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ADVANCE payment for subscriptions to the Journal can be made in five dellar bills up to the first of May to run till the first of July. After the first of May they will be taken only for what they are equivalent to in the new currency. We regret to be compelled to make this appouncement, but we are really compelled to do so. We cannot pay our hands with five dollar bills, nor liquidate any 'of the expenses of our estab lishment with them without submitting to the discount. and this we cannot afford.

In all transactions hereafter with this office, new currency, or its equivalent, will be required. April 26th, 1864.

MONEY is getting much less plenty-that is eviden We can see it all around. Anybody who takes the trouble to stop and think, must notice it.

Considering the heavy funding-the withdrawal one third of the unfunded money by taxation on the this summer, money is bound to be scarcer. The wonder to us is that this (fi ct has not made itself apparent to us sconer. Prices of some few things begin to show the effects of the reduction in the currency, and others ously. will follow eventually.

Of course, the currency, like all other interests, de pends greatly upon military success. If we have that, then the currency can hardly fail to appreciate rapidly. If we have not that to the extent we hope for, then of course the currency will either remain stationary or go We must endeavor to anticipate him and to strike backwards. We confess curselves unwilling to contemplate the consequences of absolute failure in the fild, for that would be to express a distrust of the fidelity and provess of our well-tried veterans, for which the experience of the past would afford neither justification nor excuse.

statements therein contained.

at length, which we suppose we will be enabled to do from the Corolinian and Observer we think it better

nals," as one of them, the Progress siys. Why do s not the Progress state these facts ? They are the facts, but they do not suit the game that is now on foot

The impression seems to have gone out that ins end of waiting GRANT's movements in Virginia, General LEE will himself take the initiative, and attack GRANT. or at least attack the "Yankee Army of the Potomac," for no one can tell for certain whether GRANT is with that army or with the Army of the Cumberland, or whether he intends that his first attack should be upon LEE or upon JOHNSTON-his first movement against Richmond or Atlanta.

It General LEE does assume the offensive, it will fend to a prompt solution of the doubt existing upon this subject, and compel GRANT to show his hand whether the cards suit him or not. It may be remarked that the papers of Atlanta lean strongly to the belief that

the first movement of the enemy is to be made in their direction, while on the other hand the Richmond papers appears to take it for granted that the first lead- get mixed up with the atmosphere of our good old ing move of the campaign will be a fresh "on to Richmond." Both may be nearly right. Both points are other things, including the five per cent tax to be paid threatened, and about equally. If GRANT is left to But that is doubtful, even should the comet come imchoose his own time and mode of procedure it is very mediately in contact with the earth. Some eminent likely that after having completed all his arrangements, but irreverent philosopher has asserted that that the he will move upon Richmond and Atlanta simultane- matter of which comets are made is so attenuated that

> an official organ, still seems very often to foreshadow events, holds the following language in its issue of of comet, or anything stronger between dark and bed-Saturday, the 23d instant :--"The main thing we have time. No fears of the comet, we fear.

to bear in mind is GRANT's peculiar tactics, his rapid accumulation of numbers, and his celerity of movoment. in connection with current rumors and impressions, may not be wholly without significance, which possibly the events of the present week may explain or dissinate.

THE report that General FORREST had been killed WE must hope that the brief telegraphic report of turns out to be erroneous. That intrepid commander GOVERDEL VANCE'S Speech at Fayetteville does not give "still lives" and has command of the whole line of the an adiquate idea of his remarks there-not that we Mobile and Ohio Railroad from the point to which our question its correctness as far as it goes, but we can- trains run, up to Cairo. He enforces the Confederate not but lean to the belief what a fuller report will conscription and impressment laws, and keeps the greatly medify or explain some of the positions and Yankees in Memphis and other points of West Tennessce still in their possession in a state of fear and

tage of good training under VAN DORN, who while ed in the "Home Guard," was set to guard the pub-

before support him now, with the exception of those in THE enemy in Tennesse is evidently drawing his Raleigh who have deserted, and are giving "false sig- forc s together rapidly with the view to early and formiduole operations in that quarter. One way or another he aims at Atlanta, less on account of the importance of the place itself than because of its peculiar

character as a great railroad centre, the possession of which would enable the enemy to interrupt our com . munication very seriously if not fat ally.

What we are doing out there we hardly know .-General JOHNSTON has the faculty of keeping his own counsel more perfectly perhaps than any other leader on either side. We trust that in the attention devoted to Virginia, Northern Georgia has not been forgotten .-Defeat there would be hardly less disastrons than would a similar event in front of Richmond.

The End of the War. Professor NEWMANGER says that next year a tremendous comet will come right up to the earth, and one or the other will come to grief. We will bet on

the earth, but we won't insure the inhabitants, for the gas of which the comet is said to be composed, may globe, making a compound capable of stifling all its in. habitants. That, we venture to say, will end the war. a forgery.

the largest of them, tail and all, might be squeezed in-We notice that the Richmond Sentinel, which, if not to a quart pot. Now what is a quart among one ?-We can find plenty of people who will consume a quart

SUMMER appears to have come along butt-end foremost. Spring, the gentle morning twilight of the first, if possible." Such language at this time, taken year, seems to have been forgotten in 1864. We bound from shivering to scortching, from freezing to perspiring.

> Yesterday the therm meter was between 80 and 90, s'anding at 81 at 5 o'clock, p. m.

"SNOCKS" dou't see what the papers mean by making so much fuss about " the girls of '76," or '78 either, for that matter. Snooks would orefer a smaller figure before the 6 or 8. He is not historical but practi cal. Upon this point he is obstingte in his preference for the new issue. A singular person.

A HORSE! A HORSE !- MY KINGDOM FOR A HORSE !- The " boys," especially those who had been The Corelinian of Saturday brings a report, proba- trembling. Forness enjoys the unbounded confidence at the Theatre on Saturday night, had, not long after. bly abreviated, of a portion of his remarks, which re- of the people in all that country. He is the cavairy a good joke on Mr. BATES, the talented young actor port is to be continued. Until we can get the report man out West, not excepting either MORGAN or who took the part of Richard III, on that occasion .-WHERLER. He is a natural soldier, with the advan- Next evening Mr. BATES, along with all others includ-



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ANKEE DEFEAT IN LOUISIANA\_FROM EUROPE, &C., &C.

RICHMOND, VA., April 23d, 1864. Letters in the Chicage Evening Journal, dated Ecore, April 10, say that the Federal cavalry met a serious reverse at Pleasant Hill, DeSoto Parish, La., with a loss of over

wo thousand men in killed, wounded and mis ing. Gen. Bansem, commanding the Federals, was among the wounded. The Peers delivered a judgment adverse to the crown in

the Alexandra case, and dismi-sed the appeal from the judgment of the Courts. Garibaldi was enthusiastically welcom d on his arrival

at Southampton. Starfield, implicated in the Mazzini conspiracy against

Napoleon, has resigned. In the House of Lords, Earl Russell incidentally referred

to the spurious report of Secretary Mallory, and intinated that he was originally led by Seward to accept the report as gennine ; but, said the Earl, Seward states that having made further inquiries, he finds it to have been altogether

The Courts of London, Rome, Vienna, Barlin, St. Pateraburg, Spain and France, have agreed to recognize the Emperor of Mexico on his accessionto the throne.

Lincoln, in a speech at the Sanitary Fair, Baltimore, re ferred to the massacre at Fort Pillow, and said that if i was confirmed, he would take retaliatory steps.

ARRIVAL OF FLAG OF TRUCE BOAT.

PETERSBURG, April 24th, 1964. A flig of truce boat from Butler communicated with the within the limits of his Department. French Steamer at City Point to-day, and tarried but ten

minutes. She brought no prisoners. A French courier mond. There is great anxiety here to learn the particulars. to the field

NEWS FROM THE UNITED STATES. DALTON, Ga., April 23d, 1864. Northern dates of the 21st inst. have been received. NEW YORK, April 20. - New Orleans papers of the 16th. say that Fanks' headquarters is at Nachitoches. The

rivers.

Gold 1672

TRANSPORTS, &c.

rebels are burning all the colton on the Red and Anachita In a skirmish with the retel cavalry, near Shreveport ve had some wounded Another slight skirmish occurred near Nachitoches on Wednesday, without results.

CHICAGO, April 20 .- The Journal says that on the day after the disaster to the 13th army corps, Gen. Carse en-

gaged and defeated the enemy, capturing two thousand prisoners and twenty canzon. CAIRO, April 20.-The guetillas along the river declare

he district of Cairo, Padacah and Colambus.

At New York on the 20 h, Cotton was firmer and higher.

FROM DALTON.

The enemy's cavalry captured 24 of our cavalry near

Spring Piace, and killed the Lieutenant in command, on

yesterday. Wheeler, hearing of it, ordered Colonel Ross

to make a dash in their pickets on front of Tunnel Hill, at

daylight this morning, which resulted in the capture of

twenty one men and thirty horses, and the killing of fifteen

men. The enemy are reported qui'e'active at Cleveland.

FROM THE SOUTHWEST\_BANKS RETREATING AND

PURSUED BY TAYLOR -CAPTURE OF YANKEE

Western dispatches report Banks retreating on Natchez.

The Federal transports coming out Red River, with

Fourteen gunboats are aground above Red River Falls.

A ci-patch from Brig. Gen. Wirt Adams, da'ad Yazoo

City, April 22d, says that a section of artillery, and a de.

tachment of sharshooters, Col. Griffish, attacked and cap-

near the shore, driving the men from their guns and fically

Another despatch dated Canton, April 22d, says that

Taylor has captured seven thousand prisoners, four hun-

dred wagons and nineteen pieces of artillery in Louisiana.

Forrest at Fort Pillow, and Cols. Ives and Jackson near

THE FLAG OF TRUCE BOAT AT CITY POINT-THE

FRENCH VESSELS LEFT WITHOUT TOBACCO.

Butler's flag of truce boat arrived at City Point yester-

day afternoon. Butler, in a communication to the com-

manding officer at Uity Point, says : The limit of the time

having arrived which was fixed by the Convention between

the representatives of the Emperor of France and the Uni-

ted States for shipping tobacco at City Point, I have sent

The French steamers left during the afternoon. No to-

THE ENEMY BACKING OUT.

The enemy's cavalry on yesterday, made a feeble de-

Two hurdred and twelve Federal prisoners, captured by

wourded men, are reported to have been captured.

KEES IN LOUISIANA BY GEN. TAYLOR.

were killed. Our casualties were small.

Florence, were brought here to-day.

bacco was sent down.

DALTON, April 234, 1844

MCBILE, April 23d, 1864.

DEMOPOLIS, April 23, 1864.

RICHMOND, April 25th, 1864.

that they will not allow Northern men to work the abandoned plantations. They recently made a raid on the plantations at Tensas, La, capturing a large number of ne-

groes and mules, and killing Mr. Rollison-mardering all after making them dig their own graves. CINCINNATI, April 20 .- A Cattleburg (Kentucky) dis-

been transferred to Washington City. All the Eutlers, 2800 in number, have left the army. Grant has established his headquarters in the field.

Deserters from Gen. Lee's army report his whole force t .000 men. Reinforcements a: e constantly arriving. Additional Yankee accounts from Red River, (not deemed reliable) claim a decided victory over Kirby Em'th's serters at Kinston. We make the following exforces in the battle at Pleasant Hill. Among the rebels | tracts :

killed were Gens. Monton and Parsors. The New York World says that Chase has sold all his surplus gold, and it is evident he will be compelled before. and dressed out in the Yankee toggery, twenty two the year is out to buy gold to pay the interest of the pub- men, who were recognized and proved to be deserters

lic debt. Gold closed on the 22d inst. at 175.

European news is unimportant. adjusted.

Maximillian was to sail on the 13th inst

Information has been received from the Pepinsula of the landing of a large number of troops at Yorktown from ocean steamers. It is reported that the Legro regiments stationed there had become demoralized and sent away.

FROM THE UNITED STATES\_THE CONFEDERATE STEAMER, FLORIDA AT REMEDIOS\_SAILING OF A FLEET FROM NEW YORK \_\_\_\_\_FROM EUROPE, kees compelled them to take the oath and enlist. These đc., &c.

RICHMOND, April 26th, 1864. Baltimore papers of the 22nd instant, furnish additional news.

Letters from Havanna mention the arrival of the Corfederate Steamer Florida at Remedios, Cuba, on the 11th .-Several Union gunboats have gone over to take her.

A fleet of War Steamers went to sea from New York on Wednesday. The first will touch at Hampton Roads it is said, their orders not to be opened until their departure from that posit.

or have control of all military movements having their base of time to devote to their religious instruction before

The Governor of New York has determined to call the were Amos Armyett. William Irving, Mitchel Busick, State militia regiments to do daty in the forts around New Lowis Bryan and John Stanley-all deserters from came immediately to Petersburg and hastened to Rich. York to allow the forces stationed there to be transferred Nethercutt's Battalion, and from Jones county. Upon

roe, in a special steamer.

In the House of Commons on the 8th, Mr. Layard said the Government was taking measures to investigate the as I don't admit a man's lips as a test of his christianialleged hidnepping of Irish emigrants in the service of the iy, I taught them only as sinners against God of the Federal arm7.

A large Company has been formed in England with a capital of one million of dollars, to purchase steamers to run the blockade bringing out cotton.

The Emperor of Au tria has allowed the formation of a corps of six the usand volunteers for the Emperor of Mexi-

The steamer Matilda, Fullt at Glasgow for the Confederates, and bound from Card ff-for a rebel port, laden with iron and steel, has been totally wrecked on Lundy Island. It is reported that the case of the Pampero has been settled, the owners consenting to a verdict for the crown. with the nominal forfeiture of the vessel.

A great part of the city of Domarara has been degtroy ed by fire. The loss is two to three millions of dollars.

The Supreme Court of Appeals has granted a new trial ta Forde, convicted of the murder of Dixon, former clerk

THE DESERTERS HUNG AT RINATON, N. C.

We find in the North Carolina Presbyterian a long letter from the Rev John Parris, Chaplain of the 54th Regiment N. C. Troops, giving a detailed account of the capture, conviction and hanging of twenty-two de.

"In our late campaign against Newbern, we captured in the ranks of the enemy, with arms in their hands, from the Confederate service. They have all been tried by court martial, found guilty, condemned and suffered the pena'ty of death upon the gallows. They were all All difficulties relative to the Mexican crown has been turned over to our brigade for execution, At the instance of Brig. Gen. Hoke, I attended them in confice. ment, in the character of a minister of the gospel, and accompanied them to the gallows. Thus I learned their history and Leard their confessions. On Friday, the 5th instant, Jos. L. Haskett and David Jones, of Cra. ven county, deserted from the 10th Begiment, were exeented

> They were illiterate men ; neither of them could read. Admitted they had deserted, but insisted that the Yanwere the most unfeeling and hardened men I have ever encountered. They had been raised up in ignorance and vice. They manifested but little if any concern about eternity. They marched to the gallows with apparent indifference. Jones, though quite a young man, never shed a tear. By deserting the flag of their country they were guilty of perjury, but they seemed to regard it with ind fference. With this state of feeling they were launched into eternity.

" On Friday, the 12th, five more of the prisoners were brought to the scoffold. As all of these executions had to take place within twenty four hours after Butler demands to be relieved from his present position, the publication of their sentence, I had only that sp ce hey went to the bar of God. The names of these men entering the cell in which they were confided, I asked Burnside left Washington on the 21 t for Fortress Mon- it any of them were members of the church ?- Armyett replied that he was, and had been a Methodist for years. that he was prepared to meet his Judge in peace. But most heaven delying character. I urged upon them the importance of making a full and complete confession of all their sins, before both God and man ; yet 1 am afraid these men were willing to look the great an of perjury of which they were guilty, fully in the face .---Yet each one, before starting to the gallows, profess d to have made his peace with his God, and two of them were baptised in the Christian faith. I suggested to them that they owed to their fellow men one duty, viz : that they should give to me the names of the men wen had seduced them to desert and go to the enemy. This they readily assented to, and gave me the names of five citizens of Jones county, as the authors of their ram. isgrace and death, which names I took down in writing and harded it into the General's office, and they will no doubt be properly attended to. At the gallows. Armvett, who was the eldest of the five, made, as chief speaker, the following confession, written down as

to absta in from any extended comment.

So far we confers that the impression made is not a pleasant one. Less pleasant certainly than that made by his Wilkesboro' speech, although even in that there write passages which in our opinion, had better been omitted. It this sett ment we know that we are by no meass subjutar.

address porcions of the troops stationed in this vicinity or at the forts, and, we presume, may be expected to visit Wilmington, in which case all here may enjoy the opportunity of hearing and julging for themselves .-The Governor is a very entertaining public speaker, will be a general desire to hear him, even with those who may differ from many of the positions he may astume, or the remarks he may indulge in.

### "I. Bu is on the Winpper," &c.

Which is the geruine, simen pure "Conservatism ?" Which has "I Bata's on the wrapper" without which we used to be informed by the venders of a certain munck muddine that there is none genuine? Is Hot-DEN's the true gorp 1 of new light "Conservatism ?" Is the Standard its Koran and the Progress its forerun-V net, or does Governor VANCE hold the patent-right, and yead the only unadulterated article? Who is authoriz d to stamp '1. Buil's" on the wrapper ?

These shem to be the great and absorbing questions with the Holdwite and Vanceite organs at Raleigh. After all, the cruntry at large or the State in particular seems to be matters of minor importance. The ap peals on neither side appear to embrace the people as a our eyes and cur cars open.

We didn't want this thing. We don't want it now; but the " Conservative " leaders, the heads of the firm of HOLDEN, WANCE & Co, have quarrelled and dissolved, and each set up shop, reminding us somewhat of the advertising squabble bace had over Sarsaparilla by " Old Dr. Jacob To ensend " and " S. P. Townsend ;" · - by the way S. I'. Townsend called it " Sasfrillay." They both sold "Townsend's Sarsaparilla," and both claimed to be the only genuine, though between ourselves that could make little d flerence to the buyer, for they both vended mighty poor stuff, only made to sell. Now as to the genuinentes of the Sarsaparilla-we mean " Conservatism " in this State-we are unable to decide. Real Conservation we think we know somelike it and believe in it, but these partizan, electioneering decoctions, made to vend to the people for personal care which is the original. We therefore take no part in the major controversy between the organs of Mr-HOLDEN and Governor VANCE about the genuineness controversy, so far as these organs appear to be con- foundation. cerned, has a very distant reference to the interests of

the people and the Confederacy. In that we profess

ure in the command of infantry, etc., at Corinth. For-REST is notoriously averse to taking prisoners; and more so now than ever. We have heard recently that this aversion has been much strengthened by the fact of his having paroled a number of prisoners sometime this spring, and finding nearly all of them fighting against

Governo: VANCE, as we notice, has been invited to him in two or three weeks without any exchange. He thinks that dead men tell no tales and violate no paroles. Perhaps he is right.

SOLDIERS will have their fun. The joke of telling a civilian to "come out" of a stove-pipe hat is rather and can be pa 'crowd in crested and amused perhaps ancient. It is no longer a novelty to denominate said as well as any man in or out of the State, so that there article of head-gear a " bee gum," but on Sunday afternoon we were witness to an original passage of wit between some members of a Cavalry Company and a equad of Ye Home Guard. "Jack" said a " man on horseback," " look at the new issues," meaning thereby to indicate the invincible Home Guards "No

discount on them," said a member of the Guard. The commanding efficer of the Cavalry gave an order and the troop moved off, thus ending the colloquy. The "new issues" has become quite a current phrase.

# Superior Court.

The superior Court for this county commenced its sessions here Monday, His Honer, Judge FRENCH, presiding.

There. are some capital cases likely to come before the Court this week, of the result of which due notice tion. will be given.

THE papers generally have been republishing from the Mobile Tribune, and commenting upon a corres whole, but are directed to the "Conservative party," pondence purporting to have passed between Lord Rus The thing begins to work, and we shall see what we SELL and LYONS on the one hand, and Mr. HARRISON, shall s e, and hear what we shall hear, if we only keep | President Davis' private Secretary, on the other, on the subject of the building of war vessels for the Confederacy in British ports,

> We rather suspected the genuiness of this affair, and kept clear of publishing it, especially as the first communication of the series was dated on the first of April, and we had a slight hint on the subject. There were also some queer circumstances that made us cautious. We wondered how such a thing should happen to come to light first away down in Mobile. Besides certain expressions struck us as not quite the thing. We see that one of the Augusta papers "smells a mice," and expresses the opinion that it is a pretty

well gotten up hoax. We rather think our Augusta co-temporary is right. It is harmless, we think ; at least we see no harm that it can do. If the corresthing about, and we are under the impression that we pondence is genuine, the part of it attributed to Mr. DAVIS, though signed " BURTON N. HARRISON, Private Secretary," is very different from the calm and or party purpests we don't think so much of, and don't dignified tone which has characterized all the previous productions of our distinguished Chief Magistrate.

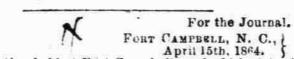
RUMOURS of the enemy landing at Topsail or any other point in this vicinity, which got afloat during the of their respective party " Conservatism." The minor last day or two seem to have been altogether without

> It rained pretty smartly Sunday afternoon, but on Monday morning the sky was clear and the air refresh ing. The roads in Virginia are said to be in fine order.

living, was said to be the most dashing and successful lic property, it falling to his lot to mount guard at the cavalry efficer in the country, notwithstanding his fail- Confederate stables, whereupon some one suggested that Richard might find a horse, or a muel, if he preferred that sort of steed. Mr. BATES said neigh !

> THE "Age" for March reached us yesterday. It is an excellent number, and contains not a single upreadable article nor one that is not worthy of being

The Age is a monthly Eclectic Magazire, published in Richmond, Va., at \$10 for six months, \$2 per single number.



At a meeting held at Fort Campbell on the 14th of April, 1864, by the soldiers of this Garrison, Capt. Jno. C. Rob ertson was appointed Chairman, and Lieut. Jno. L. Pool, Secretary

The object of the meeting being explained by the Chair man, the following named men : Capt. W. F. Brooke, Sergeants R. R. Millikin, H. C. Bullock, H. C. Averitt, were appointed to draft resolutions. The committee baying retired for a short time, reported through their Chairman the following resolution :

Resolved. That the course pursued by His Excellency Gov. Z' B. Vance during the hostilities now existing between the United and Confederate States, has e icited our and Gen. Taylor pursuing him. approval and admiration, and that our thanks and the thanks of all North Carolina soldiers are due him for his untiring efforts in their behalf, while absent from their homes and fire-ides in defence of their country's rights. Resolved. That the Chairman of this meeting be directed to write Goy. Vance to address the soldiers of this command at this place, at such time as he may think proper. Resolved, That the Chairman furnish a copy of the foregoing resolutions to Gov. Vance and solicit his acceptence. Also, that a copy be inruished the Fayetteville Observer, Wilmington Journal and Baleigh Confederate for publica-

On motion, the meeting adjoured. JOHN C. ROBEBTSON, Chairman. J. L. POOL -Secretary.

For the Journal. At a meeting of a portion of the citizens of Columbus county, held in the Court House in Whiteville, on Satur-

tured on that day a gon toat near that place while lying day, the 23d inst., for the purpose of inviting Gov. Vance to address the citizeus of said county, On motion, Col. F. George was called to the Chair, and the crew from the boat. He removed her fine armament T. M. Smith requested to act as Secretary. On motion, Capt. W. J. Stanly, Col. W.-M. Baldwin and of eight twenty four pounders and the most valuable W. T. Frink, Esq., were appointed to draft re-olutions for the action of the meeting, who reported through their tain and pilot were taken prisoners. A number of the crew

Chairman the following : WHEREAS. In times like the present, we deem it the right of the people to meet and consult for the public good : therefore

Resolved, That we heartily enderse the course of our able and patriotic Governor Z. B. Vance, and do therefore tender him an invitation to address the 'citizens of Columbus county at the Court House in Whiteville, at such time as may suit the chairman ; and that the chairman be authorized to appoint a committee of three to carry out the foregoing resolution. On motion, adopted.

Whereupon the chairman appointed the same committee to confer with the Governor. Ordered to be published in the Wilmington Journal. Fay

etteville Observer and Raleigh Confederate, requested to

On motion the meeting adjourned,

F. GEORGE, Chairman. T. M. SMITH, Sec'y,

#### Tribute of Respect.

CAMP Co. A, 40TH N. C. TROOPS, } Fort Hoimes, N. C., April 20, 1864. Col. Payse, of me staff, for the single purpose of delivering despatches for the commanding officers of the French At a meeting of the members of Co. A, 40th N. C. T., occasioned by the death of our fellow-soldier, W. J. Howvessels. ard, who died in camp on the 11th day of April, 1864, on motion, Sergt. Jas. A. Hines was called to the chair, and Private J. W. Tucker requested to act as secretary ; after which Cop. W. H. Brown, and Frivates A. D. Hill and R N. Wigston were appointed as a committee to draft reso lutions, who reported the following, which were unanimously adopted :

WHEBBAS, it has been the will of God, in His Alwise Providence, to remove from our midst our loved and honmonstration in front of Ely's and Germani Fords, as if inored fellow-soldier, Wm. J. Howard, and we humbly bow | tending to cross, but quickly wheeled about and returned Bis will in so doing. Therefore,

atch of April 19th, says that Capt. Patrick has arrived of the House of Representatives. there with one hundred prisoners captured at Paintsville. Gen. Wessels and the other officers captured at Plymonth Hodge's rebel brigade attacked our forces at Paintville on arrived at Libby prison to-day. Tuesday, but were repulsed. Col. Gillespie pursued them

and surprised them at Half Mountain, capturing seventy prisoners and property, together with their wagon train .-TANOOGA. Maj. Johnson, and Col. Clay are among the prisoners. DALTON, Ga., April 2 th, 1864. Brig. Gen. Prince has been ordered to the Command of

It is carrently reported that Gen. Grant has arrived at hattanooga and taken command of the Army of the Cumberland.

Davis' division is reported at Lafayette. The enemy are reported to have moved back towards Cleveland from Red Clay.

# At Fort Pillow.

You shudder as you think upon The carcage of the grim report-The desolation when we won The inner trenches of the fort.

But there are deeds you may not know That scourge the pulses into strile : Dark memories of deathless wee Pointing the bay net and knife.

The house is ashes, where I dwelt Beyond the mighty inland sea ; The tombstones shattered where I knelt By that old thurch in Fonte Coupee.

The Yankee fiends that come with fi.e., Camped on the consecrated acd. And trampled in the dust and mire The Holy Eucharist of God !

The spot where darling mother sleeps, Ben ath the glimpse of you sad moon, Is cruched with spintered marble heaps To stall the horse of some dragoon !

God ! when I ponder that black day, It makes my trantic spirit wince-I marched-with Longstreet-far away, .But have beheld the ravage since.

The tears are hot upon my face When thinking what bleak fate befell The only sister of our race-A thing too horrible to tell.

They say that, ere her senses fled. She rescue of her brothers cried ; Then feebiy bowed her stricken head, Too pure to live thus-so she died.

Two of those brothers heard no plea. With their proud hearts forever still-John shrouded by the Tennessee And Arthur there at Malvern Hill.

But I have heard it everywhere Vibrating like a passing koell ; 'Tis as perpetual as the air And solema as a funeral bell.

By scorched lagoon and murky swamp hiv wrath was never in the lurch : I've killed the picket in his camp And many a pilot on his perch.

With deadly r fle, sharpened brand, A week ago, upon my steed, With For/est and his warrior band I made the hell-hounds writhe and bleed.

You should have seen our leader go Upon the battle's burning marge, S ocping like falcon on the foe, Heading the grey line's iron charge !

All ou'casts from our ruined morts, We heard th' undying serpent hiss, And in the desert of onr hearts The tatal spell of Nemesis.

The Southern yell rang loud and high The moment that we thundered in, Smiting the demots hip and thigh

delivered :

"I believe my peace is made with God. I did wrong in volunteering after I got to Newbern. I would rather have laid in juil all my life than have done it. FROM DALTON-GEN. GRANT REPORTED AT CHAT. I have rendered prayer unto God to forgive my sin. I trust in him, and in him only." (The prisoners said we all feel the same way )

Mitchell Basick said: "I went to Newbern and they (the Yankees) told me if I did not go into their service, I should be taken through the lines and shot. In this way I was frightened into it." They all declared ; "We wich a statement made to the N. C. Troops that we have done wrong and regret it; and warn others not to follow our example."

For the Journal. do "On Monday, the 15th inst, thirteen more marched to the gallows. I made my first visit to them as chapin on Sunday morning. The scene beggars all de scription. Some of them were comparatively young men. But they had made the fatal mistake. They had only twenty-four hours to live, and but little preparation had been made for death. Here was a wile to say farewell to a husband forever. Liere a mother to take the last look at her ruined son ; and then a sister who had come to embrace for the last time the brother who had brought disgrace upon the very name she bore, by his treason to his country. I told them they had sinned against their country and that country would not forgive ; but they had also sinned against God, yet God would forgive, if they approached him with peniteut hearts, filled with a godly sorrow for sia, and repose their trust in the atoning blood of Christ. They gave, apparently, marked attention to my ministration of the word and of prayer. On the next morning before they were carried to the scatfold, I visited them again, and had with me as companions Rev. Mr. Thompson chaplain of the 43d, Rev. Mr. Schenck, of Guilford county, Rev. Mr. Hines, Missionary to Brigade, and Rev. R. R. Michaux, N. C. Conference. After read ing a chapter and prayer, I administered the ordinance of christian baptism to eight of these poor condemned wretches, after the manner the Paul and Silas administered it to the Jailor and his household in the prison at midnight in Philippi. They had received no religions visit from any one except the one from myself the preceding morning, and one- in the alternoon, at my request, from Rev. Mr. Thompson. I administered baptism at the request made on the morning before.

> The thirteen marched to the gallows with apparent resignation. Some of them I hope were prepared for their doom. Others I fear not. On the scaffold they were all arranged in one row. At a given signal the trap fell, and they were in eternity in a few moments. The scene was truly appalling. But it was as truly the deserter's doom. Many of them said I never expected to come to such an end as this. But yet they were deserters, and as such they ought to have expect ed such a doom. The names of these misgaided min were, John I. Brock, Wm. Haddock, Jesse Summerlin, A. I. Brittain, Wm. Jones, Lewis Freeman, Calvin Huffman, Stephen Jones, Joseph Brock, Lewis Taylor, Charles Cuthrell, W. C. Daughtry and John Freeman. Ten of them were deserters from Nathercutt's battalion.

On yesterday, the 22d, William I Hill and Ellinh Kellum were carried to the gallows and hanged as deserters. Kellum was quite a young man, unable to read, but guilty of the dreadful crime according to his own showing. He professed to die in peace, and received the ordinance of baptism before death. The other looked very much like an impenitent man, and died leaving a wife and three helpless children to bear the disgrace of its heavy crime unto the third and fourth generation.

REMARKABLE PROPRECY .- Rev. Mr. Hall; in course of a recent lecture before the Young Men's Christian as sociation in Richmond,on the subject of "The H s-

toric Significance of the present revolution," related

the following incident in the life of Daniel Wedster,

In 1850. Mr. Webster, in the course of a conversa-

sation with some gentlemen of Maryland remarked,

"A terrible crisis is at hand, Tae mass of the Northern

people have been educated in anti-slavery doctrines and

are thoroughly abolitionist in sectiment. They will

demand of the South that their coctrine of abolitionism

be accepted by them. I urge, you gentlemen of the

South, to go among your people, and beg them to ac-

cede to this demand on the part of the North. They

are resolved on it, and, unless the South yield, the

country is rained." The reply was, that when the de-

mand was made, the sword would be drawn and the

which is worthy of regard :

issue decided with that.

Official news has been received that a gunboat was captured on the Yazoo River, carrying sight 24 pounder guns. The stores were removed and the boat burnt. DESTRUCTION OF A YANKEE GUNBOAT AND CAP TURE OF HER ARMAMENT-CAPTURE OF YAN.

having an interest. But we commenced this paragraph by saying that we didn't want this squabble, but since the " Conservative " leaders will have it among themselves, we do not expect it to end without bringing will probably be seen, and "when seen make a note of."

now, we have no great inclination to go far out of our those who had furnished substitutes. way to do or say anything bearing upon a canvass in which we feel that we are perfect outsiders. We, and thousan's fel others, will think it best to rest upon our oars for a while and trust to Providence. At any rate, we feel no disposition to put our faith in politicians, or to risk the personal pulchritude of our only bat by pro jecting it into the air in honor of either of the "Conservative" candidates, until they can settle between them entitled to have "I. Butts" on the wrapper.

Raleigh Co-federate, Wilmington Journal, Fayetteville Obse ver and Unid-boro' State Jou nal either suppapers not of its peculiar party conservative stripe supporting Governor VANCE, it forgets to say anything and cutside of Ralliga we know of no Holden paper. our front as the next battle field. The "Uonservative" papers a. Hillsboro', Greensboro' and Salisbury, support VANCE now as they did two fore. All the papers that supported Governor VANCE lina.

Mr. ALEXANDER RIDINGS, of Forsythe County, N. some things to light, which, when looked at carefully. C., committed suicide on the 14th instant by hanging himself. He leaves a wife and eight children. Cause, We confess that as things appear to be working fear of being made to enter the service. He was one of

## Deserved Promotion.

Our readers will be gratified to learn that Brigadier-General Hoxe, the gallant leader of our forces at Ply. month, has been promoted to the rank of Major-General commission to date from the capture of that place.

THE MERCURY .- We have received the first number of the Mercury, a weekly literary paper, the publicaand their respective trands which is genuine-which is tion of which has just been resumed at Raleigh by WM. B. SMITH, Esq. The Mercury was formerly tops together when the seed is not ripe. I believe with

The Raleigh P cores harps upon the fact that the entered the army. It is an eight page paper, well-filled. and as well printed as any paper can be in these times. Handsome illustrations are promised and will no doubt port Governor VANCE or favor his election in prefer. be given in due time. The cut in the present number ence to Mr. HOLDEN. While harping upon three cannot, of course, be taken as any fair specimen of ed with care, a corresponding improvement will be what will be done. Price \$10 for six months.

A letter from Dalton, of the 20th, savs : "I am o about the great mije ity of the undoubted papers of the opinion that something is on foot. The deck is that stripe who supported him before and who support cleared. We have probably had the lest review of the him now. We get most of the papers in the State, army this Spring. The indications seem to point to broom corn in my cane to trouble me.

Resolved, That a more consistent soldier has seldom died in the service of the Confederate States, and that the Company has lost one of its most noble and patriotic member-; and though not publicly known, he was loved by his friends, and admired by all who knew him for his many virtues. He was modest and nuchtrusive, possess ng the kindness of thought and delicacy of feeling which charac. terize the noblest spirits of earth.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathies to with camp equipage. On the 18th eleven boats carrying his bereaved family and friends, and especially to the part-ner of his life, with the reflection that his soul he trusted the Federal wounded, passed Bonnet Carrie. Banks was to his God "who doeth all things well." Confident in his at Fort DeRussey, calling for reinforcements. Taylor foltrust, his spark of life was breathed out as sweetly as in the lowed Baaks from Mansfield. Reinforcements were going

quiet repose of a peaceful slumber. Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded from New Orieans to Baton Rouge. Banks had reached Natchetochez, with his army in a demoralized condition to the family of the deceased, and to the Wilmington Journal for publication. JAS. A. HINES, Ch'n. Taylor was well up with him and pressing on. J. W. TUCKER, Lec\*y. The Yazoo Valley is clear of Yazkces.

A Sorghum Convention was held at Columbus. Obio, on the 15th January last. We copy below the severe. remarks of some of the speakers :

Mr. Wren-I fed four horses and two cows on the blades three weeks, and they did better than they did for the some time previous or since. I feed blades and issued at Tarboro', but was suspended when Mr. SMITH Mr. Branch, that the seed itself pays for the production son and capturing a large number of prisoners.

as feed for stock ; indeed, better than corn, by throw-Gen. Wheeler had a general review of his cavalry, which ing the green stalks to hogs and giving the blades and was attended by a large number of General officers. seeds to the cattle.

As to the hybridizing or mixing, I find it is with GEN. HOKE A MAJOR GENERAL-YANKEE NEWS Sorgho the same as corn, that if the best seed is selectac., &c. RICHMOND, VA., April 25, 1864. made. I am of opinion that the several varieties of Brigadier-General Hoke, who commanded the land forces

that cane that ripen about the same time will mix in in the assault on Plymouth, has been promoted to a Majorthe head. Mr. Clough seemed to think that the varie- General. ties did not mix in the flower. That it will mix there. can be no doubt, for seed so produced will bring forth gis will exceed five million pounds. a character peculiar to itself. I have never found any

A marriage took place at Newburyport, Connecti-The Raleigh Confederate learns that the Adjutant General cut, last week, in which the ceremony of joining hands of this State received a despatch, on Thursday last, inform | was entirely omitted, the bride groom having no hands | bacco. years ago. So, we suppose, at Milton, in Caswell ing him that Lieut. General Holkes has been assigned to to use. He had his arms blown off at the shoulders county. The Fayetteville Observer supported him be- the command of the "Reserved Forces" in North Care by a powder explosion, not even stumps remaining to which artificial arms can be attached.

in the direction of Culpeper Court House. Nothing else of interest.

WESTERN NEWS.

A fire here destroyed a frame house to day. Loss

GRIERSON (FEDERAL) REPORTED KILLED, &c.

DALTON, GA., April 25 1864.

MOBILE, ALA., April 25th, 1864. Western dispatches confirm Banks' defeat on the 14th and 15th inst., at Grand Encore, losing 4.500 prisoners,

OBANGE C. H., VA., April 25th, 1864.

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The death-dirge of the saored slain.

It blazed in each avenging eye-The thought of desecrated graves

Wilmington, April 25th, 1864

A lady who come through the lines to-day reports that Forrest attacked Grierson at Decatur, Tenn., killing Grier hogs themselves had a say in the matter, they would in the world. scorn such littleness of soul and contemptible seifish-

mes, if they did not eat their own throats in utter It is officially estimated that the tithe in becon in Georshame of their meanness and want of patriotism.

Letters, purporting to be a correspondence between Lord Lyons and the President's private Secretary have been prononaced forgerief.

No further developments in regard to the French tothus :

Baltimore papers to the 23d have been received. Ad. her Senators and Representatives, the Governor and where his men were, replied that one half had stragvices from the Potomac indicate active preparations for State officers! Give us a sound currency, pure water gled and the other half had gone to h-ll, which was the coming campaign. Large numbers of the sick have and undefiled religion-for Christ's sake. Amen." nearly the truth.-Exchange.

Cleaving them to the very chin. My right arm bared for fiercer play, The ie t one held the rein in slack :

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In all the fury of the fray I sought the white man, not the black.

The dabbled clots of brain and gore Across the swirling sabers ran ; To me each brutal visage hore The front of one accursed man.

Throbbing along the frenzied vein, My blood seemed kindled into song-The slogan of immortal wrong.

It glared athwart the dripping glaives, And some lone sister's desperale cry !

YANERE DESERTERS .- The records at Castle Thun der give strange evidence concerning the remarkably J. R. R. fine spirit of the Yankee army in Virginia. Within the last few weeks pearly a hundred deserters from NICE PATRIOTS .- We hear of men (says the Milton | Grant have passed over the line and come asking asy-Chronicle,) who have plenty of hogs and corn to latten | lum in the bosom of the rebellion. For the last lew days them, fattening just enough pork to do them. The idea they have been particularly persevering in getting to is to keep the Government from getting it, and if the Richmond ahead of time, unwilling to wait for Grant Yankees do not get all such "patriotic" hogs and their and stand the chances of being put to a great deal of pigs, too, the Devil will ; which amounts to the same unnecessary trouble and in no little danger. It is bething in Dutch. Just think of it ! A man with Coun- coming a customary sight to see squads of five, six, try, Liberty, Property, everything at stake, and tremb- eight or ten per day, marching up to Gen. Winder's ing in the balance, willing to lose all rather than let office under guard but seeming as gay a d glad as if the Government get a piece of his meat! Why, if the they were in the best luck and with the best prospects

We have seen a private letter from Oxford, Mi sisppi, in which the writer says : "It is impossible to give an adequate description of the damage inflicted by A PITHY PRAYER .- The Rev. Mr. Shine, chap- Forrest upon the commands of Smith and Grierson. lain of the House of Representatives in the Iowa Leg- For sixty miles the line of their retreat was marked with islature, on the opening of the recent session, prayed dead Yaukees and horses. They rode their horses so hard that nearly all died alter reaching Memphis.

"Bless thou the young and growing State of Iowa. Smith returned alone to Memphis, and when asked