

the city, and made a speech to the troops, pledging his word that he would retake Fort Pulaski within 30 days. The *Frigal* is nearly completed, and the floating battery has been put in working trim. In about two weeks both these craft are to be used in the work of reducing the Fort.

ANOTHER RAID ON BLUFFTON.—On Tuesday last, Col. Barton, of the 48th N. Y., stationed at Fort Pulaski, with the left wing of his regiment, and with the boats *Planter* and *Starlight*, having guns aboard, started, by order of Major General Mitchell, to destroy the extensive salt-works at Bluffton. After a slight delay, occasioned by the *Planter's* going aground, he arrived, and his men, under Capt. Strickland, landed and drove in the pickets. The boats then ascended the river, and, at sight of them, the Rebels, having no batteries, incontinently fled, leaving the expedition to accomplish its purpose and return in safety. The next day the Colonel, with a detachment of his own Regiment, under Capt. Lent, and of the 3d R. I. Artillery, under Capt. Gould, in the same boats, went up the Savannah, and shelled a battery at Cranston's Bluff, and a picket at the "Needles." The rebels replied, but their guns were of so short a range that they were easily silenced.

THE NEGROES.—Some wholesome changes are contemplated by the new regime, not the least of which is the removal of the negro quarters beyond the stockade. It is wisely determined to put them by themselves, where they can at once have more comfort and freedom for improvement, for it is designed as soon as possible to educate them to self-respecting independence and habits of self-reliance. Accordingly, a spot has been selected near the Drayton plantation for a Negro Village. They are to build their own houses, and will probably be encouraged to establish their own police under supervision of their Superintendent. A teacher, Ashbell Landon, has been appointed, to be paid from the Quartermaster's Department, and to the proper conduct of the school the diligent Commanding General will himself attend as a Government interest. This is as it should be. It is of course of public importance that these new heirs to the rights of Liberty should be taught how not to abuse them. Mr. McMath is at present the active and efficient Superintendent of this people on this Island. We notice with pleasure the return of the former Superintendent, Mr. Lee, who will be employed by Gen. Saxton, at Beaufort.

THE RAILROAD.—Somebody in authority has been enterprising enough to order the construction of that railroad the material for which has been cumbering the pier for months. The work is progressing under the direction of Col. Serrell, of the Engineer Regiment, and with a rapidity which ensures its completion within a day or two. The cars are to run from the end of the pier to the new forage-house, with "turnouts" communicating with the Ordnance Yard and Commissariat store houses. It has been a matter of surprise to most people that the convenience which the road will afford has not been made available before, when it certainly was needed as much as it is now. But "better late than never." Horse flesh, cut joyful capers! Negro-power, dance your breakdowns!

QUARANTINE.—The schooner *Triumph*, Captain Leury, bound to this Port with a sutler's cargo, picked up at sea a boat containing ten negroes escaped from Wilmington, North Carolina. She was boarded by the Health Officer, Dr. Crispell, who, learning that there was yellow fever at Wilmington and that the negroes had been employed in grave-digging, sent the schooner to St. Helena Sound. Sympathy is due to the *Triumph* thus suffering inconvenience for the sake of humanity.

HORSE AUCTION.—Our faithful Post Quartermaster emulates the theory of his countryman, "Poor Richard," that "a penny saved is a penny earned" for the Government. Some used-up horseflesh, that—to use a trenchant phrase of the Richmond press, upon their prisoners,—were fast eating their own heads off, was sold at auction last Tuesday at surprising rates, ranging, from twelve to seventy dollars, and realizing a total of seven hundred dollars. Good for the Quartermaster.

DIVINE SERVICES will be held on Sunday morning, at the usual hour, in the Lodge Room at the Commissary building. Regimental Chaplains will officiate alternately. At the same time it is understood that the negro church just finished is to be dedicated.

RETURNED TO HIS REGIMENT.—Col. E. W. Serrell, of the New York Regiment of Volunteer Engineers, who had been suspended from duty and was tried before a general Court Martial recently held at Beaufort, has been returned to his command.

PERSONAL.

—Major General Hunter arrived at Washington on the 15th ult. He has been appointed President of a Special Commission for the administration of certain subjects connected with the army. The night of the President's serenade he was called upon to address the assemblage, and replied like a soldier that he was ready to do anything in his power to aid in carrying out the President's proclamation, except making a speech—that he could not do. He will probably be put in command of a corps, either one of the two cast of the Alleghenies, or the Department of the West.

—Rear Admiral Dupont departed for the North on Saturday last, on important business connected with the Squadron, and was accompanied by Fleet Captain Rodgers, his Chief of Staff. The Admiral's absence from his command will be very brief, and meanwhile Capt. Godon is the senior officer on the station.

—Capt. M. A. Morgan, U. S. A., Chief Commissary of Subsistence in this Department, has been ordered to report at Washington. Capt. Morgan's duties here have been of the most perplexing character, and in their performance he has displayed a prudence, fidelity and skill which entitle him to the gratitude of the country and a recognition of his abilities by giving him a higher position in her service. We trust that his departure hence is the precursor of well-earned promotion. Capt. Scull, C. S., U. S. V., has been appointed Chief Commissary.

The act of July 10, 1862, authorized the appointment of officers of higher rank on the Staff of a Major General commanding an army corps than was formerly allowed. In accordance with this act the following promotions have been made among Gen. Mitchell's staff-officers. Major W. P. Prentice, A. A. G., to be Lieut. Colonel and A. A. G. Capt. E. P. Abbott, 3d Ohio Volunteers, to be Lieut. Colonel and Assistant Inspector General. Lieut. Bushrod Birch, to be Major and A. D. C. Lieut. James C. Williams, to be Captain and A. D. C. Lieut. Fred. A. Mitchell, to be Captain and A. D. C.

—Capt. Chas. E. Fuller has been returned to duty as Chief Quartermaster of this Department, resuming his labors on the 1st inst. Those who knew him best never doubted his honorable restoration to a position from which he was summarily displaced, and which he filled with advantage to the interests of the Government. Capt. J. J. Elwell, who shouldered the responsibilities of the Chief Quartermaster's office in a satisfactory manner during Capt. Fuller's suspension, will continue his services in the Department, and so, too, will Capt. Chas. Garetson, who is winning a name for energy and business tact. With such able assistants Capt. Fuller cannot fail to administer the affairs of the Quartermaster's bureau effectively and commendably.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

Arrival of the *Star of the South*.

Since our last issue there have been several arrivals from the North, the latest of which was the steamship *Star of the South*, on Thursday, bringing dates to the 28th ult. Her obliging purser, Mr. Chas. F. Burke, has sent us files from which we collate, briefly, the heads of the news:

—A series of bloody battles has been fought in Maryland by McClellan's army opposed to the invaders under Lee, Jackson and Longstreet, ending in the fight of the 17th and 18th at Antietam Creek, characterized as one of the bloodiest since Waterloo. The Rebels are effectually expelled from Maryland with a total loss of not less than 30,000 men. Our loss is believed to be only half as large, but the brave Generals Mansfield and Reno have fallen, and Generals Sedgwick, Hooker, Hartstuff, Sumner, Meagher, Richardson, French, Duryee, Dana, Ricketts, Max Weber, and Rodman, are wounded. Harper's Ferry was surrendered on the 15th with 14,000 men and rations for 20 days with several pieces some of them heavy Parrotts, in consequence of the evacuation by Col. Ford of the Maryland Heights opposite, which overlook and command the place. Col. Miles in charge at the Ferry was killed while the negotiation for surrender was going on. His staff state that Col. Ford had been ordered by him to hold on "till the cows tails drop off." Col. Ford has accordingly been summoned to answer for his strange conduct before the Military Commission of which Major General Hunter is President. Harper's Ferry is again in our hands. The armies rest opposed upon either side of the Potomac and our latest advices state that all was still quiet.

—Louisville has been saved by the seasonable junction of Buell and Nelson, opposite that city, opposed by the rebel general Bragg.

—Reports from Gen. Morgan's old Headquarters at Cumberland Gap assure us that he is still secure, in good spirits, and provisioned for seventy days.

—In Missouri a rebel army, under Gens. Hindman and Rains, are at Granby Mines, near the State Line, and Gen. Scofield advances to meet them, with a well-organized force.

—The *Anglo-Saxon* arrived from Europe reports that the rebels are building war steamers in England; purchasing steam vessels already fitted, and that a steam-ram was constructing for them in the river Mersey.

—Paris correspondents assert that there is more danger than ever, that France and England, and Prussia, on account of her relations with the German Union, will favor the Southern Confederacy.

—Com. Geo. H. Preble has been summarily dismissed from the Navy for allowing the rebel gun boat *Oreto* to run the blockade of Mobile Bay.

—Disloyal persons not being adequately restrained by the ordinary processes of the law from hindering volunteering, on the 24th inst., the President issued a proclamation declaring that offenders of this character shall henceforth be subject to martial law, suspending the writ of *habeas corpus* in all cases where persons are in custody of the military officers of the United States.

ACTING REAR-ADMIRALS APPOINTED.—The following officers have been appointed Acting Rear-Admirals, on their respective stations:

Commodore Charles H. Bell, commanding Pacific Squadron; Commodore Charles Wilkes, commanding Special West India Squadron; Commodore J. L. Lardner, commanding Eastern Gulf Blockading Squadron; Commodore Charles Henry Davis, commanding Mississippi Flotilla; Captain Samuel Phillips Lee, commanding North Atlantic Blockading Squadron.

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MARINE NEWS.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED

In the Steamship Star of the South—Surgeon Eastman, 3d N. H. V.; Capt. Campbell, Schr. Washington; Lieut. W. Butterfield, N. H. V.; Asst. Surgeon W. S. Young, 47th N. Y. V.; Lieut. H. M. Dalrymple, Vol. Engs.; Lieut. Geo. O. Eddy, 3d R. I. A.; Lieut. Nichols, 48th N. Y. V.; Lieut. Thomas, U. S. Navy; Capt. Tuzo, Steamer Flora; Capt. Geo. Low, Steamer Geo. Washington; J. R. Clark; J. N. King, Assist. Harbor Master, P. R.; Messrs. Briggs, H. A. Whitney, A. P. Ketchum, J. P. Low, J. M. Fairfield, D. F. Thorpe, M. Loomis, B. K. Lee, and 32 in the steerage. Lieut. Dalrymple brings 25 Recruits for the ranks of the Vol. Engineer Regiment.

ARRIVED.

Sept. 27, Steamer Geo. C. Collins, Lunt, New York via Beaufort, N. C.; 29, Schr. Joy, Henderson, Philadelphia; Schr. Albert Crandall, Avery, New York; 30, Brig Benj. Delno, Baxter, New York; U. S. S. Massachusetts, Cooper, New York; Oct. 2, Steamship Star of the South, Woodhull, New York; U. S. Bark Guerilla, Smith, New York; U. S. S. Rhode Island, Boston.

CLEARED.

Sept. 22, Schr. D. W. Eldridge, Ogden, Phila.; Steamship Ericsson, Lowber, New York; 29, Schr. Anthem, Stuart, Philadelphia; Schr. Tunis Depew, Edmonds, New York; Steamer Geo. C. Collins, Lunt, New York; 30, Schr. William E. Legett, Gibson, New York; Oct. 1, Brig Adelphi, Roberts, New York; Schr. John Walker, Bunnell, New Orleans; 2, Brig Abby Ellen, Gilmore, Philadelphia; 3, Steamship Star of the South, Woodhull, New York.

SAILED.

Sept. 29, Steamship Ericsson; Schr. Trojan; Schr. N. W. Smith; Steamer George C. Collins; 30, Schr. Tunis Depew; Brig Intended; Oct. 1, Brig Adelphi; Schr. John Walker.

FOR SALE VERY CHEAP.—AN ASSORTMENT OF Apples and Cake, shipped two weeks since by Adams' Express for this port, and now on its way per schooner, hourly expected. The owner offers this consignment for sale, as he expects the apples have rotted and the cake grown musty, consequently they can be of no use to himself. Address X. Y. Z., Post Office.

MR. C. G. ROBBINS, BEAUFORT, S. C., IS NOW ESTABLISHED on the corner opposite "Stevens House." He has always on hand, for sale, the most desirable goods for this section of the country, and for army uses, at the lowest prices.