

[COMMUNICATED.]

STUNNING.

I saw a sight, the other night,
And the pain yet deeply rankles,
'Twas over there, I saw a pair,
Of lovely feet and—ankles!

My heart will jump, and every thump,
Makes thought fly fast and faster,
I must be mad, but I wish I had,
Their models, made of plaster!

And if, and—oh! if ladies go,
Upon the ice a—skating,
Their feet will show, and sometime, more,
While we are meditating.

But what's the use, to introduce,
This subject to the skaters?
They'll skate about, and will find out,
Who wears the smallest gaiters.

If ladies will with grace and skill
Their feet show to perfection,
A man with eyes, will, if he dies,
Look down, in that direction!

AN OBSERVER.

THE U. S. TAX BILL.—The amendatory tax bill, which was reported from the Committee of Ways and Means in the House of Representatives on Monday, imposes additional taxes on and after the first day of April next of 20 per cent. in addition to what is now paid upon many of the articles now paying duty.

The section in the present law relating to tax upon incomes is proposed to be changed, so that the tax on all incomes over six hundred dollars and not exceeding three thousand shall be five per cent., and all over \$3,000 shall be ten per cent.

The proposed tax on petroleum is six cts. per gallon.

The following articles are to be exempt from the additional duty, viz: Coal illuminating oil, refined, and naphtha, benzine, benzole, paper of all descriptions, printed books, magazines, pamphlets, reviews, and similar publications, cotton, manufactured tobacco, snuff, cigars, cigarettes, and cherottes.

On all cotton on which no duty is levied, and which is not exempted by law, there is to be a duty of six cts. per pound until July 1, 1866, and on and after that date five cts., payable in coin.

A tax of fifty cts. per gallon is to be paid on brandy distilled from grapes, and one dollar and fifty cts. per gallon on brandy distilled from apples or peaches.—*Nat. Int.*

In one of the accounts published in the Northern papers, of the recent conference between President Lincoln and the Peace Commissioners, is the following, which may or may not be true:

"The terms of peace were gradually approached. When fully reached Mr. Stephens took the parole and surpassed all his old exhibitions of persuasiveness, shrewdness, force, tact and courage in putting the demands and the rights of the Confederacy. In the midst of them, at the conclusion of one of his points, Mr. Lincoln swung forward on the lower hinge of his back, and interrupted: "That reminds me of a story of a man out in Illinois." Stephens, Hunter and Campbell instantly jumped up in a roar of merriment.

The interruption caused by this characteristic outbreak, and the apt story which followed being through with, Mr. Stephens resumed his remarks."

Philadelphia is getting the reputation of being "the city of steady habits"—of lying. Almost every item of news that combines falsehood and absurdity is telegraphed from that metropolis of mendacity. The result is that intelligence received through Philadelphia is interpreted by the law of contraries.

Two Confederate gunboats, which escaped from Savannah, are now at Augusta.

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GENT'S BOOTS from \$4. upwards—
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I WILL KEEP A SUPPLY OF
PINE AND OAK WOOD,

At my yard on PRINCE STREET, BETWEEN PITT AND ROYAL, which I will sell at the lowest rates. E. A. DAYTON.
Jan 3—tf

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Jan 12—1m