

THE APPALLING DISASTER IN CHILI.

The Northern papers have some thrilling details of the destruction of the temple of the Conception in Santiago, the capital of Chili...

On the evening of the disaster every effort had been made to make it surpass in splendor its predecessors. The church was gorgeously ornamented and illuminated by more than ten thousand lights.

The New York Times translates from a Chili paper its account of the terrible calamity, from which the following are passages.

The fire commenced in a transparency that represented the half-moon, connected with the pedestal of the Virgin; and as the building was covered with decorations composed of tissue, gauze and painted canvases, the flames spread, with inconceivable rapidity, over the face of the grand altar, mounting to the very roof.

Imagination fails to depict the horrors of the occasion. Where just before had been gathered the elite of the city, the female portion of the most refined families of the land, nothing remained but lifeless bodies blackened and charred in death; some piled up in all imaginable confusion, some in rows yet kneeling, some with the limbs burned off, others with limbs consumed, while the rest of the body had not suffered even a lesion.

Seventeen hundred names have been published of persons missing, and the remains of more than 2,000 have been borne to the cemetery. These, in some isolated cases, have been recognized; but the overwhelming mass have been perfectly undistinguishable.

BRITISH OPINION.

The South seeks for disunion. It wishes to be left alone as a separate people. It does not desire the conquest, it does not aim at the humiliation of the North. It will never be satisfied with anything less than disunion—with the complete and unreserved recognition of the State rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the late United States.

The Americans of that time were but a handful in comparison to the Southerners of to-day. You cannot hold down by any known force, ten millions of people who have sworn to achieve their independence. The armies of Lee and Johnston might be disbanded to-morrow; they might go, like Israel, every man to his tent, and all the military operations of the Confederate Government be suspended.

The time has now arrived when the politicians of the North are alive to the truth of what is told us by every man of Southern blood, that there is now between North and South so impassable a barrier of hatred that never under any circumstances, can they be reconciled and reunited. It is perhaps within the power of the Northern belligerents to drive their antagonists to such a last extremity of despair as that which maddened the people of Carthage when their extermination had been decreed by the Roman Senate.

The fall of Vicksburg, of Port Hudson, and the opening of the Mississippi to the Federal armaments are the great calamities to the Confederates. Cause in the West, because they cut off from the rest of the South those States which are west of the river. But, as in all contests where naval forces are brought into play, the North has an immense advantage over the South, these occurrences cannot be said to have been unforeseen.

On the 18th of Monday, our informant states that Capt. Sturdivant's forces reached Smithfield at half past 11 o'clock, having driven the enemy from Scott's Factory four miles distant. Capt. Sturdivant demanded an immediate and unconditional surrender of all the enemy.

Notice to Exempts and persons Not Enrolled.—It may not be generally known that all persons who have been exempted from military service heretofore from any cause whatever, are required to report themselves with the evidence of their claims to exemption, for the purpose of having their exemptions revised.

Emigration to New York.—During the past year the number of emigrants from Ireland to New York was 92,681; from Germany 38,236; from England, 18,252; from Scotland, 1,944; total, 155,222. In 1862, the total number was 76,206, showing an increase during the past twelve months of 78,917.

FROM THE 18th REGIMENT.

A friend has handed us a letter from Lane's Brigade, from which we make the following extracts: CAMP 18TH N. C. T., near Liberty Mills, Va. July 23, 1864.

I have been in the army since the war began, and let me tell you that I have seen some pretty hard times. You no doubt have heard of the many wonders performed by Jackson's "Foot Cavalry," and as my Brigade has been a part and parcel of that corps, I know something about how those prodigies were performed.

What do you think of the disaffected spirit in N. C. it actually makes me hang my head in very shame when I hear troops from other States speak of affairs in N. C. It is very mortifying to us who have been struggling in the lists since the outbreak of hostilities, to see the conduct of some behind us at home using their every exertion to undo whatever we may have done for our country, and by their conduct prolonging the war to indefinite length of time.

Reported arrest of Gen. Toombs.—It was rumored in Richmond last week that Gen. Beauregard had arrested Gen. Robert Toombs for treason. [Gen. T. at present commands a regiment of State troops in Beauregard's Department.]

Declaration of Exchange.—A notice from our Commissioner for the Exchange of Prisoners, declares exchanged all paroled officers, soldiers or civilians received at City Point before the 1st of January, 1864; all officers and men captured at Vicksburg who reported for duty at Enterprise, Miss., at any time prior to the 14th of November 1863, and all officers and men captured at Vicksburg, belonging to the 1st Tennessee Heavy Artillery, who reported for duty at Marietta, Geo.

Getting his Back Up.—The Beast is getting furious at the persistence of the Confederate Government in refusing to recognize him in the matter of the cartel. The last flag of truce steamer brought a communication from him addressed to Commissioner Ould, wherein he threatens, if he is not recognized immediately, to withdraw all communication by flag of truce, a dreadful alternative! But better no communication at all than through the Beast.—Rich. Examr.

Spirits Tarponine and Wagon with excellent Tye for Sale. J. McF. BAKER, Orange's Creek, Moore, N. C. 2-24p

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

By order of the Superior Court of the County of Bladen, in and for the State of North Carolina, I, the undersigned, Executor of the last will and Testament of the late David Sikes was admitted to probate, and the subscriber qualified as Executor of the same.

Persons indebted to the dec'd are notified to make early payment. Those having claims must present in due time or the statute will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. F. M. SIKES, Bladen County, Feb. 2, 1864.

By order of the Superior Court of the County of Bladen, in and for the State of North Carolina, I, the undersigned, Clerk of said Court, do hereby certify that the 25th day of July 1864.

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THE NEWBORN EXPEDITION.

The Richmond papers have the following special dispatch received from Kingston on the 15th inst. To Genl. S. Cooper: I made a reconnaissance within a mile and a half of Newbern, with the 1st Brigade and a part of Corcoran's and Clingman's some artillery. I met the enemy at the residence of Batchelor's Creek, and killed and wounded one hundred, and captured 13 officers, 250 privates, 14 negroes, 2 rifled pieces, 200 rounds of small arms, 4 ambulances, 200 mules, 55 animals, a quantity of clothing, the enemy's garrison equipage, and two flags.

On Monday morning we started for Hatteras, attended a special term of Court, but having attended the first time, at Goldsboro', that an expedition had started towards Newbern with a view to capture, we changed our course for Kingston, intending to participate in the interesting enterprise.

It is not invidious in us to claim for our Brigadiers—Hoke and Clingman—the performance of all they were required to accomplish. Indeed, the execution by Gen. Hoke of the duty of clearing the road at Batchelor's Creek was skillful and brilliant. His route of the day—the pursuit of the fugitives, and the disposal of these brigades to within range of the batteries around the town, were successful operations of the arduous and courage of our troops well handled, and of their superiority over the enemy above. If there be explanation to be required, the public should have a better knowledge of the country.—Rich. Confedera.

Captures of Yankees in East Tennessee.—The 26th ult. Major Day captured Tarzwell, Tennessee, with a number of prisoners and some arms. Tarzwell is within twelve miles of Cumberland Gap. We have noticed the arrival of two hundred and sixty-five prisoners in Lynchburg in the last few days, captured by our forces in East Tennessee.

Escape of Prisoners.—The Danville papers say about sixty of the Yankee prisoners, who escaped in the tobacco factory at that place, made good their escape Thursday night the 28th ult., after the yard of Morgan. They dug a tunnel for about ten feet, struck the surface of the earth in the yard of Mr. J. W. Pace, which was outside the line of sentinels and protected from the view of a plank fence.

From Gen. Longstreet's Army.—A communication, writing from Carter's Station, Tennessee, 23d ult., is being rapidly re-echoed. Longstreet has 7,000 men already passed through. He is to join their respective commands. So I am informed by the Quartermaster at that place. Last Saturday and Sunday the enemy made an attempt to drive Gen. Longstreet from comfortable winter quarters, but they were repulsed and driven back with considerable loss. Our own loss was quite small.

Cotton Card Factory.—We are pleased to learn that the company lately established at that place, for the laudible object of supplying our people with Cotton Cards, have so far succeeded through their Agent Mr. J. H. Roberts, that the latter part or the middle of next week the manufactory will be in full operation.

CONSCRIPT OFFICE.

By order of the Bureau of Conscription, I am published for the information of all concerned, COL MALLETT, Comd't Cons. for N. C.

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TEA SEED, FROM THE GENUINE CHINESE TEA PLANT. Grown in the open ground, within three miles of Fayetteville, without any protection from cold or heat, rain or drought!

State of North Carolina, HARNETT COUNTY. Superior Court Office, January 26th, 1864.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. A Quarter Sessions of Bladen County, the 22d and 23d of February, the late David Sikes was admitted to probate, and the subscriber qualified as Executor of the same.

STRAYED, FROM MY BLACKSMITH GILLESPIE STREET, ON SUNDAY LAST, A BRACKEN MILCH COW, with a bell around her neck, a white spot in her face and tail, feet white, and a salt and round mark on her ear.

WOOD FOR SALE. T. B. BORNE has 2 or 300 cords of WOOD, near C. B. Mallett, Eagle residence, a good road, and down grade four miles from town; he is disposed to sell this wood cheap for four of five—\$3 a cord at the place or one half for the other delivered in town—also he has a lot of 4 1/2 Shouting that may be bartered for corn or bacon.

FOR RENT. A COMFORTABLE DWELLING, two miles from the city, in a good location, containing 5 rooms, 2 pantries and other conveniences. Possession given immediately. Apply to N. A. STEWART, No. 19, Hay Street 3-41

TO HIRE. UNTIL the 1st Jan'y next, one NEGRO GIRL aged 15, also one NEGRO WOMAN with one child 18 months old. WM. WARDEN 8-24p

The Minutes of the Cedar Creek Baptist Association are ready for delivery at the store of B. McDaniel, Clark. Feb'y 8.

FORWARDING & COMMISSION MERCHANT. WILL give quick dispatch to goods consigned to him for sale. Particular attention given to all produce sent him for sale. Consignments of Naval Stores, for sale or shipment, solicited. Wilmington, Jan'y 10, 1864