

THE EIGHTEEN MILLION LOAN.
Saturday last was the day to which was limited the reception of Proposals, according to public advertisement by the Secretary of the Treasury, for a Loan of Eighteen Millions of Dollars, under the authority of the act of Congress of 28th January last.

The general result of the bids we understand to be, that offers were received for the Loan to the aggregate amount of Fifty-eight Millions of Dollars—three times the amount required—all of which were more or less, and some of them as high as two per centum, above par.

THE LATE SKIRMISH NEAR MONTEZUMA.
We copy from the last Louisville Courier, to which it was forwarded by a correspondent, the following report of Col. Cameron, the officer in command at Monterey, detailing the operations of his troops during the time that our posts in that neighborhood were threatened by the enemy.

THE GREAT EQUESTRIAN TROUPE, from Wexon & Delany's advertisement. The entrance of this great Troupe will be in a Grand Equestrian Pageant, in which all the principal bidders will appear in their high-bred gaiters.

OPERATOR GYMNASTICS.
By the Brothers F. R. and C. RYAN.
The dancing, ball, and gymnastics, on FOUR STEPS, by J. J. NATHANS.

GENERAL TOM THUMB.
The Man in Miniature.
POSITIVELY FOR THREE DAYS ONLY.
He will hold his public lectures at the Jackson Hall, Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, Monday evening, April 13th, and Tuesday and Wednesday, the 14th and 15th instants, each evening, from 7 o'clock until 9 o'clock.

INCIDENTS OF THE BATTLE AT VERA CRUZ.

At 10 o'clock a white flag was sent into the city of Vera Cruz, which was received by Major General Scott, who immediately ordered the blowing of trumpets and the firing of cannon, as a mark of respect to the gallant army which had just effected the capture of the city.

THE USE OF THE BAROMETRE.

I have endeavored to ascertain the force of the barometre, and to make a remark that may be beneficial to shipping generally. I know a great many of my brother shipmen who do not use the barometre.

FROM BALTIMORE AND THE NORTH.

The two men, William Jenkins, alias Ryal, and Daniel Brown, who figured in Washington, come yesterday, and were arrested in this city, charged with passing counterfeit United States coins.

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MARYLAND GOVERNOR'S CONVENTION.
The Annapolis Republican reminds the Whig party of the State of Maryland of the passage of the late Legislature, and hopes that our friends will not neglect to take the proper measures for carrying its recommendations into effect.

The packet-ship Washington, from Liverpool on the 21st ultimo, arrived at Boston on Saturday. A Telegraphic dispatch in the New York Commercial Advertiser puts us in possession of the commercial advices brought by her as follows:

All kinds of cotton had declined 1/4 per pound, but this reduction purchases in Upland, which are placed at 84 1/2 per pound, cannot be held to any extent. The total sales of the week, including 3,400 for exportation, have only been 15,400 bales.

The London corn trade was very firm on Wednesday, March 17th, for wheat, English and foreign, of which the supplies have been only small, and much below the great demand which exists for immediate use by the millers, and for exportation to France, although higher prices have not been freely paid. The business has been at fully the prices of Monday, and sales have been generally refused unless at higher rates.

Indian corn, of which the arrivals have been larger since the change of wind, is to be obtained at lower rates, there being numerous buyers at hand for this grain, where the prices show any tendency to decline.

The report of the extensive arrivals of flour and Indian corn at the port of Liverpool had not produced any influence in the London market, where the supplies were far below the present demand for every article for the home and foreign trade.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16th and 17th, several parcels of American flour were purchased at Liverpool for shipment to France and coastwise. The demand was finely met by holders, and the prices of Tuesday were without change. At market on the morning of the 19th there was a very fair attendance of buyers, and a tolerably good business was transacted in wheat and flour at the full prices of Tuesday.

Western canal flour realized 40 shillings per barrel, and the extent of sales raised 4 shillings estimated at 30,000 barrels. Indian corn was one shilling to two shillings per quarter lower. More business was doing at the decline.

Mortality among the Working Classes in England.—The British Patent Office is about to call upon snow to protect the lives and health of the laboring classes of the cities in the United Kingdom from the sources of poison which now surround their dwellings, and carry disease and suffering and death to their homes.

The debate on the factories bill—proposing to regulate the hours of labor—was still under discussion in Parliament. Mr. Earl's motion for leave to bring in a bill to do away with a charge of a punishment for crime had been negatived by a majority of forty.

The debate on Mr. Hume's motion to cut off the subsidy paid to Russia had not yet terminated, but had attracted much attention, and, as the Times of March 13 says, "the speeches which have been delivered will command the attention of Europe." The tone of the press seems to be uniform as to the one point, that the obligation to pay is cancelled by the affair of Cremona; some of the journals go further, and contend that the payment ought to cease; but others, and the Times among them, advocate the continued payment merely on the score of chivalrous honor.

On the 12th of March the House of Commons began the important debate on the condition of Ireland, and the measures rendered necessary thereby. Lord John Russell developed his views at length, and his speech is so important a character that we shall give a synopsis of it. The immediate subject was the introduction of a poor law into Ireland, but some remarkable views and opinions were introduced collaterally, indicating the approach of a crisis in British legislation.

SHIRAZ WATER FROM ENGLAND.

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STAY LEAVES FROM THE PRESIDENT'S NOTE BOOK.

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