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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, May 28, 1856.

Notice is hereby given to the holders of the stock issued pursuant to the act of Congress of 22d July, 1846, that such stock is redeemable by its terms, and will be paid at the Treasury on the surrender of the certificates thereof, on the 12th of November next, when interest thereon will cease.

This department will continue to purchase such stock prior to said day of redemption, and will pay therefor the following premium, in addition to the interest accrued to the day of purchase, with one day's interest for the money to reach the vendor:

On such stock received at the Treasury between the 1st day of June and the 21st day of July, inclusive, one-half of one per cent. on the amounts specified in the certificates;

On such stock received between the 1st and 31st days of August, one-fourth of one per cent;

And on such stock received after the 31st day of August, the interest accrued thereon, and one day's additional interest only, will be paid.

Certificates of such stock transmitted under this notice must be duly assigned to the United States by the party entitled to receive the purchase money; and when sent prior to the 1st July the current half year's interest must also be assigned by the present stockholder, otherwise such interest will be payable as heretofore.

And notice is further given to holders of other stocks of the United States that this department will purchase the same between the 1st day of June and the 1st day of December next, unless the sum of $1,500,000 shall be previously obtained, and will pay for the same, in addition to the interest accrued from the day of the last dividend of interest, and one day's additional interest for the money to reach the vendor, the following rates of premium:

On stock of the loan of 1842, a premium of 10 per cent.;

On stock of the loans of 1847 and 1848 a premium of 16 per cent.;

And on stock issued under the act of 9th September, 1850, commonly called Texan indemnity stock, a premium of 6 per cent.

Certificates transmitted under this notice should be duly assigned to the United States by the party entitled to receive the money; and if sent previous to the 1st July, the current half-year's interest must also be assigned by the present stockholder, otherwise the interest for the half year to that day will be payable to him as heretofore.

Payment for all the foregoing stocks will be made by drafts on the assistant treasurers at Boston, New York, or Philadelphia, as the parties entitled to receive the money may direct.

JAMES GUTHRIE,
m 29-dt12Nov Secretary of the Treasury.

AGENCY OF THE
Alliance Insurance Co. of Philadelphia,
Capital.....$300,000!

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ending January 1, 1856.

Assets of the Company, consisting of Bonds and Mortgages on unencumbered real estate		$110,604 00
Stocks of other Corporations, worth par		25,620 00
Cash on hand		31,856 30
Bills receivable, consisting of Marine notes and short loans	$26,943 70	
Stock notes	$14,385 00	51,359 70
		$219,420 00
Whole receipts for premiums during the year		$119,812 05
Paid for losses and expenses during the year		71,132 04

P. M. MORIARTY, President.
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THE GREAT WESTERN FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF PHILADELPHIA.
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m 27 3m DAVID MYERLE, Agent.

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GOLD SEALS, FOB AND VEST CHAINS, FINE JEWELRY, SILVER SPOONS, FORKS, GOBLETS, CUPS, &c., for sale at New York prices.
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ap 29-tf Washington.

BAJOU'S KID AND OTHER GLOVES.
JNO. H. SMOOT, No. 119 BRIDGE STREET, Georgetown, has received, from New York, ladies Bajou's KID GLOVES, white, black and colored; gents. do do; ladies and gents. Jaffita Silk and Lisle Thread Gloves. Also, a first rate assortment of bleached and brown Cotton Hose, all qualities; bleached, brown and fancy Half Hose; misses and boys' Hose and Half Hose.
Particular attention being paid to keeping a good assortment of the very best makes of the above goods, purchasers may depend upon getting a good article as cheap as the same quality can be bought elsewhere.
m 1-tr JOHN H. SMOOT.

WORTH REMEMBERING.
PERSONS MAKING PURCHASES OF Housekeeping Hardware and Cutlery, Silver Plated Ware, Clocks, Feather Dusters, Baskets, Brushes, &c., will find it decidedly to their advantage to look in at FRANCIS'S, above Odd Fellows' Hall, on Seventh street. He has enlarged his store—has it stocked with every useful housekeeping article, and is satisfied with very small profits. His prices are certainly low.
m 30-tf

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Corner 13th st. and New York avenue,
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Office hours—8 to 10, 2 to 4, 8 to 10. m7-3m*

ANOTHER LOT OF THAT CHOICE BLACK TEA at 50 cents per pound, in store and for sale by
Z. M. P. KING,
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Fresh New York BUTTER just received at
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JUST RECEIVED A NEW STYLE OF Buchanan Over and Under SACKS, being a very graceful and elegant Garment
Also, the Raglan Dusters, with a superior assortment of summer Goods.
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je 9-1m Pa. av., betw. 9th and 10th sts.

ONLY 12½ CENTS.
BUCKLEY'S CELEBRATED SONG BOOK for the parlor, containing a collection of new and popular Songs, as sung by Buckley's New Orleans Serenaders at their opera house, Broadway, New York. For sale by the agent,
ALEX ADAMSON,
mar 22-3m 7th street, opposite Post Office.

SUMMER HATS.—TODD & CO., ARE daily receiving large additions to their stock stock of HATS, suitable for the warm season. They would particularly invite the attention of purchasers to their White Beavers, French Felts, and several new kinds of ventilating Straw Hats of East India manufacture, entirely new in this market m 23-3td&eo1m

GIBBS' WIGS,
HALF WIGS, BRAIDS, CURLS, SCALPS, TOUPEES, &c., equal to any in the United States for sale or made to order at his Stores—for ladies, on Pennsylvania avenue, between 9th and 10th streets; and for gentlemen, under Willards' Hotel. m 13-eo3m*

MARBLE AND BROWNSTONE WORKS,
Pa. avenue, between 18th and 19th streets.
THE UNDERSIGNED KEEPS ON HAND and makes to order on the most reasonable terms—MONUMENTS, TOMBS, GRAVESTONES, MANTELS, TABLE TOPS, MARBLE, and ENCAUSTIC TILES for Flooring.
Also, all kinds of plain and ornamental Marble and Brown Stone Work for building purposes executed with promptness, and at as low prices as can be had elsewhere.
ap 10-eoly H. PARRY.

LIME!—LIME!!—LIME!!!
WILL BE OPENED TO-MORROW, AT the Lime Kilns of W. H. Godey & Co., situated on Rock Creek, between the upper and lower bridges, a kiln of very superior WOOD BURNT LIME. The subscribers have also on hand a large supply of PLASTERERS' HAIR, CEMENT, CALCINED PLASTER, and every description of the very best quality of lime, which will be disposed of on the most reasonable terms.
ap 14—eotf W. H. GODEY & CO.

JORDANS' W. S. SPRINGS,
Frederick county, Va.
OPEN THE SIXTEENTH OF JUNE. Leaving Washington, Baltimore, or Cumberland in the morning cars, via Harper's Ferry, for Stephenson's Depot, thence 1½ miles in coaches to the springs to dinner the same day; from Staunton, Virginia, same day. In dyspepsia, gout, rheumatism, dropsy, liver and spleen diseases, chronic diseases of brain, bowels, and urinary organs, &c., and especially in skin diseases, its curative medical effects are well known. Hot and cold Sulphur Baths. Rice's Band and experienced servants engaged. The water for sale in barrels and bottles.
E. C. & R. M. JORDAN & BRO.
je 3-eod1m

BRUSSELS AND VELVET CARPETings at a Sacrifice.—In consequence of the advanced state of the season, and with the view of making room for autumn supplies, we are determined to run off the remainder of our Carpetings at unusually low figures. Those in want of new and elegant Carpets have now a rare chance to be supplied for a little money. Bargains may be expected.
Still on hand and for sale a few more of those elegant velvet Hearthrugs at $5,50 and $4, worth $10 and $8.
Also, a few 11-4 and 12-4 Dimity and Allendale Quilts, very cheap, expressly for summer use
je 2-eo3w CLAGETT, DODSON & CO.

$100 REWARD.
RANAWAY FROM MY FARM, ADJOINing Upper Marlboro', about the middle of December last, Mulatto boy AMBROSE, belonging to my brother, Alfred W. Gardiner, of Charles county. This boy is about 14 years old—not very bright but rather of a chestnut color—and has delicate limbs. He has usually a mild and pleasant countenance when spoken to.
I will give the above reward for his apprehension if taken in Washington City, or north of Prince George's county, Md., and fifty dollars if taken in Prince George's county, or south of it. In either case he must be brought home or secured in jail so that I can get him again.
m 13-eotf B. J. GARDINER

[No. 557.]
NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF LANDS IN IOWA.—In pursuance of an act approved 15th May, 1856, "making a grant of lands to the State of Iowa, in alternate sections, to aid in the construction of certain railroads in said State," instructions have been issued from this office withdrawing from market, until further orders, all the lands in that State except those situated in the following-named districts, which are still open to purchasers for effecting sales and locations, viz:
Office at Dacorrah, all the lands in the district.
Office at Dodge, all the lands north of the line between townships 92 and 93.
Office at Sioux city, all the lands north of the line between towships 91 and 92.
Given under my hand, at the General Land Office at the city of Washington, this 21st day of May, 1856. THOS A. HENDRICKS,
m 22-law6w Commissioner.

NEW STYLES FOR SUMMER.
WHITE EMBROIDERED MARSEILLES Basques and Mantillas
White, black and colored Barege Basques and Mantillas
Black silk and Lace shawl-shaped Mantillas
Black Chantilly and French Lace Scarfs and Mantillas
And the largest and cheapest assortment of MANTILLAS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION that can be found in any one establishment in Washington.
Also, an additional supply of Embroideries, Ribbons, Ladies' Dress Trimmings, &c.
je 13-eo3t MAXWELL & BRO.

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Professor of Singing and the Flute,
BEGS TO INFORM THE INHABITANTS of Washington that he proposes establishing SINGING CLASSES for two, three or four pupils, whereby each voice will be properly examined, and separately cultivated, according to its quality, which could not be done, consistently, with simultaneous teaching—as Sopranos, Mezzo Sopranos, and Contralto Voices require a widely different training. The same care is necessary with male voices, viz: Tenor, Baritone, and Bass. When the pupils are sufficiently advanced to sing by themselves they will then be taught to take their respective parts in Duets, Trios, or Quartetts.
Terms per Quarter: $10 for each pupil, if only two pupils one hour will be devoted, and an extra half hour for every additional pupil; $20 per quarter for separate pupils.
ap 5-tf 257 Pennsylvania avenue.

CHOICE FRUIT TREES FOR SALE.
10,000 APPLE TREES, OF EXTRA growth and well assorted.
5,000 PEACH TREES, forming a complete assortment and well grown.
A few very choice Dwarf PEAR TREES, of extra size.
The above comprising a very choice assortment of Trees were raised by the late John H. King, they will be guaranteed to be what they are represented.
Apply to W. Albert King, No. 35 south High street, Georgetown, D. C., or at Valley View Farm, one mile northwest of Georgetown.
Catalogues furnished on application.
E. J. KING.
Also, for sale, a few thousand very choice ROSES. Apply as above. E. J. K.
mar 11—tf

MR. W. HENRY PALMER'S
PIANO FORTE CLASSES,
Five Dollars Per Quarter.
Apply at GEORGE HILBUS'S Music Depot, Pennsylvania avenue. mar 14-tf

FOR MOUNT VERNON.
ON TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS.—FARE, ROUND TRIP, $1; FROM ALEXANDRIA 75 CENTS.—The steamer THOMAS COLLYER leaves Washington at 9 and Alexandria at 9½ o'clock.
Coaches leave the Capitol for the boat at 8½ o'clock. Coach fare 10 cents.
Persons wishing the coaches will leave their residence with George & Thomas Parker.
Refreshments on the boat.
ap 2-tf SAM'L GEDNEY, Captain.

THE STEAMER GEORGE WASHINGTON will depart at the following hours:
Leave Alexandria 7½, 9, 11, 1½, 3½, 5½
Leave Washington...8, 10, 12, 2½, 4½, 6
ap 2-d JOB CORSON, Captain.

THE STEAMER GEORGE PAGE IS now running regularly between Washington and Alexandria at the following hours:
Leave Alexandria 4½, 8, 10, 12, 2½, 4½, and 6 o'clock.
Leave Washington 6½, 9, 11, 1½, 3½, 5½, and 7 o'clock. ELLIS L. PRICE, Captain.
mar 24

MEXICANS JUST ARRIVED.
1 DOZEN SPLENDID MEXICANS, IN full dress and uniform, from the celebrated city of Puebla, the late seat of the Revolutionary, for sale by JONAS P. LEVY,
474 Pa. avenue, Wine and Liquor and Grocery Store. je 6-2w

Auction Sales.

By A. GREEN, Auctioneer.

BRICK HOUSE FOR SALE at Auction.—Will be sold at auction, on THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at 6 o'clock p. m., upon the premises the House and Lot No 2, in square 504, fronting the Arsenal; being the second door from the corner of 4½ street. The house is 27 feet 9 inches front, with excellent basement, well paved and floored, parlors with folding doors, white marble mantel pieces, and bells to the chambers. There is a well of excellent water in the yard, and a good brick coach house and other out-houses. The lot is 120 feet deep.
Terms of sale: One fourth in cash; and the residue on notes at 6, 12, 18, 24, and 30 months, with interest payable semi-annually, to be secured by a deed of trust on the property. The purchaser to be at all the expenses of the deeds.
je 10-eod&ds A. GREEN, Auct'r.

By JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.

EXCELLENT FURNITURE AND Household Effects at Public Auction.—On WEDNESDAY MORNING, June 25th, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of Major Deas, U. S. A., No. 231 I street, between 18th and 19th streets, I shall sell all his Furniture Housekeeping Effects, viz:
Suite of handsome carved walnut parlor Furniture, consisting of two French Sofas, Arm-Chair, ladies' Chair, and six parlor Chairs
Rosewood marble top centre Table
Handsome gilt frame Mirror, Slab, and Bracket
Ladies' Escretoire, walnut Whatnot
Rush-seat Chairs, fancy Tables
Silk and lace Curtains, Window Shades
Handsome China Vases and Ornaments
Brussels, three-ply, and other Carpets
Oil Cloth, Matting, Rugs
Excellent walnut Extension Table
Cane-seat and dining Chairs, Butler's Tray
Sheffield plated Tea Set, Castors
China, Glass, and Crockery Ware
Walnut Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Washstands
Dressing and plain Bureaus, Toilet Sets
Hair and husk Mattresses, Bolsters and Pillows
Refrigerator, Stoves, Tin Safes
Together with the usual assortment of Kitchen Utensils
Terms: $30 and under cash; over that sum a credit of 60 and 90 days, for satisfactorily endorsed notes, bearing interest.
P. S The house is for rent. Inquire on the premises or of the auctioneer.
je 14 eod JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auct'r.

By JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF VALUABLE Brick Houses on 7th and 9th streets and the whole of Square No. 152.—On TUESDAY AFTERNOON, June 24th, at 4 o'clock, we shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following valuable property belonging to the estate of the late George Wm. Uttermuhle, viz:
Lot No. 7, in square No. 407, fronting 51 feet 9 inches on 9th street west, between D and E streets north, running back 100 feet, with the improvements, consisting of three three-story Brick Dwelling-houses, with two story brick back buildings, cellars, &c.
The proximity of this valuable property to Pennsylvania avenue and the Centre Market renders it very desirable for business purposes.
Lot No. ——, square No. 424, fronting on 7th street, between M and N streets, with improvements, consisting of three new three-story Brick Dwelling-houses, with two-story brick back buildings, cellars, wood-sheds, &c. Two of these have the stores occupied as dry goods stores and the other as a grocery store. A pump of excellent water is immediately in front of the premises, and the porperty is altogether very desirable.
Immediately after which we shall sell the whole of Square No. 152, bounded by 17th and 18th streets and north S and T streets; this will be sold entire or by the lot, at the opinion of the company. One of the lots has a two story Brick Dwelling on it. This square has been under cultivation as a market-garden, and is a very valuable lot for that purpose
The sale will commence, precisely at 4 o'clock, with the houses on 9th street. Title indisputable.
Terms: One-third cash; the residue in 6, 12, and 18 months, with interest, secured by a deed of trust on the premises.
If the terms of sale are not complied with within five days thereafter the property will be resold at the risk and expense of the defaulting purchaser.
Title indisputable and sale positive.
CHARLES UTTERMUHLE,
AUGUSTUS UTTERMUHLE,
GEO. W. UTTERMUHLE,
Executors.
je 16-d JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auct'r.

By JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VERY VALUAble Building Lots, on 7th st., between M and N streets north, at Auction—On THURSDAY, the 26th day of June, A. D 1856, I shall sell, in front of the premises, at 4 o'clock p. m., at public auction, by virtue of a decree from the Orphans' Court for the County of Washington, District of Columbia, confirmed by the Circuit Court for said county and District, all of Lot No. 12, and the south 33 feet of Lot No. 13, in square No. 421, fronting 92 feet on 7th street, between M and N streets north; said Lots will be subdivided into four Lots, each having a front of 23 feet on Seventh street.
Terms: One-thirt cash; balance in two instalments of six and twelve months.
A deed given and a deed of trust taken to secure the deferred payments
All conveyancing at the cost of the purchaser
If the terms of the sale are not complied with in three days after the sale the property will be resold at the risk and expense of the first purchaser.
WILLIAM J. MARTIN, Trustee.
je 12-eod JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auct'r.

By JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auctioneer.

TRUSTEES' SALE OF DESIRABLE House and Lot on 13th street at Public Auction.—On TUESDAY AFTERNOON, June 10th, at 6½ o'clock, on the premises, by virtue of a deed of trust dated February 3d, 1853, and duly recorded in Liber J. A. S., No. 52, folios 153, 154, 155, and 156, one of the land records for Washington county, the subscriber will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, part of Lot No. 26, in Square No. 250, beginning for the same on 13th street, at the southeast corner of said lot, and running thence north sixteen feet, thence west thirty feet, thence north one foot ten inches, thence west sixty six feet, thence south on the line of the public alley seventeen feet ten inches, and thence east ninety-six feet to the place of beginning, together with the improvements, which consist of a very neat and well-built two-story and basement frome dwelling house, with a back building.
Terms: One third cash; the residue in six and twelve months, with interest, secured to the satisfaction of the Trustees. If the terms of sale are not complied with within five days thereafter, the Trustees reserve the right to resell at the risk and expense of the defaulting purchaser.
JNO. W. McKIM, } Trustees.
RICHARD. H. CLARKE, }
m 7-law&ds JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auct'r.
☞ The above sale is further postponed until TUESDAY AFTERNOON, July 1st, same hour and place.
JNO. W. McKIM, } Trustees.
RICHARD H CLARKE, }
je 17-2aw&ds JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auct'r.

By A. GREEN, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE BRICK HOUSE AND LOT on 10th street at Auction.—On TUESDAY, the 24th instant, I shall sell, in front of the premises, at 6 o'clock p. m., part of Lot No. 12, in square No. 346, having a front on 10th street west of 28 feet 8 inches, with a depth of 100 feet one inch, between F and G streets north, and other necessary outbuildings. This property is handsomely located next to the corner of F street.
Terms: One-fourth cash; balance in 6, 12, 18, and 24 months, the purchaser to give notes for the deferred payments, bearing interest from the day of sale. A deed given and a deed of trust taken. All conveyancing at the cost of the purchaser. Title indisputable. If the purchaser shou'd fail to comply with the terms in five days from the day of sale, the property will be resold, at the risk and cost of the first purchaser, by advertising the same three times previous to such resale in the National Intelligencer. A. GREEN,
je 10-eod&ds Auctioneer.

ICE—ICE—ICE.
B. SHADD'S ICE AND LAGER BEER DEPOT, at the southwest corner of Third street and Pennsylvania avenue. The Ice used, known as Pettibone's Island Ice, can be had at all hours and in any quantity. The Lager Beer is from Reading, Pennsylvania, and can be had by the barrel, quarter cask, or dozen, sent to any part of the city. Orders left at the above place will be promptly attended to.
je 5-1m B SHADD.

L. J. MIDDLETON,
DEALER IN ICE,
Office and Depot—Southwest corner of F and Twelfth streets. feb 27-tf

Houses, &c., for Rent and Sale.

A RARE CHANCE.—THE STOCK AND Fixtures of a good Fancy Store for sale, on moderate terms. The location is excellent, being situated on 7th street, between G and H streets. For particulars enquire at the Plumb Gallery.
N. B.—If not disposed of by the 20th instant, timely notice will be given of its being offered at auction. je 13-tf

FOR SALE—THE TWO-STORY BRICK Dwelling and Store, being No. 159, situated on Bridge street, near the Market, Georgetown, now occupied by Wm. O. Bryan.
For terms apply to R. P. JACKSON, or BARNARD & BUCKEY, Bridge st., Georgetown.
je 7-tf

FOR SALE.—A VALUABLE FARM, containing 90 acres, will be divided into lots, say from 20 to 40 acres, to suit purchasers, if desired. It is situated 2½ miles from Washington city, ½ mile from Tenallytown, east of the Rockville Turnpike Road It is well watered, a good supply of fire wood, and possesses all the advantages requisite to make a garden or dairy farm, of great value. For further information apply to POLLARD WEBB, No. 512, (second story) opposite the National Intelligencer Office.
je 6-tf

FOR SALE.—A BEAUTIFUL WOOD LOT (of about 8 acres) on the plank road, 4 miles from Washington. It would be difficult to find a prettier site for a country residence, or one possessing greater advantages, in the neighborhood of the city. Inquire at this office. m 23-1m*

FOR RENT.—A TWO STORY BRICK house on High street, Georgetown, a few doors above West, with ten good rooms, and a fine lot attached. Apply to C. MYERS & SON, at their Wood and Coal yard, No 27 Water street, or at their residence 1st street. To a good tenant the rent will be moderate. m 19-tf

FOR RENT.—LENOX'S WHARF, NEAR the Long Bridge, the best and most reliable one in the territory for landing stone and other heavy articles. It has about 100 feet front, with depth of water sufficient for landing purposes on either side. Attached thereto is a square of ground for the purpose of depositing coal or wood. On said square is a comfortable dwelling, which may be adapted to store purposes There is about 14 feet water alongside said Wharf at low tide. To those desiring to make a profitable business a rare opportunity is offered. For terms apply at No. 490 H street north, between 8th and 9th streets west.
JAMES TOWLES, Property Agent.
ap 25-eotf

FOR RENT.—A THREE STORY BRICK Dwelling, with extensive Back Building, a large lot of ground attached, with a pump of good water in the yard, situated on K street, nearly opposite the Brewery. To a good tenant the rent will be made moderate. Apply to COM. S. CASSIN, or at GODEY & CO'S., Lime Kiln, Beall street, between Congress and Washington streets, Georgetown. m 2-eotf

FOR PRIVATE SALE.—A VERY NEAT, convenient, three story frame House, with a deep lot laid off as a flower garden. The above house contains ten rooms, all private; a side alley, and the privilege of a back alley The above house is situated on the north side of Massachusetts avenue, between 4th and 5th streets, No. 504. For further information please call as above. Possession given in a few days. If the above is not sold in a few days it will be for rent.
ap 30-tf

RARE CHANCE—THE UNDERSIGNED offers for sale those beautiful Lots situated on 3d street, a few feet south of Pa. avenue. Their situation cannot be excelled for either business or residence sites, and will be sold at a great sacrifice. H. C. HARROVER.
Terms: A small cash payment, and the balance in 1, 2, 3, and 4 years. Residence, No. 6, north A street, Capitol Hill. feb 23-tf

PROTECTION AND INDEMNITY FROM LOSS BY FIRE!
Subscribed Capital and Surplus.....$1,358,151 13.
FARMERS AND MECHANICS' INSURANCE CO., OF PHILADELPHIA
Office northwest corner Pennsylvania avenue and 17th street, Washington City, D. C.
STATEMENT OF BUSINESS FROM THE 1ST day of August to the 31st day of December, 1855:

Amount received in marine premiums	$68,242 31
Do fire premiums	39,908 82
Total premiums for five months	108,151 13
Capital	1,250,000 00
	1,358,151 13

Invested as follows:

Bonds of Allegheny county, Pittsburg, and Philadelphia City 6's	$78,721 06
Railroad bonds, cost	33,400 00
Loans on first mortgage of real estate	59,950 00
Do stocks, collateral	30,384 00
Cash in bank and on hand	11,092 22
Capital subscribed	1,047,700 00
Premium notes, not matured	66,387 31
Due from agents (secured by bonds)	18,853 61
Expenses and commissions	11,662 33
	1,358,151 13

Total amount of losses reported to 1st January, 1856:

Fire	$1,666 66
Marine	3,000 00
	4,666 66

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Address of the Southern Commissioners of the (N. S.) General Assembly, held in New York, 1856.

To the Ministers and Members of the Presbyterian Church residing in the Slaveholding States:

DEAR BRETHREN: The undersigned, members of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which has just closed its sessions in the city of New York, feel it incumbent on them to address you with reference to the recent action of the General Assembly on the subject of slavery, and to make such suggestions as to our future course as the circumstances in which we are placed seem to demand. We are apprehensive that the action of the Assembly may be misunderstood The resolution passed by the Assembly at Detroit is very ambiguous. As its endorsement by the recent Assembly is the only part of its action on this subject to which exception can be taken, we would call your attention to the true import of this resolution.

1. The resolution clearly implies that slaveholding is not a *sin per se*, and cannot, therefore, on this ground, be made a subject of discipline. The exceptional cases referred to necessarily involve the idea that slaveholding—the mere relation of master and servant—is not wrong in itself. For if it was a *sin per se*, there could be no case of slaveholding that could be justified. We are assured that the committee who brought in the majority report that was adopted by the Assembly have no sympathy with the sentiment that slaveholding is sinful *in itself*. And this, doubtless, was the opinion of the vast majority of the Assembly. The General Assembly of our church never has sanctioned the sentiment that the relation of master and servant is a *sin per se*. The nearest approximation to this opinion is found in the resolutions of the Assembly passed in 1818. But that it was not the intention of the Assembly of 1818 to express such an opinion, is evident from the fact that those resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote—such men as Dr. George Baxter and Dr. Conrad Spence, of Virginia, voting for them.

2. The resolutions passed at Detroit imply that slaveholding is a sin, and can be made cause for discipline *only* when it violates the obligations of guardianship and the demands of humanity We presume that every slaveholder in the land will admit that if the slaveholding, in any case, is inconsistent with the interests of *humanity*—including under the term humanity the colored and white population—it is a sin in the sight of God. In our judgment there is no relation in life that would not be sinful, if it is incompatible with these interests of humanity. We believe that, in the circumstances in which the colored population exist in the slaveholding States, the law of love demands that the relation of master and servant should exist. We do not think, therefore, that there is any objection to the Detroit resolution, sanctioned by the recent Assembly; because it asserts that slaveholding is a sin *if* the interests of humanity are affected by it. It is a truism to which we are persuaded the slaveholder will withhold his assent. This interpretation of the Detroit resolution is not only authorized by the language of the resolution, but also by the statements of some of its most prominent advocates.

3. The resolution adopted at Detroit, and indorsed by the recent Assembly, is not a law of the Church. It expresses the sentiment of the Assembly; but it has no more authoritative effect than the opinion of any other body of pious and intelligent men. The report passed by the Assembly says that the doctrine set forth at Detroit was "set forth, simply as a doctrine, and not as a law or judicial decision." Whatever, then, may be the sentiment expressed, it is important to notice that this opinion of the Assembly has no binding effect. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, unlike the Methodist General Conference or Episcopal Convention, has no power to make laws. The Presbyteries are the only law-making power in the Presbyterian Church.

4 According to the action of the late Assembly, if a case of slaveholding that is inconsistent with the demands of humanity ever occurs, there can be no disciplinary action on the part of the Assembly, unless a case is brought before it from a lower court by reference, complaint or appeal, or unless a Synod is cited to answer to the charge of delinquency in duty. It is like any other case of discipline brought before the Assembly for decision. It must come primarily from a session in the case of a private member, and from a Presbytery in the case of a minister. There is no intimation in the report adopted by the Assembly that a case will occur to call for action on the part of a lower judiciary; and we who are acquainted with the operations of the system of slavery need have no more fear of a case of slaveholding, inconsistent with the demands of humanity occurring among us, than of one in any other relation of life. It would be unjust to infer from the action of the Assembly that it looks to actual discipline. We are assured that no such idea was entertained either by the committee who introduced the report, or by the Assembly. The design was simply to state the course which the Assembly must pursue, if a case of slaveholding, inconsistent with the interests of humanity, should ever occur. It is neither expressed nor implied that there will ever be occasion for the Assembly to act in a judicial case brought to it from a lower court, or in the citation of Synods. The undersigned objected to the adoption of the report of the committee, not because they did not believe that slaveholding, like every other relation in life, would be a sin to the sight of God, if it contravened the interests of humanity, nor because they differed from the committee as to the mode in which offences generally are to be treated by the Assembly, but because they believed the constitution does not recognize the right in any court to regard that as an offence to which no allusion is made in the Confession of Faith of the Presbyterian Church.

5. In our judgment the action of the Assembly, viewed as a whole, is favorable to the South—insomuch as it expresses the Constitutional principles by which anything that may be regarded as an offence is to be brought before the Assembly. Doubtless many who have been disposed to agitate the Slavery question in the Assembly have had most erroneous views as to the powers of that body over the subject. It is now apparent that the Assembly has gone as far as the Constitution will allow, unless it acts judicially. Its opinion in regard to the system of Slavery has been expressed repeatedly within the last sixty years, and we may, therefore, reasonably expect the cessation of all declaratory resolutions. We have not the slighest apprehension of disciplinary action being taken in any of the lower Courts, or in the Assembly. We know there is no ground for such action, and for this reason we have no apprehension of the Assembly being called upon to act judicially on the subject of slaveholding.

6. The undersigned, representing in the recent Assembly the Presbyteries in the Slaveholding States, are unanimous in the opinion that there is no occasion for alienation or separation on the part of our Churches. It is true the subject of Slavery has been discussed in the Assembly, and from the very nature of a deliberative body it may be impossible always to prevent its introduction into the judicatories of the Church. But in regard to the late discussion in the Assembly it is important to notice that it was designed to settle, as far as an expression of opinion by the Assembly would do it, the constitutional powers of that judicatory over the subject—which could not be done without discussion; and that a very considerable part of the time devoted to this discussion was occupied by Southern men. So long as the subject of Slavery is agitated in the country, we may expect that a few in every Church will, sooner or later, seek to agitate it in the judicatories of the Church. No Church in the land can be exempt from it. We believe that our Church, in this respect, occupies as safe a position as any other branch of the Church in this country. We are persuaded there are but few who desire the introduction of the Slavery question