

Astoria School.

The school at Astoria closed the last term of the year on the 7th inst., winding up with a two days' examination and an exhibition on the night of the 7th. The result of the examination was highly satisfactory to parents and guardians, and visitors from abroad. The familiarity exhibited by the scholars with the branches of science which they had been pursuing and their readiness to explain the questions put to them by critics who were present, showed that so far as they had advanced they were masters of the sciences they had been pursuing. We have seldom seen a school in any country in which the scholars at an examination did more credit to themselves and honored their teachers more than did the Astorian school of Mr. and Mrs. Deardon during the exercises which have just closed the late term. The declamations were well delivered, the compositions evinced originality and depth of thought, and the dialogues were marked

a grace and native elegance of action

the part of several seldom equalled.

It is believed that the instructors or

the school are fully worthy the art of

teaching.

New York, 16th.—The Post last evening says a serious disagreement exists between Gen. Halleck and Hooker. It is positively stated that Hooker's new movement planned before he left the south will be the Rappahannock. He has been countering it from Aspinwall brings him about 57 of the rebels across. Richmond papers say there is no doubt but that Hooker's plan was accidentally shot

in his own camp. He received three orders in the left arm and head. This occurs about Saturday, having given orders to fire on anything seen coming up the road before he left the lines, and on seeing Federal skirmishers before him he turned to retreat and was shot by his own men. His funeral was largely attended. Davis and the rebel cabinet were present. His body was sent to Lexington, and a statue of him is to be erected in the rebel capital.

Matauroras dated to 18th of April have been received. It is understood that the schooners Gen. Pinekney and West Florida are fitting out as privateers at Brazos and are only awaiting crews. Gen. Magruder has been at Brownsville for some weeks. The sloop Laping has been seized on the Rio Grande by rebel authorities. She was from New York with a valuable cargo.

A Washington letter to the Commercial says it is certain that the Army of the Potomac lost a large number of prisoners and missing and that its dead would exceed the number of the returns heretofore published, that it left on the south bank of the Rappahannock 24 pieces of artillery, a quantity of arms and ammunition, and that a majority of the Generals and officers desire a new commander,

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