

CONFEDERATE CONGRESS.

House, Jan. 25, 1864. The House has passed the Senate bill to appoint an agent of the Postoffice Department west of the Mississippi...

Mr. Garrett, from the Judiciary Committee, reported back the Senate bill to fix the time of meeting of the next Congress...

In the Senate a communication was read from the Secretary of the Treasury in relation to the public debt...

FROM CHARLESTON. CHARLESTON, Jan. 25th, 1864. Seven shells have been fired at the city since last report...

FROM PASCAGOULA. PASCAGOULA, Miss., Jan. 24th, 1864. A gentleman who left the neighborhood of Covington, Louisiana, on the 14th inst...

FROM MOBILE. MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 25th, 1864. The Evening News' special correspondent from Northern dates to the 21st...

FROM RUSSELLVILLE. RUSSELLVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 24th, 1864. Advice from the front are very encouraging. Our cavalry were within four miles of Knoxville...

FROM RICHMOND—TROOPS RE-ENLISTING. RICHMOND, Jan. 20th, 1864. Despatches and other information that large numbers of the Mississippi, Louisiana and Tennessee troops...

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FROM TENNESSEE. RUSSELLVILLE, Jan. 20th, 1864. Our cavalry are still in the vicinity of Knoxville. Their captures during the recent retreat...

FROM CHARLESTON. CHARLESTON, Jan. 25, 1864. Twenty-four shots have been fired at the city from half past five o'clock Monday to half past five o'clock this evening...

FROM THE SOUTHWEST—CAPTURE OF INDIAN 60 NEGROES, &c. COMO, MISS., Jan. 20, 1864. Col. Jeff. E. Forrest has captured Indian 60, and all the negroes and managers, killing 15, and destroying the oxen and wagons...

two companies of British troops sent to Windsor, opposite Detroit. It is stated that Quantrell, with 1,600 men, is at New Canage, La., below Vicksburg...

The following which we find in the Richmond Dispatch, and believe to be correct, will no doubt be of considerable interest to some parties in this vicinity:

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Testimony of the Monitor on the Charleston Fight.

Secretary Welles, in his late report, communicated some interesting testimony as to the performances of his monitors in the attempt of Admiral Dupont to take Charleston...

At the fourth shot from XI-inch guns, I was struck in the lower part of the turret by two heavy shot, which bulged in its plates and beams...

Two or three heavy shot struck the side armor near the same place. They have so broken the iron that it is now so splintered that it is impossible to get a good grip of it...

The deck was pierced so as to make a hole, through which water ran into the vessel; but it was not large. Thirty six bolts were broken in the turret, and a good many of the iron plates and beams were cracked...

I desire to say that I experienced serious embarrassment in manœuvring my vessel in the narrow and uncertain channel, with the limited means of observation afforded from the pilot-house...

Forty-seven projectiles of the enemy struck the vessel. No damage was done which disabled her, although injuries were received which multiplied would do so...

I was surprised to find, even with these fire, that the vessel could be so much injured in so short a time, two or three having passed me during the action...

Our fire was very slow, necessarily, and not half so observable upon the walls of the forts as the rain of their rifle and heavy shell was upon this vessel...

As the fleet withdrew the forts materially slackened their fire, evidently not wishing to expend their ammunition without some result...

One rifle shot struck on the lower corner of the 15-inch turret, denting the outer plate about one and a half inches, and bulging the inner plate so much as to render it impossible to open the turret...

The steam whistle was cut off. The deck plate was cut in twelve places. One shot cut through the iron and about two inches into the beam, starting the plate...

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In snicket armor there are three shot marks—one that pierced the armor, making a hole fifteen inches long and nine inches broad, displacing grating inside and breaking seven bolts...

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ONE EAR AT A TIME—Many extraordinary persons, who have figured in history as men of action, have had a propensity to do their thoughts rather than speak them to convey, or at least to enforce their meaning by some significant action rather than by words.

Everybody has heard the story of Canute the Great. When his courtiers were extolling his power and good fortune as a kind of omnipotence over nature as well as men, he quietly ordered his throne to be set on the beach when the tide was in, and when the waves came rolling in playing around him, he threw the water and spray over his sacred person, he silently allowed the spectacle to rebuke their silly flattery.

A good instance of this symbolism is related of Alexander the Great. Accusation was once presented to him against one of his officers. When the informer began his statement, Alexander turned one ear towards him and closed the other firmly with his hand; implying that he who would form a just judgment must not abandon himself altogether to the party who get the best hearing; that he gives one ear to accusation, should reserve the other, without bias or prepossession, to the defence.

WILMINGTON MARKET, JANUARY 27, 1864. SHEEP—A large demand for butchering purposes, and a steady advance in price. We quote on the hoof at \$1 to \$1.25 per lb. for medium quality. Fat and wool do not count for much in the market. Fat and wool do not count for much in the market. Fat and wool do not count for much in the market.

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