, viz: 23@33 cts. for Cuba clayed; 33@35 cts. for Muscovado; 35@40 cts. for Porto Rico; and 50@56 cts. per gallon for New Orleans.

MILL FEED.—Mill Feed is in good demand and firm at 15@17 cts. for Brown Stuff, and 27@28 cts. per bushel for Middlings.

NAVAL STORES.—We quote Spirits Turpentine this week at $1 35@1.40 per gallon which is a decline, but Tar and Pitch are higher, the former being quoted at $4.75@5 per bbl. There is no Rosin here.

OILS.—Oils are dull, but steady at the quotations which are follows, viz: Linseed at 50@53 cts. for American; Sperm at 150 cts. for fall, and 160 cts. for winter; Whale at 55@58 cts. for crude, and 62@65 cts. for patent bleached; Solar at 62@65 cts.; Sea Elephant at 70 cts; and Lard at 70@75 cts. per gallon.

PROVISIONS.—Sales are still mostly confined to the requirements of the General Government, although we have no change to notice in prices of most articles from our quotations of last week.

PORK.—Sales of some 600 bbls. Mess to the General Government at $13 19@13.94 and $14 12½ per bbl. We now quote at $13@14 50 for Mess; $11@12 for Prime, and $10.50@11 for Rump.

BULK MEAT.—No sales. We still quote at 4¾ and 5@5¾ cts. for Shoulders and Sides, and 4¾@5 cts. for Hams.

BACON.—Sales to the General Government and in jobbing lots to a moderate extent at 5¾ and 6¾@6¾ cts. per lb. for Shoulders and Sides, and 7@10¾ cts. for Hams.

LARD.—We have heard of no sales, but quote as before at 9¾ cts. for Western; 8¾ cts. for City, and 11¾@11¾ cts for refined.

BUTTER.—Demand fair for good quality, and New York State is higher. Western solid packed 8@10 cts.; New York State 16@20 cts.; new Glades 12@16 cts.; Rolls 12@16 cts. per lb. Eggs are selling at 18@20 cts. per dozen for fresh selected.

CHEESE.—Is in fair demand at our last quotations, viz: Western cutting at 6@7 cts.; do. English Dairy at 7@8 cts.; Eastern cutting at 7½@8 cts., and do. English Dairy at 8¾@9 cts. per lb.

PLASTER.—Plaster is still selling in small lots at $3 12½ per ton, but there has been no cargo sales for a week or two past.

POTATOES.—Potatoes range in price at from 45 to 65 cts. per bushel. A cargo of very superior quality was sold this week at 57 cts. per bushel.

POWDER.—We continue to quote Dupont's, Hazard's and Beatty's Powder at $3.25 for blasting, and $5@5.50 per keg of 25 lbs for sporting.

RICE.—There is no Rice here in first hands, but there is little or no inquiry for it It is selling in New York at 7@7¾ cts. per lb

SUGARS.—The transactions in Sugars have been very limited, the sales so far as we have heard embracing only 90 bbls. Cuba at $8 62¾, and about 100 hhds. Porto Rico in small lots at from $8.50 to $8.87¾. Although the demand is limited the market is very firm in tone, the stock here being extremely light. We quote as follows, viz: Cuba at $8@8 25 for refining, and $8.50@9 for grocery grades; Porto Rico and New Orleans at $8 50@9 50; and current qualities of Manilla and Pernambuco at $8@8.25. We note the import this week of 363 hhds. from Porto Rico, and 625 bbls. from Portland.

REFINED SUGARS.—The quotations for Refined Sugars are still as follows, viz: 11¾@11¾ cts. for loaf; 10¾@11¾ cts. for crushed, powdered and granulated; 10¾@10¾ cts. for soft crushed white; and 9¾@10 cts.-per lb. for C yellow.

SALT.—Liverpool Salt is selling in lots as wanted at 110@115 cts. for Ground Alum, 165@170 cts. per sack for Marshall's, Worthington's and Jeffrey & Darcy's fine, and we quote Turks Island do. at 25 cts. per bushel from store.

SEEDS.—Cloverseed is steady at $4.50@4.75 per bushel. There is however very little offering and we hear of no sales worth noting. Timothy Seed may be quoted at $2.12½@2 25 per bushel. A lot of 100 bushels was sold a day or two since at the inside figure. Flaxseed is bringing $1 60@1.70 per bushel.

STARCH.—Starch is steady at 4¾@5 cts. for Western Pearl, and 5¾@6 cts. per lb. for Oswego. There is however very little selling.

SPICES.—Spices are quiet but very firm. We quote as follows, viz: Pepper at 10¾@11¾ cts.; Pimento at 8@8¾ cts; Cloves at 13¾@14 cts; Ginger at 10 cts; Cassia at 22@25 cts.; Mace at 40@45 cts., and Nutmegs at 45@50 cts per lb.

STAVES.—There is nothing doing in Staves so far as we are advised. We however still quote as follows, viz: W. O. Hhd. at $55@65; W. O. Pipe at $60@78; and W. O. Barrel at $20@30 per thousand. There are no Red Oak Staves in market.

TALLOW.—We have heard of no transactions in Tallow this week. The last sales were made at 9¾ cts., and this figure could be obtained to-day. We note the export this week of some 50,060 lbs. Tallow to Havana.

TIN AND LEAD.—Tin Plate is still selling at $9 for I. C., and $10.75 per box for I. X. We quote Banca Tin at 29@30 cts.; Spelter at 4¾@4¾ cts.; and Lead at 6@6¾ cts. for Pig; 7 cts. for Bar; and 7¾@7¾ cts. per lb. for Pipe and Sheet.

WOOL.—Wool continues active and firm, especially the lower grades. The receipts are increasing, but the demand is more than equal to the supply. We quote unwashed to-day at 24@36 cts., tub washed at 45@50 cts., pulled at 38@40 cts., and common fleece at 45@48 cts. Of the finer grades there are no sales making, and it is impossible to give correct quotations for them.

WHISKEY.—Whiskey has through the week been dull and heavy at a decline on last week's prices. The sales embrace 160 bbls. Country at 21 cts., and some 250 to 300 bbls. Ohio at 21@21¾ cts per gallon. To-day the feeling in the market is rather stronger than it has been, and Ohio is held pretty firmly at 21¾ cts.

FREIGHTS.—No new freight engagements have been made this week so far as we have heard. We quote to Liverpool at 10d. for grain, 3s. for flour, 32s. 6d. for tobacco, and 35@40s. for heavy goods. To the Continent rates are nominal, but we still quote to Bremen at 32s. 6d., and to Holland at 40s. for tobacco.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Cotton is firm—sales of 2,500 bales. Flour is dull—sales of 26,000 bbls; State $5 40@5.50; Ohio $5.85@5.95; Southern unchanged. Wheat has an upward tendency—sales of 329,000 bushels; Milwaukie club $1 27@1 29; red $1.31@1.37; white $1.35@1.50. Corn—sales of 178,000 bushels at former rates. Pork is steady—prime $8 50@9. Whiskey is steady at 20¾@20¾ cts. Sugar is firm at 7¾@8¾ cts. Coffee is firm—sales of 2,800 bags at 15¾@16¾ cts. Spirits Turpentine closed firm at $1.50. Rosin closed buoyant at $5.37¾@5.50. Freights are firmer.

NEW CODFISHING GROUNDS.—Immense quantities of codfish are now taken on a newly discovered bank off the Western coast of Scotland. This place is known in the charts as Rockall, and is a sandbank about 100 miles in length and 40 in breadth. The rock which causes its accumulation is situated in 57° 35' north latitude, 13° 40' west longitude. Its rounded form rises to the height of 18 or 20 feet above the sea, and when viewed from a short distance, it has very much the appearance of a rounded corn-stack; the top of it is rather flat; and when the fisherman were there in August, it was white with the offal of the numerous birds (all of the diver species) that hatch their eggs upon it. No other rock in the vicinity is visible above water; but there is a reef nearly 6 miles in length, covered by from 2 to 5 fathoms of water. The depth from which the fish were drawn was from 25 to 40 fathoms. The nearest land to the rock is the small Island of St. Kilda, one of the outermost Hebrides, or western isles of Scotland, from which it is distant 136 miles. There is no harbor nor shelter at St. Kilda; but it is, nevertheless, advisable for ships going to Rockall to take their bearings from that island, because the rock itself, being so small an object, is difficult to find. We saw a few miles off, it appears as no more than a barrel floating in that vast ocean.

It is stated that China has already been entered by nearly 100 Protestant missionaries. In the Canton province there are about 28, of whom 17 are in the city of Canton itself.

One of the largest cannon ever made in the country, was cast at Algers' foundry, at South Boston on Saturday afternoon, under the inspection of Captain Taylor of the U. S. N. It weighed 30,000 pounds.

An army officer insulted United States Senator Browning, of Illinois, in the cars near Quincy. The Senator "pitched in" and severely whipped his antagonist, whose trade is war.

Capt. John Brown, "with his company of tried and true Abolitionists," as the *Conservative* expresses it, arrived at Leavenworth on November 9.

LATEST NEWS.

TELEGRAMS.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Slidell and Mason Affair—Lord Lyons Expresses No Opinion on the Subject.

WASHINGTON, November 22.—Much speculation continues to be indulged relative to the Mason and Slidell question. So far as can be ascertained, the Minister of Her Britannic Majesty's government has taken no action whatever upon the the subject, but will probably await instructions. Nor has there been an informal conversation between him and the proper department concerning it. Those who are intimately acquainted with Lord Lyons believe that in this, as in other matters, he has observed his usual discretion in refraining from premature expressions of opinion.

From the South Side of the Potomac—Successful Reconnoitering Party.

The reconnoitering and foraging party under General Brooks, which went out from Gen. Smith's division yesterday, took possession of Flint Hill and the surrounding country, throwing out pickets in different directions to prevent a surprise, while the forage master gathered and brought away seventy loads of hay, having with him not less than ninety wagons. The only evidence of the presence of the enemy was one regiment of infantry a squadron of cavalry, and one battery seen from a prominent position between Fairfax Court-House and Centreville, in a westward direction, about eight miles beyond our present outpost.

The party returned late last night, having been altogether successful, and met with no casualties whatever.

Information was received that the Confederates had constructed an artillery road from Flint Hill to Germantown.

The report that Dr. Mulford, a Surgeon of the 33d New York regiment, was accidentally killed at the review, on Wednesday, is untrue. He was not even hurt. The only one slightly injured was Dr. Dickerson, Assistant Surgeon of the same regiment.

Col. Taylor, who was arrested under a misapprehension in connection with the running over of a private on Wednesday, has been restored to his command.

Another Review.

Gen. Smith's division, including the brigades of Gens. Hancock, Brooks and Brannon and Mott's and Barry' batteries, and Friedman's cavalry was to have been reviewed this afternoon by Gen. McClellan, but as public business prevented him from being present, Gen. Smith himself reviewed the division. After passing in review the regiments were drawn up in line of battle, the artillery occupying prominent points and Friedman's cavalry having been posted in a position to make a charge.

The infantry and artillery first opened the fire which was continued by the entire division for nearly an hour, movements as in actual battle being observed. They imagined the enemy to be in the direction of Lewinsville. Ayres' battery which occupies Swerts' Hill, took part in the engagement. The exercises were closed by a charge from Friedman's cavalry on a fancied column of the enemy's infantry. The only accident was that to Charles Treuter, of Co. I, of Philadelphia, who was thrown from his horse and seriously injured. Both the review and the sham battle were in the highest degree creditable to Gen. Smith's division and showed that it has rapidly progressed in discipline and efficiency.

Gen. Meigs Not to Take the Field.

While some gentlemen of distinction are desirous that Gen. Meigs shall take the field, it is known that the government, appreciating his qualifications for the discharge of the extensive and important labors devolved on him, is not inclined to transfer him from the Quartermaster's Department to the performance of other public duties.

Consular Appointment.

Colonel Einstein yesterday took formal leave in this city of the officers of the regiment which he formerly commanded, having been appointed Consul to Nuremburg. He will leave for Europe by the next steamer.

Newfoundland Telegraph Line—European Steamers.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Nov. 20.—The telegraph-wire breakers are still at work. The wires were cut on Tuesday night, at 8½ o'clock, thirty-three miles from here, and repaired by 7 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning. There is an improvement in the manner of cutting the wires. They are filed off instead of being clumsily cut with a stone.

The City of Manchester's news was delayed until Sunday night last by breaks in the line.

The line has been cut every hour to-day, but we have many men and horses out to repair it as soon as it is cut.

The Harbor Grace line is believed to be utterly destroyed.

The election takes place to-day, and quiet will probably prevail hereafter.

The steamship Jura, from Quebec for Liverpool, passed Cape Race at 11½ o'clock this morning. A gale from the northeast was blowing. Signalled her to come under the lee shore, but she refused, in consequence of the height of the gale.

The steamship City of New York will arrive off Cape Race about midnight, but there are no prospects of boarding her.

FROM THE LOWER POTOMAC.

Successful Running of the Confederate Blockade—Another Battery Erecting.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The Wyandank ran the blockade last night, reaching Indian Head about moonrise and the Navy Yard this morning. She was not fired at. The steamer E. B. Hall also ran the blockade downward last night, having on board a large quantity of ammunition and ordnance stores generally. Two schooners, loaded with wood, also ran the blockade of the Confederate batteries successfully on Wednesday night.

The enemy is apparently at work on a new battery on "Possum Nose," which is far above the others in Mr. Otterback's lands.

Shipment of Arms from England to the United States Prohibited.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The *Post* says that English letters received here state that the British Government refuses to grant clearances from English ports to vessels having aboard arms for the United States, and that shippers will hereafter be compelled to send in vessels from Continental ports.

Escape of a Prisoner from Hon. McCulloch.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 21.—The San Antonio *Herald* of the 26th ult. says Charles Anderson was arrested by Gen. McCulloch for attempting to come North, but he had escaped from the guard and was then at large.

Andrew Johnson in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 21.—Hon. Andrew Johnson arrived here this evening, destined for Eastern Kentucky, and General Sherman has left for St. Louis.

From the Dupont Gazette, Southern Illinois,

A LAUDABLE ENTERPRISE.

We learn that Mrs. Catherine Beecher, with the peculiarity and originality belonging to that remarkable Beecher family, has recently been developing a novel and pleasing scheme for the promulgation of Yankee intelligence and customs among our poor benighted denizens of Southern Illinois, thus letting in a flood of light upon this Egypt of the Occident. It is proposed to form a New England Company, who shall purchase an extensive tract of land in this beclouded region, and thereupon erect a neat and commodious set of buildings of the most approved order of architecture, and furnished with the most ofhordox Massachusetts taste, and then send a colony of Massachusetts missionaries on the merciful mission of teaching the ignorant women of our unhappy Egypt the systematic order of New England housekeeping.—Schools of instruction will also be erected, in which theoretical agriculture will be taught. Our benighted domestic management of affairs will be superseded by the introduction of Mrs. Catherine Beecher's Cooking Book. The department of literature will be enriched by a library containing Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe's graceful, original and truthful novel, entitled "Uncle Tom's Cabin." The department of religion will boast of several volumes of sermons, mostly by the Rev. Lieman Beecher, while the theory of political economy will be luminously enriched by jewels from the cabinet of Henry Ward Beecher, Esq., humorist, jester and clown for Plymouth Church Congregation, Brooklyn, Long Island.

In fact, it is proposed to furnish from the Beecher family all the material requisite for the reformation of poor, darkened Illinois, (variegated theology included.) Music will also be taught, a sweet, canting, hypocritical tone of voice, to suit the melody of

"A prude at morn and evening prayer
A velvet cushion had worn bare:
Upward had taught her eyes to roll,
To wrest her soaring soul!"

Thither the flocks of Lowell factory girls will flutter, like a cloud of sapline, white doves, to these proposed white model cottages, upon these our green prairies of Illinois; and around their columns, and over whose roofs the emerald convolvulli will twine, and throw forth pink and purple vases to the sunshine, the showers and the approbation of Mrs Catherine Beecher.

Upon the arrival of this colony from Yankee Land of Pilgrim Mothers, (that are to be,) in Western Egypt, the school children are to be instructed that Jesus Christ existed prior to the Senior Bonsparte—that the iron Goose used by Sartor Rosartus was not the one instrumental in the salvation of Rome—together with many other things too interesting to mention. The morning musical exercises in the garden will commence by singing

"Ho! every one that thirsteth!"

Upon the days when H. W. B. lectures the cornfields will have all their beards combed, and stand with their ears open.

Mrs. Catherine Beecher's Address upon the Daughters of New England, will call forth all the Son Flowers in their richest attire.

N. B.—A lecture will be delivered upon Pumpkin-piety. Admittance twenty-five cents, merely to meet expenses.

Secretary Cameron has notified the Governor of Maine that a competent officer will be immediately detailed to examine and report upon the seacoast defences of that State.

The accounts from Turkey speak of the capacity of that country as a cotton producing district, and the investigation of the subject will prove that with only ordinary attention there is the prospect of developing the staple.

The elections to the Chamber of Deputies in Baden Baden, have resulted in the return of an immense majority of Liberals. The Ultramontanes have not succeeded in electing a single candidate.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

FRAUDS ON THE GOVERNMENT—DEAR HORSEFLESH—Much has been written and said relative to the abusive frauds which have been committed on the General Government by speculating contractors, but the evidence to this public was not patent until yesterday, when a display of horseflesh took place on Baltimore street, which evinced most palpably the grossest fraud on the Government. The Government, it is understood, pays on an average $110 per head for horses, which should secure a prime animal, but such is not the case. The speculators and the purchasing agent of the Government are in collusion, and a grand swindling operation is the consequence. There were about one hundred and fifty horses on exhibition, the most perfect wrecks and poorest apologies. There was scarcely one perfectly sound animal in the lot, and most of them were ring boned and spavined, some had the splint, many were lame, and a few blind of an eye. A sorry sight indeed they presented, as they went limping and stumbling along, poor in flesh and apparently weak for want of food. Several of the soldiers were thrown when the horses were going at the walk, which indicated great deficiency in the art of riding. True, the horses were ridden with halters, and they stumbled badly, but yet small boys could stick on their backs. The cavalcade was a subject of merriment in the streets through which it passed. The soldiers appeared to enjoy the affair amazingly, and appeared to be aware of the disreputable class of animals which they were riding. A sale of condemned horses took place in Washington a few days since, which sold at prices ranging from 60 cents to $30. This lot would not command better prices if put under the hammer. About half the number were only fit for glue-house purposes.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ILLUMINATING GAS FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOV. 21, 1861:

Illuminating power in Candles.	Sulphur grains in 100 cubic feet.	Ammoniacal Gas.	Sulphuretted Hydrogen Gas.	Carbonic Acid Gas.	Pressure in main maximum.	Pressure in main minimum.	Burner pressure during trial.	Bromine condensation, per cent.
14.5	less than 5 grains	in excess	none	none	305 100	15 10	2 10	— 4 5

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Remarks.—The illuminating power has been sensibly lowered, and the ammonia impurity seems to be on the increase. But the pressure has been more carefully adjusted. The minimum above noted only occurred once, and then only for a brief space. The average maximum having been 29.10, and the average minimum 23.10 gives a range of only 6.10 of an inch during the past week.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.—The Grand Division of the State met in the Temple of the Order yesterday, and the session continued through the day and evening. The Rev. E. R. Hera was elected G. W. P.; John Johnson, of Washington, D. C., G. W. A.; David Henderson, G. S.; John C. Welch, G. Treas; Rev. Jno. Myers, G. Chap.; S. A. Ewalt, G. Con.; Wm. McCoy, G. Sent. An amendment to the by-laws was adopted, changing the sessions from quarterly to semi annual. There was quite a large attendance, particularly from the rural divisions, and the proceedings were characterized by a feeling of deep interest for the welfare of the Order. The reports of the officers show that there has been a small decrease in membership. The next session will be held in this city in May next.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE.—Governor Hicks has appointed Thomas J. Wilson, Esq., editor of the Annapolis *Gazette*, Secretary of State, instead of Grayson Eichelberger, Esq., resigned. Mr. Eichelberger was elected to the Senate at the recent election, from Frederick county, vice the farmer of "Linganore"—Gen. Kimmell.

SPECIAL JUDGE APPOINTED.—Judge Krebs yesterday morning appointed Alfred W. Bateman, Esq., of Harford county, to sit as special Judge in the following cases: Henry W. Archer, &c., *vs.* Isaac Vanhorn, &c., and Isaac Stansbury *vs.* Edward Rutledge, in the Circuit Court