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COLUMBIA, S. C., December, 1864.

Editors *Guardian* and *South Carolinian*:

You will please give place in your columns to the enclosed correspondence.

Respectfully,

JAMES GARDNER,  
J. HARLESTON READ.

COLUMBIA, December 12, 1864.

W. H. Trescott, Esq.—Sir: As my official term is about to close, leaving me free to attend to matters personal to myself, I invite your attention to a correspondence between us in September, 1863. Two paragraphs of your letter of September 29th, are offensive and unjust to me. The first is as follows:

"You have taken advantage of your official position to commit an act both of injustice and discourtesy."

The second is as follows:

"Having thus stated the facts as they are, I have only to express my regret that neither the obligations of your high office, nor the traditional courtesy which belongs to those who have heretofore discharged its duties, should have suggested a course of proceeding, which, while it secured you the fullest justice, would have been more in keeping with the tone and temper that have hitherto marked the relations of the gentlemen of the State."

In view of my letter of September 30th, setting forth both the facts as they existed and the object of my telegram of 26th September to Mr. Seddon, I respectfully ask a withdrawal of this language.

This will be handed to you by my friend, Col. James Gardner, of Augusta

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) M. L. BONHAM.

COLUMBIA, December 12, 1864.

Hon. M. L. Bonham, &c., &c., &c.:—Sir: I have received your letter of the 12th of December, requesting the withdrawal of certain language in my letter to you of the 29th September, 1863, and referring to your letter of the 30th September, in reply thereto as furnishing the reasons why I should "withdraw this language." Allow me to call to your attention, that when you addressed me that letter you distinctly closed the correspondence. Re-opening it, as you now do, gives me the opportunity to be perfectly frank. I wrote you my letter of the 29th, under the impression that you had, in the manner in which you proceeded, done me injustice and discourtesy. Your letter of the 30th, stating that, neither in your telegram or message, had you made any personal imputation on any one, I did not understand as relieving me of that impression. For I never charged you with imputing to me dishonorable conduct, but complained of the offensive manner in which I thought you undertook to correct my statements.

Your present reference to that letter allows me to understand it as meant to indicate that in your conduct there was no personal offence. With that understanding I cheerfully withdraw the language used under a misapprehension of your purpose. Respectfully,

(Signed) WM. HENRY TRESMOTT.

COLUMBIA, December 12, 1864.

W. H. Trescott, Esq.—Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of this date:

While there was nothing, as I conceive, in my letter of the 30th September, 1863, either closing the correspondence or precluding your withdrawing, in your subsequent letter of the same date, the offensive language referred to, I nevertheless accept its withdrawal now, as satisfactory. Respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed)

M. L. BONHAM.

## CAMDEN DAILY JOURNAL

FRIDAY MORNING DEC. 23.

The C. S. Depository of Savannah has been removed, for prudential reasons, to Charleston, and is located, for the present, at the Arsenal.

COLUMBIA AND HAMBURG RAILROAD.—The Columbia *Guardian*, "in view of possible events in this State," is urging the immediate construction of a direct railroad from Columbia to the Savannah river, opposite Augusta.

SITUATION AT MOBILE.—Despatches received in Montgomery on the 11th, from Mobile, reported the enemy in force within twenty miles of Mobile. Gen. McCULLOUGH, of Missouri, was keeping them back as well as his limited numbers enabled him to do, but it was apprehended that his brigade was too weak to accomplish the defeat and turning back of the Yankees. The Yankees say five of their gunboats in Mobile maintain a position only three and a half miles from the city. Near Dog River bar, a little below the city, the Confederates have important earthworks, off which lies the gunboat Morgan; the only one of their fleet which escaped capture in the engagement with Admiral FAIRBAGUT.

EVACUATION OF SAVANNAH.—The *Courier* of yesterday says: Authentic intelligence received Wednesday states that Savannah was successfully evacuated Tuesday night. All our troops were brought out safely. General HARDEE and Staff had arrived at Hardeeville. We have very little details of the evacuation.—The news in relation to our iron clads is contradictory, but it is generally believed they were blown up to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy.—About thirteen locomotives in the workshops of the Central Railroad at Savannah were destroyed. Passengers report that KILPATRICK'S cavalry had gone in the direction of Thomasville. There was heavy fighting around the lines at Savannah on Monday and Tuesday. The enemy made several assaults, but were each time repulsed with considerable loss. It was reported that the enemy on Tuesday succeeded in cutting our communication at Screven's Ferry, but that it was subsequently re-established.

WHEELER'S cavalry had been stationed to guard the ferry, and it was reported had driven the enemy off.—Only a small force of SLOCUM'S Yankee corps was believed to be on this side of the Savannah river. The main body of the enemy, however, were in front of our interior lines around the city.

THE FALL OF CLEBURNE.—A nobler and a braver soldier never breathed the atmosphere of the battle field than Major General Patrick Cleburne, who fell in the fight of Harpeth Creek.

General Cleburne's history, civil and military, is too well known throughout the whole biographical sketch at our hands. He was an Irishman by birth, and a Southerner by adoption—a soldier from choice and by education. He served when quite a youth in the British service, where was inculcated those soldierly qualities of discipline and training which have rendered him distinguished in the present war. When he first emigrated to this country he settled in Arkansas, where he studied and practiced law, and in that profession had previous to the struggle, formed a partnership with the present Major Gen. T. C. Hindman.

When the war commenced, he enlisted as a private, was made Captain of his company, was afterwards elected Colonel of his regiment, and from one grade to another gradually rose to the eminent position he held at the time of his fall. Among his contemporaries he was distinguished for soldierly qualities, and for a correctness of judgment in the council of war and upon the field of action, which gave his opinion great weight and influence. He endeavored himself to his devoted troops, and was the admiration and respect of every soldier in the army, by attention to their general welfare and by his gallant bearing upon the field, and his cool, intrepid behavior in the hour of battle. The country has not sustained a greater loss since the death of the lamented Jackson. The army of Tennessee mourns the loss of its right arm, which has twice saved it from disaster. The Confederacy weeps over the heroic form of her adopted son.—*Mont. Mail.*

The new capital of Italy, Florence, is to be fortified at a cost of thirty million of francs.

## Four Thousand Confederates Cross the Cumberland River into Kentucky.

A telegram from Cairo, dated the 10th inst., says:

On the 9th instant, the rebels under Gen. Lyon captured the Government transport Thos. E. Tutt, at Cumberland City, on the Cumberland river, twenty miles above Fort Donelson. The rebels are on the march into Kentucky. Their force is estimated at four thousand men. The Tutt was loaded with Government forage, and was burned to the water's edge after the rebels had crossed the river.

Another telegram says:

When last heard from he was moving towards Hopkinsville, Ky., and threatening that place. If he attacks that point, the garrison, being small, will be compelled to fall back to a stronger position. Breckinridge's position seems to be in doubt. A loyal gentleman says he is at Sparta, Tennessee, with about ten thousand men. This gentleman speaks of what he knows, and the fact indicates that Breckinridge intends to reinforce Hood, and, if possible, reach the main rebel army; but the movement of a portion of our troops, under Stoneman and Burbridge, indicate that he will have some difficulty in forming a junction with Hood.

SPEECH OF GEN. FORREST.—Gen. Forrest is the most eloquent of men, because he speaks through actions that are ever louder than words. When he plays orator in the common style, he does not trouble himself about the niceties, but gets very well to the point. Witness the following. A correspondent of the *Montgomery Mail* says:

FLORENCE, Ala., November 15.—The army of Georgia is now the army of Tennessee.—With shout after shout and to the stirring tones of drum and fife, we passed from the South bank to the disputed territory upon the Northern shore.

Forrest and Hood made speeches last night to a crowd of sevenaders. Listen to the old war dog: "Well, soldiers, I come here to *give* you. I'm *giving* to show you the way into Tennessee. My conscripts are going, and I know Hood's veterans will go.

"I came down here with three hundred and fifty men. I got thirty five hundred conscripts. Since May I have fought in every County in West Tennessee. I fought in the streets of Memphis, and the women run out in their night clothes to see us, and they will do it again in Nashville. I have fought a battle every twenty five days. I have seen the Mississippi run with blood for two hundred yards, and I'm *giving* to see it again. I've captured seventy eight pieces of artillery and sixteen thousand Yankees, and buried twenty five hundred of them?"

It is needless to say that every sentence of this characteristic speech elicited a shout. He is not gifted with the oratory of Caesar, but if the old Roman would take a peep from his coffin some frosty morning, he would learn a new lesson in the art of war.

IMPORTANT TO CHARLESTONIANS.—The Charleston *Courier* of Friday contains the following order:

REG'TS 2D AND 3D SUB-DISTRICTS, S. C. Dep't of S. Carolina, Georgia and Florida, Charleston, S. C., Dec. 14, 1864.

[EXTRACT.]

Special Orders No. 98.

I. On no account will non-combatants be allowed to enter the city of Charleston except on passing through to more interior portions of the State, after the promulgation of this order.

II. All slaves whose owners are now living beyond the limits of the city of Charleston, except one slave to take charge of real estate, which such owners have left unprotected, will be at once removed from the city.

If in fifteen days after the issue of this order any such are still found in the city, they will be at once arrested and sent out of the city to seek their owners.

By command of Maj. Gen. RANSOM,  
WM. F. NANCE,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

## LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

REPORTS OF THE PRESS ASSOCIATION.

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

## NORTHERN NEWS.

RICHMOND, Dec. 20.—The Washington "Chronicle," of the 18th, has been received by the "Whig." Stanton's official bulletin of the 17th says dispatches were received to day from Foster, who had a personal interview with Sherman, on the 14th, at Fort McAllister. Savannah was closely besieged and its capture is confidently expected. It was to be summoned to surrender in two days and if not surrendered, Sherman would open his batteries upon it. Foster reports that Sherman's army is in splendid condition.

Nothing from Thomas, to day. An unofficial dispatch from the Provost Marshal of Nashville reports 5000 prisoners and forty-nine pieces of artillery already secured. Thomas' whole loss would not exceed 3000.

A dispatch from Lexington states that on the 13th, Burbridge routed Duke's brigade at Kingsport, and Dick Morgan was captured.

Dix's order relative to the pursuit in Canada of raiders, has been revoked by order of Lincoln.

The Federal loss at Franklin is fully two thousand.

Gen. Sherman's army of 100,000 men has arrived at Louisville.

Gold closed on Saturday at 274.

## Special Notices.

### Mr. and the Misses Sloman

WILL GIVE A GRAND VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENTERTAINMENT in Camden on MONDAY EVENING, December 26.

Full particulars given in future advertisement. December 22—11.

### Cotton—Cotton.

A LOT OF LOOSE COTTON FOR SALE BY Dec 23—21 MATHESON & CO.

### Estate Sale.

BY PERMISSION OF THE COURT OF ORDINARY for Kershaw District, I will sell at the Plantation of Col. William A. Anernm, decd., 65-Friday, 30th December, inst., the Stock, Provisions, Tool, and Utensil of said Plantation, consisting in part of twelve Mules, one Mare and Colt, about thirty head of fine-Cattle, ninety head of Sheep, lot of Hogs, Corn, Fodder, Peas, &c., &c., with Wagons, Plows, Hoops &c.

Terms made known at sale.

J. D. KIRKPATRICK,  
Admr.

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### To Printers.

TEN GOOD COMPOSITORS CAN FIND PERMANENT employment at the highest wages, with exemption from field duty, (if not now a member of a company in Confederate service), by applying to

EVANS & COUSWELL,  
State Printers,  
Columbia, S. C.

Dec. 22—2t.

### The Camden Bridge Company.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CAMDEN Bridge Company will be held in Camden on Monday the 28th.

COLIN MACRAE,  
Secretary.

Dec 11—2t

### ROADS.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF ROADS FOR KERSHAW District will meet in Camden on the second Monday in January, at 11 o'clock.

COLIN MACRAE,  
Clerk.

Dec 21—2t. td.

### 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 11—3td.3w.