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MARCH.	Sun rises	Sun sets.	Moon's Phases.	MARCH.	H. M.
20-Monday	6 0	6 0			
21-Tuesday	5 59	6 1		D. H. M.	
22-Wednesday	5 57	6 3	New	20 12 27m	
23-Thursday	5 56	6 4	First qr	4 7 16m	
24-Friday	5 55	6 5	Full	12 8 41m	
25-Saturday	5 53	6 7	Last qr	28 7 35m	
26-Sunday	5 52	6 8			

[*Reported for the Baltimore Clipper.*]

LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND.

ANNAPOLIS, March 22.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.—The House of Delegates, at their four o'clock session, resumed the consideration of the Senate bill to provide for a uniform system of public instruction in this State. The bill was read a third time and passed.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Naval Academy.—Mr. Tull offered the following joint resolution:

"Whereas the General Assembly of Maryland have learned with regret the failure of the appropriation by Congress required for the restoration of the Naval Academy of the United States to the city of Annapolis (the original and most appropriate location) whereby difficulties may exist, in the execution of the law for that restoration, to the great detriment of the public service. And whereas, the people of this State are much interested in the re-establishment of the Naval School at Annapolis, and we their representatives are willing to aid the government of the United States in anticipating the requisite appropriation by Congress at its next session; therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor of this State be, and he is hereby authorized to tender to the proper officer of the United States the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) for the purpose aforesaid, and if the same be accepted, that the comptroller is hereby authorized and required to draw his money warrant on the treasurer for the said sum of money, payable to the proper officer.

The resolution was subsequently passed by a unanimous vote.

The report of the committee on the contested election case of Ridgely vs. Grason was postponed until to-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Bills Passed.—The bill authorizing sheriffs throughout the State to charge 60 cents per day for boarding prisoners. House bill relating to horses and carriages at livery in Baltimore city. House bill to incorporate the Tonghegany Petroleum, Coal, Iron and Lumber Company. Senate bill for the construction of a causeway near the Patuxent river, &c. Senate bill to incorporate Cecil Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F. Senate bill for the relief of G. W. McAtee, a deaf mute. Senate bill to enable State banks to organize as National banks, with amendments including Savings institutions and Savings banks, and authorizing the use of proxies now held, and requiring said banks to contribute to the school tax. House bill to repeal the law requiring one United States Senator be selected from the Eastern Shore counties of the State—yeas 44, nays 25. House bill to incorporate the Maryland Petroleum Company of Allegany County. House bill relating to the leasing of the State tobacco warehouses, and the inspection of tobacco. House bill to incorporate the Lincoln Coal, Iron, Fire Brick and Oil Company of Allegany county. House bill to incorporate the Continental Life Insurance Company.

ANNAPOLIS, March 22.

AFTERNOON AND NIGHT SESSION.

SENATE.—The bill reported by Mr. Earle to encourage immigration into this State was discussed and rejected. The Senate bill to add an additional member to the board of police of Baltimore city in place of the Mayor was rejected.

Bills Passed.—House bill fixing the compensation of jurors at $2.50 per day, (reconsidered and passed.) Senate bill to authorize the Comptroller to sell the bank stock standing to the credit of the school fund of the counties. Senate bill to amend the criminal law. Senate bill to authorize the South Baltimore Company to hold 3,000 acres of land and to increase their capital. Senate bill for the relief of the Elysville Manufacturing Company. Senate bill to repeal the law relating to wild fowl, so far as relates to Dorchester and Talbot counties. Senate bill prohibiting the sale of liquor to the students of the Maryland Agricultural College. House bill to raise a revenue from the issue of State licenses; to authorize the taking of oysters in the Chesapeake bay by dredges or otherwise, (with an amendment.)

ANNAPOLIS, March 23.

SENATE.—The Senate non-concurred in the House amendments to the Senate bill to authorize State banks to organize as national banks, and proposed a committee of conference.

Bills Passed.—House bill to amend the general laws relating to the removal of causes, (with an amendment in which the House concurred.) House bill to pay the costs in the case of the State against the Baltimore and Washington Turnpike Company. Senate bill to incorporate the U. S. Real Estate and Mining Company. House bill providing for the repair of the causeway at Crumpton, &c. House bill in favor of J. A. Bond, &c. House bill to incorporate the Washington Fire Insurance Company of Baltimore city. House bill to incorporate the Corn and Flour Exchange of Baltimore city. House bill incorporating the Monocacy Turnpike Company. House bill to amend the charter of the Bridge Landing Bridge Company. House bill to incorporate the town of Cecilton. House bill prohibiting the sale of liquors to minors in Annapolis, or within five miles thereof, without a written order from parent or guardian.

Contested Election.—The contested election case of Graham vs. Waters, Senator from Somerset county, was referred to the next meeting of the General Assembly.

The House bill to repeal the 65th article of the Code relating to the aged population was discussed and referred to a select committee of five.

The Senate took a recess until 5 P. M.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.—The Senate amendment to the House bill to license the catching of oysters in this State, providing that it shall not take effect until the first of June was concurred in.

Mr. Harris, from the committee of seven, appointed to prepare a succinct statement of the soil in different sections of the State, the mineral, agricultural and manufacturing resources of the State, &c., made a report thereon.

On motion of Mr. Harris, the sum of $1,500 was ordered in the general appropriation bill to pay for preparing, printing and distributing said reports.

Bills Passed.—The general appropriation bills for the years 1865 and 1866. Senate bill to secure the completion of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad, with amendments. Senate bill to incorporate the Mount Vernon Dock and Marine Railway Company. House bill to incorporate the Baltimore and Liberty Turnpike Company of Carroll county. House bill to amend the charter of a company to make a turnpike from Hagerstown to the Pennsylvania line. To amend the charter of the Frederick and Emmittsburg Turnpike Company, so as to increase their tolls. House bill to authorize the corporation of Hagerstown to make and repair sewers, &c.

Contested Elections.—*The Baltimore County Judgeship.*—The reports of the majority and minority of the Committee on Elections upon the merits of the trial of James L. Ridgely contesting the election of Richard Grason as Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit of the State, consisting of Baltimore county, on the ground of disqualification under the Constitution, and charging said Grason with disloyalty, &c., were taken up as the order of the day.

Mr. Hutington moved that the majority report be adopted, eliminating the memorial, be adopted in place of the majority report, which declares that Richard Grason is disqualified under the constitution; that there was no election for Judge of said circuit, and that said office is vacant. A call for the previous question failed to be seconded by yeas 32, nays 36.

Mr. Anderson and Speaker Frazier addressed the House in support of the majority report, (Mr. McCauley in the chair.)

Mr. Pilkington spoke in favor of the minority report.

Mr. Chew also addressed the House in favor of the minority report.

The reading of portions of the printed testimony were called for by the different speakers.

The case was under consideration when this letter closed.

☞ The Postmaster General received a telegram in reference to the business of his department from Portland, Oregon, dated February 28. This was written in the place named, passed over 1,424 miles of wire, and reached the department in less than twenty-four hours.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

FIRST BRANCH, March 22, 1865.—Present, James Young, President, and a quorum of members.

Mr. Larrabee presented a petition from Jas. Hanson, asking to be compensated for materials furnished the city in the erection of the new almshouse. Referred.

Mr. Stewart presented a remonstrance from Samuel Barry and others, against the widening of Park street. Referred.

Mr. Ewalt presented a petition from M. R. Williams, asking permission to erect an iron fence in front of his premises on Carey street, near Fayette. Referred.

The Chair presented a petition from John Wells, asking permission to erect a steam engine on the corner of Pratt street and East Falls avenue. Referred.

Mr. Wayson submitted a resolution of inquiry to the Treasurer of the Board of Public Schools as to the location of primary school No. 25, and the probable cost of the same. Adopted.

Mr. Freeman called up the resolution to lay down gas mains on Green street. Referred to the Comptroller. Also, the resolution adverse to the petition of Richard O. Crisp, asking compensation for repairing the Light street road. Adopted.

Mr. Hatch submitted a resolution relative to the mode of receiving the members of the second Branch, upon occasions of conventions; adopted.

Mr. Jones called up the resolution authorizing the repairing of the roof of the Centre market house, between Lombard and Pratt streets; adopted.

Mr. Erazer called up the ordinance requiring all persons engaged in bill-posting to take out a license, said license to be fixed at $25 per annum; passed.

Mr. Keyser called up the resolution providing for an appropriation of $500 in aid of the Aged Women's Home; adopted. Adjd.

SECOND BRANCH.—Daniel Harvey, Esq., President.

Dr. Moore presented the petition of J. R. Wilson for the payment of interest on certain moneys in the hands of the city; read and referred.

Dr. Moore called up the resolution appropriating $5,000 for the erection of additional workshops at the House of Refuge, which was adopted.

The bill to increase the pay of the lamp superintendents to $9 per week, was received from the First Branch. The amendment increasing the pay, was adopted, and a Committee of Conference appointed on the subject, consisting of Messrs. Robinson, Moore and Hatch.

Mr. Arelan, Chairman of the Committee on city property, reported a bill in relation to expenditures of money by the public officers, and appointing three commissioners to supervise the same was read. Adjourned.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Criminal Court.—Judge Bond.—The following business was transacted in this court on yesterday:

Susan Colehouse, charged with keeping a bawdy house at No. 61 S. Caroline street. Case continued until the May term. Alexina Miles, same charge, and same disposition of case.

Samel Parker, colored, charged with stealing a silver watch, the property of Pitt Brown; adjudged guilty.

Ellen Hunt, colored, charged with stealing silk dresses, valued at $300, the property of Mrs. George Zimmerman, dress maker, W. Fayette street; held under *curia*. The accused was employed as a domestic in the house of Mrs. Zimmerman, abstracted the goods at different times. A portion of the dresses were recovered through the agency of an uncle of the accused, but the most valuable ones could not be recovered.

Wm. Patterson, colored, charged with stealing postage stamps, the property of Dennis McCurdy; not guilty.

Robert Clogg, charged with beating John T. Townsend, pesponed; Edward Lloyd, selling liquor on Sunday to James Montgomery, case postponed until the 31st. Barney Kinsley, selling liquor on Sunday to John T. Horn and Richard Carback, tried by a jury and a verdict of not guilty rendered; Ellen Cassiday, charged with stealing $30 from Geo. W. Belden, arraigned and pleaded not guilty, case partly heard; Joshua and Scotti Sindall, charged with destroying the property of Wm. Groome, gave bail in the sum of $500 each, David Sindall becoming their bondsman.

Court of Common Pleas.—Before Judge King. The following business was transacted in this court yesterday:

John F. Haynie, trustee of Mary E. Bopha and Marian A. Haynie, vs. J. Ostermas; verdict for plaintiffs, one cent damages.

Edward Turner, use of R. D. Mitholland, vs. Thomas Grandy; verdict for defendant.

Martha Dunbar vs. Sophia Mitchell, administratrix of John Mitchell—appeal from Showacre; judgment affirmed as to the restitution of the premises, and judgment in favor of the appellee for $17 and costs.

Edward Mallilieu, use of Henry McShane, vs. A. J. Smith and John Park; on trial.

Superior Court.—Before Hon. Judge Martin. The following business occupied the attention of this court on yesterday:

James Hooper & Co., vs. Chas. D. Smith; ejectment. Verdict for plaintiff.

Josiah L. Johnson, Henry E. Johnson vs. Wm. Schley; action on assumpsit. On trial. Assignment to day 537 to 556.

City Circuit Court.—Judge Alexander.—The following business was transacted in this court yesterday:

Edward Otis Hinkley vs. Henry W. Eustman. Decree passed ordering the sale of certain property.

Lucy F. Small vs. Frank R. and Charles W. Small; decree rendering the sale of certain property.

[Reported for the Baltimore Clipper.]

ELLICOTT'S MILLS, March 23, 1865.

Circuit Court for Howard County.—Hon. Jno. E. Smith, Judge; Geo. W. Hands, State's Attorney, prosecuting.

State vs. Henry Raisen, a removed case from Baltimore city, indicted in five cases for selling lager beer on Sunday; adjudged guilty, fined $20 and costs in each case. James Mackubin for the defence.

State vs. John Porter, Howard county case, indicted for forcible entry; not guilty. Mackubin for the defence.

State vs. Dr. James F. Gibson, alias Dr. Jas. F. Bibb, indicted for publishing obscene libel; not appearing when called, his recognizance was forfeited.

State vs. Carroll and Murray, Jno. W. Ford, Nelly and Eliza Flemming and Thos. Dougherty, removed cases from Baltimore city; assigned for Monday next.

State vs. David H. White, removed case from Baltimore county, formerly from Ballimore county; assigned for Friday.

Henry State vs. H. Gabriel; assigned for Friday.

Removal from Carroll county to this Court the cases of J. Henry Brandt and Wm. L. Fisher, indicted for treason, and were continued to the next term.

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TOWSONTOWN, March 22d, 1865.

Orphans' Court for Baltimore County.—Before Hon. Richard Grason, Judge. John T. Ensor, Esq., prosecuting attorney for the State.

In the absence of Judge Grason, he still being at Annapolis, no business was transacted in this court to-day. The court was called and adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, by order of the clerk. K.

A TRAIN ON FIRE—MAILS AND EXPRESS MATTER BURNED.

The Evansville (Indiana) Journal of Saturday says:

The mail, express and baggage car, in the express train that went from Terre Haute to Indianapolis on the 6th instant, (Thursday morning,) was totally destroyed by fire, together with much express matter, most of the baggage, and all the mail. The fire originated in the mail room, and before it was discovered the contents of that room were all destroyed. It was with great difficulty that any of the express matter and baggage could be saved. We are informed that only twelve trunks out of fifty escaped the fire. Two dogs were burned.

All mail matter, therefore, that left here on that morning by railroad, for Indianapolis and points beyond, including the lake cities, and offices in Northern Illinois and the Northwest, and the Eastern cities, and the principal cities in Ohio, except Cincinnati, is lost.

No matter for way points between Terre Haute and Indianapolis is sent by the express train. Only through matter goes by it. About twenty-seven bags of mail matter was destroyed—only a small portion from here.

The fire, it is supposed, was caused by a spark from the locomotive.

☞ It is proposed to hold an International exhibition at Bombay, India, in 1866. The United States Consul there has been requested to call the attention of his Government and of American manufacturers to the fact.

☞ A fire at Saginaw, Michigan, on the 13th instant, destroyed property valued at from thirty to fifty thousand dollars. Fourteen buildings were burned, including the Exchange Hotel.

☞ There are now four medical colleges for women in operation, having been opened in Boston in 1848, in Philadelphia in 1850, in New York in 1853, and in London in 1864.

☞ Mr. Tennyson is reported to be at work on the libretto of an opera, for which an eminent composer is to compose the music.

MARINE AFFAIRS.

PORT OF BALTIMORE, March 22, 1865.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Adelaide, Bloodworth, from Old Point, Va—to M N Falls.

Steamer Richard Willing, Cundiff, from Philadelphia—mdse to J A Shriver.

CLEARED.

Steamer Adelaide, Bloodworth, Old Point, Va.

Steamer Richard Willing, Cundiff, Philadelphia.

Steamer Josephine Thompson, Moore, New York.

SAILED.

Brig Nile, (Br) West Indies.

ARRIVALS FROM BALTIMORE.

Schr Sarah N Smith, Studley, Boston, 21st inst.

MEMORANDA.

Stemmer Geo Appold, Howes, from Boston, was at Norfolk, 21st inst, and will be due here on Friday morning.

Ship Leocadia, (Brem) Wencke, from New York, was off Brewton 3d inst.

Brig Alfred, Hafnagel, hence, remained at Buenos Ayres, Jan 25th.

Brig Sarah Atlee, (Br) Jenkins, was at Sagua la Grande, 14th inst, for Baltimore.

Ship Tamerlane, with Government stores, and brig Minnie Miller, from Wilmington, N C, were in Hampton Roads 21st inst.

Bark Gustav, (Br) Collin, hence, arrived at Bremerhaven 3d inst.

Schr R N Atwood, Kemp, from Boston for Baltimore, arrived at Holmes' Hole 20th inst.

Schr I H Horton, Pierce, from Boston for Baltimore, arrived at Holmes' Hole 20th inst.

Schr A G Brooks, Hodgkins, hence for Portland, sailed from Newport 19th inst.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALE AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

Furnished by Leonard J. Tormey, Stock and Bill Broker, No. 22 South Street,

March 23, 1865.

6,150	American Gold (large)	156⅞
6 000	do do (large) b10	157
3,000	do do (large) NY	156⅞
2,140	do do (large) s13	158
250	do do (large)	156⅞
2,860	do do (larg) bz	156⅞
5,000	U. S. 1 year Certificates	97⅞
1,000	U. S. 6's '81	106⅞
1,000	U. S. 5-20's	108
2,749	shares City Stocks, '90	100
500	shares Atlantic Dost Co	1.25
1,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. b'ds '85	97⅞

SECOND BOARD.

16,100	American Gold (large)	152
1,000	do do (large) bz	153
5,000	do do (large)	154⅞
2,500	do do (large) b5	153
17 000	do do (large) s10	152
11,000	do do (large) s5	152
10,000	do do (large) s10	152⅞
10	shares Franklin bank	17⅞
1,000	shares Pennsylvania Oil Co	1.30
1,000	do do do b30	1.35
500	shares Atlantic Coal Co b30	1.35
25	shares City Passenger R.	19⅞

Prices of Stocks and Bonds in N. Y., March 22.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Through L. J. Tormey, Stock and Bill Broker, No. 22 South Street.

	1st B'd.	2d B'd.
United States 6's, 1861, Coupon	107	105⅞
" " 5-20's	107	105⅞
" " in currency	96⅞	97
American Gold	156⅞	152
Tennessee 6's	50	..
North Carolina 6's	56	..
Missouri 6's	..	..
Canton Company	29	27
Cumberland Coal and Iron Co.	35⅞	32⅞
Quicksilver	63⅞	62⅞
New York Central Railroad	93⅞	92⅞
Erie Railway Company	58	53
" Preferred	..	..
Hudson River Railroad	73⅞	72⅞
Harlem Railroad	..	..
Reading Railroad	91	90
Michigan Central Railroad	93⅞	91
Michigan S. and N. Ind R. R.	53	50⅞
Illinois Central Railroad	96	91⅞
Cleveland and Pittsburg R. R.	54⅞	54⅞
Chicago and North western	71⅞	70⅞
" " Preferred	49⅞	49
Cleveland and Toledo Railroad	91⅞	91⅞
Chicago and Rock Island R. R.	94⅞	94⅞
Milwaukee & Prairie du Chien	28	28
Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne & Chicago	91⅞	91
St. Louis, Alton & Terre Haute	..	..

Tone of the Market.....Unsettled. Feverish.

By Telegraph from New York, 4o'clock P. M.

American Gold	152
Erie	54
Hudson	73⅞
Southern	34⅞
C. & N. Western	70
Rock Island	93⅞
Fort Wayne	91
Cumberland	37⅞
Pittsburgh	91
N. Y. Central	93⅞
Reading	90⅞

Tone of the market, Steady

BALTIMORE MARKET.

March 23, 1865.

COFFEE—No demand. Rio held at 20⅞@21⅞ cents as to quality.

FLOUR.—Prices are irregular but firmer, owing to the short receipts of Western and Howard Street Flour. We quote rates as follows:

Howard Street Super	$10 00	@10 12½
" Extra	Shipping Ex. 10 25	@10 50
" "	Retailing Ex. 10 50	@11 00
" "	Family	11 50	@12 00
Ohio Super	10 00	@10 25
" Shipping Extra	10 25	@10 50
" Retailing Extra	10 50	@10 00
" Family	11 50	@10 00
City Mills Standard Super	10 00	@10 00
" " Family Extra	11 00	@11 25
Baltimore Family	12 00	@10 00
" High-grades Extra	12 00	@10 00

Rye Flour.—First quality dull at $7 25.

Corn Meal.—Sales of Kiln-dried City Mills reported at $7 25.

GRAIN.—Very little was received at the Corn Exchange and sales were limited. Fair and good White Wheat brings from $2 50@2 55; ordinary at $2 25@2 2½; prime White Corn $1 47; damp and inferior do. $1 42@1 43; yellow do. $1 40@1 41, and Oats—Western weights.

PROVISIONS.—Are quiet and prices nominal. Other descriptions quiet at quotations, viz: Bacon Shoulders 19½c; Sides 21⅞ cts; Hulk Shoulders at 17@17½ cents; Sides at 18⅞ cents; pickled Hams 22@23 cents; Sugar cured do. at 23@23½ cts; shipping do. at 20⅞@21 cts; Western Lard in bbls and tierces 19@19½c; and a small more refined in kegs at 20@21 cts.

MOLASSES.—Inquiry very limited and prices unsettled.

SALT.—Nothing doing in this and prices nominal.

SEEDS.—Clover scarce and firm at $17.50 for prime. No inquiry for other varieties.

SUGARS.—There is still a wide difference between the views of holders and buyers, and we can only give nominal quotations, viz: Refining Cuba and English Island at 13@13½ cents; grocery do. at 13⅞@15⅞ cents, and Porto Rico do. at 13@13½ cts.

WHISKY—Market inactive and very heavy. City and Ohio offered at $4.21

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March 22, 1865.

COFFEE—Is quiet, but quoted steady. Stock of Rio, 39,298 bags. Gold prices for Java, 22½@23 cents; Rio 19@21⅞ cents; Laguayra and Maracaibo, 20⅞@21⅞ cents, and St. Domingo, 19⅞ cts.

COTTON—Has been in limited demand at declining prices. Middlings 50@52 cents per lb. Week's receipts, 4,100 bales, sales and resales, 2,600 bales, principally on spec. basis.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been rather more active, opening at a shade firmer prices for the low grades, but closing quite heavily, and prices 5@10c lower on medium and better qualities. Sales since our last amount to 6,200 bbls., including very inferior to choice Superfine State and Western at $9 20@$9 35, poor to choice Extra State at $9 35@$10 30, choice at $9 90@$10, round hoop Ohio, inferior to good shipping brands, at $10 25@$10 35 ⅌ bbl. Southern Flour is doing rather better. Sales since our last of 1,000 bbls, at $10@$15.11 for poor to good, and $11 10@$13 50 for good to choice extra brands. Canadian Flour somewhat firmer, sales 450 bbls Extra at $10@$11 25 ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is inactive, including fine and superfine at $6 75@$7. Corn Meal is in less demand, at $7 10 for Jersey, and $7 25@$7 40 for Brandywine.

GRAIN—Wheat has been in more demand, mainly for milling, at a partial advance of 3@5 cents. Sales since our last add up 37,000 bushels, including Amber Michigan at $1 10, 500 cents; Red Winter, Western at 109@110c, and Chicago Spring 190@195 cents. Corn is in very moderate demand and drooping prices; sales since our last have been made 19,000 bushels at 81@84 cents for Western Yellow, Jersey and Southern; 75 cents for Western Yellow, and 112 cents for new mixed Western—thats are heavy and much lower; we quote Western at 84@87c; Western Mixed at 80@82c, and Canadian at 90@91c. Rye is dull at 115@120 cts. Barley and Barley Malt inactive and depressed.

NAVAL STORES.—Are held above the views of buyers and are inactive.

OILS—Are quite dull and heavy, including Linseed $1 20@1 25 per gallon.

PETROLEUM—Has been in more demand at 35@36 cts. for Refined, in bond, and 34@35 cts. for do. free, per gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been moderately active to-day, but New Mess close dull and heavy, with 1,000 barrels sold at $22 50 since our last, 2,700 bbls in lots, at $22@22 50 for New Mess, $24 50@25 cash, for 1863's prices, $23 for New Prime Mess, $22@23 for New Prime, per bbl. Sales were also reported of 2,500 bbls Prime Mess, March delivery seller and buyer's option, at $22 50@22 75 ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats continue dull and heavy at 15⅞@16c for shoulders, 18@18½c for Hams, and 19@19½c for Middles. Bacon is moderate in request and heavy; sales have been made of 150 boxes, including Cumberland Cut for immediate delivery at 18½@19 cts, long rib at 19½c, short rib at 19½c, short clear at 20c ⅌ lb. Smoked Hogs continue dull and nominal. Lard has not varied materially; sales 2,700 tcs and bbls at 18@18½c ⅌ lb., the latter an outside price. Beef is very quiet at $16 50@$17 for Extra Mess, $11@$11 50 for Plain Mess, sales 240 bbls. Beef Hams are dull and heavy.

SEEDS—Are inactive and depressed, including Cloverseed at 22@22½c ⅌ lb; rough Flax at $1 25@1 35; Timothy at $3 25@3 ⅌ bushel.

SUGARS—Have been in very limited demand at unchanged prices. Sales since our last comprise 250 hhds, Cuba, &c., part at 11½@11½c ⅌ lb. Refined Sugars continue inactive and depressed at 14½@19½c ⅌ lb.

TALLOW—Sales of 19,000 lbs, at 12@12½c, and 30,000 lbs. Scientific at 12½c ⅌ lb.

TEA—Are dull and unsettled.

TOBACCO—Sales since our last 61 hhds. Kentucky at 9@22c ⅌ lb. Market quiet.

WHISKY—Sales 130 bbls., in lots, at $2 18 ⅌ gallon.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW YORK, March 21.—Cotton has declined 1 cent, sales at 45 cents. Flour has declined 10@15 cents—sales of State at $9 40@$9 60, Ohio $10@$11 25, Southern at $10@$13 50. Wheat dull. Whisky is dull at $2 19@$2 21. Groceries are very dull. Naval Stores quiet. Petroleum dull. Freights dull.

OFFICIAL.

LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES

Passed at the Second Session of the Thirty Eighth Congress.

[PUBLIC—No. 54—Continued.]

AN Act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide internal revenue to support the government, to pay interest on the public debt, and for other purposes," approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

That section ninety-one be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "That all manufactured tobacco, snuff or cigars, whether of domestic manufacture or imported, shall, before the same is used or removed for consumption, be inspected and weighed by an inspector appointed under the fifty-eighth section of the act to which this is an amendment, who shall mark or fix a stamp upon the package containing such tobacco, snuff or cigars, in a manner to be prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, denoting the kind or form of tobacco and the weight of such package, with the date of inspection and the name of the inspector. The fees of such inspector shall be paid by the owner of the manufactured tobacco, snuff and cigars so inspected and weighed.—And the penalties for the fraudulent marking of any box or other package of tobacco, snuff or cigars, and for any fraudulent attempt to evade the duties on tobacco, snuff, or cigars, so inspected, by changing in any manner the package or the marks thereon, shall be the same as are provided in relation to distilled spirits by existing laws. And all cigars manufactured after the passage of this act shall be packed in boxes. And any manufactured tobacco, snuff, and cigars, whether of domestic manufacture or imported, which shall be sold or pass out of the hands of the manufacturer or importer, except into a bonded warehouse, without the inspection marks or stamps affixed by the inspector, unless otherwise provided, shall be forfeited, and may be seized wherever found, and shall be sold, one-half of the proceeds of such sale to be paid to the informer, and the other moiety to the United States. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall keep an account of all stamps delivered to the several inspectors; and said inspectors shall also keep an account of all stamps by them used or placed upon boxes containing cigars, and of all tobacco, snuff, and cigars inspected, and the name of the person, firm, or company for whom the same were so inspected, and return to the assessor of the district a separate and distinct account of the same; and also return to the said Commissioner on demand all stamps not otherwise accounted for, and shall give a bond for a faithful performance of all the duties to which he may be assigned, and to return or account for all stamps which may be placed in his hands."

That section ninety-two be amended by striking out the words "by this act," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "by law."

That section ninety-four be amended by inserting after the words "pea coal" the words "or coal that will pass through a five-eighth inch, and over a three-eighth inch mesh;" in the paragraph relating to gas, by adding after the words "understood to be," in the first proviso, the words "in addition to the gas consumed by said company or other party;" by inserting in the last proviso in the paragraph relating to gas, after the word "coal tar," where they occur the second time, the words "and ammoniacal liquor;" and by inserting after the words "coal tar," where they occur the second time in said proviso, the words "and the products of the manufacture of ammoniacal liquor;" by inserting after the word "naphtha," in the paragraph relating to coal illuminating oil, the words "or distillates;" by inserting after the words "returns, assessments," the words "removing to and withdrawing from warehouses;" by striking from the proviso relating to naphtha, after the word "exceeding," the word "eighty," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "seventy;" by striking out of the first paragraph relating to "sugar" the words "all clarified or refined;" and by striking out of the third paragraph relating to "sugar" the words "all clarified or refined;" by striking from the third paragraph relating to sugar, after the words "at twenty-eight cents per pound or less, a duty of one cent per pound; when valued above twenty-eight and not exceeding thirty eight cents per pound, a duty of one and a half cent per pound," and inserting in lieu thereof "at thirty-eight cents per pound or less, five per centum ad valorem;" and by striking out, in the last line of said paragraph, the word "eight," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten;" by inserting in the paragraph relating to "bell heads, printed," after the word, "circulars," the words "law blanks, conveyancers' blanks, and other printed forms;" by adding at the end of the paragraph relating to printed books the words "and all other printed matter not specified in the paragraph relating to photographs, after the words "being copies of engravings or works of art," the words "when the same are sold by the producer at wholesale at a price not exceeding ten cents each, or are," by striking from the paragraph relating to "skins, tanned or dressed," the word "launched," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "finished, including cabins, inner and upper works;" by inserting after the word "sewing," in the proviso to the paragraph relating to "sails, tents, awnings and bags," the words "or pasting;" by inserting at the end of the paragraph relating to stoves and hollow ware the following:

"On railroad chairs, and railroad, boat and ship spikes and tubes, made of wrought iron, five dollars per ton;" by striking out, in the second proviso of the paragraph relating to "rivets," the words "upon which no duty has been assessed or paid," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the duty to which it was liable;" and after the word "loops," in the line following, inserting "not having been paid;" by striking out the paragraph relating to steam engines, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "Steam engines, including the boilers and all their parts, a duty of five per centum ad valorem: *Provided*, That when such boilers shall have been once assessed and a duty previously paid thereon, the amount so paid shall be deducted from the duties on the finished engine.

"On boilers of all kinds, water tanks, sugar tanks, oil stills, sewing machines, lathes, tools, planes, planning machines, shafting and gearing, a duty of five per centum ad valorem.

"On iron railings, gates, fences, furniture, and statuary, a duty of five per centum ad valorem;" by adding at the end of the paragraph relating to quicksilver the following: "*Provided*, That quicksilver may be imported without payment of the duty, to a bonded warehouse established in conformity with law and treasury regulations under such rules and regulations and upon the execution of such transportation bonds or other security as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe; said bonds or other security to be taken by the collector of the district from which said removal is made, and may be transported from such warehouse to a bonded warehouse used for the storage of merchandise at any port of entry; and quicksilver so bonded may be withdrawn from the bonded warehouse for consumption on payment of the duty, or removed for export to a foreign country without payment of duty, in conformity with the provisions of law relating to the removal of distilled spirits, all the rules, regulations, and conditions of which, so far as applicable, shall apply to quicksilver in bonded warehouse; and no drawback shall in any case be allowed upon any quicksilver upon which any excise duty has been paid, either before or after it has been placed in bonded warehouse;" by adding at the end of the paragraph relating to copper and lead ingots the following proviso: "*Provided, however*, That brass made of copper and spelter, on which a duty of three per centum ad valorem shall have been assessed and paid, shall be assessed and pay a duty of three per centum in the increased value of the article by fabrication in the paragraph relating to finished brass, after the word "tacks," the words "copper, zinc, and brass nails or rivets;" by adding to the paragraph relating to patent enamelled, and japanned leather, the words "*Provided*, That when a duty has been paid on the leather in the rough, the duty shall be paid only on the value of the increased value;" by striking out all of the first sentence of the proviso in the paragraph relating to wines or liquors, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*Provided*, That the return, assessment, collection, and the time of collection of the duties on such wines, and wine made of grapes, shall be subject to the regulations of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue;" by inserting in the paragraph relating to cloth, after the word "felted," the words "articles or;" after the word "manufacture," in the proviso of said paragraph, by striking out the word "for," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "sold before;" by inserting in the paragraph relating to ready-made clothing, after the word "dress," the words "not otherwise assessed and taxed as such;" and by striking out of the same paragraph all after the words "does not exceed the sum of," and inserting the words "one thousand dollars per annum shall be exempt from duty;" by inserting in the paragraph relating to manufactures of cotton, after the word "shirts," in the first proviso, the words "or articles;" and after the word "fabrics," in the second proviso, the words "or articles;" by striking out the words "as aforesaid," where they occur the second time in said proviso, and by inserting at the end of said proviso the words "and when made wholly by the same manufacturer shall be subject to a duty equal of five per centum ad valorem;" by striking out in paragraph relating to diamonds, precious stones, and imitations thereof, and all other jewelry, the word "ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five;" by striking out of said section the several paragraphs from the word "on cavendish, plug, twist," down to and including the words "and the other to the United States," and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"On snuff, manufactured of tobacco or any substitute for tobacco, ground dry or damp, pickled, scented, or otherwise, of all descriptions, when prepared for use, forty cents per pound.

"On cavendish, plug, twist, and all other kinds of manufactured tobacco, not herein otherwise provided for, forty cents per pound.

"On tobacco twisted by hand, or reduced from leaf into a condition to be consumed, without the use of any machine or instrument, and without being pressed, sweetened, or otherwise prepared, thirty cents per pound.

"On fine-cut chewing tobacco, whether manufactured with the stems in or not, or however sold, whether loose, in bulk, or in rolls, packages, papers, wrappers, or boxes, forty cents per pound.

"On smoking tobacco of all kinds, and imitations thereof, not otherwise herein provided for, thirty-five cents per pound.

"On smoking tobacco made exclusively of stems, and so sold, fifteen cents per pound.

"On cigarettes made of tobacco, enclosed in a paper wrapper, and put up in packages containing not more than twenty-five cigarettes, and valued at not more than five dollars per hundred packages, five cents per package.

"On all cigars, cheroots, cigarettes, made wholly of tobacco or any substitute therefore ten dollars per thousand cigars;" by inserting in the last paragraph relating to cigars, after the words "imprisonment not exceeding thirty days," the words, "And any person convicted with mean permit may apply to the assistant assessor or inspector of the district to have any cigars of their own manufacture counted; and on receiving a certificate of the number for which such fee as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall be paid by the owner thereof, may seal and deliver such cigars to any purchaser, in the presence of said assistant assessor or inspector, in bulk or unpacked, without payment of the duty. A copy of the certificate shall be retained by the assistant assessor, or by the inspector, who shall return the same to the assistant assessor of the district. The purchaser shall pack such cigars in boxes and have the same inspected and marked or stamped according to the provisions of this act, and shall make a return of the same as inspected to the assistant assessor of the district, and, unless removed to a bonded warehouse shall pay the duties on such cigars within five days after purchasing them to the collector of the district, within which they were manufactured, and before the same have been removed from the store or building of such purchaser, or from his possession; and any such purchaser who shall neglect for more than five days to pack and have such cigars duly inspected, and pay the duties thereon according to this act, or to pay the duties on any cig