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MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE IN NEW YORK.—A Frenchman, named Rene Gautier, aged about 28 years, committed suicide at his boarding house in New York, a few days ago, under mysterious circumstances; and subsequently \$2,000 in gold was found in his trunk. The World says:

For some time past he had been under the impression that he was being watched by government detectives, and appeared very anxious and uneasy on this score. He also appeared to be in mental tribulation in regard to some crime he had committed, or some nefarious business in which he had been engaged.—Some days ago a detective from Baltimore arrived in this city, and being on intimate terms with Mr. Smith, who keeps the boarding house, visited the house several times during the past few days. This seemed to annoy Gautier wonderfully, and he became impressed with the idea that the Baltimore detective was after him.

The rumor that the deceased was a spy, and in communication with the Confederate agent at Paris, is not confirmed, although he avowed himself a most rabid secessionist, opposed to the present administration, and denounced the war as a conflict for the liberation of the negroes and enslavement of the whites. He was, no doubt, a man of high literary attainments and pursuits, and from papers found among his effects, is supposed to have been the New York correspondent of a Parisian journal. He had boarded at the house where he ended his life since November last, but none of the inmates seemed to know anything about him.

LORD PALMERSTON ON PENMANSHIP.—The venerable English Premier, in a recent address to a rural gathering, made the following sensible remarks, as applicable here as in England:

"I must say that in the present day I do not think that instruction in writing is given in that way which would render it most useful. Children who are taught to write are taught to make up strokes fine and down strokes bold; the consequence of which is that writing often looks like an area railing, a little lying on one side, so that it is difficult for the eye to make out the letters of which that writing professes to be composed. [Laughter.] Children should be taught to write a large hand, to form each letter well, and never to find whether it looks beautiful or not. If it answers the purpose of being easily read, that is the thing which ought to be aimed at."

An immense traffic (says a correspondent of the New York Herald) is now being carried on along the boundary between Texas and Mexico and some five thousand very large wagons are engaged in hauling cotton from the interior of Texas to the Rio Grande, whence they return with supplies received across the river from Matamoras, consisting of all manner of war implements shipped from England and medical and other stores from Northern cities. Some of the wagons come a distance of seven hundred miles. In consequence of this great trade, business in Matamoras is unprecedentedly active and money is very plenty.

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7 3-10 LOAN.
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 jan 23--tf

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 feb 7--tf

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 feb 1--1m

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 Jan 8--1y

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WM. ARNOLD,
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 Jan 7--tf

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 jan 6--2m

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 jan 3--tf

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