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Railroads.

WILMINGTON & MANCHESTER RAIL ROAD.

GEN. SUPT. OFFICE WIL. & MAN. RAIL ROAD, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 13th, 1866.

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

ON AND AFTER THE 16TH APRIL, THE FOLlowing Schedule will go into effect on the W. & M. R. R.:

Leave Wilmington daily at	12.20 A. M.
Arrive at Kingsville "	3.05 P. M.
Leave Kingsville "	8.00 A. M.
Arrive at Wilmington "	10.00 P. M.

Close connections made at Wilmington with the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad daily, also at Florence with the North Eastern Railroad for Charleston.

WM. MACRAE, Gen'l Sup't.

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WILMINGTON & WELDON RAIL ROAD.

OFFICE CHIEF ENGINEER AND SUPERINTENDENT, WILMINGTON, April 14, 1866.

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

ON AND AFTER THE 15TH INST., TRAINS WILL run over this road as follows:

MAIL AND PASSENGER TRAINS,

Leave Wilmington daily at	11 00 P. M.
Arrive at Goldsboro' at	4 15 A. M.
Arrive at Weldon at	10 00 A. M.
Leave Weldon daily at	1 00 P. M.
Arrive at Goldsboro' at	5 55 P. M.
Arrive at Wilmington at [night]	12 00 M.

FREIGHT AND PASSENGER TRAINS,

Leave Wilmington daily except Sundays' at	6 A. M.
Arrive at Goldsboro' at	1 30 P. M.
Arrive at Weldon at	8 45 P. M.
Leave Weldon daily except Sundays at	6 A. M.
Arrive at Goldsboro' at	12 47 P. M.
Arrive at Wilmington at	8 45 P. M.

The Mail trains make close connections through to New York and Charleston by inland and Bay routes; also with Raleigh and Gaston trains.

Trains leave Goldsboro' at 4 A. M. and 5 P. M., going West, and 8 15 A. M. going East. Trains from the West arrive at Goldsboro' at 12 40 A. M. and 7 45 A. M., from the East at 9 45 P. M.

All dry goods and light groceries will be carried by these daily Freight trains, and close connections will be made with trains on the N. C. Railroad, daily except Sundays.—Goods by steamers will be sent forward the day after they are received into the Warehouse. No extra charge by this train, which we hope our patrons, old as well as new, will notice.

We do not underbid our neighbors, but work as low as any, and will deliver as promptly as the best, and claims for loss or damage will be adjusted at once, if presented according to our rules.

S. L. FREMONT, Engineer and Superintendent.

Papers printing Schedule, withdraw all other notices of trains, and insert this till forbid.

Raleigh, Salisbury and Charlotte paper copy one month, and send bills.

April 14. 1866 169—

WIL., CHARLOTTE & RUTHERFORD R. R.

OFFICE WIL., CHAR. & RUTH. R. R. CO., LAURINBURG, Nov. 27th, 1865.

On and after Monday, 27th inst., a Freight Train, with Passenger Coaches attached, will run as follows:

Up Train—Wednesday and Saturday,

Leave Wilmington at 8 o'clock, A. M.,
Arrive at Sand Hills at 6½ " P. M.

Down Train—Monday and Thursday,

Leave Sand Hills at 6½ o'clock, A. M.,
Arrive at Wilmington at 5 o'clock, P. M.

WM. H. ALLEN, Master of Transportation.

Freight intended for shipment by above trains must be delivered at this depot by 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesdays and Fridays.

I. T. ALDERMAN, Freight Agent.

Nov. 27. 52—tf

Miscellaneous.

WANTED,

A DISTILLER WHO CAN MAKE WHITE ROSIN. Apply to A. H. VANBOKKELEN.

March 14. 141-tf

SHIPPING ARTICLES

AND FOREIGN OUTWARD MANIFESTS, For sale at the JOURNAL OFFICE.

Feb. 14, 1866

Exchange On

NEW YORK AND BALTIMORE!! For sale in sums to suit, by ATKINSON & SHEPPERSON, 11 North Water st.

April 19. 172—1m

Music, Law Books, Periodicals, &c.

BOUND IN THE BEST AND MOST SUBSTANTIAL STYLE, by P. HEINSBERGER, Journal Buildings.

March 11. 139—

Just Received.

A LARGE AND FINE ASSORTMENT OF CHOICE HAVANA CIGARS. For sale by MALLETT & HOFFMAN, No. 23 North Water St.

March 29. 154—tf

Spirit Casks.

SLEIGHT & PAULDING, new. Do. Second hand country. For sale by A. H. VANBOKKELEN.

March 29. 154—

Wanted to Purchase.

BY JAMES & BROWN, Real Estate Agents.

A SMALL TRACT OF LAND within 1½ miles of Wilmington, suitable for a Market Garden.

April 22 175-1w

Lumber.

ORDERS or export or local demand promptly filled—by MALLETT & HOFFMAN, No. 23, North Water Street.

March 1 67—tf.

General Notices.

NOTICE.

MR. CHAS. HOFFMAN, OF BALTIMORE, IS THIS day associated with me in the General Forwarding and Commission Business, under the style of MALLETT & HOFFMAN.

Consignments of Merchandise and Produce, for sale or shipment, respectfully solicited.

PETER MALLETT.

Wilmington, N. C., March 21st, 1866. 147—

Notice.

MR. H. C. BURR IS MY AUTHORIZED AGENT for the settlement of all accounts due me.

S. M. SIMPSON.

March 10 138-tf

UNDERTAKER'S NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY INforms the citizens of Wilmington and the public generally, that he has opened an establishment on the corner of Third and Princess streets for the purpose of carrying on A GENERAL UNDERTAKING and CABINET MAKING BUSINESS. He respectfully solicits a liberal share of the public patronage. B. F. SWANN.

Jan 18-94-tf

NOTICE.

BY ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED, WE ARE FORWARDING FREIGHTS and MONIES to all way stations on the Wilmington & Weldon, and the Wilmington and Manchester Railroads by passenger trains daily.

Having greatly reduced our rates on Freights and Monies, shippers will find it greatly to their advantage to send their Freights by SOUTHERN EXPRESS at our present reduced rates, which certainly offer inducements to shippers in large or small quantities.

For Rates and further particulars, apply at our office.

JAMES MACOMBER, Agent.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 5, 1865. 83—tf

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS are cautioned against trespassing upon any of the Lands belonging to Henry N Howard, dec'd., under the severest penalty of the law.

WM. N. PEDEN,
A. A. McKOY,
Administrators.

Jan. 5. 83—tf

Notice.

THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVING BEEN APPOINTED at the December Term, A. D., 1865, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for New Hanover county, as Administrator and Administratrix with the will annexed, upon the estate of James Fulton, deceased, hereby give notice to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment; and all those having claims against said estate to present them within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

WM. A. BERRY, Adm'r.,
C. A. FULTON, Adm'x.,
with the Will annexed.

Dec. 20—70-tf

Miscellaneous.

WILDER'S PATENT SALAMANDER SAFES,

WITH WILDER'S PATENT POWDER AND BURGLAR-PROOF LOCKS.

B. G. WILDER & CO.,

PATENTEES AND MANUFACTURERS OF THE BEST FIRE-PROOF SAFE IN THE WORLD!!

JEWELERS' and BANKERS' SAFES made to Order, Lined with Hardened Steel.

HOUSE AND PLATE SAFES.

TO THIS CELEBRATED SAFE was awarded the GOLD MEDAL, at the World's Fair in London, in 1851.

NOTICE.—This celebrated Fire-Proof Safe is no longer made and sold by SILAS C. HERRING, his license to make and sell them having expired.

The thousands of Certificates from Merchants, Bankers and Mechanics of all trades, that have been given in favor of this the ONLY TRUE "SALAMANDER," renders it useless for the subscribers to multiply words in its favor, as full thirty thousand of "WILDERS' PATENT SALAMANDER SAFES," have been manufactured and sold in the United States; and, in almost every large fire that has taken place during the last seventeen years, these Safes have been subjected to the SEVEREST TESTS, and *not one of the "Genuine Salamanders" has ever been destroyed.*

Safes sold at New York price, with the freight to Wilmington added. No commission charged in Wilmington. We are prepared to take orders for these celebrated Safes. Samples can be seen at our office in a few days.

Every Merchant should have one of these cheap and secure Safes.

ANDREWS & BARDIN, Commission Merchants, General Agents for North Carolina

Office, No 5 South Water Street (Up Stairs), Wilmington, N. C.

Raleigh Sentinel copy.

Nov. 30. 55—tf

Storage and Wharfage.

I AM PREPARED to receive Cotton, Naval Stores, Merchandise, &c., on storage, at my wharves, between Chesnut and Mulberry streets, also at wharves near Union Distillery; all under watchmen.

A. H. VANBOKKELEN.

Feb. 24. 126—

Greensboro' Mutual Insurance Company.

HAVING BEEN APPOINTED AGENTS OF THIS Company. we are prepared to take FIRE RISKS on moderate terms.

WALLACE & SOUTHERLAND, Agt's. No. 24, North-Water St.

Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 19, 1865. 19—tf

Very Desirable Wharf Property.

I OFFER FOR SALE MY TWO WHARF LOTS, NEXT North of the depot of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, 132 feet front, and extending back to Nutt Street. The location of this property insures a progressive appreciation in value.

O. G. PARSLEY.

March 14 141-tf

Safes---Safes.

THOSE SPLENDID SALAMANDER SAFES have arrived. Call and buy one at New York cost.

ANDREWS & BARDIN, Commission Mercants.

March 25. 151—tf

Carolina Belle Scotch Snuff.

PETERSBURG, VA., SUPERIOR TO ANY OTHER Brand made in America, being from the pure Virginia Leaf unadulterated. Manufactured by J. M. Venable & Co., Petersburg, Va. Also manufacturers of superior "Maccoboy," "Rappee," and other Snuffs. Chewing and Smoking Tobacco of every grade.

JOSIAH MACY'S SONS, Agents, 189 and 191 Front Street, N. Y.

We are Agents for the State of North Carolina, of the above celebrated brand of Snuffs, and can supply the trade. Packed in any style, at Factory price. All orders must be accompanied by the cash, to secure attention.

GEORGE MYERS, 11 and 13 Front Street, Wilmington, N. C.
CHAS. D. MYERS, Agent.

April 10 164-3m

Just Received.

AN ASSORTMENT OF OBER & KETTLEWELL'S MANIPULATED GUANOS and FERTILIZERS. For sale by MALLETT & HOFFMAN, No. 23 North Water St.

March 29. 153—tf

Storage.

STORAGE FOR COTTON AND MERCHANDIZE OF any description, can be had in a fire proof, first class Warehouse.

Insurance effected at the lowest rates.

Apply to MALLETT & HOFFMAN, 23 North Water Street.

March 10 138-tf

Guano---Guano.

50 TONS No. 1 PERUVIAN GUANO,
50 TONS SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO,
30 BBLS. BALTIMORE SUPER FLOUR,
200 SACKS LIVERPOOL SALT.

For sale in lots to suit, at W. H. McRARY & CO'S.

April 22 175—1w

Mercantile.

Ladies' Wrappings.

AN ELEGANT ASSORTMENT of plain and richly trimmed Silk Sacques, Basquines and Circulars; also, Lace Mantillas, Circulars and Mantillettas, from the most fashionable manufacturer in New York, at unusually low prices.

HEDRICK & RYAN.

April 22 175—

Goods for Boys Wear.

SMALL PRINTS FOR SHIRT JACKETS, Linnen Lawn, figured Marseilles, Linnens and Cottonades, selected especially for city trade.

HEDRICK & RYAN.

April 22 175—

Spring and Summer Dry Goods.

A FULL AND ELEGANT ASSORTMENT JUST RE-received—will be sold at greatly reduced prices.

HEDRICK & RYAN.

April 22. 175—tf

To Country Merchants.

OUR LARGE STOCK—the great advantages gained in the time of purchase, and our experienced knowledge of the wants of the people, renders ours the most attractive stock for wholesale buyers.

Our terms are CASH, or short time for city acceptances.

HEDRICK & RYAN.

April 22. 175—tf

Shoes and Hats.

A SPLENDID STOCK AT WHOLESALE.

HEDRICK & RYAN.

April 22. 175—tf

5 Tierces Prime Lard.

10 BBLS. PRIME LARD,
10 firkins Prime Lard.

Expected daily, and for sale by A. H. VANBOKKELEN.

Jan. 16th 92-tf

Just Received.

2500 FEET RUBBER AND LEATHER BELTing,
Rubber and Hemp Packing,
Mill Saw Files,
Iron and Steel,
Pots, Ovens, Spiders, and
Extra Oven Lids,
Japanned Toilet Setts—very handsome,
Sad Irons, &c., &c.

MITCHELL, ALLEN & CO.

March 9 137—

T. J. MITCHELL. GEO. ALLEN. D. T. CARRAWAY.

NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL HOUSE,

AND

HARD WARE STORE.

MITCHELL, ALLEN & CO.,

22 POLLOCK STREET, Newbern, N. C.,

WATER STREET, Wilmington, N. C.,

HAVE IN STORE—
EAGLE A, B, C, 18, 18½, 19 and 6, 10, 11, 50, 60 PLOUGHS;
WEEDING AND GRUB HOES;
AXES, HATCHETS, LEADING LINES;
TRACE CHAINS, COLLARS, HAMES AND CART SADDLES;
LADIES', GENTS' AND BOYS' SADDLES;
BRIDLES, WHIPS, ENAMELLED LEATHER AND CLOTHS;
BUGGY REINS, SPOKES, HUBBS, SEATS, BODIES AND SHAFTS;
HARNESS LEATHER, SOLE LEATHER, CALF-SKINS, LININGS AND SHOE-THREAD;
BLACKSMITH'S BELLOWS, ANVILS, VICES, HAMMERS AND FILES;

Turpentine Hackers, Shovels and Scrapers; Coopers' Tools; Carpenters' Tools; Saddlers' and Shoe Makers' Tools; Pocket and Table Cuttlery; Scissors and Shears; Rim, Dead, Chest, Cupboard and Pad Locks, and general assortment of

HARDWARE AND FARMING UTENSILS.

Agents for

R. HOE & CO'S CIRCULAR SAWS,

FAIRBANKS' SCALES,

EVAN & WATSON'S FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFES,

RUBBER AND LEATHER BELTING,

which we sell

At Manufacturers' Prices.

☞ We invite particular attention to our stock, and feel confident that our facilities and experience will enable us to offer superior inducements to purchasers.

March 9th, 1866. 103-tf

Job Work

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION EXECUTED IN THE very best style, at the JOURNAL OFFICE.

Feb. 9

Tobacco.

A SLENDID LOT OF FINE CHEWING TOBACCO, received to-day. Also some very common.

ANDREWS & BARDIN, Commission Merchants.

March 25. 151—tf

Spun Cotton.

JUST FROM FACTORY, for sale.

ANDREWS & BARDIN, Commission Merchants.

March 25. 151—tf

Lancaster's Cotton Planter.

READ WHAT THOSE WHO HAVE USED IT SAY:

John L. Knight, Esq., Martin county, N. C., says: "On the land that I sowed with the machine, I got a splendid stand—I never saw better; and that which I sowed by hand did not do so well."

B. J. Lancaster, Esq., Edgecombe, N. C., says: "I have used Lancaster's Cotton Planter for two years, and I did not have to replant a single hill. Please send me another machine for next planting season."

Hugh B. Bryan, Esq., Tarboro', N. C., says: "I have seen a great many, and used several different kinds of Cotton Planters, but I think Lancaster's is the best."

Hon. R. R. Bridgers, Tarboro', N. C., says: "I have tried many of the inventions for planting Cotton—I consider none of them superior to 'Lancaster's.'"

For sale by MITCHELL, ALLEN & CO., Wilmington and Newbern.

April 13 167-tf

MAKE YOUR OWN SOAP!

BY SAVING AND USING YOUR WASTE GREASE.

BUY ONE BOX OF THE

Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company's

SAPONIFIER,

OR CONCENTRATED LYE.

It will make 10 POUNDS of excellent Hard Soap, or 25 GALLONS of the very best Soft Soap, for only about 35 CENTS. Directions on each box. For sale at all Drug and Grocery stores, and in lots at Wholesale by

WM. M. ELLICOTT & SONS, No. 3 Spear's Wharf, Baltimore, Md.

Feb. 26. 127-3m*

Election.

THERE WILL BE AN ELECTION HELD AT THE Court House in Wilmington, on the 1st Monday of May, for the purpose of electing five Free Holders to serve as Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage.

SAMUEL R. BUNTING, Sheriff.

April 21 174-tde

Dispatch copy.

For Sale and Rent.

FOR SALE!

A Valuable and Desirable Dwelling.

WE OFFER FOR SALE, a valuable and desirable

DWELLING HOUSE,

situated upon Third, between Castle and Church Streets, and running through to Fourth Street.

Lot 66 x 330 feet, and well known as the

RISLEY PROPERTY.

We will take pleasure in showing the premises to any one desirous of purchasing.

CRONLY & MORRIS, Broker & Auctioneers.

April 5 160-tf

For Sale.

I OFFER THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY FOR sale, at fair prices: My Dwelling House, situated on corner of Fourth and Chestnut streets, with Household and Kitchen Furniture. My summer residence on Middle Sound, about six miles from the city.

Also, that valuable Plantation, known as "Belleville," situated on the West side of Brunswick River. Also, my Horses, Carriage, Buggy, Harnesses, &c., &c.

I will also rent until the 1st October next, the Store which I now occupy, and my Naval Store Wharf and Shed on South Water street.

For terms and particulars, inqure of

M. McINNIS, No. 16 North Water Street, Wilmington, N. C.

April 10 164—1m

OFFERED BY JAMES & BROWN.

A VERY VALUABLE PLANTATION, SITUATED at the confluence of Black River and the N. W. Cape Fear River, containing 2200 Acres; 200 Acres cleared and cultivated, of which 50 are first rate bottom land, heavily timbered with Pine, White Oak, Maple, Cypress, Hickory, Reeds, Shingle and Stave Timber, all accessible to the river. There being 14 miles water front on the rivers and large creeks, and 14 feet water on river front.

There is no better stock range on the river.

Almost daily communication by steamer with Wilmington.

Terms easy.

Mar. 2 131-tf

LAND AGENCY.

James & Brown, Surveyors and Real Estate Agts.,

NEXT WEST JOURNAL BUILDINGS,

OFFER for sale that desirable residence fronting on 2d street, block 127, 41 feet, running back 114 feet, within three minutes' walk of the market house. It has all necessary improvements. This is a desirable and valuable piece of property, and will be sold low. The premises now pay a rent of five hundred dollars in gold. For further particulars, apply as above.

ALSO, the place near Wilmington, kown as "Hilton," on the north-east branch of the Cape Fear, just outside the city limits, containing one hundred and ten acres.

The above property is so well known here that a more full description is deemed unnecessary. Persons wishing to purchase would do well to examine the premises. No property in this vicinity possesses equal facilities for improvements of every description.

ALSO, 2,000 ACRES OF LAND IN GREEN SWAMP, well timbered with pine and cypress. This last was sold a few years since for $8,000.

Feb 23. 125—tf

For Sale by James & Brown,

A FINE VACANT LOT ON GOVERNMENT STREET, Pensacola, Florida, 80 feet by 160, about 150 yards, (one block,) from the Postoffice and Custom House, admirably located for the dry goods or drug business, or for offices.

Wilmington, N. C., April 5, 1866. 160—

Wanted to Rent,

BY JAMES & BROWN, Real Estate Agents.

A COMFORTABLE DWELLING HOUSE, CONTAINING Five or Six Rooms, not more than three or four blocks from Market Street.

FOR RENT,

On VERY MODERATE TERMS, the best unoccupied Steam Saw Mill in the Cape Fear District.

Arpil 1 157-tf

FOR RENT.

THE HAW HILL PLANTATION, situated on Town Creek, Brunswick county, N. C., is offered for rent, until the first day of January, 1867. There is 160 acres of cleared RICE LAND, and about the same quantity of cleared UPLAND, on this tract, with the necessary houses &c.

ALSO,

a small place, known as a SUMMER RESIDENCE, in the pine woods, about five miles from the above, will be rented for the same length of time.

The above property belongs to the Estate of Henry N. Howard, deceased

For terms, &c., apply to

WM. N. PEDEN,
A. A. McKOY,
Administrators.

Jan. 5. 83-tf

TO LEASE,

A SMALL LOT, WITH UNFINISHED WALLS which can be made suitable by the expenditure of a little money, for a retail store or ware-room. Said lot is situated on Chestnut street, between Front and Water.—Apply to

DR. J. F. McREE, Jr.

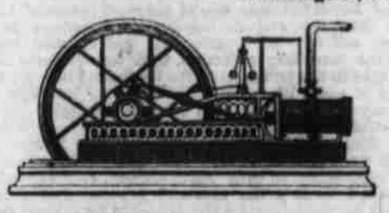
Oct. 19. 19—tf

L. A. HART, JOHN C. BAILEY

WILMINGTON IRON AND COPPER WORKS.

HART & BAILEY, PROPRIETORS,

No. 17, Front Street, below Market, Wilmington, N. C.



HAVING RESUMED OPERATIONS, we are now prepared to furnish

Brass and Iron Castings, finished and unfinished.
New Machinery made and put up.
Old Machinery overhauled.
All kinds of Patterns, Ornamental and Agricultural.
Will supply Drafts of all kings of Machinery and Millwork genarally.

TURPENTINE AND WHISKY STILLS,

AND

COPPER WORK

in all its branches.

A full supply of Belting, Packing, Hose, Steam and Water Pipe and Fittings.

Machine Bolts, Nuts and Rivets, and all other articles generally found in a Machine Supply Store.

Also a large lot of Crucibles, from No. 35 to 100, and warranted good—will dispose of them below Manufacturers' prices.

March 29. 154—tf

Storage at Reduced Rates.

MALLETT'S YARD, W. & M. R. R. DEPOT.

HAVING AMPLE SHED ACCOMMODATION, Watchman, good Wharf, and every facility for business, Consignees will find it to their interest and convenience to patronize this Yard. Lieut. T. C. James will give his prompt and personal attention to storage.

Orders for the Yard left at this office, will have prompt attention.

For further particulars, apply to MALLETT & HOFFMAN, No. 23 North Water Street.

March 1 130-tf

"Carte Blanche" Champagne.

THE UNDERSIGNED ARE AGENTS for THE SALE, in North Carolina, of the above WINE, manufactured by Theophile Roederer & Co., of Rheims, France. We have received 50 dozen in quarts and pints, just imported, and can recommend it with confidence as genuine and of very superior quality.

For sale at very moderate prices, by DeROSSET & CO., No. 6 North Water St., up stairs.

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THE DAILY JOURNAL.

WILMINGTON, N. C., APRIL 28, 1866.

The Last Radical Scheme of Reconstruction—Doctor Merritt's New Evidence—What was Paid by Stanton for His Earlier "Testimony."

THE RADICAL RECONSTRUCTION PLAN.

WASHINGTON, April 22.

It has been given out in confidential circles for some days past, that the Radicals were maturing a general plan of reconstruction of the Southern States. But few were initiated into the mysteries of this scheme. It appears that it emanated from Robert Dale Owen, who, it is said, submitted it to the President. Yesterday the Reconstruction Committee met at an early hour, when the plan was unfolded to the Committee by Thaddeus Stevens. It is understood that the Committee agreed to it. It is more Radical than anything that has heretofore come from that direction. It is in the shape of a joint resolution to amend the Constitution, and professes to provide for the restoration to the Southern States of all their political rights.

Article first of the amendment says that there shall be no discrimination made by any State nor by the United States as to the civil rights of persons because of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Second. That from and after the fourth day of July, in the year 1876, no discrimination shall be made by any State nor by the United States as to the enjoyment by classes of persons of the right of suffrage because of race or color. Third. Until July 4, 1876, no class of persons as to the right of any of whom suffrage discrimination shall be made by any State because of race or color or previous condition of servitude shall be included in the basis of representation.—Fourth. Debts or obligations already incurred, or which may be hereafter incurred in aid of insurrection of war against the Union, and claims for compensation for loss of service of persons held to involuntary servitude or labor, shall not be paid by any State or by the United States. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States. It is then further to be provided by act of Congress, that whenever the above amendment shall have become part of the Constitution, and any of the Southern States shall have ratified it and modified its constitution and laws in conformity thereto, the Senators and Representatives from such State duly elected and qualified, and taken the usual oath of office, be admitted; provided, that no person who having been an officer in the army or navy of the United States, or having been a member of the Thirty-sixth Congress, or of the cabinet in the year 1860, did take part in the late insurrection, shall be eligible to either branch of the national Legislature until after July 4, 1876. The above will probably be reported to the House to-morrow. The statement that this scheme is approved by the President is without any foundation in fact. It was submitted to him several days ago by Robert Dale Owen, but he gave no indication, by word or action, that he looked upon it with favor. There is authority for stating that the President not only disapproves of it, but regards it as a most dangerous and revolutionary scheme against the rights and privileges of the States, North and South. It remains to be seen whether Congress can be made to accept it.

THE EXAMINATION OF MERRITT—THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

Mr. Rogers, of New Jersey, one of the members of the House Committee on the Judiciary, who was not present when Dr. James B. Merritt, and not Meredith, as published, was examined, called him before the official reporter and went through a most thorough cross-examination of this gentleman. It is said that the cross-examination showed that his principal evidence was void of truth, and that he really knew nothing connecting any person with any transaction not recognized by the usages of war. That his attempt to connect Davis, Clay, Sanders and others with the assassination of Lincoln was a pure fabrication, as he admitted on his cross-examination that he saw or knew no act or thing connecting the above-named persons with it. One very remarkable fact was elicited in his examination, wherein he admitted that the Secretary of war, Edwin M. Stanton, had paid him between five and six thousand dollars for his services as a witness before the Military Commission which tried the conspirators.—He made another admission that, to make up the sum paid to him by Mr. Stanton, was included over fourteen hundred dollars for book accounts which he had against the people of Canada for services pretended to have been rendered to them as a physician. He alleging as an excuse for his being unable to collect his claims against the Canadians, that he was compelled to leave there as soon as it was ascertained he had given his testimony before the Military Commission. He stated further that he refused to come here and be a witness until Secretary Stanton sent him a dispatch promising him a safe passport, and protection here from arrest as a conspirator in the assassination plot. He alleging that he was afraid to come here for fear he would be arrested as one of the conspirators to take the life of Lincoln.

FLEET FOR THE FISHERIES.—The fleet ordered to the fisheries is a strong one, under the command of (as the New York *Herald* says) "a nephew of "don't-give-up-the-ship' Lawrence." Captain Charles S. Boggs, of New Jersey, is the man. The following is the list and strength of the squadron:

Name and Class.	Guns.	Tonnage.	Crew.
De Soto (flagship), sidewheel	8	1,699	175
Miantonomah, iron-clad,	4	1,564	132
Shamrock, double-ender,	10	974	150
Ashuelot, double-ender, (iron)	10	1,030	150
Augusta, side-wheel	10	1,310	175
Winooski, double-ender	10	974	150
Doh, screw	8	800	125
Total	55	7,842	1,085

*The above is exclusive of officers.

The British squadron on the fishing grounds is very much larger than ours. It numbers twenty-one vessels, four hundred and forty-seven guns, and five thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven men. The fleet is commanded by Vice-Admiral Sir James Hope, K. C. B.

RATHER ANCIENT.—The oldest stove, probably, in the United States, is the one which warms the hall of Virginia's capitol, in Richmond. It was made in England, and sent to Richmond in 1770, and warmed the House of Burgesses for sixty years before it was removed to its present location, where it has been for thirty years. It has survived three British monarchs; has been contemporaneous with four kingly monarchies, two republics, and two Imperial governments of France. The great republic of America has been torn by internecine strife, the breaches partly healed, and still the old stove remains unmoved in the midst of all.

A memorial Chapel is to be erected at Constance, near the spot where John Huss was burned. A bust of Huss, another of his friend, Hieronymus, will be placed in the Chapel.