

THE WAR.

VERA CRUZ, May 2d.

Eds. Delta:—I send you the first number of the "American Star," published in Jalapa.

You will learn that Don Pedro Anaya has been declared Dictator. The Swedish Consul, who arrived yesterday from Mexico, tells me that it is true that Anaya has been elected Dictator.

The Swedish Consul tells me that he visited Santa Anna, at Orizaba, and obtained from him a passport to come down. He had but a thousand men with him, badly equipped, and he looked haggard and very much dejected.

In Vera Cruz everything is going on smoothly.—The business of the city is increasing in a wonderful degree. The waters are covered with merchant vessels.

Gen. Shields has been pronounced out of danger. Yours, &c. D. J. D.

VERA CRUZ, May 5th, 1847.

Eds. Delta:—As the steamer has been detained until to-day by bad weather, I give you the latest news that has reached us since I closed my letter of the 3d; there is not much of it, but what there is, is of some interest and importance.

Santa Anna is about 40 miles from here with 2000 men threatening to march in and sack Vera Cruz.—This information comes from a Spanish merchant of this place, who came in yesterday from Mexico—he states that he saw Santa Anna, who advised him to take his things out of the city, as he should destroy every thing.

The whereabouts of Santa Anna is somewhat problematical. The last authentic intelligence located him at Orizaba with a miscellaneous command of 3000.

SURRENDER OF THE CAPITAL.—Immediately before the James L. Day started from Vera Cruz, Maj. Leonard, who is stationed there, sent an officer on board to inform Gen. Pillow that an express had just arrived from Gen. Scott, with a despatch, in which it was stated that a deputation of Mexican citizens from the Capital had arrived at the General's headquarters, inviting him to advance, assuring him that it would surrender to him without opposition, and asking his protection of their persons and property.

FROM THE CITY OF MEXICO.—We have received files of papers from the city of Mexico to the 14th April, from which we translate the following paragraphs.

The Mexican papers continue to claim as their own the victory of Buena Vista, or Angostura, and are filled with mocking remarks of the Americans for stating that they won the victory.

El Republicano says that Santa Anna, before leaving for Cerro Gordo, made an oath in the presence of several generals, not to treat with the Americans for peace; and that he had disapproved the surrender of Vera Cruz, for which he had ordered Gens. Morales and Lapedero to the castle of Perote, where they should await their trial for their conduct.

The Government had decreed that every place in the vicinity of the Capital should be fortified—Generals Almonte, Bravo, Rincon and Agea were appointed to superintend the fortifications about Topozotlan, Venta de Cordova, Tepeaca, San Juan de Teotihuacan, &c.

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A paper from Queretaro, states that the Santa Clara auns had given 15,000 pounds of biscuit for the army.

El Monitor of the 14th, states that a great fire took place at Monterey, which commenced at Gen. Arista's garden and burnt nearly all the houses up to the bridge. It also states that every town from Maria to Mier has been destroyed by fire by the Americans, and also every Rancho from Reynosa to Matamoros, and that the commander at the

latter place stated that he would set the city on fire as soon as Urrea rushed there.

These barbarities, says the correspondent of El Monitor, have been committed to avenge the acts of Urrea, who has taken from Gen. Taylor's troops about \$2,000,000 worth in wagons, mules, provisions, &c. which he has shared among his men.

The latest accounts from Chihuahua, received at the city of Mexico, states that the American Governor had taxed the inhabitants of New Mexico with a forced loan of \$200,000, for the purpose of buying all the flour that could be found in that place, and then compelled them to buy the same at the rate of \$50 per load.

Jalapa, May 4, 1847. As the time for which many of the volunteers enlisted has nearly expired, and as Gen. Scott has ascertained positively that few of them will re-enlist, he has determined upon disbanding them here, and will send them all home.

The volunteers going home are the Georgia, Alabama and 1st and 2d Tennessee Regiments. No one can blame them for this movement. Not only is their time out, but they are out of clothing and out of many of the comforts which make even a camp life bearable.

Later from Mexico.—From the Mobile & Tribune, Extra, of Monday. The steamship James L. Day arrived at the Levee early this morning from Vera Cruz, whence she sailed on the 5th inst.

Orders of Santa Anna.—Lieut. Bee, of Capt. Mirabeau B. Lamar's squadron of Texans, stationed at Monclova, arrived in Camargo a few days ago, [we quote from the Flag of the 25th,] for the purpose of escorting back a train with stores and money to pay off the troops.

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Washington's battery and two companies of U. S. dragoons are far up in the direction of Agua Nueva, the two Indiana regiments and the Kentucky infantry regiment lower down; these are two miles from the battle ground; while two companies of the Mississippians occupy the pass, the six companies of Arkansas cavalry being stationed above them, on the San Luis road.

From the Saltillo Picket Guard, April, 13. A Spy.—We understand that the vice Governor of this place, Don Eduardo Gonzalez, who was arrested by order of Gen. Wool, during the last week, will be tried before a military Commission as a spy.

From the N O Picayune ARRIVAL FROM CHIHUAHUA. Major Campbell, of Springfield, Mo., with Mr. Gerry (a Laeade Ranger, discharged in consequence of sickness), and thirty men and two boys, teamsters, arrived yesterday morning from Chihuahua, by way of Red River.

They were pressed closely by a party of forty or fifty Camanches, finely mounted; and as the company had nothing but mules, worn out by a march of seven or eight hundred miles, it was impossible either to escape by flight or pursue the enemy—so the whole party dismounted and formed for battle at the edge of a chaparral.

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DIABOLICAL & MURDEROUS ACT.

A friend of ours received a letter yesterday from his brother, who resides in the parish of Sabine. It is dated on the 2d inst, and besides some reference to matters of private business, contains the following startling extracts.

There has been one of the most unexampled acts of poisoning committed in Shelby county, Texas, that I have ever heard of. There was a wedding at old Mr Wilkinson's of an orphan girl he raised, at which all the invited guests were poisoned, including the bride's maid and groom's man.

Strange to tell, none of the family was injured, nor yet the bride and groom; yet one of the bride's maids died in the house. It is supposed that the negroes were hired to administer the poison in the coffee, or food; by a disappointed suitor, who was present at the wedding.—N. O. Picayune.

THE BEAUTIFUL JALAPA. Capt. Blanding, of the Charleston Volunteers, writes in the following strain of the beauties of Jalapa:

Jalapa is situated in the bosom of lofty mountains, 60 miles from Vera Cruz and 190 from Mexico. It has a population of about 10,000 souls, and is of much wealth. It is built like all Mexican towns, of brick and stone, the houses chiefly two stories, flat roofs, with large windows, all grated, but curtained; the floors are paved with tile or marble.

A LIFE PRESERVED. Mr. S. W. Fowler, Having used Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, with great benefit to myself, I cheerfully comply with your request to give my testimony in favor of it. Some time since I took cold, and it settled on my lungs; I was troubled for several weeks with a very bad cough, raised blood several times, and had all the alarming symptoms of attending confinement.

SPLendid LOTTERIES. To be drawn in June, 1847. J. W. Maury & Co. Managers. (Successors to J. G. Gregory & Co.) \$35,000!

12,000 Dollars! 10,000 Dollars! ALEXANDRIA LOTTERY, Class 28, for 1847. To be drawn at Alexandria, on Saturday, the 5th of June, 1847.

14 Drawings, out of 78. SPlendid SCHEME! 1 prize of \$50,000 1 prize of \$2,500 1 do 12,000 1 do 2,000 1 do 10,000 6 prizes of 1,500 1 do 5,000 20 do 1,000 1 do 3,500 20 do 500 1 do 2,500 20 do 400

\$30,000! 13 Drawings out of 66. ALEXANDRIA LOTTERY, Class No 30, for 1847. To be drawn at Alexandria, on Saturday, June 19th, 1847.

1 prize of \$30,000 1 prize of \$2,000 1 do 10,000 10 prizes of 1,000 1 do 5,000 15 do 400 1 do 3,500 20 do 250 1 do 2,000 25 do 200

\$44,444! \$22,222! \$11,111! ALEXANDRIA LOTTERY, Class No 32, for 1847. To be drawn in Alexandria, on Saturday the 19th June, 1847.

1 prize of \$44,444 1 prize of \$2,222 1 do 22,222 44 prizes of 1,111 1 do 11,111 44 do 555 1 do 6,666 62 do 333 1 do 4,444 129 do 222 1 do 3,819

\$30,000! ALEXANDRIA LOTTERY, Class No 34, for 1847. To be drawn in Alexandria, on Saturday, June 26th, 1847.

13 Drawings out of 75! BRILLIANT SCHEME: 1 prize of \$30,000 1 prize of \$2,250 1 do 20,000 1 do 2,000 1 do 10,000 25 prizes of 1,000 1 do 9,000 53 do 500 1 do 3,500 200 do 200

Female Beauty!—Culpable Neglect.—It has been observed by visitors from all other countries, as well as by persons of the best cultivated taste in this, that in no country is there a larger share of female beauty and excellence than in this city. Yet while the shoe-maker, dress-maker, and milliner, are engaged in adorning "nature's best gift to man," no part appears almost totally neglected—THE HAIR. Is it conceivable how any person, more especially a lady, can manifest so much neglect on this point, when a "never failing remedy" can be obtained by purchasing Dr. Jayne's Hair Tonic, which will perfectly restore this only neglected part of female ornament.

USE THE PROPER MEANS.—If you wish to be successful in any undertaking, you must always "use the proper means." Therefore, if you have a Cough, use Jayne's Expectant and be cured, for it is the proper means. Have you Asthma or Difficulty of Breathing, then the only efficient means to cure you is Jayne's Expectant, which will immediately overcome the spasm which contracts the diameter of the wind tubes, and loosens and brings up the mucus which clogs them up, and thus removes every obstruction to a free respiration.

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