

The Watchman.

SALISBURY, N. C.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 29, 1861.

On order to allow to the hands in our office an opportunity to enjoy the Christmas holidays with their friends, we issue only a half sheet, which will be found to comprise the most important news of the past week.

More Yankee Prisoners.—176 more Yankee prisoners arrived last Thursday night. There are now about three hundred here.

Dr. J. W. HALL, has received the appointment of Army Surgeon at this place.

In the list of Contributions made at Gold-Hill, and published in this paper, only 11 blank shirts were reported, whereas there were 21 returned.

No Admittance.—The Commandant of the Yankee prison at this place is very properly drawing the reins of government about the premises. No one, except those connected with the post, can now obtain admittance within the enclosure. And this restriction will be continued until all the repairs and other work shall have been completed, and perfect system effected throughout the establishment.

Important News.—The Charlotte Bulletin (2d edition) of this morning, brings the startling news that the Lincoln government has surrendered our Commissioners, Messrs. Mason and Sliwell, and that those gentlemen have gone to England on board the British steamer, Europa.

This is a clean back down. It takes back the resolution of thanks to Capt. Wilkes, passed a few days ago by Lincoln's Congress, and takes back all the hard swearing by the Lincoln press and people, who swoon they would not give up our Commissioners. These are essential times, and verily no one can tell what a day may bring forth.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Special Dispatch to the Richmond Examiner.

NOBOLK, Dec. 26.—Advises from New York received to-day state that war between England and the United States is inevitable.

General Scott has arrived home, his return being caused by the imminence of hostilities. Prince Albert is dead, and the mind of the Queen is much affected by that event.

The British Government had called home all their ships-of-war and warned their merchantmen.

France sympathizes with Great Britain but will not interfere.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 26.—To-day the enemy, in ten transports and gunboats, have ascended North Edisto inlet to White point, distant only nine miles from the line of the Charleston and Savannah Railroad.

General Evans is in command of our forces in that vicinity, and an engagement tomorrow is thought highly probable.

The schooner Prince of Wales, from Nassau, laden with salt and sundries for Charleston, was chased ashore near Georgetown, by the blockading fleet, on the 24th inst. and burned to save her from falling into the hands of the enemy.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—The editor of the Express says, that passengers from Norfolk report another arrival from Europe. A flag of truce reached Norfolk to-day, and the intelligence was obtained from that source.

Prince Albert is dead, but the particulars of his death are not given.

Warlike preparations continue in progress throughout England.

The English ship owners have sent an agent to this country with orders to hurry home all British bottoms immediately.

There is said to be no sympathy whatever in France for the United States, and it is stated that if war with England and the United States occurs, France will certainly and cordially co-operate with England.

The Paris and Australian have passed Cape Race with troops for Canada.

THE WAR IN KENTUCKY—THE ENEMY ADVANCING.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 24.—(Via New Orleans, Dec. 24.) The Bowling Green correspondent of the Union and America, under date of 23d inst., says that the Federal General Buell, with a formidable force, estimated at not less than 45,000, and by many said to be fully 60,000, has been, for several days past, moving in the direction of Bowling Green. Unusual preparations are making to repulse the enemy, and a terrible conflict is evidently impending. A force of not less than 6000, being the advance of Buell's army, have crossed Green river, and are now within five miles of our advance, under Gen. Hindman.

The reported retrograde movement across Green river is partially true. Gen. Hindman charged the rebels from the front, and the enemy imagined that a flank movement was being made, they flew in the greatest disorder, leaving behind them their tents, wagons, baggage, &c. Their flight is reported to have been a regular stampede—they went at double-quick for five miles. The Federal's returned on the foregoing day, the 20th instant, and are now within thirty miles of Bowling Green.

The entire clan, recently at Nolan, have been moved to Green river, where there are not less than 85,000. The appearance of the enemy indicates a speedy opening of the winter campaign.

The Federal officer was arrested at Bowling Green on the 31st inst., with a spy glass making observations of the different fortifications, who represented himself as a deserter of the Forty-fifth New York regiment. He made his way from the Potomac to Bowling Green, and is supposed to belong to Welch's Indiana regiment, which was put to flight a few days ago by Texan Rangers. He will be sent to Richmond.

A gentleman who left the Ohio river on the 19th instant, says that Tom Crittenden's forces had crossed Green river and are now at Hendersonville, and are preparing to go to Hopkinsville.

A letter just received says, in the opinion of the writer, that no fight will occur for several days.

Passengers by to-day's train report that 8,000 Federal's are on this side of Green river, and that General Hindman had fallen back to Bell's.

SECOND DISPATCH.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 25.—(Via New Orleans, Dec. 25.)—Reliable intelligence was received at Bowling Green last evening, which announced that Tom Crittenden had left Henderson, and when last heard from he was within forty miles of Hopkinsville, having advanced thirty-eight miles. He intends advancing on Hopkinsville at three points, on the night from Clinton, on the left from Greenville, and on the front from Madisonville. His force is said to be about 12,000.

Southern rights citizens in the vicinity of Hopkinsville are sending their families to the South.

Large numbers of the citizens of Hopkins, Christian, and other counties, are rushing to General Clark's aid armed with Kentucky rifles, shot-guns, pikes, &c. &c.

A banking house, the branch of the Northern Bank of Kentucky, at Glasgow, was taken possession of by the Confederate authorities on yesterday. All the specie had been removed to Louisville, and only \$7,000 in Kentucky bills were found in the vault.

The son of John G. Davis, a member of the Federal Congress, from the Seventh Congressional District in Indiana, has arrived at Hopkinsville on his way to Richmond. What his purpose is in visiting Richmond is not stated.

QUERIES FOR THE TIMES.

Is it true that physicians authorized by the Government to certify to the disability of soldiers applying for discharges have charged the soldiers a fee for "examination" in each case of five dollars per man?

Is it true that, while it is notorious that our army at Manassas have for months been on scarcely half rations, the commissary accounts have been settled for the regular number of rations allowed by the Government?

Is it true that a commissary agent, who was under the melancholy impression that he owed the Government seven thousand dollars, succeeded, by the aid of a "climzy churl," who overhailed his accounts, in bringing the Government into his own debt four thousand dollars?

Is it true that for every beef slaughtered to feed our army on the Potomac an allowance is made of a full quarter, equal to twelve dollars in every case?

Is it true that the backs and stomachs of our soldiers have been robbed by quartermasters and commissary agents, and that the churches of Richmond still pray for "our beloved army," and that the Government still talks of "the favour of heaven?"—*Richmond Examiner.*

DEATH OF GEN. COCKE—FOREIGN NEWS, &c. &c.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 27, 1861.

Phillip St. George Cocke, a Brigadier General in the Confederate army, accidentally or designly killed himself at his residence in Powhatan county on yesterday. He was a wealthy and public spirited gentleman, and a brave and accomplished officer.

The Norfolk Day Book of this morning publishes further items of news by the recent arrivals than that telegraphed on yesterday. The Paris brings Liverpool dates to the 15th December.

The Liverpool Mercury, of the 15th inst., says that Earl Derby has approved the English policy in reference to the American difficulty, and has advised ship owners to instruct their captains of outward-bound vessels to signalize all English vessels that fear with the United States is probable.

The Washington correspondent of the N. York Herald, in reference to the Mason and Sliwell affair, says that the affair is complicated, that time alone can unravel it, and that the utmost prudence on the part of the administration will be necessary to avoid a war which may involve the United States with more than one European power, while we are engaged in a life and death struggle for the preservation of the Union itself.

The Paris correspondent of the New York Herald says that the French government has signified to England its willingness to recognize the rebel government at once, and in case the United States do not deliver up Mason and Sliwell, that England and France will do so.

The Paris Patrie has come out strong for the rebels.

The Paris correspondent of the New York Times says it war occurs between England and the United States, the French sympathies will be wholly against the U. States.

Hale has presented in the Senate a petition from Boston, urging that the freedom of the press has been invaded.

A dispatch from St. Louis, Dec. 24th, states that one thousand rebel prisoners, taken by Gen. Pope, had arrived in that city. The rebels had destroyed the bridge over the Salt river and Missouri railway.

LATEST FROM RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 26th, 1861.

Up to Christmas day the Lincoln Government had not been able to unravel the Gordian knot of their English affairs. All the prominent European powers sustain England in demanding reparation for the last insult by Capt. Wilkes.

Burnside's expedition of small draft steam-

ers destined for the Southern coast are about ready for leaving.

The latest Louisville papers represent that Northern troops continue to pour into Kentucky in one continued stream.

The Louisville Journal, of the 18th inst., states upon what it says is very good authority, that Seward has really given Archbishop Hughes the secret mission to Spain.

The Cincinnati Enquirer, of the 18th inst., asserts upon direct information from Washington, that there will be no advance from the Potomac until spring, and that no general engagement will take place this winter unless it is brought on by Gen. Beauregard.

RELEASED PRISONERS.

A short time since there was a jail delivery of traitors, and among them several were from *Dranesville*. They went home, at the expense of the Government, with revenge ranking in their hearts, and, indeed, their revenge has been speedy. It is believed these very men conceived the idea of betraying Gen. STUART into the hands of the enemy, beguiling him with promises of forage. Another batch of prisoners have just been sent (free) to Western Virginia, whose deeds of vengeance will soon be made manifest. And from information at Norfolk, and on the line of the Potomac, we should judge that not less than a dozen Yankees, daily, are now sent to the North.

The Government cannot expect our generals to win victories for the South, so long as the policy of the Government itself tends, inevitably, to give victory to the enemy.

FIGHTING ON THE PENINSULA.

We have intelligence of a sharp skirmish in the neighborhood of Bethel. On the day before yesterday a detachment consisting of three companies of the eighth Alabama Regiment, commanded by Colonel Winston, Captain Sinclair's company, of the Thirty-Second Virginia Regiment, and some Virginia cavalry, consisting principally of the New Kent Troop, was sent on a reconnoitering expedition. The cavalry, who were in advance, fell into an ambush of the enemy, the first notice of their presence being their fire, which killed three horses of the company, but fortunately did no other damage. A charge was immediately made by the infantry, who drove the enemy from their ambush across New Market bridge to the other side of Back river. Six of the enemy were left dead on the field and one taken prisoner, who was haled and compelled to drop his arms and wade across the river to his captors. It was not known under whose command the Yankees were. The force is said to have exceeded our own. Our loss was one man killed (an Alabamian) whose name we were not able to learn.

The general advices from the Peninsula are reported to be of a very satisfactory character. General Magruder's force is said to be in the most admirable condition. All the forces in advance are in perfect marching trim, and preparations have been taken to meet the enemy at any point he may advance or land, means having been secured to notify any movement of the enemy, even if the telegraph line in use should be broken.—*Rich. Examiner.*

NOTICE.

I will offer for sale on the old Mocksville road, three miles from Salisbury, Tuesday 14th day of January, 1862, the fine IMPORTED FRENCH CANADIAN STALLION

PRINCE ALBERT.

5 years old, is remarkable for his activity and sprightliness, indomitable spirit, iron constitution and great docility. Is a good farm and wagon horse and a splendid single harness horse.

One Fine Jack,

about 13 hands high, for form and activity cannot be surpassed by his kind, and his coils will compare favorably with any mules in the country of their age and keeping.

Also, Horses, Mules, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, (among them some breeding sows of fine stock); 1 Sulky and Harness nearly new; 1 combined Self-raking, Reaping and Mowing Machine; 1 new Plantation Corn Mill, (French Bar); Railroad Horse Power and Threshing Machine; 1 Patent (Horse) Grain and Hay Rake; 1 Jack Screw; Wagons, Ploughs, Harrows, and other farming tools, several stands of Broom, Hay and Straw, and many other articles not herein enumerated. Terms made known on day of sale. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

MARTIN RICHWINE.

Dec. 30, 1861. 2155

ATTENTION!

I am now stationed at Salisbury with my company, as a guard for the prisoners of war, and would like to have 20 or 25 more active young men as recruits to my Company, to serve for the period of 12 months, unless sooner discharged.

Recruits will receive \$19 Bounty, and \$11 per month as wages. I will also buy all the double barrel shot Guns I can get, and pay a fair price for them. Those who join will be paid for all the bedding and clothing they may furnish.

C. W. BRADSHAW, Capt.
J. H. KOONTS, 1st Lieut.
E. D. EARNHART, 2d
W. M. BROWN, 3d
Salisbury, Dec. 30, 1861. 4155

Salisbury Female Seminary.

THE 6th Session of this school under charge of A. D. Wilkinson and Lady will open the 27th day of January, 1862. Terms as heretofore. For particulars apply to

A. D. WILKINSON, Principal. 4155

EXECUTION SALE.

The sale of Gold-Hill, known as the great State Mine, will certainly take place on the 6th day of January, at the Court House in Salisbury, N. C.

W. M. A. WALTON, S'VE. 11p453

"The Right Man in the Right Place."

—Among the appointments of the North Carolina Conference (which we publish in another column) it will be seen that the Rev. C. P. Jones has been appointed to Portsmouth, Ocracoke and Cape Hatteras. Mr Jones has commanded of an Artillery Company, and inasmuch as part of his territory is in possession of the Lincolnites, it is to be presumed that he will use the Gospel in connection with powder and lead.—The latter will certainly have the most of effect on the mean souls of the Yankees.

New Battle Flag.—The new battle flag, recently distributed to the regiments, at Manassas, has for a device the "Southern cross," the stars representing the States of the Confederacy, being arranged in the form of that brilliant constellation. It is strikingly unlike the stars and stripes and can hardly be confounded with any other flag.

State of North Carolina, CATAWBA COUNTY.

F. D. Reinhardt vs. A. S. Vaughan.

Attachment Levied on sundry articles, Household and Kitchen articles.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant in this case resides beyond the limits of the State: It is therefore, on motion, ordered by the Court that advertisement be made for six weeks, successively, in the Carolina Watchman, notifying the said defendant that unless he appears at the next term of this Court to be held for the County of Catawba, at the Court-house in Newton on the 2d Monday in January next (1862) judgment by default final will be granted him and the property sold to satisfy the plaintiff's judgment.

Witness M. L. Cline, Clerk of said Court at office in Newton, the 2d Monday of October, A. D. 1861. M. L. CLINE, C. C. C. Nov 25, 1861. 6wpradep600

IMPORTANT ARRANGEMENT.

McCUBBINS & FOSTER

HAVE bought out the extensive stock of **DRY GOODS,** Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Clothing, Drugs, Paints, &c.,

which gives them the best stock of general merchandise to be found in the State. Farmers and Mechanics would do well to call immediately and supply themselves before it is too late. Call at Jenkins' corner. Salisbury, Nov. 30, 1861. 51

100,000 Barrel Staves WANTED.

WE wish to purchase the above quantity of Staves, to be of white oak timber, clear of sap, and of the following dimensions: Staves 14 inches long, from 4 to 6 inches wide and 1 inch thick.

Heading, 24 inches long, from 8 to 10 inches wide, and one and a half inches thick. Staves not less than 4, and heading not less than 8 inches in width. 700 staves and 300 heading to a thousand. We will pay \$15 a thousand for such in cash on delivery at our dunnery in any quantity. HOPPOLES also wanted. M. & E. MYERS. 5446

Wheat Wanted.

WE wish to buy 5000 bushels good clean wheat. The highest price will be paid in cash. McCUBBINS & FOSTER, Jenkins' corner. Salisbury, Nov. 30, 1861. 51

20,000 BUSHELS OF CORN WANTED!

WE will engage the above quantity of SHELLD CORN, for which cash will be paid on delivery. M. & E. MYERS. Salisbury, Oct. 28, 1861. 5446

CORD WOOD WANTED.

WE wish to purchase 1000 cords of wood, and will take contracts for the above quantity, or in smaller lots. M. & E. MYERS. Salisbury, Oct. 28, 1861. 5446

JAMES HORAH, Watch-Maker and Jeweler,

One door below R. A. Murphy's Store, SALISBURY, N. C.

KEEPS constantly on hand a large assortment of WATCHES and JEWELRY of all kinds.

Clocks, Watches and Jewelry of every description repaired in the best manner and on the most reasonable terms. 1738

SHOE THREAD.

500 lbs. Wanted. 500 POUNDS OF GOOD HOMESPUN

Flax Shoe Thread, for which the highest market prices will be paid. Apply to EFNISS & BRADSHAW, at Boot and Shoe Manufactory. Salisbury, Nov. 25, 1861. 6150

Cash paid for Linsey and Jeans.

I WISH to purchase a quantity of the above articles for which the cash will be paid. Call at my office next door to W. J. Plummer's and leather shop. A. MYERS. Capt. and A. Q. M. Salisbury, Nov. 25, 1861. 469

The Volunteer's Hand-Book.

For sale at J. J. STEWART'S Salisbury, Dec. 2, 1861. 5111

COWAN'S Vegetable Lithonriptic,

FRIEND OF THE HUMAN FAMILY, SUITABLE FOR DISEASED KIDNEYS, Stone in the Bladder and Kidneys, Weakness of the Loins, &c. &c. THIS invaluable Medicine is for sale only at Mocksville, Salisbury, Statesville, Concord and Fayetteville, and at Col. Austin's and no where else. The subscriber having entered into copartnership with John F. Cowan, original inventor, for the manufacture and sale of the above Medicine, is prepared to furnish a supply by addressing him at Salisbury, N. C., or calling at his residence, 10 miles west of this place. R. D. AUSTIN. June 21, 1855. 16

Greensborough Mutual INSURANCE COMPANY.

Pays all Losses Promptly! DIRECTORS: John A. Mebane, W. J. McConnell, C. F. Mendenhall, D. P. Weir, James M. Garrett, John L. Cole, N. H. D. Wilson, Wm. Barringer, David McKnight, M. R. Sherwood, Jed. H. Lindsay, Greensborough; W. A. Wright, Wilmington; Robert E. Troy, Lumberton; Alexander Miller, Newbern; Thadens McGee, Raleigh; Thomas Johnson, Yanceyville; Dr. W. C. Ramsey, Wadesboro; Rev. R. C. Maynard, Franklinton; Dr. E. F. Watson, Watsonville. OFFICERS: N. H. D. WILSON, President. JED H. LINDSAY, Vice-President. C. F. MENDENHALL, Attorney. PETER ADAMS, Sec'y and Treas. WM. H. CUMMING, General Agent. W. J. McCONNELL, Executive Com. J. M. GARRETT, Do. All communications on business connected with this Office, should be addressed to PETER ADAMS, Secretary. Greensboro', N. C., June 19, 1860. 174

New Firm.

MURR & SOSSAMON, HAVING purchased of J. D. Brown & Co., their entire stock of TIN, SHEET-IRON, COPPER-WARE, STOVES, &c.,

now offering the largest and handsomest lot of COOKING, PARLOR AND CHURCH STOVES ever offered in this market, and will sell for cash as low as can be had in Western North Carolina. Also, all kinds of Plate and Japaned TIN-WARE and STILLS kept on hand. All kinds Tin, Sheet-Iron or Copper work done at the shortest notice. MURR & SOSSAMON. Salisbury, Jan. 22, 1861. 1736

MICHAEL BROWN, COMMISSION MERCHANT, SALISBURY, N. C.

PROMPT PERSONAL ATTENTION GIVEN to the purchase of all kinds of PRODUCE. And to all assignments to be sold in this market, or shipped to other Ports. February 14, 1860. 1686

NEGROES TO HIRE.

THE Negroes belonging to the Estate of T. Kelomax Hall, dec'd, will be hired in Salisbury on the first day of January, 1862, for one year.

All persons indebted to the said Estate, will be expected to pay up on that day, as no further delay can be granted. J. W. HALL, Ex'or. B. CRAIG, 5154

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP AND Carriage Manufactory, SALISBURY, N. C.

CALL the attention of their friends and the public to their Shop in Salisbury, where they are prepared to do all kinds of Blacksmith work, and to make all kinds of SULKIES, BUGGIES, CARRIAGES, WAGONS, &c.

They have employed the best of Workmen in their line of business, and feel confident that their work will compare favorably with any to be found in the Country. They have on hand, ready for sale, and will endeavor to keep a constant supply of Buggies of the very best quality, which they will sell on liberal terms and at low prices.

J. N. HORAH, T. J. MERONEY. 1228

Attention! Military Companies.

THE subscriber is prepared to furnish to Companies the Military Fatigue Cap of Home Manufacture and material, well made, and of latest military style at low price. Address. JAN. H. ENNIBS. May 17, 1861. Salisbury, N. C.

A Large Assortment of Sunday School Books and other Miscellaneous Books, Stationery, &c. Call at J. J. STEWART'S Book Store, Salisbury, N. C.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE