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HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—Neuralgia and Rheumatism are among the most difficult diseases to cure, as from their attacks no tissue in the human body is exempt; no age, sex, or calling, secure. Holloway's medicines are without exaggeration the only safe and sure remedies for these afflictions. Sold everywhere.

VALUABLE SQUARE OF GROUND AT AUCTION BY THE SHERIFF.—We call the particular attention to the sale to be made this day, at noon, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, by the Sheriff, of a valuable square of ground, situated in the First District of this city. See advertisement.

D. E. Morphy, auctioneer, sells this day at 11 o'clock A. M., in the St. Louis warehouse, 24 bbls flour. See Advertisement.

The gentleman of a commercial house of this city, who obliged us with valuable newspaper favors, will accept our acknowledgments for the same.

The officers of the fine steamer Edward Walsh have our thanks for the latest dates from St. Louis.

One Day Later via the River.

DATES FROM THE VIRGINIA BATTLE-FIELDS TO THE 17th, P. M.

Gold in New York 79 1-2.

By the arrival last evening of the steamer Edward Walsh, from St. Louis, we have St. Louis papers of the 18th, containing later news, which we give below, with the latest advices from the North which are like approved.

From the Front of the Potomac Army.

Both Grant and Lee Reinforced—Lee Massing his Forces on the Right for Another Battle—6th Cavalry and Skirmishers Active—Gens. Meade and Wright nearly Captured.

(Special Dispatch to the New York Tribune.)

Head-quarters, Army of the Potomac, May 15, 2 P. M.

The enemy continues to strengthen his works. It is here expected, however, that a vigorous forward movement will compel the evacuation of the rebel lines without a battle.

Yesterday afternoon the rebels suddenly developed a line of battle on our left, coming through the woods and gobbling up several of our pickets, and driving back the reserves.

Generals Meade and Wright with their staff, were over by the front at the time and had an extremely narrow escape from capture.

I learned later, afterwards General Wright threw some force under cover of artillery fire and retook the position, which was an important one.

Washington, May 16.—The Secessionists have a story afloat that Buckner and Breckinridge had joined Lee, and a portion of Johnston's army had reinforced Beauregard at Petersburg.

Buckner's junction is considered in military circles possible, but not probable.

A gentleman recently from Georgia, whose statements can be relied on, furnishes the following information relative to the strength of the rebel armies.

Lee's army, he says, is greatly underestimated. There are nearly 300,000 in the rebel service. The last conscription added 75,000 to their ranks. The conscription in Mississippi number 30,000. The force at Charleston is not less than 15,000, of which Beauregard has two thirds.

Washington, May 17.—The *Herald's* Wash ington special of the 16th, midnight, says no of the another severe fight will be on ocehr Lee has been fortifying his line op on his right, and the encagement, when it occurs, must take place east of Spottsylvania Court House. Capt. Hancock's army Longstreet to run to escape capture when Hancock attacked Ewell and Johnson on Sunday.

Richmond papers of the 12th are received. The city was greatly excited. A dispatch dated the 11th claims a victory, and says that Generals Pickens and Walker were wounded.

The Richmond *Dispatch* says the damage done to the railroad by Sheridan is repaired.

The rebel force in Southwest Virginia have reached it in Chambausburg, 80 miles west of Lynchburg.

New York, May 17.—The *Post's* Belle Plain correspondence says reinforcements for General Grant are steadily going forward. Today five steamers loaded with troops have arrived at this point. Among the regiments are the Ohio Hundred and Ninth, Pennsylvania veterans, Tenth New York heavy artillery, 80 strong, and the Third New York heavy artillery, 170 men with 6 guns. During the past week fifteen batteries have left Washington for the front, and others are now coming, including one with 2000 men from the West.

Sergeant, loaded with wounded are constantly passing here. Probably 1000 have left here since Friday last.

From one to three o'clock this P. M., very heavy firing was heard in the direction of the 5th, but it has now subsided.

Washington, May 17.—The Alexandria (Virginia) *Journal*, says that yesterday P. M., 15 rebel men and women, all of them steerage from the front army, were forwarded to Belle Plain to be returned to their regiments. The others were marched to the rear of their men, and some of them were handcuffed together.

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The rebel sharpshooters, however, held their ground. During last time a division of the second corps was ordered to take possession of two of our hospitals which were abandoned on Saturday last with about 5000 of our wounded in them.

The rebel cavalry had been there and helped themselves to such articles as they wanted and had even stood on task g all the occupants as was as prisoners, but we were just in time to prevent this, and our wagons brought them all away with their rents, supplies, &c.

A surgeon, who was left in charge of the hospitals since the Wilderness battle-field, reports that out of eight hundred of our wounded at the place except their transportation to the rebel lines, for which he succeeded in making the escape. He says our wounded were suffering for the want of every thing, even bread.

OFFICIAL FROM SECRETARY STANTON.—*Washington, May 17, 10:45 A. M.—To Major General Dix:* We have no official intelligence of military operations since my last dispatch.

General Sherman was to-day at Dallas, in Georgia—Beauregard in command of Hood's corps, with Cheatham's and Stewart's divisions, and Wheeler's cavalry, which is expected to render great assistance to Butler.

Information has also been received that Kautz has cut the Danville Railroad.

New York, May 17.—The *World's* special dispatch says it is reported that Beauregard, with a large force, marched from Weldon and Petersburg, reaching Richmond on the way to Lee, on the other hand, a rebel major, captured, says Butler has Beauregard fastened in Petersburg, and cannot help Lee.

The general opinion is that under Gilmore and North operations against Fort Darling will be short and successful. A rap was already within 300 yards of the fort.

Hoke commands the defenses of Richmond Beauregard is also said to be in Richmond, began that a reserve army for Lee.

The *World's* correspondent, near Chester, Virginia, 14th, says our infantry are gradually forcing it to the lines of breastworks of Fort Darling.

The first and second line of defenses had already been carried by assault.

General Sherman's Movements in Georgia—Resignation of Beauregard, with Capture of 1000 Prisoners and 8 Guns &c.—General Mitchell Seriously Wounded.

Washington, May 17.—A dispatch received at headquarters here, dated yesterday morning, from General Sherman, states that he had entered Resaca, and established his headquarters there. He captured 8 guns and 1000 prisoners. Our troops were in hot pursuit of Johnston.

The rebels burned the railroad bridge to Resaca, but the road to there was in running order.

[Special Dispatch to the New York Herald.]

Nashville, May 16.—We learn from reliable authority that McPherson captured, on the 15th, nine railroad trains below Resaca, laden with various military stores for Dalton.

The enemy seem to be making preparations to evacuate. Advantages have been gained, and hopes are entertained that speedy success will keep pace with operations in Virginia.

General Kilpatrick is wounded severely, and Generals Wollick and Marston slightly.

From the South Carolina and Florida Coast.

A NAVAL BATTLE OFF CHARLESTON.—ANOTHER STEAMER BLOWN UP BY A TORPEDO IN ST. JOHN'S RIVER.

New York, May 17.—The steamer Fulton from Port Royal 13th, has arrived.

General Gordon has been ordered to Florida to relieve General Birney, denoting that no hitch material in his case had resulted in Gordon's favor.

A mass State Convention was called at Beaufort, South Carolina, for the 17th of May, to select delegates to the Baltimore Convention. A similar movement is reported on foot in Florida.

The South transport Harriet Ward was blown up by the explosion of two torpedoes in St. John's river, Florida, on the 2d. An engineer's boy and one of the crew were killed. A large number of other persons were wounded, some severely.

The steamer Platte got aground in Savannah river, when a large steamer, supposed to be a ram, came down from the direction of Savannah, but returned after reconnoitering.

The Fulton reports vessels of Charleston Bar on the 14th, a supposed engagement was going on between our fleet under Admiral Dahlgren and the rebel forts and batteries on James and Sullivan Islands. All the monitors appeared to be engaged as also the new ironsides.

Fort Putnam on Gregg's Point, seemed discharging her fire principally on Sumter, which was replied to by Moultrie on Sullivan's Island, and Fort Simpkins, on James Island. The contest was spirited and seemed more general than any transpired since last autumn.

The Fulton chased a blockade runner bound out from Wilmington on the morning of the 15th for five and a half hours and then abandoned it.

Reports from Richmond via Washington.

New York, May 17.—The *World's* Washington dispatch says persons from Richmond 8th, say the streets were full of people up relating to Lee's retreat, but denied credit of the fortifications being successfully defended. The earthworks outside the city amounted to nine, but can be increased to a few hours to double that number. Men and boys between the ages of 16 and 60 have been incorporated into militia soldiers and were arriving from all parts, principally from North and south Carolina.

New York Markets on the 17th.

Money—Quite easy, with a large supply at 5 to 6c, closely at the latter rate. Sterling quiet at 152 to 154. Gold dull and more active and firm, opening at 78, advancing to 78¾, and closing firm at 77¾. Government stocks firm. 6s of 81, coupons 110, 5-20s coupons 107 to 107¼, 7-30s 105.

Cotton—1 to 1c better. 85c for middling uplands and 86c for low middling.

Flour—State and Western 10c higher, with rather more doing. $7 60 to 8 30 for trade brands market closing quiet.

Whiskey—Firmer at $1 20¾ to 1 27 for State and 1 29 to 1 30 for Western.

Groceries—Sugar dull and unchanged at 12¾ to 13c. Molasses dull.

Petroleum—Firm; crude 38c, refined in bond 58 cents.

Provisions—Pork opened dull at about yester day's prices, but closed more active and firmer. $26 for mess; $25 50 to 25 75 for prime; $25 50 to 25 for new. $25 to 24 for old and new prime, and $27 for prime mess. Beef dull and unchanged. Bacon sides dull and unchanged. Lard more active and firm at 14¾ to 15c, the latter an extreme rate at the close. Butter in good demand at 25 to 26c for Ohio, and 31 to 35c for State.

By Telegraph.

Cincinnati Markets.

Cincinnati, May 17.—Pork—Firm and in good demand; 6000 bbls sold at $26 50 for superb and $26 75 to 27 for extra.

Whisky—More active at $1 20. Holders are asking an advance.

Provisions—Quiet but firm.

Groceries—Dull, but not lower.

The Arrest of the Cuban Colonel Arguelles in New York.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

(From the New York Tribune, 18th.)

About 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning, four Deputy United States Marshals appeared at Maitland's Hotel, and inquired for the apartments of Colonel Jose Augusto Arguelles and his wife, and told the Colonel that he was their prisoner, and must go with them. As rather he saw his wife and child speak a word of English, an interpreter was summoned; but the Spaniard refused to hold any intercourse with the Colonel's wife, and that he should furnish dressing himself and go with them. Finding resistance useless, he was taken without delay to the Eldridge street jail. During the afternoon he was removed thence, and conveyed on board the steamship Eagle, bound for Havana, to remain in custody of two of the officers during the voyage. His wife and friends were thrown into a great state of excitement by this arrest, and when visited by our reporter, in the evening, had almost given up hopes of finding the Colonel, and some of them were handcuffed together.

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Yesterday morning the wife and friends of Col. Arguelles learned that he had been sent to Cuba, and there is said to be a good deal of indignation among the Spanish residents of the city, who know him to be opposed to the slave trade, as the course which he has been

Mr. O'Donohue, having been retained as counsel by the wife and nephew of Col. Arguelles, yesterday morning brought the matter to the attention of the United States Grand Jury, charging Marshal Murray with kidnapping Col. Arguelles. Mr. Murray and his Deputy, with several of his officers, were summoned before the Jury, and gave such facts as they were in possession of concerning the arrest. Mr. Murray stated, on demand, that he was acting under orders from the State Department, but had no other than verbal authority. We know not yet what action has been taken by the Grand Jury.

[From the N. Y. Evening Express, 18th.]

Recorder Hoffman issued an *Habeas corpus* yesterday afternoon, directing Marshal Murray to produce before him this morning the body of Col. Arguelles, who was, as alleged, unlawfully restrained of his liberty by him. Upon the return of the writ Mr. Donohue stated that the Marshal having kept out of the way they had been unable to serve the writ. The matter was therefore postponed till Monday next.

At the Marshal's office the utmost silence is preserved; neither Mr Murray nor any of the officers implicated in the arrest are to be seen. Some of the attaches, however, insist that the Marshal received orders for his conduct from Secretary Seward, and that the Colonel was sent out of the country on the demand of the Consul General. Last night the wife of the Colonel, accompanied by several eminent Spanish gentlemen, proceeded to Washington to have an audience with the President. This morning the Grand Jury resumed their investigation, and had before them Mr. Harwood, the Marshal's clerk. The examination is still progressing.

THE LATE DIPLOMATIC HOAX.—A Philadelphia dispatch of the 14th says: A letter has been received in this city from Lord Lyons, stating that he has never had any correspondence with Jeff Davis, and the recent publications to that effect were forgeries.

The New York Press on the Virginia Campaign.

The New York papers are for the most part unqualifiedly exultant over the late battles in Virginia, which they regard as entirely favorable to Lee's army, and eventually decisive of the war. The New York *Times* rejoices with the rest, but is less positive and more reflective in its favorable deductions. On the 14th the *Times* says:

The present campaign against Richmond will probably be a series of the most stubborn and bloody battles, across every ravine, and stream, and river between Spottsylvania Court House and the rebel capital. The country is a most difficult one, intersected with streams, on whose high banks artillery and riflemen can have the strongest positions. Still, by far the most arduous part of the way is already passed, now that the "Wilderness" is in the rear of our army, and probably the most stubborn fighting is over. The Southern army is not one for disaster and continued retreat; the conscripts will fall away, the officers will lose heart, and supplies, with perhaps ammunition, may fail. Lee himself must see that he could never again have such a position for attack as he had on the outskirts of the Wilderness; and he probably even now fights for existence. If any of the lords behind him are cut by our cavalry—as is the case—he is in a most perilous position for supplying his men. Still, all his difficulties might be overcome, and he retreat in good order to Ward North Carolina, which it would be impossible for us to follow, except by arranging a new campaign, with a new base at Weldon.

But, like ourselves, he has the heavy burden of the capital to bear on him, and Butler's disturbing movement on it and on his rear. It is this necessity of guarding Richmond, which so weakens Lee's campaign. The loss of Richmond would be a terrible one of prestige, as well as of very important *material* of war. To abandon Richmond, would be to abandon Virginia, and a dispirited send back fifty thousand Virginia soldiers disgusted to their homes.

Richmond, see ridge, is almost as much of a necessity to him as Washington is to us. And it is this double attack which will finally paralyze the rebel General, skillful as he is. It is in this especially that Grant's campaign differs from any other we have yet made, as well the rebel capital, as well as to the enormous numbers Grant wields, and the indomitable tenacity and pluck of his soldiers.

No reasonable man could have ever looked forward to any thing like a rout of Gen. Lee's army any more than to that of our own. When such veteran corps as Longstreet's and Hancock's meet, as they have done on many a bloody field, there is no thought on either side of a rout or a flight. Nothing which could possibly happen. It is so with other veteran corps in both armies. When they are beaten they simply fall back as much as possible, and the judgment and coolness of their men and artillery so handle them, that they can escape, and retreat to the next command ing position where they can make a stand.

The losses are heavy on Virginia, an army can never be entirely broken up by one defeat—there is no opportunity for such a person by cavalry as we read of in European battles. Artillery, and the strong positions peculiar to the country, can always retard the pursuing enemy until the broken army can reorganize in rear.

It is only by some fortunate double attack, like the one which is the peculiarity of this campaign, that a defeated retreating army in America can be broken up. Unless Lee should be peculiarly fortunate on the James, we may expect a series of stubborn contest between the gradually falling and rising tides of two terribly strong and tenacious opponent, for it must be remembered that Grant has yet to add to his fighting line the important corps under Sigel, from the Valley.

No immediate or startling end of such a struggle can be expected. It may be a long and rough contest of place and endurance. Northern impacity will Be on trial against Southern ardor. Disasters and delays must frequently occur, the difficulty of the ground through which the armies must be extended is great. Yet the question will be narrowed down to an absolute and final struggle on an equal field between the resources and the spirit of the North and the South. We feel that the great contest between the two sections should be thus finally settled. Who can doubt the issue?

A Suppressed Prince.

A COMPANION PIECE TO THE STORY OF A TRUE FRIENDED PRINCESS.

A writer in the Canton [Illinois] Weekly *Gazette*, commenting on the article in Harper's Magazine, entitled "A Suppressed Princess," makes the following curious statement:

"The author of the "Suppressed Princess" will be able to furnish the name of another party to royalty and its immediate adherents to keep such matters from the ears of the vulgar multitude in the extreme England that would be interested in the case now under consideration, and of course quest difficulty of securing a really reliable history of such cases, and especially of this one, which was undoubtedly planned with the utmost care and jealousy. Nevertheless, the writer of this had good reason for believing that he can give an account of what became of Hannah Lightfoot and her children. At any rate, to the only one he has ever been able to learn of, and believing it best for her. The latter immediately opened fire, sending her four letters, each containing offer like pose. One shell from the enemy penetrated and passed through the middle-attack of the Hawkes. At daylight the whole of the fleet coming up to the scene of action, the ironclad put for the bar as fast as possible. Such, consequently, he divorced himself and his children from all connection with royalty and the immediate surrounding and yelling. Grant, with the finest artillery in the world, could not mat one out of a hundred of his guns, and the fight was man to man in the bushes with the musket. When Lee retreated it was of course to another wooded region but here the country being more open, owing to an absence of underbrush, our artillery was under no fat, and the fighting was more in the Kilpatrick style. The difficulties of conquering the rebels are immeasurably enhanced by the fastness the country they occupy affords for ambuscades. Virginia is a vast fortification, a Saragossa of thickets and ravines, woods and swamps, mountains and streams. If it had been an open, cultivated plain, our armies would long ago have swept through it in triumph. No well-informed person doubts that if a general engagement could be brought on in a clear field, large enough for both armies, where they could be in full view of each other, that the army of the Potomac would rout the rebel army of Northern Virginia, and make an end of it. As it is, Virginia must be won a mile at a time, and the fighting persevered in from day to day. The best men and superior resources will be victorious at last, as always, but the process is necessarily tedious.

It was believed, before the long range arms had been tried, in the American war, that they would have a tendency to shorten battles and lessen them more decisive. Experience shows that they do exactly the reverse. The officers have much difficulty in restraining the disposition of the men to waste their cartridges to distant firing, batteries get out of ammunition at long ranges, having accomplished little beyond splintering trees. Volleys from the Springfield and Enfield rifles are only in rare instances more effective than those of the old smooth-bore musket. The rifled musket is, however, a terrible weapon in the hands of a sharpshooter, and the immense number of officers killed is testimony on this point. The long range arms tend to keep masses of troops at long ranges, and one side or the other almost invariably gives way at a distance from its enemy, so that advantage cannot be instantly taken of their disorder, and the fugitives have time to escape or rally.

Summary Arrest of a Spanish Officer.

On Wednesday morning, T. Augne Arguello, formerly a Colonel in the Spanish army, was arrested at Maitland's Hotel, by four persons representing themselves as deputy marshals, and his person searched. The Colonel was formerly Lieut. Governor of the province of Cobre in the island of Cuba, and had only recently arrived in the city. Considerable excitement exists among the Spanish residents here, and an application has been made to the Grand Jury of the county, now in session, for indictments against the four deputy-marshals. It is believed that the arrest was made by order of Marshal Murray under instructions from Washington. There are rumors that Colonel Arguello has been placed on board some vessel, his exact whereabouts, however, we have been unable to ascertain.—*N. Y. Sun*, 17th.

The N. Y. *Post-Advertiser* states that Col Arguello was taken on board the steamer Eagle, to be conveyed to Havana.

Congress of the Southern Confederacy—May 4.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Jas' M. Leach asked leave to make a personal explanation. He referred to the *Examiner* an article making an attack upon the people of North Carolina in general, and those of the district and himself in particular. After reading the article, he entered into a lengthy criticism upon it. He said the rumors and slanders against the people of North Carolina originated with the Northern Abolitionists, and since the publication of Mr. Stephens speech it had increased. He had introduced Hon. Mr. Boyce a bill to repeal the late act. He had heard that the act had been passed for the purpose of suppressing public sentiment in North Carolina. If so, its object had been and would be defeated. While the people of North Carolina were willing to make any and every sacrifice for the honorable prosecution of the war, they would not quietly submit to the destruction of their rights and liberties.

Mr. J. F. Leach followed in a few remarks in explanation. The article in the *Examiner* he had no doubt, alluded to him. He said he was a colleague. He said he was a peace man—for an honorable peace—peace that will do justice to those that commenced the war, and those who have sacrificed their property in the cause of their country. He said he was a Southern man, and would stand by the cause of the "unity of the South," and was willing to do any proper sacrifice for its success. He said, however, he was disposed to a man to be in favor of peace. How are we to get an end to the war without negotiation, and how are you to negotiate without being in favor of peace? Commissioners had been appointed in all wars we ever had to bring about the cessation of hostilities and put a stop to the shedding of blood. He said he must lay aside all the spirit of vilification and personal abuse which he thought was more in the state of the Union at present than at any time since the days of the Revolution. The Yankees and Northern people had been abused and libeled more than those of all the states of the South, and why was it? Was it because she had contributed so many thousand noble and true men, who had sacrificed their all for the cause? He said it was time there was more unanimity here—a unanimity that he was proud of—a unanimity that is opposed to bad laws and wrongs and dissatisfaction. He said that the recent act regarding the writ of *habeas corpus* had created disloyalty there.

Mr. Staples desire to ask the gentleman a question. Are you for peace on any terms than that of the independence of the South?

Mr. Leach. I am for peace on the basis of the independence of the South if it can be obtained; but if not, then I am for peace on the best terms we can get them, short of subjugation. Is the gentleman satisfied?

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(From the St. Louis Republican, 17th.)

The Rebel General Stuart.

The rebel General James E. B. Stuart, whose death has been reported in the Richmond papers, was a son of Archibald Stuart, for several years a Representative in Congress from the North Carolina in general, and those of the district and himself in particular. After reading the article, he entered into a lengthy criticism upon it. He said the rumors and slanders against the people of North Carolina originated with the Northern Abolitionists, and since the publication of Mr. Stephens speech it had increased. He had introduced Hon. Mr. Boyce a bill to repeal the late act. He had heard that the act had been passed for the purpose of suppressing public sentiment in North Carolina. If so, its object had been and would be defeated. While the people of North Carolina were willing to make any and every sacrifice for the honorable prosecution of the war, they would not quietly submit to the destruction of their rights and liberties.

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Reminiscences of the War—Battles Loosing Several Days.

(From the Cincinnati Commercial, 17th.)

The peculiarity of the battles in this country, in being protracted for several days, does not appear to be commonly understood. The battles of Fredericksburg, Stone River, Chickamauga, and the present fights were all of this character. Each of these battles was fought on the defensive, and each was a series of stubborn contest between the forces of the two armies, Northern and Southern, gradually falling back, and the more resolute and strong and tenacious opponent, for it must be remembered that Grant has yet to add to his fighting line the important corps under Sigel, from the Valley.

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Miscellaneous Items.

"Did he not make several visits after the patient was out of danger?" was the question of a lawyer in cross-examining of a witness called to prove a doctor's bill, in one of our courts, a few days ago. "No," replied the witness, "I thought the patient was in danger as long as he continued his visits."

A Culpepper farmer, on whose farm the opposing pickets are stationed, recently remarked to a Union officer: "I hain't took no sides in this yer rebellion, but I'll be dog gorned if both sides hain't took me."

Jekyll was told that one of his friends, a brewer, had been drowned in one of his own vats. "Ah, he exclaimed, "floating on his watery bier."

Profound silence in a public assemblage has been thus neatly described:—"One might have heard the stealing of a pocket handkerchief."

Who is the aboriginal man mentioned in the Bible? Knee-high Jonah.

An "irregular" doctor in New Orleans, who is not recognized by the "regulars," asked a friend what would make the most attractive sign for his establishment. "A coffin with a duck rampant," was the reply.

What is the most remarkable difference between the ancients and the moderns? The ancients armed their dead, and the moderns earn their living.

Where is sugar the most profitable in grocery? At the bottom of their molasses measures.

A clergyman being recently from home, his son, of ten years, was asked to pronounce the blessing. "No," he replied, "I don't like the looks of them beans."

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL

BY E. OFFICE,
Monday Evening, May 23, 1864.

[illegible] the lowest receipts of 10-40 bonds [illegible] for the week ending to-day, [illegible] amounted to but $[illegible] against $[illegible] for the week preceding, and [illegible] week before. The decline is [illegible] to be owing to the refusal of [illegible] to receive bonds in payment of [illegible] which is [illegible] to be [illegible] to the [illegible] of the Government [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] of the