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COUNTY MEETING.

parts.

river, that some of the Yankee blockaders have recent-

ly been in trouble, one of them having gone under. It

would seem that on Saturday night, or early Sunday

morning, she was pursuing a vessel coming into New

and the "South Rock." The blockader, in trying to

in five fathoms water. The chased vessel arrived safe

has been increased very recently by three additional

vice, and, by their account, the fastest war vessel aflost.

Both ends are alike, like a ferry boat, so that she can

It is not a little remarkable that the Daylight, one

of the very few blockaders suck or blown up at sea by

until Yankee papers brought information of the ex-

plosion of the Daylight by a stell entering her maga-

zine. Only five persons escaped to tell the tale. This

. We think we see no necessity for any discussion

not sooner been given to the world. In politics, as in

Governor VANCE, unjoying his full confidence and

have done it iong ago.

occurred towards the close of last year.

at her wharf. It was quite dark at the time.

she too is in a precarious condition.

run either way with equal facility.

We are requested to give notice that a meeting of the citizens of New Hanover county will be held at the Court House in Wilmington, at 716 o'clock on Wednesday evening, March 16th, 1864, to take into consideration the condition of the country. A full at- Inlet. The pursued vessel run in between the shore tendance is earnestly solicited.

THE SITUATION. THE CONFEDERACY AND THE STATE .- THE CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR. THE campaign will open with the Spring, indeed the preliminary movements have already been made and the "fug of war" will soon begin. The aspects of the field are favourable for the Confederate arms. Never were our troops better prepared to meet the foe. Never was their spirit more sanguine, their health better, or their resolution stronger. It would do some of our desponding farmers who distrust Confederate money, and teel whipped in every important part of their physical and mental organizations, an immensity of good to talk to;our men fresh from the armies of LEE, of JOHNSTON, or of LONGSTREET. The moral atmosphere which these gailant men bring home with them is perfectly refresh-

ing. Here in North Carolina it is evident that we are to have another sort of campaign. We have so much time on our hands-we have so many energies running. to waste-the enemy gives us and the Confederacy so fittle occupation, that for want of something to do or to think of, we are about to engage in the amusing divertisement of a political campaign, which, from the elements which will inevitably enter into it, can hardly fuil to be heated and embittered.

The winter set in in gloom, in the field and at home Bragg's defeat at Missionary Ridge depressed our own people and encouraged the enemy. The weak-kneed trembled, the croakers and enemies of the Confederate cause exolted, and hardly took the usual precaations to conceal their exultation. In many sections these untrue men openly proclaimed to the people that the Conlederacy was "played out," and the sooner they made terms with Lincoln, the better. Gloom and despon-

dency, dissatisfaction or lukewarmness were abroad. pervading the whole moral atmosphere ; desertions, the to say that Governor VANCE has summoned the council result of treasonable teachings, were alarmingly com- of State to meet in Raleigh on Thursday, the 11th of mon, and even the firmest and most loyal felt that the this month. The Progress is satisfied from what it prospect was gloomy and discouraging.

The Spring exhibits a great and favorable change. for the purpose of considering the propriety of conven-The ranks of our armies have been and are still being ing the Legislature to take into consideration the quesrapidly filled up. The spirit, health, discipline, equipment | tion of currency. Gov. VANCE has only taken this and determination of the soldiers is magnificent. In near- step at the urgent solicitation of the State Treasurer.

This being the situation, it is evident that whatever support Governor Vance gets from those who opposed has given us the names of the following gentlemen of his election in 1862,- and he, no doubt, will get a large this State, who, among others, had runaway set vants being accustomed to walking, and hobbles on measure of such support-will be perfectly independ- wounded in the late battle in Florida. They had gone there are some regiments of cava ry who do not do their ent-free from partizanships or committals on their to the Yankees at Newbern or elsewhere, and pat forthwith into the Yaukee service, carried to Florida and

placed in the fore-front of the batt'e, where they were CAME TO GRIEF .- We learn from the mouths of the

mown down like press

Alba	rt Jurtis,	one i	at gru	mao	w.ucd	ed.
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Willi	am Morse,		••		8.	
	Howard,		**			- 64

cut her off, must have touched on the rock hard enough to make a hole in her bottom. At any rate, she suck A flate we have beard the remark in quently made A Prevailing Impression. that Mr. HOLDEN's chances and consequently his hopes in the coming canvass for the Hovernorship of Norsh On Saturday worning, Col. Hedrick, commanding Carolina, depend upon reverses to the Confederate or at Bald Head, struck one of the Yankee ships three or mies. Let LRE or JOENSTON be detested, or any other four times, and from the agitation on board, and the serious disaster befall our arms, and the croakers and crowding of boats around her, it is quite probable that peace on any-terms men will be up in arms, and Hol. DEN stock will rise in the market. On the contrary. It is said that the Yankee blockade off this harbor let the hopes of patriots be real zed, and our flag float triumphant on the battle field, and it will fall flat, dead vessels, among them the much-talked of double ender -deader that Julius Caser. steamer Edtaw, the fastest vessel in the Yankee ser-

> The most important intimations in the telegraphic news by to-day's paper have relation to the troubles of the present Palmerston-Russell administration in England, the rapid rise of gold in New York, and the informal exchange of prisouers at Oity Point

batteries on shore, met her late from a shell thrown Earl DERBY and Mr. D'ISRAELI, the opposition from an old style thirty-two, in Battery Gatlio, under leaders in the House of Lords and House of Commons the command of Captain Lane, of Col. Lamb's force. respectively, thinking that their time has come, have The saucy craft ventured in too close after a vessel, the opened upon the foreign policy of the administration, Beauregard, we think, that had been run ashore, when and have denounced it as degrading to Eugland and subservient to the Yankees. The attitude they have time, a very minute dolt, dressed in homespun, encles d in and the city destroyed. The men must keep together, the battery opened on her. As night began to fall, a heavy report was heard at sea, but its cause was not assumed appears to indicate a consciencess of strength understood. At Fort Fisher, some five miles to the A ministerial crisis in England would be unfavorable southward, it was thought to proceed from the firing to SEWARD, who could hardly hope to find another or bursting of a very heavy gun. It was thought a Englishman of position as obedient to his demands as little strange that the Daylight no longer made her ap Earl RUSSELL. pearance off the coast, but the mystery was not solved

Some idea of this kind-some fear of a disturbance of their foreign relations, must have operated on the Northern mind to jump up gold, in the face of the outside efforts made by Cwase to depress the market. Daily Journal, 7th.

Tag following decidedly characteristic epistle came THE Raleigh Progress of Saturday is authorized ashore recently in a bottle, and was picked up by a member of Captain Galloway's Company of Coast Guarda. It is from a negro or negroes of with the Yankee blockaders. The writer is evidently dissatislearns that the object of calling the council together is fied with his new masters It is hard to make out tie Resolved. That 'y revewing our enlistments in the army meaning of the effair, but it seems to be from Simson

NEGROES WOUNDED IN FLORIDA .- Mr. S. C. Sleight flat foot, "you have corcluded to j in our squad? That's a his sweetheart, and read of the braves who swept The exchange will be continued in the same proportion so man-you are toue writ." . Had you ju t round that out ? through the city of Richmond. he answers, his feet having now become blistered from not

We want no man who cannot feel sure of success in such a holy cause. Throwing aside these amusing jokes, we will admit that We will have a desperate fight, but stand up to it

when it does come and all will be well. Ask the blessing of the Almighty, and do not fear the enemy.

U. DAHLGREN, Col. Commanding. SPECIAL OFDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

to 5 p'clock this evening. Nothing else new. The juliowing special orders were written on a similar sheet or paper, and on detached slips, the whole disclosing the diabolical plans of the leaders of the ex pedition :

The amount of Treasury notes funded doring the weak is Guides-Pioneers (with oakum, turpentine and torfour hundred and forty-seven thousand nine hundred doi ters. Egmember us while we reconnoitre your flank when pedoes)-Signal Officer- Quartermaster- Commislara. All continues quiet below. you are engaged, and exposed to the thicker part of the sary

FROM THE WEST.

long as the Yankee authorities send back our man

pected during the week.

to the Libby last night.

Another flag of truce boat, with returned prisouers is ex-

Lieut. Col. Cook, of Dahlgren's command, was brought

FROM CHARLESTON.

200 shells have been fired at the city sizes last report, up

FROM. MOBILE.

CHARLESTON, March 6th, 1864.

MOBILE, March 5th, 1864.

DEMOPOLIS, Miss., March 8th, 1864. One hundred and twenty-one prisoners, captured by them, and if the communication c in be kept up with- General Forest's command above Okalona, were brought

LATER FROM THE WEST.

MERIDIAN, MISH., March 6, 1864. Sherman is reported at Cauton ou Wednesday last and our cavalry were fighting him on all sides. Heavy cannouadiog was teard in the direction of Capton all day Wednesday. therman in going through the country issued orders let me call your attertion to the repeated Brandy lights, cluding the boats on the river. Should a terry boat that his men must rob the people of subsistence, which wis effactually done. The Yankses took a large number of negroes. This section of the country has been perfectly, impoverished wherever the enemy has been. The talecraph is working as tar West as Morton. The bridges

FROM NORTHERS VIEGINIA.

USANGE C. H., VA , Match 7, 1864.

The satement in the Yankee journals, of the 3d inst. the bridge to the city (one mile below Belle Isle,) and shout Custer's operations is greatly exaggerated. The true release the prisoners at the same time. If we do not statement is : He burnt threa flour millain Elvanna conary and the bridge near Charlottesville, and blew up one callson, not six; did not surprise a cavalry camp, for there was none then at Charlottesville, did not get fifty prison ers, but was whipped away by Bracibrats [?] battery of Stuart's hore _itfliery, unsupported. Our loss in killed and wounded was not over twelve. He stold prohably two hundred borses from non combattants, but took cone from soldiers in arms.

All is quiet is front.

CORPUS CASE, &c

RICHMOND, March 7, 18-4

At auction to day Confederate 5 years bonds opened at 113 and closed at 1024. Five hundred dollar bonds, of the one hundred million loan, due in 1881, brought 120. Att securities declined ; most of the offerings were withdrawa bank stocks sold at an average decline of fifteen dollars. Gold twenty-three for one.

The Secretary of the Treesury has decided that specie is subject to a tax in kind of five per cent.

A decision in the habeas corpus case was rendered by the Supreme Court of Appeals to day, fully affi-ming the

quested to net as Secretaries.

among our tallen

privates W. C. R. Leftin and Charles Pate.

adopted : this its crisis of momentous events.

and bounden duty towa ds the entire freedom and inde-

LAUS DEO. For the Journal.

els, must be destroyed. As General Custer may follow

The signal officer must be prepared to communicate at night by rockets, and in other things pertaining to his department.

The Quartermasters and Commissaries must be on and submitted the following resolution, which were the lookoul for their departments, and see that there are no delays on their account.

The engineer officer will follow to survey the road as

The pion ers must be prepared to construct a bridge

country and ourselves. Resolved. That we wish the world at large to understand pared to distroy railroads. Men will branch off to the sthat tie Soldiers from the good o'd North State, as a body right with a few pionters, and destroy the bridges and a pared to distroy railroads. Men will branch off to the are deemed inexpedient at present. Simson" means by being a " down ball," except that he are true to the cause for which they contend, and that the railroads south of R chmond, and then join us at the been occupied by the Confederate troops for several days has made a bad strike in going to the blockaders. It achievements of hor noble sons on many a hard tenght bat- eity. tle field, has caused the tooth of slander to hurtless break They must be well prepared with torpedoes, &c .--The line of Falling Creek is probably the best to work Resolved, That boing engaged in a strife in which are enlisted all our sympathics, that we view with atter scorn along, or as they approach the city, Goode's Creek, so

Gettysburg, Jack s Shops and Bristow Station. At several of these places our m-n were dismonsted, with their rifles, and took it infantry fashion. I have not time or space to speak of our loss, even in my own regiment, neither is it of our loss : Col. Thomas Ruffle, the honest politician, the right may, the brave soldier-one of North Carolina's brightest stars-no longer circles around the centre of cur

Our regiment just from the front. All quiet. Our pick

ets are in speaking distance . 1 each other. The narrow tines, and an occasional box from their friends at home .---The lad es, still proud of their own isdustry, continue to send as samples of their beautiful homespan very often, in the form of shirts and pares. One tellow receives a valen-

an envelope. All the boys say, "Bully for bim." Co H. 1st N. C. Cavalry. Camp near Milford, Caroline Co , Va , Feb. 29.b, 1864

CAMP EURGWYS, March 5th, 1864. At a meeting of Capt. D. J. Davis' Company, (C,) 66th Regiment, N C. Troops, Lisut. & E. Davis was called to the Chair, and privates D. H. Wade and J. J. Bizzel re-

The following Committee was appointed to draft resolu-Orderly Sergehnt R. W. Herring, Sergt. R. P. James,

daty ; but we trust the recent act of Congress to convert

them into infantry, will spar them up to their daty. To

on, my infantry comrades and veterans, the heroes of

many hard fought battles, upon whose shou dets the weary

musket has rubbed corrs, whose hands the summer sun has

broized, whose bare feet beve scaled the rocky pike and

left their blood prints on the muddy live of march to you.

and a lothers who thick the cavalry an easy branch of the

service, we would sav-give a thousand or fifteen huedred

dollars for your steed, and come with us on the raid, where

we often ride all night. Do not torget us while we stand

upon the show clad hill top or in the dark hollow, at mid-

night hours, on outpeat duty, to warn you of the app ouch

fight, amid the din and roor of battle, and the clash of arms.

Do not lose sight of us when we take the front on the ad

vance, and the rear on the retreat. Remember that where

yen fig I hard and route the enengy, that you are tired and

cannot pu sue tast enough. If my diary serves me richt,

our reshment was engaged to twenty-six lights and skir-

mishes in 1863, while the infantry were engaged in only

stene that we use at many men as they do, almost; in

fact it is said that our number a little exceeded theirs in

Among those twenty six erg igemen's of which I speak.

After a recess of a few minutes the Committee returned

Resolved. That we this day renew our enlistment for the period of the war, in obedience to the call of the President. and unanimously tender our services as a body, and co we puss over it, &c. hereby pledge ourselves to stand by the administration in

of the Confederate "tates, we are but performing our just

mentioned are known, and live near Lockwood's Folly of our patriot's dead and a duty we owe to cur flod, our desiroying the main bridges, & ... They must be pre- steamers by a small party of cavalry. Further particulars

Scouts and pickets -men in rebel uniform : These will remain on the north bank and move down with the force on the south bank, not getting ahead of out giving an alarm, it must be done ; but everything here to day.

d pends upon a surprise, an i no one must be allowed to few skirmisbes on the Rapidan and Rappahanoock. It is pass anead of the column. Information must be gaththe, who the infantry fight, they lose more men, and their ered in regard to the crossings of the river, so that a his g is mor. 'esperate; but our figh s come so much should we be repuised on the south side, we will know where to cross at the nearest point All mills must be burned, and the canal destroyed ; and also everything which can be used by the rebels must be destroyed, in-

be seized, and can be worked, have it moved down .-Keep the force on the south side posted of any important movement of the enemy, and in case of danger necessary. Just to mention one or two, will show enough some of the scouts must swim the river and bring us have been repaired to the former Western terminus-

information. As we approach the city, the party must take great eare that they do not ge, shead of the other constellutioe. The dating John H. Whitaker, who tell party on the south side, and must conceal themselves leading a squade, but his regiment in a charge, is also and watch our movements. We will try and secure

succeed, they must then dash down, and we will try in fine spicies, and in high glee over their various valet- and carry the bridge from each side. When necessary, the men must be filed through the woods and along the river back. The bridges once secured, and the prisoners loose and over the river, the bridges will be secured

and well in hand, and once in the city, it must be destroyed, and Jeff Davis and Cabinet killed. Pioneers will go along with combustible material. The officer must use his discretion about the time of assisting us. Horses and cattle, which we do not need | CONFEDERATE BONDS-DECISION IN & HABE. immediately, must be shot rather than left. Everything on the canal and elsewhere, of service to the reb-

me, be careful not to give a talse alarm.

or desiroy one. They must have pleaty of cakum and | constitutionality of the Conscription Acts, and the set turpentine for burning, which will be rolled in soaked | abolishing the exemption of persons who had furnished balls, and given to the man to burn when we get in the substitutes. All the judges concurred. Cleming, to his mother, Rachel Holling. The negroral pendence of our conutry-a daty we owe to the memory city. Torpedoes will only be used by the pioneers for News was received to-day of the capture of two Yankes

one must be allowed to pass ahead for fear of commu-

follow on and rejoin the command at Richmond with all

hast e, and, if cut off, cross the river and rejoin us As

PROGRAMME OF THE ROUTE AND WORK.

ead pencil, which appears to be a private memoran-

Saturday. Leave camp at dark, (6 P. M.) Cross

20 miles-Cross North Anna at 4 A. M., Sunday-

3 miles-Frederick's Hall Station, 6 A. M .- desiroy

20 miles-Near James river, 2 P. M., Sunday-feed

30 miles to Richmond-March towards Kilpatrick

One coundron remains on north side, and one squad-

Childsburg-14 miles-8 A. M.

Ely's Ford at 10 P. M.

ly all their encounters with the enemy this spring they and the Progress further assures its friends at a dis have demonstrated their superiority. The enemy dread | tance that, should the Legislature be convened, it will the encounter with the veterans of LEE, JOHNETON or be with no view to secede from the Confederacy. BEAUREGARD. At home, too, in North Carolina, at Well, we shall see what we shall see, and the old least we have reason to believe that a wholesome reac- proverb says that seeing is believing. At any rate, ball." v tion has taken place, and that the people stand firmer we trust we will be excused if we respectfully suggest

and are animated by a better and more hopeful spirit to our friends that it can do no harm for them to exerthan for months past. We think they are gradually cise a little caution before committing themselves as freeing themselves from the delusions spread before the partisens of this man or that man for Governor, or them by those whose business it has been to bring the for any other position. It would be the part of wis-Confederate cause into odium and contempt, and as dom to await fuller developments-to be assured of the these delusions pass away, the influence of the deluders ground whereon they stund. It is possible, and appapasses away with them. But much of evil yet remains | rently probable, that any partizanship, or even support to be combatted, and the internal foces of our peace yet from "destructives " or " secessionists," might be anyrequire to be met as carnestly as the external foes of thing else than acceptable to those who have equally the Confederacy. The weapons to be used are diffe- spurned all idea of compromise, etc., etc. rent, but the objects to be accomplished are the same. The Confederate cause is at stake in both cases, arising between us and the Foyetteville Observer, in though the danger is not perhaps (qually apparent in regard to Gov. VANCE's address. We have not sought the one case as in the other. anything in that address to cavil at. At any rate, we

As in the case of the war which the United States like its general tone well enough to regret that it had is waging against the Confederacy, the latter party has only the option of defending itself, so in the political contest about to open in North Carolina the true Applying this rule to the state of affairs at Raleigh, friends and supporters of the Confederate cause, however much they may desire peace and harmony, however much they may deprecate contests and divisions' have no choice left them in the case. They must defend themselves and their cause. An agitation against both has already been commenced, or indeed we might say, has been going on all the time, but has become there had been a will strong enough to have cast aside more active as the period for holding the State elections the iron bands of prejudice, and disregarded the seducapproaches.

Opposed as we have been ever since the war commenced to engaging in any merely pariy struggles, we participated very reluctantly in their which arose over the election for Governor in 1862. We held back long, Governor VANCE's address preceded Mr. HOLDEN'S hoping that the thing might be avoided altogether .-But our hopes were destined to disappointment .--Colonel VANCE, brought out and advocated by the Standard on the most proscriptive party of making it, alone being doubtful. platform was pressed forward as a party candidate by that paper and its congeners, whilst a bitter warfare was carried on by all Col. Vance's triends against all over and consulted over before he left Raleigh. We do those whom they sneered at as the " seceshs " or stig- not say that these positions were "assumed or that this matized as "destructives," under which appellation they included four-fifths of the good citizens of the town of Wilmington, and a goodly number of worthy people elsewhere.

Now, whether Col. Vance went all these lengths or mot, of course we are not able to say, further than this, Not been sooner assumed openly, out of a too watchful never, to our knowledge, did anything to show

that he did not do so. But that is past, and let it be 'past. We allude to it now only for the purpose of stying, that if, as Govornor Vance's friends, or some of them, contend, injustice has been done that gentleman by holding him responsible for the course of the Standard, fect the public mind, and ought not to be expected to then it is to be regretted that Governor Vance had do so. not parened such a course as would have left no ground for doubt upon that point. The matter as it stands now, embarrasses his position, or at least it mitted to pass over this time without any agitation or embarrasses us and others who try to understand and excitement. We had not supported Gov. Vance besstimate that position.

elections. We think it right that every paper that in with us, the Governor would have been elected to a which was in ignorance of the dissolution. second term without opposition. We did not like the incumstances under which he had been brought o say that that course disappointed the fears of many who had honestly opposed his election, and that they were prepared, for the sake of peace and harmony to rece him re-elected, and even to support him for re-elec-ion. He had, upon the whole, made a good Governor and the "destructives" in a spirit of retriction mere and the spirit of retriction mere a o say that that course disappointed the fears of many ashore from the wrerk. ion. He had, upon the whole, made a good Governor and the seizure created considerable talk in will be well; but, on go acounts source will be batter and a door segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and a door segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be batter and so acount segge in a spirit of patricism, were will be action and course of the Yankees, a deven justified the action and course of the Yankees, a deven justified the action and course of the Yankees, a deven justified the action and course of the Yankees, a spire of the spirit methand the actual the "conservatives," the people who as into the departure of Maximillian have been assigned to duty a spire of the people, has taken a spire of the spirit of the people, has taken a spire of the spirit of the people, has taken a spirit of the spirit of the people, has taken a spirit of the spirit of the prose spirit of the spir

nd Shaliotte Rivers. We hardly know what " dear is to be hoped that dear Charity will eschew matrimony on the adamentine of her reputation. until she sees dear Simson, who is at present " down

> U & Steamer Montgomery of Wilmington N C

February 22nd 1864 My Dear Mother, Rachel Holing I am on this boat Brig. Gen Martin, at Wilmington. Also to the Wilming-you will see the name on the top. M. har. I am down ton Journal for publication, with a request that the Raleigh all I wish I had to staid where I was I would bin bater of now.

Give my love to Father James Cleming an to Charity ankfort an donnt you get married till I see you dear Charty, Bob Saunders and Elish Goss. This from dear Simson Cleming

Lookvill Polly Vilmington Please send this

week of two vessels having run the blockade of Charleston, are wholly without foundation

GOLD sold at auction in Richmond on the 7th st

23 to 24 for one. It will be lower before it is higher

other things, where those is a will there is a way. erate Congress from the 7th District, over Hon. Thos. upon men. That order saved the Government, last S. Ashe, died at his residence in Montgomery county, year, an amount of service and medicine that cannot people who read the Standard and Progress, which N. C., on the 2d instant, of typhoid fever. papers appeared to the world as the trusted organs of

For the Journal.

assuming to speak for him, were at a loss to see how A BAD BEGINNING. While the legislation of the late Congress is admirably the Governor, if he did not approve their course, could adapted to the improvement of our present wretched finangive it his tacit sanction. They will still thick that if cial condition, it will be of no avail in that direction unless well knew that their interest was thought of by their miles. it is faithfully enforced by those who are charged with its execution. It behooves every efficer and agent of the Goyernment, not only to assent to this legislatice, but to ex. ped more desertion than anything else. nibit in its execution the same spirit of determined patriottions of policy, there would have been found a way to ism that animated its authors - otherwise the law becomes | General for curtailing the jurlough privilege during the a dead letter, not worth the paper on which it is written. f the executive and administrative agents of the Govern As for the short time between the 22d of February ment will only evince as much " back-bone " in its rigid and the 3d March, a matter of ten days, by which enforcement as Congress did in its passage, we may confi- again. By so do e, many, yea, very many would be dently anticipate a vast improvement in our currency But what is the very first "sign of the times" on the card, that is really hardly worth dwelling upon, since, subject? Why, 'the State Commissioners have advanced of course, this movement of Mr. Holden's had for seen any published schedule of prices to this effect, bat be rather altim. g with many of us about our famiofficer who wishes to purchase the article of commis-es of anbaistence, will be compined of the for the with many of us about our fami-hes. It is very distressing to know the condition of and then ere is the Rapp hannock at night, (Tuesday the Missis-ippi river to Vicksburg, said to be intended to some time been regarded as certain, the precise moment who wishes to purchase the article of commis-ies of subsistence, will be convinced of the iset by being many of our tamities, and the chance so limited of night.) when they must be on the look out. rquired to pay \$2 25 per Ib. for bacon that one week ago

helping them. only cost him \$1 40. And he will be told that this We have not the least doubt however, that the main enormous advance is caused by the action of our State positions of Governor VANCE's speech bad been thought Commissioners, to whom has been assigned the task of in 1862, which had generally from twenty to thirty on regulating prices !" (Credat Judaus!) I presume that sich list, and af er General O.der No. 5, of Gen. Smith's, ther articles have also been advanced in p.ice. Now, I can understand why merchants add at least 3?F it reduced, and soon it was down to six or ten-seldom per cent. to their prices, b. cause it makes the purchasers over ; and through last summer and fall it was a rate speech was made mainly for political effect or personal pay their tax; but I can't for the life of me appreciate the thing to find more than four and five on such report, action of man, having grave puplic interests under their control, weakening the credit of the Gavernment by foster-ing the great avil against which Congress leveled its legis. Another good was done by these orders. popularity ,- we do not believe that they were, but we do say that, on the face of it, it would appear that the ing the great evil ugainst which Congress leveled its legis-lation-a redundant currency. As I understand the object speech had not been sooper made, the positions, although, of that legislation, it was intended to give greater value to men. We think a repetition of the same, if no more from Richmond up. no doubt in keeping with Gov. VANCE's views, had money and reduce the prices of the necessaries of hie. In inberal, would work admirably, what spirit has this legislation been met by our State Com. missioners ? I refer you to the foregoing facts for an au-

wer. I have no acquaintance with either of the Commissioners, and write in no carping spirit, but simply to call attention to what I cannot help regarding as a "bad be "aning" in i OBLIUS. ters of private knowledge are not now in question, since, like the laws of some of the Roman Emperors, which

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For the Journal. HEADQ'BE CO. K. SETH REG'T N. C. T.) Camp Burgwyb, March 5th, 1864.

At a callee meeting of Capt. Jno. T. Sykes Co. b. f6th N. So far as we are concerned, we had hoped that the "C. T., Private O. L. Jackson was called to the Chair, and | meu from Lt. Col. Robbins' command, succeeded in so far as we are concerned, we had hoped that the Sergts. T. W. Ellis and B. P. Stansell was requested to act as Secretaries; when the Chairman proceeded to appoint a committee of four, consisting of 1st Sergt. Ed. Barnes, Corp'is James R. Cameron and Nathan Wiggs, and Private David Winbon to draft resolutions in favor of enlisting in Thursday morning, the remaining officers having esthe cause of the South during the war, let it be long or caped the party surrendered-90 Yankees and 35 ne-

the acts of the so-called Convention faction in attempting that no reinforcements can come up on any cars. No to pervert the minds of those engaged if a patriotic struggle for all they hold most dear. Resolved. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to nicating news. Rejoin the command with all haste,

Brig. Gen Martin, at Wilmington. Also to the Wilming-ton Journal for publication, with a request that the Baleigh Confederale copy. B. E. DAVIS, Chairman. R. E. DAVIS, Chairman. D: H. WADE, | Secretaries.

J. J. BIZZEL

FORT FISHER, N. C., March 5th, 1864. a false alarm. MESSES. EDITORS :-- We wish to say a few words about turioughs. It is the intention of our commanders to grant all rightfal privileges to us that they can, without injury to the service, we have but little doubt. dum of the programme which Dahlgren had made to WE regret to learn that the reports current last Some mtn are of opinion that the more the men the enable him to keep his work clearly in mind : stronger they are; but not so in all cases. Now you take one hundred men and pat them in service, and tell them they can have no farloughs, then take as many more and place by their side, and tell them that they can feed and water-one hour. have one furlough for every twenty men for duty, and I will voteb that the last hundred will be worth one arts. 8 A. M. hundred and fifty of the former. I saw what effect MR. SAMUEL H. CHRISTIAN, elected to the Confed- Gen. Smith's order from Goldsboro', Jan. 1865, had and water 11/2 hours. for one hour, and then, as soon as dark, cross the river, be told. Then the circular from Maj. Gen. Whiting, reaching Richmond early in the morning, (Monday.) in June, worked like a charm. All are delighted to see the interest munifested for us by our gallant comron to cut the Railroad bridge at Falling Ureck, and

mancer. join at Richmond-83 miles. Much subsistence was seved, that would have otherwise been lost; the troops were contented, for they Pass river 5 A. M., (resistance) commander. The two things, I verily believe, stop-

Resistance at North Appa-3 miles. We do not surgosse any one found fault with our Railroad bridges at South Anna-26 miles-2 P M. Destroy bridges - Pass the South Anna and feed winter. It was right. But Spring has now come on, until after dark-then signal each other. Atter dark, and we think that he might open those same privileges able to make something ; without it they can make at daybreak.

RETURN-In Richmond during the day-feed and nothing. We maire to have the chance to get somewater men outside. thing for cur families' present use, for it is getting to Be over the Panaunkey at daybreak-feed and water,

be ready to cut. We will state one fact. We knew some companies

man you want-well acquainted with the James River

A GUIDE FURNISHED.

I send him to you mounted on my own private korse. We submit these remarks for what they are worth. You will have to furnish him a horse. Question him five minutes and you will find him the SOLDIERS.

man you want. Respectfully and traig yours, JOHN C. BABCCCK.

On the margin of the letter is written : "Hecrossed the Rapidan last night, and has late information.

TELEGRAPHIC Reports of the Press Association

Entered according to the Act of Congress, in the year 1863, by J. S. THRASHER, in the Clerk's Office of the District Court of the Confederate States for the Northern District of Georgia.

The Petersburg Express of to-day states that Suffolk has

FUNDING. SAVANNAH, March 7th, 1864.

The amount of Confederate actes funded here for the first five days was \$623,000, and the pressure continues.

FROM OUR ARMY AT DALTON. ATLANTA, March 7th, 1864

On Saturday morning Holmes' brigade of cavalry attack ed the Yankees, twelve miles beyond Binggold, and drove them from their position. The Yankees fied precipitately We lost one man killed and took seven prisoners. It has been well ascertained that the recent Yankee ad-General Cluster may follow me, be careful and not give vance was intended as a grand attack, and the enemy were much surprised to find Johnston in such force. No present The following is an exact copy of a paper written in signs of a movement on the part of the Yankces.

FROM MISSISSIPPI.

ATLANTA, GEO., March 7th, 18:4 A special dispatch to the Appeal, dated Macon, Miss. March 6th, says that the Yankees have all gone across the Big Black, having burnt nothing at Canton. They cap tured and carried off three officers of the Missimippi Ceatral Rafroad, and many negroes; destroyed provisions wherever found, and burned many portions of the railroad running from above to within a few miles of Canton.

FROM CHARLESTON.

CHABLESTON, March 7, 1864. The enemy continues to keep up a slow fire upon the ity. No signs of activity on Morris Island or other points The fleet is unchanged.

SHERWAN'S RETREAT.

General Kilpatrick-cross at 1 A. M. Sunday 10 | EMOPOLIS, ALA., March 7th, 1864. A dispatch from Con. Jackson dated Canton, Miss . M arch 2nd, says that the enemy's atmy, consisting of the 16th and 17th army corps, numbering between twenty-live and thirty thousand infantry and fifteen hundred cavalry. left Canton that morning. after remaining three days Sherman reached there on the 28th ult., and remained siz move down to Richmond, and be in front of the city son in command. He sent back nine couriers to McPher Lours, when he pushed on to Vicksburg, leaving McPher son on the 29th, to proceed to Vicksburg via Livingston and Brooksille

> A large number of empty transports had passed down take Sherman's army up the river.

Spics should be sent on Friday morning early, and The enemy destroyed the railroad eight miles below Can ton, and in the country through which they passed, burned Louses and destroyed and carried off provisions.

The following paper was enclosed in an envelope di- Over two hundred of the enemy were killed and captur rected to "Col. U. Daligrer, &c., at Gen. Kilpatrick's ed. Filty-five out of seventy negro cavalry were killed uese Headquarters, and marked "confidential." The letter yazoo Lity. Several small wagon trains were taken and destroyed. No railroad bridges were burned. Cypher dis patches captured from the enemy's courier report their Dear Colonel-At the last moment I have lound the transports going down the Yazoo river.

> CALL FOR A REPUBLICAN CONVENTION. CRANGE C. H., March 8th, 1864.

The Washington Chronicle, of the 3d inst., contains a call for a Republican National Union Convention to meet in Baltimore on June 7th, to nominate a candidate for Presi dent. All who are in favor of suppressing the reballion and the cause thereof, are invited to send delegates to the Convention. It says, editorially, it cannot be denied that great bitterness is showing itself in the ranks of the Ret abtican party, which threatened to ripen into something worse than a Presidential contest. It says that good faith domands that all who send delegates to the Baltimore Convention should stand by the nomination.

FROM RICHMOND-DECLINE IN TOBACCO, SUGAR &c.- CAPTURE OF STEAMERS. RICHMOND, March 8, 1864. At auction, to day, there was a further decline in man factured and smoking tobacco, and sugar, and other articles.

They did not allow descriters the same rights with good

THE LATE RAIL-YANKES COLONEL DAHL-GREN KILLED, AND NINETY PRISONERS AND TUISTY FIVE NEGROES TAKES-INPORTANT PAPERS, &c.

Lt. Pollard, commanding Co., H, of the 9th Virginis Regiment, aided by some Home Guards and a few penning Col. Dahlgren, on Wednesday night, about eleven o'clock. Dahlgran made a determined effort to force his way out and was killed, leading the charge .--

is not dated Col. DAHLGREN, &c., &c.;

fore, but looked torward to his re-election this year Now, for our own part we have no idea of compro- without opposition, as being in every way desirable mising any principle or abandoning any position by under the circumstances. The same marplot that made our support of any party or parties in the coming State the fuss the last time by precuring Mr. Vance to be run as a bitter and proscriptive party candidate, and may way aspires to give expression to public opinion thus made him odious to many who otherwise would should go this far at least. Thus, for instance, al- have liked him, now dissolves partnership and sets up Blough as between Gov. VANCE and Mr. HOLDEN we shop on his own hook. The remaining member of the should unhesitatingly support Governor VANCE, yet by firm of Vance & Holden, does business at the old stand. ploing so we would not be by any means committed to We prefer his goods as recently opened out, to those the approval of all that Governor VANCE has said or on exhibition by his recent partner through the coltione. We have no idea of any third candidate being unts of the Standard. But surely, Governor Vance that we will undoubtedly be able to achieve our indepertione. We have no idea of any third candidate being brought cut. Upon the whole we would prefer that no third candidate should be brought out. Had it rested sponsible for sels of his recent partner, by a public while the brutal foe remains on our soil.

a regard to political effect or personal popularity.

We speak now of what appears on the surface. Mat-

were placed out of the public reach, they could not ef-

THE Federal blockading steamer reported to have out; but he was elected by a large majori. sunk off the Cape Fear on Sanday morning last, has "y and was entitled to a fair trial. As we did been ascertained to be the Peterhoff. She went down sot like the circumstances under which he had been in thirty feet water, about seven miles south-south-west prought out, so neither could we approve of every cir. of Fort Fisher. Her smoke stack only was visible at cumstance of his efficial course ; still it is due to justice last accounts. Several articles of farniture have floated

ed the following resolutions, which was unanimously adopt Resolved 1st. That we the members of Co. K, do vnap: mously, willingly and cheerfully re enlist for the war, let

the time be long or short. Resolved 24, We have been soldiers thus far in defence of our bleeding cause, and we intend to be soldiers until we are laid beneath the sod or cut independence schieved. Resolved 3rd, If we are soldiers and little cared for by office seekers, such at are now in the field for sovernor of North Carolina, we loved our country and will stand in the defence of it, and we hope the soldiers of North Carolina raid : will not be influenced by any such a traitor. Rescioed 4th, We consider that we are in the defence of

while the brutal for remains on our soll. *Resolved 6th*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Headquarters of Brig. Gen. Martin, also a copy to be sent to the Wilmington Journal and the Raleigh Confederate, with the request that they will publish them. On motion, the meeting adjourned. O. L. JACKSON, Chairman. may go.

T. W. EDLIS, B. F. STANSBLL, Secretaries.

For the Journal.

Cavalry and Infantry.

MR. EDITOR : In speaking of these two branches of the

Several papers were found in the pockets of Duhlgren, copies of which are subjoined. ADDRESS TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN. The following address to the officers and men of the command, was written on a sheet of paper, having in

printed letters on the upper corner, "Headquarters Third Division Cavalry Corps, -----, 1864." A prison-

Officers and Men :

You have been select d from brigades and regiments

your names on the hearts of your countrymen in letters release the Union prisoners. that can never be erased, and which will cause the prayers of our fellow-soldiers now confine 1 in loath-

We hope to release the prisopers from Belle Island first, and, having seen them fairly started, we will cross the James river into Richmond, destroying the bridges after us, and exhorting the released prisoners to destroy and burn the hateful city, and do not allow the rebel leader Davis and his traitorous crew to escape. The prisoners must render great assistance, as you cannot

ARRIVAL OF FLAG OF TRUCE BOAT-CONFEDE-RATE PRISONERS-FROM THE UNITED STATES-ADVANCE IN GOLD.

RICHMOND, March 5th, 1864.

The flag of trece boat arrived at City Point last night, with 60 officers and 800 privates, brought up for exchange. er states that it was read out to the men engaged in the It is not yet known here what Commissioner Ould's decision will be. He proceeded to City Point this morning and will return to-morrow.

New York files to the 3d inst. inclusive have been reas a picked command to attempt a desperate under- ceived. The Herald says that Kilpatrick was moving on taking -on undertaking which, if successful, will write Richmond, with instructions to sack the rebel Capital and

A Washington telegram save that the unofficial corres pondence between Butler and Oald resulted in the declarasome prisons, to follow you and yours wherever you tion of exchange of all the prisoners delivered at City

Point to the 24th January. The Herald offers one hundred dollars reward for Lin. coln's joke about the present predicament of Sherman, and the same for his joke upon the Florida expedition.

Grant has been appointed Lieut. General, The New York Times editorially remarks that it is quite evident that a ministerial crisis in Esgland is imminent --Everybody is dissatisfied with the position of our foreign relations, and the public are becoming very restive. Gold closed in New York on the 2d, at 1604. The Yankee House of Representatives have ad inted a

Brig. Gen. W. H. F. Leo is expected from Fortress Monree by next flag of truce boat.

The capture of the steamers referred to yesterday, was accomplished by fourteen men of the 5th Virginia Cavalry. under Acting Master Bentley. They crossed the Chesapeake Bay in open bosts, proceeded to Christom, boarded the steamer and brought off a propeller, souttled a schooper, and captured 40 prisoners, destroying a quantity of

FROM CHARLESTON.

stores

CHARLESTON, March Stb. 1884. 31 shells were fired at the City to-day. No other news of intererest.

The amount of notes funded at the Assistant Treasury office in this City, for the past aix days is two miliion, one hundred thousand dollars.

FUNDING OF TREASURY NOTES.

MACON, GA., March 8th, 1864. Upwards of two and a half millions of treasury notes have been funded here in four per cent bonds. The peo-

ple are now funding at the rate of over half a million daily.

FROM DEMOPOLIS.

DEMOPOLIS, Ala., March 8th, 1864 Treasury notes funded during the past week amount to about three hundred thousand dollars.