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ANOTHER TREMENDOUS BLOW TO THE REBELLION.

The capture of Fort Fisher by the national forces is another terrible blow to the rebellion, since it settles at one dash the fate of Richmond and rebeldom generally, so far as successful blockade running is in the case, and consequent supplies for the rebel armies. Besides, no one can doubt but that Wilmington itself will go next, and then what a menace will such an event be to Richmond from the rear, since securing that great line of railroad, it offers every facility for a new movement of troops to co-operate, if need, be with Sherman in his rumored journey north on interior lines from Savannah.

So they go. The next thing we shall hear from the rebel press, will probably be, that Fort Fisher,—whose recent fall is suggestive of so much of additional ruin to their prospects—that that formidable work was of little or no consequence at all; that possibly they were better off without it, since it took men to garrison it and provisions and other supplies the Confederacy could better appropriate elsewhere. At any rate, that has been their philosophy ever since they began to lose their strongholds. Beat them backward at whatever point, cut down their territory step by step, crowding them into smaller compass at the most vital points, they never fail to find in it all some welcome compensation, the last argument always being that they had "shorter lines to defend."

Well, all that might do up to a certain limit; but there must come a time when it will only excite a pitying sneer. It answered after a fashion with their poor dupes until at last they find the most active of the Federal Commanders, himself, on their "interior lines," turning and ravaging in whatever direction he may deem it advantageous to do so, sweeping through whole States to the exposure of their palpable weakness, and humbling their hopes, and prospects before the whole civilized world.

And if any sympathizer with the rebel cause can now see the remotest hope for them, it is a marvel, certainly. With the fact demonstrated that from Georgia to Richmond there is no Confederate force that can hope to stand before Sherman for any length of time, and with other combinations on foot to coop up Lee and all his troops in Virginia, thus insuring their ultimate capture or destruction, how idle is it to suppose, that much longer the rebel conclave will be suffered to administer what they call their "government,"—who does not see that ere very long, the whole thing must come to ruin!

Let that come when it may,—if it comes through one final and tremendous blow delivered before Richmond, all may expect to hear them when crushed flat down in the blood and mire they have brought upon their section, insisting that they are not whipped—that, in short, they could "carry on the war in Virginia for twenty years" longer! We shall see, shortly, the conclusion of all this.

THE PEACE RUMORS AND PEACE MISSIONS.

We do not believe in overtures to Richmond in any shape whatever, except at the hands of our military leaders, at the point of the bayonet; and whenever we hear of embassies to Jeff Davis, *authorized or unauthorized*, we discern the possibility in the distance of conceding to the great traitors at Richmond—of negotiating with—the blood-stained set who have brought the most horrible evils upon the land, murder, and want, and sorrow, to let them escape punishment at last.

Should this happen by any impolitic tenderness on the part of our rulers—should it be demonstrated that because the leading conspirators are pre-eminent in blood guiltiness, that *therefore* their great crimes are at last to be toned down to mere political errors or piccadillas, what guaranty would the nation ever have in the future, that *treason*, horrible, cruel and revolting, is ever to be punished as the dark and villainous thing it is; the destroyer of the nation's peace, the slayer of its sons; the agent to bring tears and heart-rending bereavements to happy homes!

No, none of this. Let these men be beaten; beaten to a stand still; and let not the nation of loyal men be humiliated, and disappointed and grieved, to see these mighty criminals huggermugging with their old political associates because they are such, to make men forget their dreadful crimes, the fact that if the nation is to vindicate its prerogatives, they must have dealt out to them even handed *justice*.

Otherwise, let us fancy the thousands of brave fellows, maimed for life to save that nationality put in peril by the acts of the great traitors at Richmond, let us imagine them present in Washington with Jeff. Davis and Benjamin received there, the latter distinguished, considered, permitted in the intervals of splendid entertainments offered to them by their present sympathizers—and their name is legion—to negotiate for their immunity, from punishment; possibly to laugh over their past blunders, to call them perhaps mere failures in strategy; permitting them a new future, making them an example to the youth of the nation of crime excused, because of its very magnitude, its almost unearthly guilt.

We hope our rulers—we say—will never prepare such a spectacle for this nation, through any overweening desire for "peace." A "peace" which leaves these traitors to go unscathed, will be in all the future a *premium on crime*; an invitation to that accursed notoriety already won in the interests of murder, treachery, robbery, the betrayal of the sailors to every evil. Let the ultimatum be as hitherto—"lay down your arms," and let the rank and file get the benefit of it down there. But no compromise with Jeff. Davis and his infamous coadjutors; no escape for them; and such is the regret, we believe, most loyal men would feel, should they be permitted to go back unscathed to to their old haunts Washington, that all might well hope that the army—the men who have suffered and bled in this struggle—would take the matter of a just retribution in hand themselves. We hope no such summary process may at last be needful.

LOSS OF THE U. S. SLOOP-OF-WAR SAN JACINTO.

[From the New York Times.]

By the United States steamer Continental, which sailed from Key West on the 10th inst., and has arrived at this port, we learn that the steam sloop-of-war San Jacinto, Captain R. W. Meade, commanding, was lost on the morning of the 1st inst. on a reef off No-Name Key, on the Bahama Banks. On the day previous to the wreck she had been chasing a blockade runner, which escaped by reaching neutral waters. Darkness coming on, the San Jacinto stood in shore with the hope that during the night the blockade runner would stand out for the Hole-in-the-Wall.

The night being very dark, and the currents uncertain, the vessel overran her reckoning, and instead of being twenty miles from the shore, as was supposed by the commanding officer, she was close on the reef, which she struck at 12 40 o'clock A. M. Every effort was made to get her off by running anchors out, but a heavy gale setting in from the eastward frustrated all attempts, and at 10 o'clock the next day she "bilged"—her sides being crushed in. The captain, finding it impossible to save the ship, turned his attention towards saving the lives of the crew and the public property. With his boats and the assistance of the wreckers who had congregated around the vessel, he managed to land his crew without loss of life. He also succeeded in saving the guns and most of the stores, consisting of sails, rigging and provisions. Soon after the accident the captain dispatched a smack to Nassau, informing the United States Consul of his condition.

The English naval authorities, being informed of the circumstances, sent a steam sloop-of-war to the assistance of the San Jacinto. When the news reached Key West the gunboat Honduras was immediately dispatched to render what assistance she could, and the Magnolia, at the time the Continental left Key West, was coaling, and would leave the next day. The Magnolia had just arrived from Gonaiver with the Glaussa in tow, which had been ashore on Molasses Reef, losing three blades of her propeller and her rudder. The San Jacinto was wrecked near the same spot where the sloop-of-war Adirondack was lost about two years ago, and probably from the same cause.

The San Jacinto was a screw steam sloop of war of the second class. She was built in 1850 at the Brooklyn Navy-yard, and made her first cruise to the Mediterranean. She was afterward sent to Havana, in anticipation of trouble with Spain in consequence of the Black Warrior affair. Subsequently she went to China, bearing the pennant of Commodore Armstrong. After this she cruised on the coast of Africa. Returning from that station, under the command of Commodore Wilkes, she overhauled the English mail steamer Trent, and took from that vessel the rebel Commissioners Slidell and Mason. Since that time she has been variously employed, mostly in cruising to intercept blockade runners, in which duty she has been eminently successful.

At the time of her loss she was the flagship of the East Gulf Blockading Squadron, having successively borne the flags of Admirals Lardner, Bailey and Stribling.

List of Officers.—Captain R. W. Meade, Lieutenant Commander, J. N. Quackenbush; Acting Masters, W. G. Wright, George A. Ashbury, Wm. Richardson; Acting Ensign, Charles A. Flemming; Post Assistant Surgeon, Edward Mathews; Paymaster, Rufus Parks; Chief Engineer, George S. Bright.

ESCAPE OF NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS FROM REBEL PRISONS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The Tribune has received the following special despatch:

Nashville, Jan. 16.—Albert D. Richardson, of the New York Tribune, with W. E. Davis, correspondent of the Cincinnati Gazette, and clerk of the Ohio Senate, arrived here to day. They escaped from the rebel penitentiary at Salisbury, N. C., on the night of Dec. 18th, in company with James H. Brown, also of the New York Tribune.

They came four hundred miles through a circuitous route through the mountains before reaching our lines, fifteen miles from Knoxville. For the first fifty miles they were assisted by negroes, and afterwards by Union men. They received the most devoted kindness, their good friends secreting them in the woods and in barns, and sometimes in their houses by day, and piloting them through secluded paths by night along the entire route at the peril of their lives. They found the snow a foot deep on the mountains, and suffered much from hunger and cold in regions where they dared not to build fires.

When they were a hundred miles away from Knoxville they joined large numbers of refugees, who were on their way to the Union lines, under the mountain pilots, but on the next night, at Keely Gap, they were surrounded by rebels, and compelled at a moment's notice, to separate into two parties. The horsemen were piloted in the darkness from the rebel camp by a young lady, and they rode by forced marches of such severity as to kill many of their animals.

Mr. Brown, with other footmen, under an excellent pilot, took to the mountain paths and reached our lines on Saturday.

The Richmond authorities refused all proposals for their exchange, declaring they should be held during the war as hostages and for retaliation. They left some thousand prisoners in Salisbury suffering the greatest barbarities from the rebels. They represent there is the most earnest loyalty to the Government still prevailing in the rebel lines throughout Western North Carolina and East Tennessee, and that the people, many of whom have had sons and brothers murdered and their houses robbed and burned by the rebels, are looking and praying for the advance of our armies. Hundreds of citizens are lying out in the woods in almost every county, waiting to enlist in the Union service.

KILLED BY A GRIZZLY.—Mr. B. H. Baird, of Jackson county, Oregon, was killed by a grizzly bear while out deer-hunting on Grave Creek. The following particulars are from the Sentinel:

On the morning of the 27th of October, about sunrise, Mr. Baird started in pursuit of game, taking his faithful dog Rover with him. He proceeded about one mile and a half, when his dog bayed three grizzly bears in their bed. Mr. Baird got within fifteen yards of them, and shot the largest one, only wounding it. The bear pitched at Mr. Baird, who ran about two hundred yards, when the bear caught him and knocked his gun about sixteen feet from him. Getting loose from the bear, he sprang to the limb of a tree the bear passing under, and hitting his foot, went a short distance down the hill, when he stopped to fight the dog. Mr. B. got the gun, reloaded it, and shot the bear the second time. The bear now came at him more seriously than before, and knocked the gun out of his hand a second time. Mr. B. swung round the bush to keep out of the bear's reach, drew one of his butcher knives, and stabbed the bear in the belly. The bear struck him several severe blows knocking his knife out of his hand. Mr. B then drew his second knife, when the bear seized his hand in which he held the knife, causing him to drop it.

The bear now got the better of Mr. B, getting him down, biting him in the face, cutting several severe gashes on the left side, tearing out his right eye, and also tearing off the right side of his face. It bit several large holes in his right side; in fact, it bit him nearly all over his body, down to his boots. The bear now turned to fight the dog that saved Mr. B. from having been killed on the spot. The bear and the dog then rolled down the hill for some distance, still fighting, when Mr. B. gathered up his gun, two knives, the rope with which he had been leading his dog, and started for Mr. McDonough's cabin, distant about one mile and a half, where he arrived, much exhausted, about 10 o'clock A. M., and was assisted into the house, when he related the melancholy event to Mr. McDonough. Being conscious that he could not long survive, he spoke of his family and his desire to see them before he died. He was reconciled to meet his death, and spoke of a future happiness. He died about 3 o'clock P. M., of the same day.—Mrs. Baird was sent for and hastened with all possible speed the distance of eighteen miles; over a very rough, hilly road; but arrived about five minutes too late to see her husband alive. He was brought home and buried near his farm, some four miles north of Rogue river, near the stage road. He leaves a wife and sixteen children, eight of whom are but young, and live at home.

☞ The importance of the lumber trade in Chicago is not generally realized. The lumber sold by Chicago merchants, the greater portion of which is brought from Canada and the eastern and western shores of Lake Michigan, amounts annually to over fifteen million dollars.

☞ There is a party digging in the Coliseum, at Rome, for twenty millions of money, which are, according to a reported ancient document, buried there under a stone. At the last accounts they had found the stone, but not the money.

☞ The project of concentrating in one building the whole of the metropolitan courts of law and equity has been revived, and will be reviewed in the next session of Parliament, apparently with better prospects of success than on any of the former occasions.

☞ The Commissioners of Internal Revenue have decided that the States where the number of bushels for a ton of coal is specified by State laws, the officer of Internal Revenue will adopt the provisions of the law in the assessment of the tax.

☞ The Manchester (Eng.) Guardian says that being informed that the Sea King, under the name of the Shenandoah, was to be a Confederate cruiser, twenty-six of the men on board of her refused to serve, and returned to Liverpool.

☞ A man named Scott, originally from Lower Canada, died in Kingston, Upper Canada, recently, at the great age of 116 years. Although feeble in body, he retained the greatest health and clearness of intellect to the last.

☞ Gen. Hancock's new First Army Corps is filling up as rapidly as could be expected under the circumstances, and the only drawback experienced thus far is the obtaining of officers to send into the States to recruit.

☞ Gen. Sheridan has started on a tour of inspection of the departments under his command. His embrace the departments of Washington, Ouxbarland, West Virginia and the Middle Department.

AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

HOLLIDAY ST. THEATRE—The Streets of New York.

FRONT STREET THEATRE—Mazeppa—Dick Turpin.

MARRIED.

DURHAM—COFFMAN.—On the 9th inst, Jerome Durham to Mary V. Coffman, by Rev. M. Burns, both of this city.

GIBSON—SMITH.—On the 15th instant, by the Rev. Elijah Grinsan, John H. Gibson to Miss Isabella Smith.

DIED.

HAMILTON.—On the 15th instant, Elizabeth A., wife of James Hamilton, in the 57th year of her age.

MARK.—On the 16th inst., Martha Mark, second daughter of Rev. John H. Mark, aged 11 months.

MCNEUNY.—On the 15th instant, Sarah Jane, eldest daughter of Joseph and Margaret McNeuny, in the 19th year of her age.

MOORE.—On the 15th instant, Ellen Elizabeth Moore, in the 6th year of her age, consort of the late George W. Moore.

OYEMAN.—On the 15th inst., Anne C. M., consort of the late John Oyeman, aged 37 years, 2 months and 28 days.

PULLMAN.—At sea, on board the bark Paladin, on the 25th November, 1864, Wm. Pullman, aged 22 years, a native of Australia, but for the last seven years sailing out of Baltimore.

WHITWORTH.—In Baltimore county, on the 15th inst., Susan, wife of the late Richard Whitworth, aged 54 years.

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ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
ENOCH ARDEN,
A GRAND FAMILY MATINEE.

☞ Box Sheet now open.

☞ The attention of the readers of the Clipper is called to the extensive stock of Watches, Jewelry, Silver and Plated Ware, for the Holidays, now for sale at GASSIN D. CLARK'S Store, corner of Calvert and Water sts. Jan4-tf.

HEADACHE cured in a few minutes by the use of the celebrated Hasheesh Candy. All you have to do is to eat from five to eight, remain quiet a few minutes, and ten chances to one if you have any more headache that day. For Asthma, Cough, General Debility, Nervousness, Depression of Spirits, it is said to be truly wonderful; relief is almost immediate.

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TO CONSUMPTIVES.—DR. O. PHELPS BROWN has lately published a Treatise on Consumption, Bronchitis, Asthma and General Debility, of 48 octavo pages, beautifully illustrated with Colored Plates, containing a prescription for the positive and speedy cure of Fits and Dyspepsia. This work will be sent free to all on receipt of five cents, to prepay postage, address, DR. O. PHELPS BROWN, No. 19 Grand Street, Jersey City, N. J.

COMPLETE CLOTHING HOUSE.—We take great pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the conspicuous advertisement of Messrs. Smith, Bros. & Co., No. 40 West Baltimore street. We speak what we know when we say their present stock of clothing cannot be excelled. We commend this firm to the favorable notice of all who may want goods in their line. They sell at small profits, and deal on the square with everybody.

HAIR DYE! HAIR DYE!—Batchelor's Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Dye—harmless—instantaneous and reliable—produces a splendid black or natural brown—removes the ill effects of bad Dyes, and frequently restores the original color. $1 11 by all Druggists. The genuine is signed, W. A. Batchelor 81 Barclay street, New York.

COUGH YOUR COUGH.—*Fruit Juniper Tar* is warranted to cure any case of cough, throat or lung disease, arising from colds, in an incredibly short time, *no matter of what nature or of how long standing, with absolute certainty.* We say this *emphatically*, and stake the price of the medicine in all cases on our assertion. In fresh cases of cough or croup instantaneous relief is produced. Try it, and if not convinced of the above declarations, return the empty bottles and get your money back. Sold by COLEMAN & EGANS, 173 Baltimore street, and other Druggists. 25 cents per bottle. 20d-tf

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☞ If you desire handsome and stylish fitting Clothing, Ready Made or Made to order, you can get greater bargains at Teal's, on the corner of Baltimore and Frederick streets, than you would imagine. All of his Goods are made in the very best manner and cut in the latest style. Give him a call. No. 86 W. Baltimore street, N. E. corner of Frederick.

HOMOPATHY.—*Nervous Debility.* Persons suffering from Nervous Debility and weakness, loss of energy and power, and prompt relief and an entire cure from Humphrey's Homopathic Specific No. 28. It is entirely pleasant and harmless and has cured thousands. Price $1 per box, six boxes for $5. Sent by mail on receipt of price, and sold by Wm. H. Read, 147 Baltimore street, Baltimore, as are all Homopathic Specifics. wks

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Mr. SPEER having some property in New Jersey turned his attention to the cultivation of the Sambuci imported from Portugal. It bears a grape whose superior quality, juiciness and richness in saccharine matter is unexcelled by that of the Catawba. After numerous experiments in fermentation, Mr. Speer has produced a wine which will immortalize his name and prove a new benefactor to America.—*Boston Traveller.*

The wine can be found at druggists.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ FOURTEENTH WARD.—There will be a meeting of the FOURTEENTH WARD EXEMPTION ASSOCIATION on THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at China Hall, at 7½ o'clock. All persons liable to the draft are requested to come forward and pay their first installment of $10.

By order
11c O. W. RINDSAY, Secretary.

☞ NOTICE.—THE MEMBERS OF THE EAST BALTIMORE SHIPWRIGHTS' BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION are requested to meet on THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock, at their usual place, as business of importance requires a punctual attendance. By order of the

11c RECORDING SECRETARY.

☞ MARYLAND INSTITUTE.—MISS HANNAH E. BAILEY, the Celebrated Dramatic Reader and Delineator, will give a second Dramatic Reading at the Maryland Institute, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, January 18, 1865. Programme for the Evening: Address to the Flag. When I am Old. Serenade. Wounded Love's Sacrifice. Nothing to Wear. Bugle Song. Mazeppa. Maud Muller. Scolding Wife Reclaimed. Single admission 50 cents; gallery 25 cents. No extra charge for reserved seats. Tickets for secured seats to be had at McCaffrey's Music Store, 205 Baltimore street. 11

☞ ATTENTION SIXTEENTH WARD.—There will be a meeting of the DRAFT ASSOCIATION of the Sixteenth Ward, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, January 18th, at 7½ o'clock. It is hoped all liable to draft will come up and join the association and help to clear the Ward of the coming draft, as we only intend to protect our own members. At a former meeting the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of one dollar be amount to become a member be fifteen dollars, and that the amount be paid in three installments, viz: the first on January 11th, the second on January 18th, and the third on January 25th, and any person wishing to join can do so by paying the two first installments at the next meeting, as we do not contemplate handing out subscriptions.

We hope all will give us their presence.

By order, S. A. EWALT, Pres't.
R. O. SHECKELLS, Sec'y. ja17-2t*

☞ SALEM ENCAMPMENT, No. 3, I. O. O. F.—The members are requested to attend the meeting of the camp on NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 18th inst., at 8 o'clock. An important amendment to article 21 of By-Laws will be brought up for consideration.

ja16-4tw-21* SAMUEL OLIVER, R. S.

☞ THE 32D ANNUAL BALL OF THE INDEPENDENT GREYS will be held at MARYLAND INSTITUTE on Washington's Birth Day, February 22d. Particulars in future advertisement. j16-4t

☞ MARYLAND INSTITUTE.

MISS HANNAH E. BAILEY,
The celebrated
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Will give
THREE DRAMATIC READINGS AT THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE,
On MONDAY, 16th, WEDNESDAY, 18th and FRIDAY, 20th January.

PROGRAMME FOR MONDAY EVENING, January 16th.

PART I.

1. Launch of the Ship.....Longfellow
2. Sleep.....Mrs. Browning
3. How's My Boy?.....Sidney Dobell
4. Mrs. Caudle's Curtain Lecture.....Jerrold
5. The Raven.....Edgar A. Poe
6. Selections from "Merchant of Venice".....Shakspeare
7. Influence of Fashion on Mankind.....Woodworth

PART II.

8. Selections from "Romeo and Juliet".....Shakspeare
9. "Come Into the Garden Maud".....Tennyson
10. Advence.....L. F. McCarthy
11. A Candle Lecture.....Douglas Jerrold

Tickets to the Course of the three Readings, $1; single admission 50 cent; gallery, 25 cents. No extra charge for reserved seats. Tickets for secured seats to be had at McCaffrey's Music Store, 205 Baltimore street. ja12-tf

OIL COMPANY.

THE BALTIMORE, OHIO AND VENANGO OIL COMPANY.—The undersigned have been appointed agents for the subscription to a limited number of Shares of the Stock of the Baltimore, Ohio and Venango Oil Company. The Company is about being organized in the city of Pittsburg, under the laws of Pennsylvania, with John Graff, Esq., of the well known house of Graff Bennett & Co. for that city, as President, and Messrs. H. W. Stoffer, John Peters, and J. O. Watters, of the same place, as three out, with the choice of two additional Directors, to be selected by the Baltimore subscribers from among their own number. The Capital of the Company will consist of 100,000 Shares of Stock, at $1.00 per share, out of which $20,000 in cash, or $10,000 cash and 10,000 Shares of Stock, as the Board may decide, will be left in the Treasury of the Company as working capital.

The Property of the Company consists of

1st. A lease on the Nist farm, containing 90 acres, situated between the Hocking Creek and Laurel Run, in Decatur Township, Washington County, Ohio, being two miles from the line of the Marietta and Cincinnati Railroad, and four miles from the Ohio River, with twenty years to run and subject to a Royalty of one-fifth of the Oil. This property is known as eminent Oil Territory, on the opposite side of the creek, $1,000 and one-fourth of the Oil has been offered for an acre.

2d. A lease of the "Hope Well," on the Allegheny river, with a river front of 10 rods, upwards of twenty years to run, and subject to a royalty of one-fourth the Oil. The Hope Well is drilled to the depth of 900 feet, has a good Engine, Tools, Rope, about 300 feet of tubing, and an Oil Tank of the capacity of at least 75 barrels. It is located about three and a half miles below Franklin, on the east back of the Allegheny River. The "Smoking City Oil Well," the wells of the "Morehead Co. of Philadelphia," the celebrated "Hoover Wells," the "Hocker & Plummer Flowing Wells," the "Duke & Morrow Well," the "Roberts Company Wells," all of which are producing largely, are in the immediate vicinity—some within ten to fifteen rods of the property. Under very inefficient management, the well has produced 4 barrels per day, but from the fact that all the adjoining wells had to be bored to the depth of 900 feet, through the third layer of sandrock, before Oil was obtained in large quantities, it is the intention of the Company to sink, at once, about one hundred feet deeper, when large returns may be confidently expected by the stockholders.

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ja16-4tw Baltimore, Md.

BALLS.

FIRST ANNUAL BALL OF THE JOURNEYMEN SHIPWRIGHTS' BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION, OF EAST BALTIMORE.

At the New Assembly Rooms, on THURSDAY EVENING, January 19th.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

E. F. Flaherty, S. B. Winegarde, P. Fitzherty,
C. H. Long, Geo. H. Spicer,
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The Directors of the California Petroleum Company submit to the public the following evidence with regard to the value of their property which covers an area of 19,000 acres, located on the Ranch of Ojai, near Buenaventura, in Santa Barbara County, California, and on which are at present at least twenty NATURAL OIL WELLS of the largest size. The Report of Professor Silliman shows that this is the MOST VALUABLE OIL PROPERTY EVER PUT OF THIS MARKET IF NOT IN THE WORLD.

In the summer of 1864, Professor Silliman examined the locality, and in a letter, dated at Buenaventura, Santa Barbara County, July 2, 1864, he thus communicates the results of his observations upon the Ojai ranch, the purchase of which he strongly recommended to his friends in New York:

"The property covers an area of 19,000 (eighteen thousand) acres in one body, on which are at present at least twenty natural oil-wells, some of them of the largest size. The oil is struggling to the surface of every available point, and is running away down the rivers for miles and miles. Artesian wells will be fruitful along a double line of thirteen miles, say for at least twenty five miles in linear extent. The ranch is an old Spanish grant, of four leagues of land, lately confirmed, and of perfect title. It has, as I said, about eighteen thousand acres in it of the finest land, watered by four rivers, and measuring in a right line, in all near thirteen miles. As a ranch, it is a splendid estate, BUT ITS VALUE IS ITS ALMOST FABULOUS WEALTH IN THE BEST OF OIL."

The following extract from the report of Prof. Silliman, here with appended, fully confirms his first impressions, and presents more complete details of the wonderful resources of this property. According to his advice, and that of other competent judges in California, arrangements were made to purchase the estate by parties in New York, in October, 1864. But before effecting this, it was deemed expedient to obtain from Professor Silliman a decided statement that the Oil was, in his opinion, fully equal to that of Oil Creek, Pennsylvania; and from able counsel in San Francisco a professional opinion as to the validity of the title. Instructions were accordingly sent to close the purchase, provided the Oil was pronounced by Prof. Silliman equal to the best Pennsylvania oil, and the title perfect. Prof. Silliman telegraphed confirming his letter above quoted, and, the title being pronounced by counsel undoubted, the property was purchased and paid for.

To indicate the magnitude of the Petroleum interests of this country, it may be stated that the product of Oil Wells has amounted in value the last year to more than $25,000,000, while that of the California mines for the year 1863, according to the San Francisco Mercantile Gazette, amounted to about $14,000,000.

[Extract from a subsequent report of Prof. B Silliman, Professor of General and Applied Chemistry in Yale College.]

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Sept. 1st, 1864.

THE PETROLEUM WELLS—OR NATURAL OUTCROPS OF ROCK OIL ON THE OJAI RANCH.

No. 1 is a well 30 feet in diameter, full of tarry oil, boiling with the escape of marsh gas. It is situated in the midst of a gentle slope, forming part of a terrace or plain, elevated at least 1,000 feet above the sea. This plain, which is about one and a quarter miles long by three-fourths of a mile wide, appears to have been formed by the long accumulation of asphaltum, from the evaporation of the overflow of this great oil-spring. The depth of this great mass of asphaltum is, of course, a matter of conjecture, as no explorations have been made upon it; but it is probably safe to estimate its contents on a mile square at one yard in depth, which would give over three million cubic yards of fuel, from which a good coke is readily prepared, or which is even capable, by distillation, of yielding a large return of oil.—Over this area there are several minor points of tarry outflow, but we consider the whole as one great oil-spring. The present contents of the spring are foul with the decomposition of numerous cattle mired and drowned in the petroleum—an accident of frequent occurrence in dry seasons, when the half-famished and thirsty animals wander to browse, or drink the sulphurous water, along the margins of these dangerous places, and, when once involved, they never escape.

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ESTIMATE OF THE OIL IN ONE SQUARE MILE OF ASPHALTUM ONE YARD THICK.

In the description of the great spring, marked No. 1 on the map, it is stated that the deposit of asphaltum produced from the former overflow of this spring is probably one yard thick over one mile square, expressly stating, however, that the thickness (not the area) of the deposit is conjectural.

To show those not accustomed to contemplate the enormous products resulting from the combination of a few simple measurements, when applied to such large units as a square mile, let us observe that in the 640 acres contained in a square mile, there are in one yard of depth 3,400,000 cubic yards.

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We may calculate that this deposit will yield 2,040,000 tons. If each ton yields 53 gallons of oil, the product of this large quantity of asphaltum, turned into oil, would be 114,000,000 gallons of oil, and an amount of coke which will correspond to at least one-third of the original weight of the asphaltum.

If an effort is made to estimate the money value of this product, calling the coke nothing, it will be found to reach a figure ALMOST FABULOUS.

ESTIMATE OF THE QUANTITY AND VALUE OF OIL GIVEN OUT FROM A CERTAIN NUMBER OF ARTESIAN BORINGS.

The product of an artesian well, bored in an oil district, is of course always a matter of uncertainty; but it is well known that in Pennsylvania and Ohio there are many wells which produce from one hundred to five hundred (and even more) barrels of oil daily.

Let us assume that you are successful in obtaining ten wells (the company have on their property at least 20 natural flowing wells of the largest size), flowing 100 barrels of forty gallons each, daily, then we have 1,000 barrels of forty gallons, equal to 40,000 gallons crude oil. Crude oil at 40 cents (present New York price), $16,000 daily yield, or monthly, 30 days.....$480,000
And for 12 months.....5,460,000

It is easy to see from these figures what dividends may be expected when the property is developed to its fullest extent.

One-tenth of the capital stock has been reserved for working capital, and nearly a half of this reservation has been already sold. The balance is now offered at Thirty-five dollars per share, the proceeds of which will be reserved exclusively for the development of the property.

Preparations for obtaining competent agents, machinery, etc., have been made, and upon the balance of the reserved stock being taken, work upon the property will at once begin.

Persons desiring further information may communicate with the

President, AUGUSTUS C. RICHARDS, or Treasurer pro tem, JOHN E. WILLIAMS, j16-1w at Metropolitan Bank.

PROPOSALS.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS OF FINANCE,
BALTIMORE, January 14, 1865.

SEALED BIDS addressed to the COMMISSIONERS OF FINANCE, will be received at the Auditor's Office, until 12 o'clock, on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, for TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS of CITY BONDS, redeemable in 1904, under Ordinance No. 63, approved May 26th, 1864, interest payable 1st March and September. A Sinking Fund has been provided for redemption.

The bids will be opened at the Mayor's Office at 12 o'clock.

The Commissioners reserve the right of rejecting any and all bids.

JNO. LEE CHAPMAN,
EVAN T. ELLIOTT,
F. LITTIG SHAEFFER, } Commission'rs of Finance.
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☞ QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. ARMY,
BALTIMORE, Md., January 16th, 1865.

SEALED PROPOSALS, in duplicate, will be received at this office until 12 M., on THURSDAY, January 19th, 1865, for furnishing the United States Subsistence Department, with 300 CORDS GOOD DRY FIRE WOOD, to be delivered alongside of vessel at Bo