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A JUDGE AT FAULT.—In the proceeding of one of the Houses of the Georgia Legislature, on the 11th inst., occurs the following passage. It is proper to explain that the proposition pending was to reduce the pay of members from six dollars to half a dollar per day, and to pay that in specie, or currency at its specie value:

"Judge Stephens thought the law entitled a man to \$6. What the people think does not affect the question. Congress had voted the President \$2000 in specie, and nobody had complained of it, because his salary in currency would not pay his expenses. The same rule applies to this body. We are entitled, under the law, to \$150 a day in currency, which is equal to \$6 in specie."

Where Judge Stephens got his information is hard to conjecture. Congress has made no such vote as to the payment of the President's salary. It is paid in currency, and without an increase. Its manifest and great inadequacy caused some propositions to be made for additional allowances; but Congress did not agree upon a bill, and a state of things still continues which we are sure is very unacceptable to the country.

It is not our purpose, in correcting Judge Stephens' facts, to interfere in the least with his claim for \$150 a day. Perhaps he considers it a "State Right," and we must be very particular with gentlemen of his peculiar school and temper, where there is a chance of bringing "State Rights" into question.—*Sentinel.*

A FAIR WARNING TO ALL WHO DESIRE TO BE DICTATORS.—The Richmond Enquirer in commenting on the steps lately taken by President Davis towards a military despotism and a dictatorship, comments thus:

"If the president is seeking dictatorial powers, what more certain way of accomplishing his ends than the unlimited control of the Press, which the power of detailing the editors would give him? If the dictator scheme has friends, what better way of advancing it than the reference of Mr. Foote's resolution to the Military Committee, there to slumber until the plot has been fully arranged, and is ready to be sprung upon the country.

Girardin tells his readers that a scheme of making Patrick Henry dictator was talked of in the Virginia Assembly, in 1776. Archibald Cary, meeting with Col. Syme, the half-brother of Henry, in the lobby of the house, accosted him: "Sir, I am told that your brother wishes to be dictator. Tell him, from me, that the day of his appointment shall be the day of his death; for he shall find my dagger in his heart before the sunset of that day." And the scheme was abandoned, for all knew that "Old Iron" would have made good his threat. There are descendants of "Old Iron" living in Virginia yet.

A WANTON OUTRAGE.—Mr. Hugh Treanor, a respectable citizen of Milledgeville, was wantonly killed in that city while the enemy had possession of it. We learn that a party of the enemy went to his residence and demanded his gold and silver, and when informed by him he had none, one of the party drew a revolver, and shot him in the heart, from the effect of which he died in a short time.

The resignation of the following named officers have been accepted by the Yankee President; Maj. Gen. John A. McClelland, Brig. Gen. E. A. Payne and Brig. Gen. Neal Dow.

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Lt. Peter's Church in Romo will contain 64,000 people.

BLANKETS.—Gen. Lee's army has recently received 45,000 warm and comfortable blankets.

IMPORTANT RUMOR.—It is currently reported that Chatanooga has been evacuated and destroyed by the Federals. The immense bridge at Bridgeport was burned.

EXPEDITIONS.—The blockade running steamer Hatie, belonging to the Lamar Company, ran into a Confederate port one night last week, with a valuable cargo, discharged her freight, took on an outward bound cargo, and put to sea again the second night aft. r.

THE NEWS FROM SAVANNAH.—The Mercury of Tuesday says: We are still without any satisfactory intelligence of the aspect of affairs at Savannah. The city yesterday was rife with pleasing rumors of a bloody repulse having been given to SHERMAN on Sunday, etc., but we could get no official or definite confirmation of the report prevailing. We have reason to believe, however, that there certainly has been heavy fighting in the immediate neighborhood of Savannah. If anything more than this is known at Headquarters, it has not been divulged. The enemy have burnt the Charleston and Savannah Railroad Bridge over the Savannah River, and telegraphic communication between the Bridge and Savannah is cut off. Otherwise, all is quiet along the line of the Railroad.

IMPORTANT FROM NASSAU.—The following extract of a private letter from Nassau conveys an important hint:

"I am of the opinion that during this winter blockaders will have more to fear from enemies in their rear than they will have from the blockading fleet. Hundreds of Yanks are now here, and I suspect that it is a settled plan to capture vessels by stratagem at sea. Spies are all around, and it may be that you may hear of several *Roanoke* affairs this next moon. An attempt was thus made to capture the *Ouel*, which failed, and eight of the crew are now in irons, one of them holding a Yankee commission as master's mate. This looks serious; but proper precautions on the part of the officers will render these devilish plans abortive. Owing to the dubious character of English neutrality, these mercenary minions of a tyrannical Yankee Government will escape punishment.

"NASSAU, N. P., November 14, 1864."

A COFFEE PLANTATION.—A travelling correspondent of an exchange paper writes as follows: "On leaving Sierra, we descended till we came in sight of the coffee estate, situated in a valley, or rather deep ravine, formed by war high mountains, whose almost perpendicular sides and tops were covered with trees and shrubs, except a few barren rocks which appeared to frown on the beholders. The valley, something like a mile and a half in width, was covered with coffee trees in most luxuriant vegetation. The coffee trees are planted about six feet distance from each other, and are never suffered to grow over four or five feet high, thus increasing their bearing. Each tree averages about one pound, but some yield two or three. The buildings consist of a storehouse for depositing the coffee, a circular building with a large wheel, on a pivot, drawn by a mule, for the purpose of separating the coffee from the shell, four platforms made of stone and mortar, on which the coffee is dried, and a large tank, there it is thrown when first picked, in order to separate it more easily from the husk; and this alone gives it the fine green color which increases its value."

A GREAT COMPOSITION.—The Hartford Times gives vent to the pent-up genius of a scholar of that city, who astonished his schoolmaster by the following composition:

"Once upon a time there was a profit named Elisha, who was walkin' out one day, when some small boys made profane and facesus remarks on his bawld head; whereupon he caused 2 she bears to devour the small boys. This was the first time that a man was ever known to bear children. Moral: Use Barry's trickorous."

The Charleston Courier of the 10th says:—Gen. Stephen Elliot, Jr., is amongst the distinguished military strangers now adjourning in that city.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

REPORTS OF THE PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Entered according to the Act of Congress in the year 1863, by J. S. TURASHER, in the Clerk's office of the District Court of the Confederate States for the Northern District of Georgia.

FROM RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, December 13.—The Senate passed a bill to-day authorizing the transmission of papers and letters to soldiers free of charge. Also a bill authorizing the employment of all free negroes and forty thousand slaves to work on fortifications and perform other services needed for defence of the country.

Gen. Jos. E. Johnston occupied a privileged seat in Senate chamber.

The military and currency bills were further discussed.

From Trans-Mississippi.

The Mobile Advertiser gives us the annexed late news from the Trans-Mississippi Department:

There is no reasonable doubt that by this time Fort Smith is in our possession, leaving in the Western portion of the department no Yankee forces, except about 1000 men at Fort Gibson, in the Cherokee country, which can be easily overpowered, if necessary, but does not interfere with our movements. Stand Watie rules that country, having captured numerous trains since his big haul in September.

The Choctaws, Cherokees, Creeks and Seminoles have upwards of 7000 men in arms, and are firmly united in the Southern cause. About 2000 Cherokees and Creeks went off to the Stand Watie, but it is the opinion of Stand Watie that not more than 400 or 500 of them are left.

Mr. Boudinot confirms the report of Colonel Brooks' capture of a train of 50 or 60 wagons between Fayetteville and the Missouri line, just previous to the capture of Fayetteville.

The Yankees still hold Little Rock on sufferance. Magruder could capture the place, but it would not pay.

At the latest news from Gen. Price, previous to the capture of Fayetteville, he was at Cane Hill with 33,000 men, a portion of whom are in need of arms. He had great trouble in getting out of Missouri, with his immense spoils, being hard pressed by the enemy, but sustained no disaster except at the capture of Marmaduke and Cabell, on which occasion he lost about three hundred men. All the other Yankee stories of their success over him are fables.—At latest accounts his train, numbering 1,280 to 1,300 wagons, was crossing the Arkansas between Fort Smith and Fort Gibson.

All the Western people, especially the Missourians, are well satisfied with the results, and General Parsons says: "Tell my Missouri friends that the Missouri expedition has been a complete success."

The object of the return of the expedition was, as has been declared by a high authority in those matters, to secure the spoils of the campaign, and place arms in the hands of the numerous recruits.

GEN. HOOD'S ADDRESS.—The Montgomery Mail has received a copy of Gen. Hood's address to his troops, read on the morning the forward movement commenced from Florence. It is as follows:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE, Florence, Ala., November 21, 1864.—Soldiers:—You march to redeem by your valor and your arms one of the fairest portions of our Confederacy. This can only be achieved by battle and by victory.

Summon up, in behalf of a consummation so glorious, all the elements of soldiery and all the instincts of manhood, and you will render the campaign before you full of auspicious fruit to your country and lasting renown to yourselves. J. B. HOOD, General.

Mrs. Sarah Hutchins has been convicted by a military commission at Baltimore of having sent arms from the North to the Maryland rebel guerilla chief, Harry Gilmor, and sentenced to imprisonment for five years. Her case attracts much attention and interest in Baltimore, and strong efforts are being made by her friends to procure a mitigation of her punishment.

LINCOLN'S FORTHCOMING MESSAGE.—The New York Tribune, speaking of Lincoln's message, to be delivered at Washington to-day, says:

The President will, in his forthcoming message, take high commanding ground in vindication of the national effort to maintain its authority and integrity. He adduces, from the enormous increase of the popular vote at the last election over that of four years ago, that the people have given the strongest and most unequivocal evidences of their approval of the Executive policy of subduing the rebellion by force of arms; that this paramount expression of the popular will amounts to an imperious mandate to further combat the rebellion with all the power and resources of the nation until armed and organized treason is crushed out.

In fine, the message will be more in the radical vein than any of its predecessors. It and accompanying reports are now in the hands of the printers.

The bridge across the Ohio river between Cincinnati and Covington will cost, it is estimated, \$1,000,000, and in length will exceed the Niagara bridge about 400 feet. It will be suspended ninety feet above high water mark, enabling the largest steamers to pass under without difficulty.

Special Notices

Office Commissary Dept.,

CAMDEN, December 13, 1864

TO BONDED AGRICULTURISTS.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO FURNISH THIS OFFICE with answers to the following questions prior to 25th inst. of this year?

- How many planted in wheat and other small grain?
- How many planted in sorghum?
- How many hogs have you raised this year?
- How many hogs have you killed?
- How many hogs will you kill this season?
- How many head of cattle have you now?
- How many horses and mules have you?
- What amount of provisions have you furnished to the government over and above your Tax in Kind?
- What amount of provisions have you sold to soldier's families?
- What amount of provisions have you now on hand?
- What amount of surplus have you?
- How many slaves have you?
- How many whites in family?
- All bonded men failing to answer these questions by the time above specified, will be reported to the Conscrip Department J. H. BEVEREUX, Capt. and A. C. S.

Notice.

ALL PARTIES HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the Commissary Department for HIDES will come forward and receive them. I am now prepared to settle all claims. Apply to

J. F. SUTHERLAND, Supt. C. S., at Magazine Hill. dec 14—3td:2w.

Estrayed.

BROKE AWAY FROM THE OWNER ON THE night of the 7th inst., at the Camden Depot, a BAY MARE about fifteen hands high, thirteen years old, with two white feet on one side, a small star in her forehead, and a saddle spot.

A liberal reward will be given for her delivery, or so that I can get her. The owner lives seven miles North of Liberty Hill and twelve miles South of Lancaster C. H., on the Coal road. dec 14A3t. MATHIAS CRENSHAW.

Lancaster Ledger please copy.

Auction Sale.

I WILL SELL IN FRONT OF THE MARKET ON Saturday the 17th inst. A good horse, one mare and one mule, and other articles. A No. 1 office stove will be sold at the same time and place, and can be seen at the store of J. M. Gayle.

Terms cash. Dec. 13 5 J. K. WITHERSPOON, Auctioneer.

Found.

A GOLD SEAL AND WATCH KEY, WHICH the owner can have by calling at A. T. Latta's old stand, proving property and paying the expense of advertising. dec 12—2t.

Liverpool Salt.

FIFTY SACKS GENUINE LIVERPOOL SALT on Consignment and for sale by Dec. 11—10t. MATHESON & CO.