

A. C. State Librarian

GRANT'S LOSSES.

In copying from the National Intelligencer the report of Grant's losses from May 5th, to the last assault on Petersburg...

The above may appear appalling to European eyes, as also to those on this side of the Atlantic, but it does not give the half of Grant's losses in this campaign.

In this connection, a paragraph which appears in a late number of the Boston Courier, under the caption, "Grant's Waste of Men," is not inappropriate.

What a fearful responsibility rests upon the shoulders of this human butcher? How many widows and orphans this day, bowed with grief, trace the cause of their widowhood and orphanage directly to Grant!

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

It is proper to state, even at this late day, that the fine steamer Night Hawk, Capt. Smiley, from Bermuda, in trying to enter New Inlet bar, about a week ago, grounded on the North breaker about a mile from shore...

The steamer was in the breakers, and only half the work of saving her done. The soldiers went to work, unloaded her, and with the aid of negroes at the pumps, enabled the engineers to get up steam and bring the steamer safely to Wilmington by her own power.

HORRIBLE VILLAINY.

The New York Herald of the 5th has been received in this city. First is a letter from Grant to Sheridan, in which he directs him to burn every house in the Valley; to kill every horse, cow, sheep, or other animal; to destroy every mill; to set fire to every barn, wheat or hay stack; to cut down every ornamental tree, and carry off every negro.

This order was issued while Sheridan was, as he thought, carrying everything before him. It had not time to be published before he was flying down the Valley with his freebooters, and Early in pursuit.

THE APPROACHING MONETARY CRISIS IN THE NORTH.

The Herald cries out to those who are prudent to stand firm, as the financial crisis so long predicted is close at hand.

Gold fell to 188 yesterday, but afterwards recovered, and the closing quotation was 190. Efforts were made to stave off the panic; but it will probably be fruitless.

After giving a table comparing the quotations of miscellaneous stocks on the 5th of Oct., "so as to show the terrible fall," the Herald nevertheless warns its readers against the imminence of the crisis.

We are on the eve of a crisis worse than that of 1857 and as dreadful as that of 1887. Those who suffer will receive little sympathy; for the whole country will be benefited by their losses, just as they have grown rich upon the sufferings of the country.

DESTRUCTION OF A BLOCKADER—REPULSE OF AN ATTACK ON THE STEAMER CONDOR.

It is generally known that the large, three-funnelled steamer Condor, from Halifax, N. S., in entering New Inlet Bar a week ago, was deceived by the wreck of the Night Hawk, and ran aground.

YELLOW FEVER IN CHARLESTON.

The yellow fever is said to be prevailing in Charleston to an alarming extent. The Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel says:

The yellow fever has prevailed for a long time in Charleston. The number of cases has been steadily on the increase. It has at length become what may be termed an epidemic.

The business stores of Charleston are filled with blockade goods. Merchants from all sections are continually going to that city to make purchases.

OUTBREAK AT DANVILLE.—Yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, says the "Equator" of the 11th, the negro prisoners engaged at work on the fortifications around Danville, made an attack upon the guard and after a desperate struggle, succeeded in overpowering the small force, and gaining possession of about 20 muskets.

CONFEDERATE SHIPS.—The Phare de la Loire states that the San Francisco and the Shanghai, two ships said to be built for the Confederates, are still in the dock of St. Nazaire, where they are being armed in a mysterious manner.

Judge Saunders, at the late term of Wake Superior Court, refused to grant judgments when the plaintiff expressed his unwillingness to receive Confederate currency.

By the Central cars last night we learned through passengers, that Rosser had recaptured all of the guns lost on Sunday except three.

We learn from the Charlotte Bulletin that Henry C. Utley, a fugitive soldier, was shot and instantly killed at Concord on the 5th inst. by W. A. Smith.

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LOOK OUT FOR THE CROSS-MARK.

We send this week's paper to a large number of our subscribers with a cross (X) mark on the margin, with the number of the paper at which the term for which they paid expired.

The draft in the Home Guard took place here on Saturday last, and those drafted are ordered to leave to-day, (the 20th) for Goldsboro', Capt L. L. Boggan in command of the squad.

In an official published list of casualties in 31st Regt., in the assault on Fort Harrison on the 30th ult.; we perceive that Capt. J. F. Fort is reported as missing.

In Co. B, we find B. F. Barnwell reported as wounded, (in head) in addition to the list of casualties we gave last week; and that E. McQuage was wounded instead of E. M. McGuzan.

The Steam Tanyard advertised in this paper to be sold on the 15th inst.; went off at public outcry on the day named at \$59,800.

Another Yankee, one of six who escaped from Florence about ten days ago, was picked up near this town on Saturday afternoon last, and sent to Cheraw next morning, to be returned from whence he came.

Gov. Vance left Raleigh, on the 14th inst., to attend, at Augusta, Ga., a meeting of the Governors of the States east of the Mississippi, for consultation upon the general interests of the States and the Confederacy.

Sigma, a correspondent of the Raleigh Confederate, who reported some time since, Gen. Imboden, commanding cavalry in the Valley of Virginia; as dead, "is now happy to state he is still living, and strong hopes are entertained of his recovery from his severe attack of typhoid fever."

We have received a copy of Frank I. Wilson's "Battle of Great Bethel." It is a small pamphlet of 28 pages. We cannot conceal that we are disappointed in the book.

We regret to learn that the Soldiers' Wayside Home at Cheraw is languishing for the want of the articles necessary to keep the institution up and to make it useful to our soldiers who may pass through Cheraw.

The Home Guard of North Carolina is composed mainly of militia officers and magistrates, and numbers, all told, about 10,000 men.

EXEMPTIONS FROM HOME GUARD DUTY.

The following persons are exempt from duty in the Home Guard, now called out, by an order from the Adjutant General's Office:

Commanding Officers of each Brigade and Regiment of Militia, Attorney General, Solicitors of the several Circuits, County Commissioners appointed under an act entitled "an act for the relief of wives and families of soldiers in the army," (one for each county), all physicians over the age of thirty years, who are and for the last seven years have been in the actual and regular practice of their profession.

BOX LIFTING.

A friend in one of the companies at Petersburg from this county, as will be seen below, writes to depict other miseries our poor boys have to undergo than those endured in the bivouac and trenches:

We have a few, and precious few, friends who sometimes endeavor to send us a few delicacies from home. From Salisbury to Petersburg, box snatchers and box stealers are standing ready to take the last box.

So long as there is so much villainy in the land it is useless to say that God is for us and we must prevail. It seems to me we have been given over to the evil one, and unless we stir ourselves we will soon be bound in his clutches forever, forever with Yankees singing psalms over our departure.

The Ladies' Hospital at Cheraw, S. C. Mr. A. McPherson, 1 gal. vinegar, 1 bush. wheat. Mr. J. E. Morrison, 1 bush. rye.

Mr. Crow, carrier of the mail from Cedar Hill to Cheraw, will take charge of and carry to Cheraw any articles in small parcels that may be entrusted to him by the citizens in the upper end of the county.

STATE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The next Annual Meeting of the State Educational Association of North Carolina, will be held in Charlotte, on Tuesday, November 8th.

There never was a period in our history when the duties and responsibilities of those engaged in the instruction of the rising generation were more obvious and important; and those who neglect the opportunities of this day of decision must expect to be arraigned and condemned at the bar of the Future.

Great excitement prevailed at New Orleans on the 26th ult., the Confederates being within five or six miles of the place.