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A FURTHER ADVANCE IN THE PRICE OF SUBSCRIPTION.

In self defence we are compelled to make a further advance in the subscription price of this paper. After this issue we shall receive no subscription for a longer time than six months—the price for which will be FOUR DOLLARS.

Those who have subscribed at former prices will have the paper furnished for the time contracted for.

THE ENEMY LANDING IN FORCE.

A correspondent of the *Confederate*, writing from Kinston under date of the 8th inst., says that news was received there that morning (which was regarded as reliable) to the effect that the enemy are landing in force at Newbern and Morehead city. From all accounts 20,000 have already arrived, bringing with them five locomotives, and railroad iron, sufficient to lay down from thirty to forty miles of track.

This news is considered doubtful by some, who think that the force at Morehead city only put in because of stress of weather; that it was destined further South, and has left for its destination.

On the other hand the *Confederate* has "reason to apprehend that there is much of truth in the statement."

The *Raleigh Conservative* and *Goldboro' State Journal* reiterate the same report, and give reasons for believing it.

We are requested to state that Private H. D. Pinkston, Co. K, 26th Regiment N. C. T., has come home on a detail for the purpose of taking back any contributions the relatives and friends of the members of Co. K may wish to send them. Mr. P. states that in respect to clothing the men are pretty well off; but they are needing socks and gloves. These articles and provision Mr. P. has particularly come after.

The articles will be packed in boxes, distinctly marked and left at the store of Mr. H. A. Crawford. Mr. P. will return on Thursday, the 23d inst., and the packages must be sent in before that day. He will expect the parties interested to help him get the boxes to Concord.

We learn that one day week before last three deserters entered the house of Mr. Duncan McNeill, a very old man, residing in the lower edge of Richmond county, overpowered him, and locked him in a room. They then proceeded to rob him of a large amount of money he had on the premises. After accomplishing which they started to leave. A slave boy of Mr. McNeill, who had either been overlooked or not noticed by the party, as they were making off took one of Mr. McNeill's guns and fired at the party, mortally wounding one of them. The wounded party was carried to Rockingham, where he shortly after died.

A runaway negro of Mr. B. Buchanan, who has been dodging about the lower part of this county for near a year past, and who had been outlawed, was killed one night last week, on the premises of Mr. A. A. McKee. The negro was discovered in one of Mr. McKee's outhouses, started to make off, was commanded to stop, but not doing so, was fired upon with the result mentioned above.

We learn that Mr. Thos. D. Jarmod, Co. K, 26th N. C. T., was badly wounded in the leg, below the knee, on Sunday, the 5th inst., in a skirmish with the enemy at Petersburg. At last accounts he was doing well. This is the only Ansonian we have heard of being hurt in the recent fighting at Petersburg.

We give this week an interesting letter from a soldier in our army in South Carolina, to a friend in this place. It was not intended for publication, but our friend deemed it his duty to lay it before the public as showing the spirit of lofty patriotism animating our troops at this time of so much depression and gloom among those out of the army.

Hon. Thomas Bennett, ex-Governor of South Carolina, died at Anderson C. H., in that State on the 30th ult. The *Charleston Courier* says that he was the oldest by many years of citizens who had passed the Chief Chair of that State, and that he was a citizen distinguished in many ways beyond his age.

Brigadier General John H. Winder died very suddenly, and, as is supposed, from apoplexy, on Monday the 6th inst., at Florence, S. C., where he had just arrived on a train on the Wilmington and Manchester Railroad.

LEGISLATURE.

This body adjourned on the 7th inst., to meet again on Thursday, the 18th day of May, 1865, unless sooner called together by the Governor. The proceedings of the last three days are of very little general importance, being taken up principally in the passage of private bills and resolutions, &c.

NEW PUBLICATION.

AN ELEMENTARY ARITHMETIC, designed for Beginners: Embracing the First Principles of Science. By L. Johnson, A. M., Professor of Mathematics in Trinity College, Raleigh, N. C.: Branson & Farrar, publishers, 1864.

This, as the author states in the preface, is a work called forth by the demands of the times for books of an elementary character. "Nothing new or original has been attempted. The method of presenting the subject to the youthful mind is such as, after several years spent in the recitation room, we believe to be best." From a cursory view of the work, we believe the author has been successful in accomplishing what he designed.

The work is very substantially bound in boards; but the folding and trimming of the work before us is not very creditable either to the publishers or the binders. Price \$3.50 for single copies. A liberal deduction to the trade.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Capt. J. C. McLauchlin will resume the sessions of his School on 27th of this month, for accommodation of both day and boarding scholars.

A. Y. Lee, at Cheraw, has salt for sale or barter.

Capt. Geo. Cox, A. Q. M., on the part of the Government, will sell at public auction, on Tuesday of March Court, three condemned horses and one mule.

Collector J. White gives notice of further appointments.

O. P. Bennett has lost a copy of "Armageddon," Who has got it?

J. E. Kellor and Wm. Allen have lost certificates of stock.

Col. J. C. Caraway, as will be seen by an addition to his advertisement, wants hides, which will be paid for in anything.

Richmond Buchanan has had a horse stolen from him, for the recovery of which he offers a reward of \$500.

CONGRESS.

Feb. 6.—The Senate adopted a resolution of thanks to Capt. Semmes, officers and crew, for the victory over the enemy's steamer *Hatteras* and for the long and arduous cruise in the pursuit and destruction of the enemy's commerce.

The negro bill was further discussed. The House amendment leaving the number of slaves to be employed in the army, undefined, was agreed to. After executive session adjourned.

Mr. Moore introduced a resolution directing the Committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of investing the President with power to call into the service all able bodied male negroes in the Confederate States to be used as he may think best to aid in the military defence of our country. The motion to lay it on the table was negatived by 32 to 29. The resolution was then adopted.

Feb. 7.—In the Senate, Mr. Brown submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to report a bill with the least practicable delay, to take into the military service of the Confederate States, a number of negro soldiers, not to exceed two hundred thousand, by voluntary enlistment, with the consent of their masters, or by conscription, as may be found necessary; and that the Committee provide in said bill, for emancipating said negroes in all cases, where they prove loyal and true to the end of the war; and, for immediate payment under proper restrictions, of their present value to their owners.

Mr. Brown said he introduced this resolution to show, that in his opinion, the time had come when we should employ negro troops. Now if ever was the time. We were in the very crisis of our fate. He had seen, with pleasure, the revival of the war spirit, and hoped it would sweep through the land; but still found our armies not strong enough to withstand the enemy, without the employment of negro troops.

The resolution was transferred to the secret calendar. The Senate then resolved into secret session.

The House made public the subject which has engaged its attention in secret session for several days past, to wit: the tax bill to meet the discovery of an error in immediate liabilities. The government needs four hundred millions dollars, and the Secretary of the Treasury recommends an increase of the tax one hundred per cent. to meet the deficiency; he says the contractor of this debt is such that its payment cannot be neglected or postponed, without danger and seriously embarrassing the operations of the War Department.

Feb. 8.—Nothing of importance in the Senate. In the House, the Senate resolution of thanks to Captain Semmes was unanimously concurred in.

The bill for the employment of free negroes and slaves was referred to a committee of conference.

The tax bill, with a substitute therefor, was considered in secret session.

Feb. 9.—The Senate adjourned to-day immediately after the journal was read.

In the House the Senate bill authorizing the appointment of a Commissary General, with the rank of Brig. General, passed.

The tax bill was further considered. A motion to strike out a hundred per cent. additional to the present tax and substitute one per cent, was rejected by a large majority.

Feb. 10.—The House adopted a joint resolution to adjourn *sine die*, on the 20th. Concurred in the Senate resolution of thanks to Mr. Lancaster, owner of the yacht *Deerhound*.

Mr. Barkdale submitted a bill providing for the employment of negro troops. Mr. Norton moved to reject the bill—yeas 21, nays 53. The bill was then referred to a select committee.

The tax bill was further discussed. In the Senate, the House resolution for adjournment was rejected.

Brig. Gen. Bryan Grimes has been made a Major General, and assigned to Rodde's Division, of Early's (Ewell's) corps. The division consists of two North Carolina, one Georgia, and one Alabama Brigade. Gen. Grimes is an excellent officer, and will admirably fill the place of the gallant and lamented Rodde.

Mr. A. Dudley Mann, says the *Montreal* (Canada) correspondent of the *New York Tribune*, has written from Paris to Saunders, who is now in Canada, that Napoleon has determined to recognize the Confederacy soon after the inauguration of Lincoln on the 4th of March.

Summary of the Latest News.

Gen. John C. Breckinridge entered upon the discharge of his duties as Secretary of War, on 7th inst. The 56th N. C. T., heretofore in Davis's Brigade, has been transferred to Cooke's Brigade.

Northern papers state that the present position of Gen. Price's army is at Boggy Depot, on Red River.

More than two hundred buildings were destroyed by fire recently in Savannah.

Lieut. Gen. J. B. Hood passed through Charlotte recently on his way to Richmond.

Major Gen. Wade Hampton has reported for duty to Gen. Hardee, and been assigned to the command of Kautler's and Young's divisions of cavalry.

The Emperor of Brazil has issued a decree excluding the Confederate cruiser *Shenandoah* from the ports of his empire.

Busby, one of the Lake Erie raiders, has been surrendered to the United States authorities by the authorities of Canada.

Northern papers of the 8th admit considerable loss in the battle at Hatcher's Run, but, as usual, claim that the Confederate loss was heavier.

A deserter, hid in a cave about twenty miles west of Charlotte, was suffocated to death one day last week by burning charcoal in his cave.

Maj. Gen. Pegram, killed in the battle at Hatcher's Run, near Petersburg, on the 6th inst., had been married only two weeks.

Brig. Gen. Martin has removed his headquarters to Asheville, and has general superintendance of Enrolling affairs in the Mountain district.

The *Charlotte Democrat* states that Col. Wm. Johnston, of Charlotte, has declined the office of Commissary General of the Confederate States, which was recently tendered him.

Footes arrived in New York on the 7th inst., still in custody. His destination reported to be a military prison. He refuses to take the oath, and expresses a desire to emigrate to Sonora.

The court house at Asheville, N. C., was consumed by fire on the morning of the 28th ult. The News says it was a spacious, well-finished and elaborately gotten-up building, in every respect.

It is rumored that the French Consul at Charleston has called officially on Mayor Macbeth, and shown him his Equator signed by President Davis. If true it is virtual recognition.—*Chronicle and Sentinel*.

Major H. R. Hooper, formerly of the 1st Missouri Regiment, Confederate States Army, has been assigned to duty as Chief Quartermaster of the District of North Carolina; vice Major Peirce, removed.

Major Springfellow, of Virginia, formerly of the Staff of Gen. Sam. Jones, has been assigned to duty as Assistant Adjutant General on the Staff of Lieutenant Gen. Holmes, vice John W. Hinsdale promoted to the Colonelcy of the 3d Regiment Reserves.

\$500 Reward.

STOLEN FROM THE SUBSCRIBER'S PREMISES, near Morven, on Monday night, the 13th inst., a Medium SIZED BAY MARE, five or six years old, with a small scar on one of her front knees—so far as I recollect on the right knee.

She was traced a short distance as going towards Cheraw.

I will pay the above reward for the recovery of the animal delivered to me near Morven, or for information leading to her certain recovery.

RICHMOND BUCHANAN,
Morven, Anson, N. C., Feb. 15th, 1865-319-21.

ARMAGEDDON, OR U. S. IN PROPHECY.

LOST OR MISLAID, A BOOK BEARING THE above title, with the subscriber's name in it, written with pencil. Any information concerning said Book will be thankfully received—besides, a liberal reward will be paid for its delivery at the ARGUS OFFICE.

O. P. BENNETT,
Feb. 13, 1865.

Gould's Fork Academy.

THE SEVENTH SESSION OF THIS SCHOOL will commence on MONDAY, February 27th inst. Instruction thorough. Terms reasonable. Board can be obtained in the vicinity for any number, on reasonable terms. For particulars apply to J. C. McLAUCHLIN, Proprietor.

Feb. 6th, 1865-319-22.

Salt! Salt!!

I HAVE A CHOICE LOT OF DRY SALT, IN CHERAW, which I will sell or barter low. Apply soon.

A. Y. LEE,
February 6, 1865-319-11.

Condemned Stock for Sale.

WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, TO the highest bidder, at the Court House in Wadesboro', on TUESDAY, the 14th day of March, 1865, THREE HORSES and ONE MULE, condemned Government Stock.

GEO. COX, Capt. & A. Q. M.
Feb. 11, 1865-319-22.

To whom it may Concern.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT CERTIFICATE No. 84, for Four Per Cent. Confederate Bond, to the amount of \$2,500 (two thousand five hundred dollars) issued to me by H. B. Hammond, C. S. Depository, Wadesboro', N. C., and dated March 14, 1864, has been lost, and that application will be made for a Duplicate. WM. ALLEN,
Lanesboro', Feb. 13, 1865-319-324.

Lost or Mislaid.

A CERTIFICATE, No. 181, DATED 15th MARCH, 1864, issued to me by H. B. HAMMOND, Depository, at Wadesboro', N. C., for \$500, Four Per Cent. Confederate Bonds. Said Certificate is without my endorsement. This is to notify the public that I have made application in due form of law, to Mr. Hammond, for a Duplicate Certificate.

J. E. KELLOR,
Norwood's, Feb. 10, 1865-319-24.

JOB WORK NEATLY EXECUTED AT THIS OFFICE.

Tax Notice.

I WILL ATTEND AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES and places to collect the Ad valorem Tax and Tax on Taxes, Quarterly Sales, 10 and 30 per cent. additional Income Tax, viz:

Lileville, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 21st and 22d, 1865.

Morven,	Thursday, February 23d, 1865.
Gulledge's,	Friday, " 24th, "
White's Store,	Saturday, " 25th, "
Lanesboro',	Monday, " 27th, "
Burnsville,	Tuesday, " 28th, "
Diamond Hill,	Wednesday, March 1st, "
Cedar Hill,	Thursday, " 2d, "
Wadesboro',	Friday and Saturday, March 3d and 4th, 1865.

I will also attend at Wadesboro' Friday and Saturday, the 17th and 18th inst., to afford Lawyers, Doctors, and Traders an opportunity of registering.

Punctual attendance will save trouble to all concerned.

Given under my hand this 18th day of February, 1865.

J. WHITE,
[319-20] Collector 8th District.

Sale! Sale!!

HAVING HAD OUR FACTORY BURNED, WE will sell, on THURSDAY, 2d day of March, 1865, for cash, all the Ruins, consisting of STEEL, WROUGHT and CAST IRON, some of which will be very useful to other Manufacturers to repair up with; also FOUR FINE MULES, THREE ROAD WAGONS and GEARS, a lot of TOBACCO, CORN, WHEAT, BACON, PEAS, LARD, TALLOW, SALT, MOLASSES and FACTORY FINDINGS, (Roller Leather and Cloth,) a set of BLACKSMITHS' TOOLS, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

All persons indebted to us, or having claims against us, are respectfully requested to settle up before the day of sale.

Our place is situated five miles south of Troy, on Little River, in Montgomery county, N. C.
MAUNEY, McALLISTER & McCANLESS.
Feb. 2, 1865-218-20.

Strayed or Stolen.

ESCAPED FROM A DROVE OF ANIMALS, BEING brought hence from Robeson county, N. C., about the 19th December, ultimo, TWO MULES, coupled together with rope—the one medium sized, Bay Mule, about (12) twelve years old, in good order and strongly saddle marked; (this mule was impressed by me from Mr. Peter Smith, below Lumberton.) The other a small light Bay Mule, about (7) seven years old and thin, being the mule impressed from Solomon Oxendine, near Moss Neck Depot, Robeson county.

These Mules escaped from my drove, at night, near the Richmond county line, below Laurel Hill.

Also two Mules that escaped or were taken from my lot at this place about the 26th December last. The one a small Horse Mule; bay and neatly trimmed. A description of the other not remembered, but they are both supposed to have been branded C. S. upon the left shoulder.

A suitable reward will be paid for any information that may lead to the recovery of either or all of these Mules.

J. B. GOODLOE, Capt. & A. Q. M.
Ansonville, N. C., Jan. 25th, 1865-318-19.

Certificate Lost.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT CERTIFICATE No. 521 for Four per Cent. Certificate to the amount of \$500, issued March 28, 1864, to me by H. B. Hammond, C. S. Depository, Wadesboro', N. C., has been lost, and that application will be made for a duplicate.

W. T. WILLIAMS,
January 20, 1865-316-21

Carolina Female College.

THE SECOND TERM OF THE PRESENT COLLEGIATE year will commence January 23, 1865, and close 24th June. Instruction thorough. Board good. Pupils charged from time of entering to the close of the session. No deduction except in cases of protracted sickness.

For further information address,
Rev. J. R. GRIFFITH,
Dec. 12, 1864-316-47] Ansonville, N. C.

Black Hawk Messenger!

THIS CELEBRATED HORSE WILL STAND this, the SPRING SEASON, at WADSWORTH, and at other points to be determined hereafter. Those desiring to patronize him will make up their Clubs and notify THOS. H. THREADGILL, who is our regular Agent.

Terms—\$15 in specie, or its equivalent in produce or Confederate currency.

HALL, SMITH & CO.
Jan. 17, 1865-315-23.

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED WILL TAN HIDES AT HIGH MOUNT TANNERY for ONE-THIRD of the LEATHER or its equivalent in money, if the Hides are brought in in time.

J. C. CARAWAY,
Jan. 2, 1864-313-25.

The highest price given for RAW HIDES—paid for either in PRODUCE, CONFEDERATE MONEY, GOLD or SILVER.

All Hides must be brought in by the first of April.

J. C. CARAWAY,
February 13, 1865-319

CARD NOTICE.

THERE IS NOW ANOTHER LOT OF COTTON and WOOL CARDS (ready for use) for distribution to soldiers' families, at \$10 per pair. Agents will please call for them.

H. A. DOWD,
A. Q. M. N. C.

MASONIC NOTICE.

THE REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS OF KIL winning Lodge, No. 64, F. & A. M., will hereafter be held at 3 o'clock, P. M.

J. C. McLAUCHLIN, Sec.
June 13, A. L., 586A. 274-17

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