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NOTICE.

All persons indebted to FILLINGS & SPRINGS, by note or account, are hereby notified to call upon Wm. W. Grier, ex-sheriff, and make immediate settlement. J. M. SPRINGS, February 3, 1863.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

OFFICE CHARLOTTE & S. C. RAILROAD, Columbia, May 30, 1863. Liquor will not be transported by this Company, or the A. Tenn. & O. Railroad company, unless securely boxed and strapped. THOS. R. SHARP, Gen'l. Sup't.

State of N. Carolina—Mecklenburg Co.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—April Term, 1863. Joab P. Smith, Adm'r with the Will annexed of Dan Alexander, dec'd, vs. The Heirs at Law of Dan Alexander, dec'd, and, Successors in Law. Petition to sell Land to pay debts.

State of N. Carolina—Mecklenburg Co.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—April Term, 1863. Isaac N. Alexander, Adm'r of John T. Reid, dec'd, vs. James P. Henderson, wife, and others. Petition for settlement of the Estate of John T. Reid.

STATE DIRECTORS.

The Internal Improvement Board met in Raleigh on the 19th inst. Hon. E. G. Reade, of Person, being detained at home by sickness, Gov. Vance and J. H. Flanner, Esq., the other members of the Board, proceeded to make the necessary appointments for the different public works, as follows:

TO COTTON PLANTERS.

I have been appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, Chief Agent for the purchase of Cotton for the Confederate Government within the State of North Carolina, and will pay for the same in 7 per cent Bonds or Cash, and not 8 per cent Bonds as stated in a former advertisement. Up to that time, however, the 8 per cent bonds will be furnished as stated. Patriotic citizens are now offered an opportunity to aid the Government by selling to their Cotton rather than to private capitalists. LEWIS S. WILLIAMS, Charlotte, March 24, 1863.

EXCHANGE NOTICE No. 5.

The following Confederate officers and men have been duly exchanged, and are hereby so declared: 1. All officers and men who have been delivered at City Point at any time previous to May 6th, 1863. 2. All officers captured at any place before the 1st of April, 1863, who have been released on parole. 3. All men captured in North Carolina or Virginia before the 1st of March, 1863, who have been released on parole. 4. The officers and men captured and paroled by Lieut. Col. Stewart at Van Buren, Arkansas, January 25th, 1863; by Col. Dickey, in December, 1862, in his march to the Mobile and Ohio railroad, and by Capt. Cameron, at Corinth, Miss., in December, 1862. 5. The officers and men paroled at Oxford, Miss., on the 23rd of December, 1862; at Des Arc, Ark., on the 17th of January, 1863, and at Baton Rouge, La., on the 23rd of February, 1863. 6. All persons who have been captured on the sea or the waters leading to the same, or upon the coast of the Confederate or United States, at any time previous to December 19th, 1862. 7. All citizens who have been arrested at any time before the 6th of May, 1863, and released on parole, are discharged from any and every obligation contained in said parole. If any such person has taken any oath of allegiance to the United States or given any bond, or if his release was accomplished with any other conditions, he is discharged from the same. 8. If any persons embraced in any of the foregoing sections, or in any section of any previous Exchange Notice, wherein they are declared exchanged, are in any Federal prison, they are to be immediately released and delivered to the Confederate authorities. May 17, 1863. ROBERT OULD.

EIGHT PER CENT FUNDING.

The attention of the public is directed to the following regulations, issued by the Secretary of the Treasury in relation to funding of Confederate States Treasury Notes: TREASURY DEPARTMENT, RICHMOND, May 25, 1863.

WILLIAMS & OATES.

Have this day associated with them in the Mercantile and Commission business, LEWIS W. SANDERS. The style of the firm will hereafter be WILLIAMS, OATES & CO. NOTICE—All persons indebted to the late firm of Williams & Oates will please call and settle up, as we wish to close our old business. WILLIAMS & OATES, Dec. 9, 1862.

DR. J. M. MILLER.

Has resumed the Practice of Medicine, and can be found at his Office in the Praxby building opposite to Kerr's hotel, or at his residence. Feb. 25, 1862.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of Patrick J. Louie, deceased, are requested to call and make immediate payment to SAM'L P. SMITH, Attorney for Executors. June 9, 1863.

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CHARLOTTE, N. C. NOTICE. Our terms are four dollars per year in advance. Individual or local shipplasters will not be received. When sent to us they will be held subject to the sender's call, and not returned by letter. The Democrat will be discontinued to all subscribers at the expiration of the time for which it is paid. Those who want to continue must renew before or at the expiration of their time.

HAIL STORMS.

We learn that a severe hail storm passed over a small section of Union county on Sunday evening, the 21st inst. A few fields of wheat and corn were damaged, but the injury was not general even in the track of the storm. On Saturday evening the 20th, a destructive hail storm passed over Orange county to the neighborhood of Danville, Va. At Chapel Hill about 1200 panes of glass were broken out of the University buildings. Hail stones fell weighing nearly a pound.

OUR NAVY AT WORK.

One of the Confederate cruisers recently captured six yankee merchant vessels near the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. Another appeared near the coast of Delaware, and greatly alarmed yankeedom. The Confederate war vessels Alabama, Florida and Georgia are doing good work, and stirring up the beasts.

FROM EUROPE.

The steamship Scotia has arrived at New York with foreign news to the 7th inst. The Polish war continues, and the Russians have been defeated by the Poles at Grochouby. England and France have sent a note to Russia asking for a representative Government for Poland, a general amnesty and a cessation of hostilities. England is pleased to interfere to stop the war on Poland, but she cannot meddle with the brutal war waged against the Southern States! Great hypocrisy.

IT IS STATED THAT HOSTILITIES BETWEEN ENGLAND AND JAPAN ARE PROBABLE.

13 English vessels of war had assembled at Kanagawa and demanded a large indemnity of the Japanese Government and the surrender of the persons who had murdered an Englishman. The Confederate steamer "Lord Clyde," loading at Liverpool, was searched by the English authorities for contraband goods, but finding none she was permitted to sail. Why don't the English authorities search yankee vessels.

THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD MET IN RALEIGH ON THE 19TH INST.

Hon. E. G. Reade, of Person, being detained at home by sickness, Gov. Vance and J. H. Flanner, Esq., the other members of the Board, proceeded to make the necessary appointments for the different public works, as follows: Directors in N. C. Railroad.—John Everett, of Wayne; Jao D. Flanner, of Craven; R. S. Tucker of Wake; Capt Albert Johnson of Wake; John Berry of Orange; C. P. Mendenhall, of Guilford; D. A. Davis, of Rowan; Gen Wm S. Means, of Cabarrus. Raleigh & Gaston Railroad.—R. W. Lassiter, Granville; J. B. Littlejohn, Franklin; Geo Little, Wake. Western N. C. Railroad.—Joseph Carthey, N. W. Woodfin, S. B. Erwin, W. W. Avery, A. M. Powell, G. F. Davidson, Wm Murphy and F. E. Shoiber. Atlantic and N. C. Railroad.—Peter G. Evans, of Carteret, C. R. Thomas, of Carteret, A. T. Jenkins, of Craven, W. B. Wadsworth, of Craven, Council Wooten, of Lenoir, James M. Parrott, of Lenoir; J. H. Peables, of Lenoir; and Council Best, of Wayne. Wm H. Oliver, State Proxy.

ALBANY AND CHESAPEAKE CANAL.

Henry M. Shaw of Currituck; Charles Wood of Perquimans, and John H. Leary of Chowan. John N. McDowell, State proxy. The following resolution was offered by Gov. Vance, and adopted: Whereas, Owing to greatly increased travel and transportation on our railroads during the last two years, increased expenditures have been necessary to keep them in proper repair, and the Railroad companies have been compelled thereby to raise from time to time their rates of freight and travel; and whereas, the agricultural interest of the State, which is our main reliance to support and carry on the war, may be seriously injured if no restriction or limitation is placed on these charges: Resolved, as the opinion of this Board, That hereafter, no further increase of charges should be made by any railroad company, unless a cause for it should arise which does not now exist; and that only a sufficient sum of money should be raised by each of said companies to defray their necessary expenses, to provide for the repairs and renewal of their Roads, and to declare such dividend as may be reasonable in amount. And the State proxies are hereby instructed to ascertain what limitation, if any, may be necessary to effect these objects.

BRITISH CONSULS.

The Mobile Evening News learns that the military authorities of Mobile have received instructions not to recognise the official authority of Mr Cridland, lately arrived in that city, to exercise the rights, privileges and functions of British Consul at Mobile.

GALLANT DASH OF GEN. WALKER.

Kirby Smith's Texas troops, under General Walker, dashed upon the enemy's wagon train, opposite Vielsburg and captured three hundred wagons, with their full complement of provisions, &c.

55,427 EMIGRANTS FROM EUROPE ARRIVED AT NEW YORK SINCE THE 1ST JANUARY.

Arrived for southern biltens. Northern item.—The negro women at Newbern, N. C., are forming societies and raising funds to assist Gen. Wild in organizing his African army. They have sent funds to Mrs. Harriet Stowe, requesting her to devise and send them a battle flag.

INTERESTING LETTER.

The following extracts, taken from a letter of Rev. Dr. Deems to Rev. Wm. E. Pell, which we find in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, will repay a repeated perusal. His description of life in camp is graphic and places it before us in a light far different from the one usually reflected by our own ignorant imaginings. We would especially commend to the people at home, the remonstrance of the Dr. against the practice of writing gloomy and complaining letters to the soldiers in the army. Much evil has resulted from this course to the country, and the mind of the soldier has been burdened with cares at a time when he needs all his mental vigor to render efficient service to his colors and to protect himself. Dr. Deems gives a glowing account of the moral status of the army: I am not going to fatigue you with an itinerary, nor tell you where we halted and which way we had gone each day. I rode and walked and ate and slept with officers and men, always ready to rise in the morning, always ready to eat, always ready to sleep, and always ready to sing or pray, or read Holy Scriptures aloud, or preach. The tent in which I stayed was the last to be taken down, but it sometimes went from over me at one o'clock; and two hours after I was roused to see the stars on the lofty ceiling of my chamber, to find my horse pawing and clamping and anxious to overtake his companions. It was fine to mount him and dash away over the hills and take the fresh kisses of the incense-breathing morn. Two things I learned hereabouts, namely, how to make one's self miserable and how to make one's self happy and gay. For the benefit of yourself and your readers, if you choose to print this, I give you the receipts. To be miserable, go home, take all the newspapers published, read them carefully, believe them all, and understand as much of them as you can. You'll be a strange man if you do not come to the conclusion that all things are in an inextricable tangle, "starvation is imminent, the soldiers are wretched, the people furious, the government a fool and nine-tenths of the people at home scoundrels. To be happy, go into camp and mingle with the troops, and you will have enough to eat, forget speculators, put your trust in God, the Government and the Generals, meet your old acquaintances, hear more jokes, (the good delicious and even the poor tolerable) see more contentment, hear more singing, and behold more kneeling on the ground praying for salvation, and see more men marching right out before their regiments to join the Church, than you will witness at home in six months.

IT IS REFRESHING TO WITNESS THE GAITY OF THE MEN.

Mid scrubbing suns, suffocating dusts, and drening rains, the glee of their spirit grows more exuberant. Every one who passes by receives his volley, Generals, Chaplains, visitors, negroes, dogs and rabbits. Some shots are stinging sharp, but none poisonous, and all are received pleasantly. The sight of a woman brings cheer upon cheer. I have seen a very homely girl receive the shouts of ten thousand men. What bells in your cities ever received such homage in one day. You may see a major general, a brigadier, a couple of majors and a plenty of captains diet, as excited a condition about the destination of a bouquet in the hands of some rustic beauty, as if they were all running for the Presidency of the Confederacy. "It seems to me, General, that army life has demoralized your appreciation of relative beauty." "Oh Dueter, you have been here so long that any decent woman looks sweet, and it is not in human nature to restrain when you see a clean white pocket handkerchief."

SOMETIMES AFTER TEN HOURS IN THE SADDLE, I HAD ONE STROLLING THE CAMPS TO SEE HOW THE MEN HAD MARCHED, STOOD IT.

There was very little skulkiness, little despondency, but very much life and spirit. One day when I had been much concerned for the men, as we had marched far and forded a river, no matter which, I walked up to the camp of my son's company, and found that the men had divided themselves into two bands and were waging a mock battle, the enjoyment of which seemed to me to require much rested muscle. There were hardly any signs of fatigue, but great hilarity prevailed among participants and spectators. "I wish all our people at home could see this," said one of the soldiers. "So do I," was my reply. "To-night the mothers and wives of many will be sighing through the midnight about you while you are sleeping soundly, and in this twilight they are sighing, thinking of you as in this suffering condition."

LET OUR PEOPLE AT HOME BANISH THEIR GROUNDESS ANXIOUS.

Let them continue to do all they can to make our soldiers happy, let the papers exclude all grumbling and complaining, and all articles of a doleful character, and our men will keep up brave hearts enough. Few places at home are as cheerful as the camp. Allow me to say some earnest words to mothers and wives and daughters and sweethearts. I know that nature prompts a woman to unbecome herself to the one most dearly loved. But if you really love these men, why do you add to the necessary privations and troubles of camp life? Can your husband help you? Can he come back? Will he be happier if you tell him of every ailment, that the pet child is not well, that the oil is low in the canteen and the flour is scant in the barrel? Come here with me madam. There sits your husband, resting after a march. He is tired now. In an hour he will have his supper, smoke his pipe, hear prayers, be rested and sleep sweetly on his hard bed. But the mail comes with a complaining letter from you. The distance, the compulsion of duty which keeps him, and his fatigue, exaggerate the evil, and he goes off from his companions becomes moody, lies down to dream bad dreams and rises unrefreshed, to commence another day's march. Why will you injure one you love? His comrade's wife is in no better condition than yours, but she has carefully concealed the little disagreeables, hunted up every little pleasant bit of neighborhood news, reported every kind word said to her, and dwelt at length upon every kindness shown her. What a pillow she has made for her husband's head! Never write a letter to one in the army which it would not be wholesome for him to read just before falling into a line of battle. Your letter may be the last he reads. Let it be full of tenderness, cheerfulness, and faith. "But our husbands write us such gloomy let-

THE CAVALRY FIGHT AT CULPEPER, VA.

The action of the 1st North Carolina Regiment. Correspondence of the Raleigh Journal. CULPEPER COUNTY, Va., June 14. For the information of those connected with the 1st N. C. Cavalry Regiment, commanded by Col. L. S. Baker, I herewith send you an account of the action of the regiment in the cavalry fight of the 9th inst., near Brandy Station, and a list of the killed, wounded and missing. Early on the morning of the 9th inst., we were ordered in the saddle, and marched down from Camp near Brandy Station to within one and a half miles of the Rappahannock river, where the O. & A. Railroad crossed it. The enemy had already crossed at Beverly's Ford, above, to our front, which woods our artillery was engaged in shelling. Gen. Jones' brigade was opposing them on our left. Sharpshooters were immediately dismounted from Co's G and K, and sent forward to engage the enemy's sharpshooters in the woods, acting with those from the other regiments of the brigade. They made a gallant charge, driving the enemy several hundred yards back. Just then the enemy's cavalry charged down upon them, which was driven back by the rest of the regiment, mounted. The sharpshooters, though without bayonets, slowly and coolly retreated before them, turning to fire when they had reloaded their carbines. Co's B, L, E, D, F and C were then dismounted and sent forward, when those mounted were forced by the sharpshooters to retire further from the woods.

THEY WERE HOLDING THEIR GROUND BRAVELY, DOING EXECUTION AGAINST INFANTRY, WHEN AN ORDER WAS RECEIVED TO MOUNT ALL THE SHARPSHOOTERS OF THE BRIGADE AND MEET THE ENEMY'S CAVALRY NEAR BRANDY STATION, IN OUR REAR.

Our regiment was left to bring them in. Though the fire of artillery and the roll of rifles were both heard in their rear, and they knew they were surrounded, the men remained unmoved and calm. Just as we galloped in sight of the enemy the front regiments of our brigade charged them near Gen. Stuart's Headquarters, and put them to flight. We immediately charged round their left and cut off and captured a good many of them—bringing off a stand of colors—without losing a man. Every company did its whole duty, led on by the brave and gallant Col. Baker and Maj. Whitaker. This was the final charge.

CAPTS. WOOD AND COWLES, LIEUT. GIBSON, WITH CORP. BARKER, JOHN GILLIAM, JNO POTTER, JESSE A. COLVARD, WILLIAM EDWARDS, CO. A; SERGT. NATE, PRIVATE SPRINGS, CO. G; CORP. TUCKER AND PRIVATE ROBINSON, CO. H, NOT KNOWING THE REGIMENT HAD BEEN ORDERED TO HALT AND FORM, RUSHED ON AFTER THE ENEMY SOME DISTANCE, TAKING PRISONERS, CUTTING AND KILLING THEM AS THEY WENT. THEY, PASSING IN THE REAR OF A LARGE FORCE OF THE ENEMY, WERE CUT OFF FROM THE BRIGADE, BUT KNOWING THE COUNTRY WELL, MADE THEIR ESCAPE THROUGH THEIR LINES TO CULPEPER COURT-HOUSE, HAVING MADE A CIRCUIT OF ABOUT TWELVE MILES. WHILE MAKING THE CIRCUIT THEY CAPTURED ABOUT 150 PRISONERS, SAVING ABOUT 88. AMONG THOSE BROUGHT OFF WERE A COMMISSARY AND A SPECIAL REPORTER (A MR BUCKLEY) OF THE NEW YORK HERALD. THEY HAD TAKEN THEIR POSITION WELL IN REAR, AND WHEN TAKEN REPROVING THEIR MEN FOR RUNNING, SAYING "there are no rebels near you." \$500 in greenbacks (all the money) were taken from the commissary. All the officers acted coolly and with judgment. Capt. Rufus Barringer was acting in the forenoon. Lieut. Col. Gordon and Maj. Whitaker were both sick, but just before the charge appeared on the field. Lieut. Col. Gordon was too feeble to participate in the charge, but cheered the others on.

I REGRET TO STATE THAT OUR AMBULANCE WITH DRIVER AND SEVERAL WOUNDED WERE CAPTURED WHILE GOING TO THE REAR AFTER WE HAD BEEN SURROUNDED.

List of killed, wounded and missing.—Capt. Rufus Barringer, acting Major, was severely wounded in the mouth by a sharpshooter early in the engagement. Company A, commanded by Capt. Cowles—Wounded, Jacob Ham, severely in shoulder; Martin Hardin, slightly; Tom Holmes, slightly by fall from horse. Captured—Elbert Hodges, injured slightly by fall from horse. Co. B, commanded by Capt. Andrews—Wounded, J. A. Badgett, flesh wound in side. Co. C, commanded by Capt. McLeod—Captured privates Sanders and Boyd. Co. D, commanded by Capt. Blair—Killed, corp'l W. W. Farthing. Wounded, corp'l L. W. Green, slightly in shoulder; privates Millaps, flesh wound in both thighs; Boyd, severely, through the lower part of the leg. Captured, privates H. A. Davis, A. S. Musgrave and J. F. Parsons. Co. E, commanded by Lieut. Person—Killed, W. H. Burnett and A. J. Upehurch. Wounded, R. O. Smith, severely in foot. Captured, W. P. Montgomery shot through the calf of the leg, W. A. Cunningham, shot through the knees, and J. S. Cunningham. Co. F, commanded by Lieut. Ford—Killed, P. F. Leffer. Wounded, C. M. Deaton, slightly in the leg. Co. G, commanded by Capt. Wood—Wounded, privates Heston, slightly in hand; Carver, slightly in hand; Hollingsworth, flesh wound in thigh. Captured, Thad Bassett, A. P. Corn, Justice and H. J. Mills. Co. H, commanded by Lieut. Borden, who had his horse shot from under him.—Wounded, T. B. Ham, slightly in arm. Captured, R. F. Walston. Co. I, commanded by Capt. Houston—Killed, H. J. Mills. Co. K, commanded by Lieut. Fisher—Captured, G. Cox, severely wounded in thigh; W. R. Stallcup, J. N. Cunningham and Jos. Carroll. Total loss, 37.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXTRACT FROM GEN. HAMP- TON'S ORDERS, AFTER THE BATTLE:

"It has never been the good fortune of the Commanding General throughout his experience to witness more coolness under fire, more implicit obedience and dashing gallantry than was shown by the 1st North Carolina and 1st South Carolina Regiments, Cobb Legion and Jeff Davis Legion Cavalry, throughout the operations of the day at Brandy Station, and especially in the charge which drove off the enemy already in position in the rear."

IN LOWELL, MASS., LAST WEEK, GEN. BEAST BUTLER WAS SEVERELY BEATEN BY A STONEMASON WHOM HE HAD SLAPPED IN THE FACE. HIS EYES WERE BLACKED AND HIS FACE PRETTY SEVERELY CUT UP. IT IS A PITY HE WAS NOT KILLED.

BUT OUR HUSBANDS WRITE US SUCH GLOOMY LET-