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"Let our just censure
Attend the true event."—Shakspeare.

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Movements of Federal Troops.

RICHMOND, March 27.—A Bristol correspondent of the *Whig* says a steamer was at Messy Creek, on the 15th, with 4,000 cavalry. Its destination is supposed to be Salisbury, N. C.

Persons direct from Knoxville report the arrival there from Chattanooga, within the last few days, of a large number of troops. North Carolina and Lynchburg seemed to be the theme of conversation among officers and men.

Lates Northern News.

RICHMOND, March 27.—The *New York Tribune*, of the 25th, says the 4th army corps, under Gen. Stanley, is reported on its way to Knoxville, to join in the Western Virginia campaign. Its strength is estimated at from 15,000 to 18,000. A cavalry force of 6,000, under Stoneman, has left Knoxville, and is moving towards West Virginia. 13,000 cavalry and mounted infantry left Eastport, Miss., a few days ago, on a gigantic raid, with Mobile as the ultimate objective point.

A Washington telegram says there is a double-headed article in *Forney's Chronicle*, this morning, on peace, and the propriety of pardoning even the rebel leaders in order to secure it. It attracts attention as connected with the President's visit to the front.

A report prevailed in Memphis on Friday that Mobile had been evacuated.

Gold still excited, closing at 154.

From Charleston.

AUGUSTA, March 24.—The British subjects of Charleston have had the following order issued to them:

BRITISH CONSULATE, CHARLESTON, S. C., U. S. February 20.—The British subjects and residents of this place and vicinity are desired to register at this consulate their names, residences and occupations at their earliest convenience. Those who have already received certificates of their nationality must bring them for inspection; all others must be prepared to exhibit papers, not only of their nationality, but also of their neutrality.

(Signed,) H. PINCKNEY WALKER,

H. B. M. Acting Consul.

In Charleston business is very active and trade thriving. Large stock sales. Ex-Gov. Aiken is claimed by the *Courier* to have been a consistent Union man, unable to oppose the Confederacy, and that he never used any menaces against the Yankee Government. Legare Yates, the former President of the Vigilance Committee, has been dismissed from the position of Chief of the Fire Department.

Laddler, of the *Courier's* office, has been employed by the Yankee proprietor.

The ship *Lawrence*, with 2,400 bales of cotton which went ashore at the mouth of the Savannah River on the 7th, has been raised, towed back and placed in the dry dock at Savannah.

The *Ranger*, a new Confederate man-of-war, is cruising on the ocean. Two Yankee vessels of war have been despatched to watch her off the New England coast.

Negro bales under the auspices of the military authorities and furnished with guards, are advertised nightly. It is announced that the first negro prisoners were exchanged on the 22d February.

News in the West.

AUGUSTA, March 23.—The Yankees, reported under Grerson, came out from Memphis, through Ripley, Miss., one day last week, and made a demonstration against Tupelo. They were met by Chalmers' and a part of Forrest's commands, and retreated in haste toward Memphis.

The demonstrations against Mobile indicate a flank movement from Pensacola. Mobile is still threatened.

Thomas' force in Northern Alabama and

Mississippi moving uncertainly. No indications of their intentions. It is supposed they will continue to threaten Selma as soon as an opportunity offers and the weather permits.

AUGUSTA, March 25.—The Yankees burned, destroyed and evacuated Dalton several days ago. About one thousand of Wofford's cavalry moved eighteen miles above, on a tour of observation. Wofford is supposed to have six thousand in his entire command.

Gen. Taylor has issued an order, that in future field and line officers of all commands in his department will be held personally responsible for damages committed by their soldiers upon public and private property.

Two transports came up the Big Black River, nine miles from Canton, Miss., and removed the cotton placed on the bank for Government purposes. Our troops are ordered not to interfere with the movement of the Yankee force. Seven thousand are in the vicinity of Canton and Tupelo, Miss., beginning active movements.

A strong Yankee force, with a large wagon train, is moving on Columbus, Miss., from Hartsville. Gen. Lyons' brigade is watching the entry at Guntown.

Gen. Forrest's headquarters are at West Point, Miss., watching the movements. Armstrong's brigade is operating to check the enemy's advance from Saffillo. A considerable force of the enemy is reported between Liberty and Clinton. Gen. Hodge opposing.

The preparations for the defence of Mobile are very complete. Provisions for a six months' siege are on hand. Gen. Taylor has done everything for a successful defence.

The Yankees moved out to Gonzales, fifteen miles from Pensacola, where they are water bound.

At the late term, the grand jury of Madison County, Ga., presented Col. Dorrrough, and his cavalry command as a nuisance.

The *Savannah Republican*, of the 17th, says during the last week the telegraph cable of the Yankees was cut at St. Augustine Creek by a negro. Much energy is being used to recover the wire.

With Gen. Lee as Commander in Chief of our armies, Gen. Breckinridge a Secretary of War, and Gen. Joe Johnston in command in the field, we have an array of talent in the direction of our armies which must insure success. Let us not, therefore, be confident and hopeful of the *Confederate* Rebel.