

We are indebted to Maj. T. J. ELPHIN for late New York papers.

We are also indebted to Mr. Geo. HINNANT for late files of Northern papers.

Town Taxes.

We call the attention of our town readers to the advertisement of the Tax Collector.

Brooks' Mills.

These Mills, formerly known as the Patterson Mills, situated on Peterson's Creek, five miles east of Spartanburg C. H., and now owned by JOHN BROOKS, have been thoroughly repaired and are now in perfect order.

The Fourth of July.

This day, memorable in the history of this country, is now upon us, with its glorious yet saddening memories.

Dr. E. Toland.

We make the following extract from the correspondence of "Typo," the Tallahassee (Florida) correspondent of the Columbus (Ga.) Sun, which we find published in the Columbia Patriot.

It has been ascertained since, that this consummate scoundrel had a negro boy (whom he brought out with him during the war) bound to secrecy in regard to the matter, with threats of instant death if he divulged, and that he has all this time, made his legitimate wife in South Carolina believe that he had purchased a large plantation in Florida, and was building a fine house and making other preparations to bring her out here—which was his excuse for not going home after the surrender to live.

Reidville Examinations.

We regret that circumstances debarred us from the pleasure of witnessing the exercises of the Reidville Schools last week.

The pupils of the Male Academy were examined on Monday, the 25th ult., those of the Female High School, on Tuesday, the 26th ult., and the Commencement exercises in the latter institution took place on Wednesday.

We take great pleasure in giving place to the following reports, which were read by the respective Chairmen on the day of Commencement.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE IN MALE SCHOOL.

The examination of the pupils of the Reidville Male Academy, in charge of Rev. W. B. CARSON, took place on Monday, 25th ult.

We deem it neither necessary nor proper to undertake in this announcement to make any individual distinctions, and while there were no doubt, some unavoidable inequalities, we take great pleasure in giving expression to a high degree of satisfaction with the whole.

Respectfully, A. H. LESTER, E. CHALK, T. J. MOORE, WM. BOWMAN, Committee.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE IN FEMALE SCHOOL.

The Committee selected to attend the annual examination exercises of the Reidville Female High School, in the discharge of this duty, ask leave to submit the following report:

The exercises commenced in the Primary or Preparatory Department, which is under the care of Mrs. M. C. KILGORE. The young pupils did credit, in every respect, to the character and efforts of their very estimable teacher.

The examination in the Collegiate Department comes next in order. This is under the control of the associate principals, Rev. R. H. REID and Mr. PRESTON C. JOHNSTON, who are assisted by Miss MORGAN. Here, too, the exercises were both exceedingly interesting and instructive.

In vain did the distinguished Principals assay, by searching questions and supposed cases, to find some one unprepared for this hour. It was evident, too, that there had been no previous posting up in questions especially prepared for the occasion.

A charming concert at night closed the exercises of the day. This was conducted by Miss NELLIE JOHNSTON, who is instructress in

the department of music. We congratulate her upon the success of her labors, in the splendid performance of her pupils.

Never have we attended an examination, which in all its departments, was more satisfactory. The Trustees owe a lasting debt to the teachers, and they deserve well of the public for their devotion to the institution during the trying period of the war.

In all sincerity, we cordially commend this Institution and its able corps of teachers to the hearty support of the country.

The Re-establishment of Order.

Our readers, says the Charleston News, will be glad to learn that orders have been issued from the Headquarters of this Military District for the arrest of all vagrants, and to prevent the selling of liquor to freedmen.

HEADQUARTERS STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Charleston, S. C., June 29, 1866.

I, The Brevet Major-General commanding has noticed, with deep regret, the disposition on the part of freedmen in the vicinity of Charleston and along the coast to disregard their agreements on plantations, to the neglect of the crops, and to either lay idling about their houses, roam at large over the country, or congregate in Charleston and other towns.

It is ordered that all men or women who leave the plantation on which they are employed to labor, either by the month, for share of the crops or a renters of land, and thereby neglect their growing crops, be at once arrested as vagrants and put to work on the public roads, as provided for by Par. XIII, G. O. No. 1, Headquarters Department of South Carolina.

All planters who have freedmen employed on their plantations who do not, at this important season of the year, give their entire time to the growing crops, are authorized, if after reading this order to them, they neglect or refuse to obey it, to report them at once to the officer in command of the district, who will cause them to be taken from the plantation as vagrants and put to work on the public roads.

IV. Commanding officers will have this order read in the several colored churches in their vicinity, in order that it may become generally understood.

By command of Brevet Maj-Gen. R. K. SCOTT. H. W. SMITH, Brevet Lieut. Colonel and A. A. General. H. W. SMITH, Assistant Adjutant General.

The Sea Island Lands.

The annexed special dispatch to the Charleston Courier, from Washington, gives some information in regard to the Sea Island lands:

The Senate on the 26th ult., passed the House Freedmen's Bureau Bill, with an important amendment, providing that lands in St. Luke and St. Helena Parishes, acquired by the Government at tax sales, and amounting in the aggregate to 38,000 acres, shall be sold in twenty-acre lots exclusively to the negroes now occupying such lands under General Sherman's order.

All of the Radical members supported this amendment, which he House will accept, thus making it law.

ILLEGAL.—We were gratified to announce, the other day, the release of Mr. Egan, who, after having been discharged by Judge Nelson in Albany, was rearrested by the military authorities in this State.

I agree with James Mackintosh, that while the laws as silenced by the noise of arms, the rulers of the armed force must punish, as equitably as they can, those crimes which threaten their own safety and that of society, but no longer; every moment beyond is usurpation.

There are no words wasted in the above opinion, and every friend of constitutional liberty will agree not only with the premises, but the result of them: that the trial of civilians by military courts, after peace has been declared, is wrong.—Phenix.

From Europe.

Prussia and Italy formally declared war against Austria on the 19th. The Prussians entered Austria. The King of Saxony with drawing into Bohemia, his army effected a junction with the Austrians.

SECOND DISPATCH.

The City of Boston arrived July 2d, bringing Liverpool intelligence of the 21st. Cotton has declined a half to one penny. Breadstuffs are buoyant and provisions are firm.

The Cuba with later dates had arrived. European complications were culminating. No collision had occurred between belligerents, but battles were expected near Frankfurt, in Silesia and Saxony.

New York, June 25.—Additional foreign news presents points of importance. The "London Times" of the 13th, says the diplomatic rupture between Prussia is not complete. The Austrian Minister has demanded his passports, and was to have left that day.

The portentious intelligence that Garibaldi has reached Como is announced. It was the scene of his former brilliant exploits.

The steamship Germania has arrived from Southampton, with dates of the 12th instant. By her arrival we get the following intelligence:

La France believes that the rumor of an expected imperial message, and the issue of a new loan, is unfounded, and should Mr. Rouher be questioned on the policy of the Government, he will only repeat his third of May declaration.

The passport system in Austria has been introduced, and the Emperor started for the headquarters of the army of the North.

The Ambassador has not left Berlin. The popular indication in Bavaria against Prussia continues, while efforts are being made to induce the King to change the ministry, who maintain the policy of declaring against the power that shall commence the war.

The Prussians have occupied three important points and will immediately occupy three more.

LOUISVILLE, June 22.

The Railroad Committees from Charleston and Knoxville meet here to-day in conference with the officers of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad.

IMMIGRATION.—Forty thousand and forty nine alien born immigrants arrived at the port of New York during the month of May. This is nearly double the arrivals in the corresponding month of last year, and those of the first five months of this year, and nearly double those of the same period last year.

Insanity is becoming fearfully prevalent among the negroes. Fifteen or sixteen were placed in confinement in Richmond last month from this cause.

For the Spartan.

I Hope it will Fit.

Why keep our world a maze of woe? Why drive the light of joy away? Why let the fruits of sorrow grow, Bedimming every joyous ray?

REVENUE STAMPS.—We have been furnished by F. M. Galbraith, Deputy Collector, U. S. Internal Revenue, with the following, which it would be well for our readers to note:

Notes or other instruments dated previous to Oct. 1st, 1862, are not required to be stamped.

All from Oct. 1st 1862, to Aug. 1st 1864 may be stamped in presence of Court Register or Recorder.

The Collector for the 3rd District of this State, of which this District is a part, is Jas. G. Gibbs, Esq., of Columbia.

THE COLUMBIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.—On the third of July inst, the ladies of Columbia will assemble to do honor to the memory of the Confederate dead.

RELEASE OF MR. DAVIS.—The N. Y. Tribune has become thoroughly disgusted with the cheat that is being exercised on Mr. Davis. In a recent issue it says: "We welcome the news from Fortress Monroe of the assignment of spacious and comfortable apartments for the house-keeping of Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Davis."

A MAN SHOOTS HIS WIFE BY MISTAKE FOR A BURGLAR.—A man named CUNG, a German, shot his wife at his residence in West Hoboken, under the following circumstances: Mrs. CUNG had arisen, and had gone to the window and opened it, when the noise awakened her husband, and seeing some person at the open window, he supposed it to be a burglar, and snatching a pistol from under his pillow, he fired twice before discovering the fearful mistake he had made.

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