CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA. WILMINGTON, N. C., SATURDAY, JAN. 7, 1865.

THE FORT, ETC. ETC. General Bragg having in the most courteous manner tendered the use of a boat to the Ladies of the Soldiers' Aid Society, accompanied by an invitation to visit Fort Fisher, the scene of the recent fearful bombardment by the enemy, and heroic resistance by our gallant troops, a goodly number of the gentler sex with a considerable sprinkling of the un-gentler, left town on the 5th inst., at 10 minutes before 9 o'clock, A. M. in the Steamer Flora MacDonald, and after a very pleasant trip arrived at the landing at Confederate Point between eleven and twelve. The landing is probably a mile and a half from the Fort. The line of march, in very open order, was taken up for the Fort, and that powerful work, with its gallant defenders, immediately surrendered at discretion. We did not notice any serious marks of shot or shell on the houses on our way from the landing to the Fort, until we approached quite near to the latter, where some buildings that might have sheltered Yankee sharpshooters had been burned down by our own people, we suppose. Here and there lay a round shell which had not exploded, or the fragments of some which had exploded. Occasionally an elongated Parrott shell with a percussion fuse would be met with. These are dangerous things to fool with, as they are apt to go off if rudely handled doing much damage to life and limb. A soldier told us that an ordnance sergeant, whose name we did not learn, while collecting shot and shell on Monday last was killed by the explosion of a Parrott shell. A negro who was with him driving a cart, shared the same fate. The mule attached to the cart was unburt. The unexploded Parrott shells seemed mostly to be fitted with percussion fuses.

Within a stone's throw of the Fort, on the side of the road leading from the landing, is a small hole some thing of the length and shape of a coffin, and a few feet from it is an humble ridge of earth marked by a piece one of four or five enterprising Yankee sharpshooters, who ventured up that near to the Fort with the view of the rifle-pit All of this party of Yankees were either killed or captured.

The Fort itself shows more plainly the marks of the many of the traverses are marked and scarred. On entering at the upper end we found the soldiers at work repairing their wooden quarters, which had been dreadfully shattered by the shell, but not burned. Farther on, brick chimneys in some places and blackened ashes in others, alone marked where different wooden structurs had stood. Full ten days have elapsed since the tact. Only two guns were dismounted by the enemy's half of his men. bombardment. Two more were dismounted by their and strewn around, give some idea of that terrible ex- on this occasion-will bear witness. plosion by which nine men were wounded, although but one was killed outright.

seven of the enemy's blockaders far out to sea, and nearer in the wrecks of the blockede runners Arabian, of a blockader sunk by the guns of the Fort. The en-The heavy frigates marconyred in front of the Fort .-The left wing of the fleet extended to the Southward and on the right flank of the Fort. The right extend- appreciation on the part of the ladies. ed up to the North, so as to pour a fire upon the land front. The heaviest fire would appear to have been concentrated upon the Northeast salient and upon the North or land face, especially so upon Sunday afternoon. At this salient stood a powerful rifled gun manned by a detachment under Lieutenant Williford. The enemy rained shell on this point, but not a man left his gun. Indeed Col. Lamb assured us that throughout the whole bombardment not a single gun was deserted and not a single man in the garrison shrunk from his

The iron-clads advanced at one time to within about fifteen hundred yards. Standing upon an elevated point of the Fort, this distance at sea looks almost nothing. It appears almost as though you could throw a stone that far. The wooden vessels stood farther out, say at the least a mile and a half or two miles.

Sunday afternoon on the land face and northeast salient, was soon revealed. On that afternoon the enemy effected a lending at Battery Anderson, some distance above the Fort. At half-past four they formed a very Fort, the shelling from the fleet being kept up on the land face with even greater fury than ever. Behind this skirmish line a column of attack was formed, and at half-past five the shelling of this part of the Fort was sionists, if so they may be called, retired to their homes suspended to permit the advance of the attacking force. a little fatigued and very much gratified by their trip. Soon the pattering of minie balls on the parapets announced the approach of the enemy's skirmishers, whose conquest. They thought that the garrison of the Fort was so much used up and demoralized by the bombardment that no resistance would be made. As they ad-

The surrender of his battalion of Junior Reserves by emulation—a noble struggle in doing justice. Major Rece is the only dark spot which mars the brightness and glory of the day. There was as large out, and they will show further that the gentlemen of a proportion of brave boys in that battalion as in any the army take pleasure in acknowledging the gallant other of equal numbers, but the conduct of the com- services of their compeers of the Na vy. manding officer was awfully bad-even worse than has been represented.

The idea of exploding a powder vessel away out at sea, a thousand yards from the Fort, was a rich one .-It really did no harm to the Fort nor to anything in it. The thing would have been complete if they had deployed two or three hundred Chinese gongs "to fright the souls of timorcus adversaries." The grand blowup is the theme of merriment among the soldiers and officers of the garrison. It is said that information has been received from a confidential source going to show that if the Yankees did really, and on purpose, blow up this vessel, they soon found themselves in the position of the engineer "hoist by his own petard," since the ef-

pumps going constantly. That fleet was unfortunate enemy "

ened since the occasion of our former visit to that work of itself all know. We felt some curiosity to accertain how the casemated cothing of the projectiles of the enemy.

Col. Lamb concurs in our opinion previously expressed, that over twenty thousand shell were thrown at the Fort. We believe that General Whiting also That of course could not and did not have reference to entertains the same view. It was the heaviest naval the Navy, which has no merely State character. bombardment, while it lasted, of which any account is

the Fort we thought it better to dispose cf it at once so as not to mix it up with the more pleasing topic of the day-the ladies' visit to Fort Fisher-which was essentially a surprise party, as, from some derangement of the telegraph the deepatch announcing the intended visit of the Ladies of the Soldiers' A'd Society, and their object, namely, to thank the soldiers and tender the ladies had arrived in person. However, the Soldiers were glad to see the ladies, and the ladies were glad to see the soldiers, and they were proud of them too, as the gallant line was formed of men of whom their commander could truly say-not one man left his gun -not one man shrank from his duty.

of board at each end. The hole is a rifle pit dug by representative tendered to the officers and soldiers of fort to knew that they were as miserable as buman nathe garrison o. Fort Fisher the thanks and the con- ture c uld well be. Entler himself was off his grog and the torpedo it is difficult to understand why the attempt gratulations of those whose homes had been saved by the black sold; rs looked blue and green, diversified by of picking (ff our gunners. The ridge of earth marks their gallantry—between whom and the ruthless inva- a mottled yellow. A sea-sick nigger brigade is a sight the grave of a courier, a member of Faison's company der they had stood like a wall of fire. The ladies had for gods and nen. If any of them did sink we have no of scouts, who was shot from his horse by the occupant labored for the soldiers—they had prayed for them, they doubt they had dit as a providential deliverance from fort, the enemy of course could renew possession of the came now in person to thank them. To Col. Lamb, their wors, which were intolerable. An ugly coast is rulus at his leisure, and could cover them by the adjathe leader and commander of these gallant men, their this North Carolina coast. thanks were in an especial manner due. They had reenemy's fire. Deep holes are dug in the parapets and lied upon his skill-his coolness and his undaunted courage. They had felt that while he and his brave MRSSRS. FULT N AND PRICEmen stood between them and the enemy, Wilmington talion in the battles of Fort Pisher, December 24th and was safe, and their reliance was not in vain.

Colonel Lamb in reply, said that the ladies had done what the enemy failed to do. They had surprised the garrison and taken the Fort by storm.

The victory which had crowned our arms was a heabembardment closed, and no doubt many of the most ven-sent victory-a providential deliverance. Under striking evidences of its fury had been efficed. The Providence it was due to the bravery of the gallant shot and shell which at one time was plentifully strewn men by whom he was surrounded-men of whom he over the whole ground in the interior of the Fort had | could truly say that in the hour of trial not one had falbeen gathered up and the parade appeared as level as | tered or failed. He and his garrison appreciated the formerly. The outside and top of the ramparts, and, kindness of the ladies. They knew that they had workin many places of the traverses, looked as though rooted | ed for the soldiers. They had the benefit of their best by gigantic hogs; none of this rooting however, seem- exertions, their kindest wishes, and above all, of their ed to do more than roughen the surface. The great fervent prayers. For this last token of their regard be masses of the Fort everywhere remained perfectly in- thanked them sincerely on his own behalf and on be-

We do not pretend to give any accurate report of own recoil. The Brooke gun which burst, presents a the remarks of Mejor Strange or of Colonel Lamb .remarkable evidence of the explosive power of gun- Neither pretended to make a set speech, since both of Kirkland's Brigade of N. C. T. The fine lot of potapowder. The heavy mass of the gun proper, with the were taken comparatively by surprise. That they both powerful wrought iron bands near it, all rent and torn acquitted themselves well, the ladies-the sole arbiters

Owing to the fact that due notice had not been received at the Fort, and to the further fact that the tide, Standing on the ramparts we could view some six or | which, like time, waits upon no man, nor woman either, rendered an early return to the boat necessary, no dinner table could be spread, and the ladies were unable strike as long as the intruder is on our soil, and encouraged Condor, Stormy Petrel, and Modern Greece, as well as personally to superintend the dinner which they had prepared for the troops. The dinner we know had emy's line of steamers formed a semicircle or nearly so. been provided liberally, and we trust that it was relished by the soldiers not simply as a welcome addition to their usual fare, but as a testimonial of gratitude and

> Where every man did his duty, and did it well, from General Whiting down to the most recently joined private, it would be difficult if not impossible to discriminate. We may mention, however, that we heard frequent reference made to private Rand, of Company K, 36th Regiment, who twice replaced the flag-staff on the except M. J. take a share. In M. White's case, (habeas mound when shot away by the enemy. We think we are correct in the Company, but are not certain. In due course of time the official reports will probably be from Wake, in equity, declaring the rights of parties given to the world, when, we feel assured, due credit In Smith v. Bank of Wadesboro, in equity, from Richwill be given to all.

On the boat all passed off pleasantly. The day was beautiful, the party on board seemed willing to make the best of everything and no accident or other untoward circumstance occurred to mar the pleasure of the occasion. There being no "Jenkins" along to dilate npon the presence of the stately Mrs. Dash, and the The object of the tremendous concentration of fire on lovely Miss Blank, and so forth, and so on, all these charged. Has well's case, petitioner remanded. W. " must be nameless evermore." It is no harm, however, to say that the commanding General was along, since General Bragg is somewhat of a public character, nor do we think it wrong to add that the General seemheavy skirmish line at rather less than a mile from the ed to enjoy himself, and that he further exerted himself to promote the comfort and add to the enjoyment of

The boat got to town by sunset, and all the excur-

ONE thing connected with the attack upon the deline had got to within three or four hundred yards of fences of this place, or rather with their defence, is of so our works. A few discharges of grape from some field gratifying a character that we cannot forbear calling guns belonging to Adams' Battery brought them to a attention to it because of its pleasing contrast with halt-a few more and they were gone. The enemy were some things elsewhere occurring since the war by which evidently taken by surprise. They anticipated an easy the people have pained and the cause injured. The features to which we refer is the liberal and candid ascription of honor by General Bragg to General Whiting, Col. Lamb, Lieut. Chapman of the Navy, and Brigavanced they looked to see a white flag hoisted, but on dier General Kirkland, and again by General Whiting the contrary were saluted by grape from guns that they to Col. Lamb and many others, and by Col. Lamb to knew not of, and found the parapets fully manned by those serving under him, and by all to the gallant men brave and determined men. After that they gave up inside and outside of the Fort whose strong arm, and all hope of effecting anything. They saw that their stout hearts sustained the whole. There has been no expedition was a failure. Their great object was to jealousy-no mean wish to ergross credit or appropriate that due to others, but on the contrary, a generous

The official reports will, we feel certain, fully bear us

On Sunday last, something of a coincidence happened, the year, the month and the week commencing on their prizes, and the remainder give up the ghost.

THE LATEST NEWS .- The mail yesterday brought us a copy of the Charlotteville, Va., Chronicle of the 19th October, 1864.

Election of North Carolina Reserves. 1864. The Field Officers elect are : Colonel-A. A. McKay.

Lieut. Colonel-Nathan McLean. Major-B. F. Hooks.

of their own vessels to sink, and to make all the others General Brugg assigns to this gullant brigade its due leak. One thing is certain. The fleet did not, after share of the credit which appertuits to the defeat of the leaving here, return directly to For'ress Monro. It enemy's expedition against Wilmington, mention being cision, the details of the event-the arrival of the first, put into Beaufort, and it is only within a day or two made of " the sendy coolness with which Brigadier FORT FISHER. THE LADIES' VISIT, THE that information of its departure for the North has General Kukland, with a p rition of his brigade, check LATE BOMBARDMENT .__APPEARANCE OF been received here. Many of the vessels had their ed the save te of vastly superior numbers of the

Fort Fisher is muchanged, enlarged and strength- of itself all expected. That it did give a good account

Dattery or batteries had stood the ordeal of fire, but things at Fort Fisites, because we had eri yed the pleasfound that there were no such batteries remaining, the ure of vising the Fort on Wednesday. That we did embrazures being closed and the guas removed. The not mention other curps was due simply to the fact that casemates were used during the fight for quarters for their operations were not connected with anything that the wounded and for various official purposes. It seems came under our observation. Indeed, the lack of time that the casemated batteries were not popular. Their compelled us to omit some things that we would gladly range was limited and the embragares would not stand have seen and rediced, as for it stance, Battery Buchanthe jar occasioned by the firing of our cwn guns, to say an, manned by the Navy, as also the services of sailors and marines at other pointe-services gallantly performed. We recollect that some days since we said six hundred yards of the fort, &c., &c. that all the troops engaged were North Carelinians.-

We trust very soon to publish a clear account of al the field operations of our forces, not exactly as a mat-Having once got on to the subject of the fights at ter of news, but as a matter of history, so as to give to of Admiral Porter, which is confused on many other all due credit, and to convey to friends at a distance a points, is clear in this; that the land and naval forces clearer idea of localities and occurrences.

A PUKE ILLANIMOUS SET .- It is said that the land forces under Builer who came along with Poster to close up our port, got awfully sea sick. They laid down on their backs and on their stomachs; they granted: they ground; they cursed; they prayed; to them a New Year's dinner, did not arrive until after they cast up a c unts; they paid tribute to Nep'une; they threw up he coa's and the waist coats of their stomachs: they throw up their boots; they became ana, within five hundred rards of For. Fisher, We had cataracts: they aid New York; they speuted at each | understood that this torpedo was intended especially to other and on each other; they defiled the vessels from stem to seen ; trey carsed their fathers and their mothers, likewise Beast Butler, whom an Irish gentle- ed to take advantage of the xpl sion. But Admiral The troops as drawn up formed three sides of a square. man denominated "the baste;" they had a high old Porter chose to try the experiment when no troops had The ladies formed the fourth. Major Strange as their | time, and if they spoiled our Christmas it is some com-

HEADQUARTESS BAT'N JUNIOR RESERVES. 1

25th, which you will please publish : Company A-Killed-None. Wounded-None.

Missing a: d sus posed to be captured-Corpl J A Fmith; drew. G W Ker-haw, Musician; Privates F chiphart, S A Patersall, H Hamilton, A K Johnson, J H KcKinnie, W R Prince. Com sany B-Kled-None.

Wounded-Private G M D Lo: g. slightly. Missaing and supposed to be captured -Privates R W Price and I J Hi kman. Company C-Killed-Private Elias Davis

Missing and suproud to be captured-Sergt J F Wooten Privates P Mc Ar thur. J C Carper, C H Millican, M Clark, F Nance, J W Jearnigan, M Stephens, H Atkinson, S R

Yours very respectfully,

F M. AGOSTINI, For the Journal.

CAMP LAME HOKE'S DIVISION INFIRMARY,) January 5th, 1865.

mothers, wives and sisters. Yes, we will continue to and supported by all such as our friend Mrs. P. we will letter of Gen. Butler. come out victorious, a: d be free; and put to shame those miserable, unprinciple extortioners, horse leeches, Shylocks, Valture, that hover and swarm around this place as if

Eurgeon 66th, N. C. Regt.

SUPREME COURT. Opinions derivered in the follow-

the Confederacy

By PEARSON, C. J In Harris v. Hearn, from Star v. judgment affirmed. In State v. Medlin, from Mecklenberg, error, venire de novo. In Worth v. Commis sioners of Fayetteville, from Cumberland, dismissing the bill. In Pickett v. Southerland, all the children,

By BATTLE, J. In Hix v. Fisher, from Haywood, atpeal dismissed at appellants costs. In Hastings v. Earp mond, d cree to be for plaint:ff. And in the following on Habeas Corpus; Bridgeman's case, petitioner remanded. Sinclair's case, petitioner remanded. Pailpott's case, petitioner remanded.

By MANLY, J. In Riley v. Bunchnam, from Auson judgment afficmed In Blate v. Cockman from Moore no error. In Scott v Fite, equity, from Gaston, declaring rights of parties. And in the following on Habeas Corpus: M. Goodson's case, petitioner dis-R. Clark's case, petitioner remanded. R H. Smith's case, petitioner remanded. Upchurch's case, p-titioner

FROM THE ROADS - No news was received yestertheir appearance at Perrysburg, S. C., but the report much disconcerted the crews of the vessels where th is not credited .- Charleston Courier, 4th.

Gen. Bragg:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT N. C.,) Wilmington, Dec. 31st, 1864.

Fxtract. PECIAL OBDERS,

lantry of the troops engaged and the activity and boldness with which Brigadier General Leventhorpe conducted the

By order of Gen. BRAGG: ARCHER ANDERSON.

A New York correspondent writes:

A. A. General. The New York Journals.

The coming New Year is likely to witness a revolution in the newspaper business here, as regards prices, &c. The venerable Journal of Commerce notified its patrons that its rate of subscription henceforward will be \$15 per annum. This is a big jump up, but not more so than is actually necessitated by the high prices of all kinds of printing materials, manual labor, editorial services, &c. Two of the other morning papers, it is said, will increase their price from four to six cents each. Cf the weekies, two will probably advance

A HUNTER ATTACKED BY CROWS .- A gentleman retreat .- Wheeling Intelligencer.

LATER FROM THE UNITED STATES. HR ATTACK ON WILMINGTON-A WRANGLE ABOUT IT.

Admiral Porter gives his official report of the attack | Star, says : on Wilmington, in which he furnishes, with minute prethe detention of the transports by the storm, the explosion of a boat laden with two hundred and fifteen tons of powder within five hundred yards of Fort Fisher, for the purpose of blowing down that concern, but which only blowed out some of the lights and broke some of That Kirkle to's brigade would give a good account the glasses of the flact; the attack by the flact, done in plendid style, on its own hook, Butler not having yet come up; the next day's combined attack by the fleet and Butler's troops, in which the latter, under Weitzel, Yesterday we gave some account of matters and lafter i nding and capturing one or two outposts and two hundred prisoners, in rear of Fort Fisher, came to he conclusion that Contederate grape land carrister (re oo much for them, and fl-d again to the flet; the conspicuous daring" of two or three men waile the land attack was going ou, in penetrating to the rebel parapets, wounding eight rebels with a solitary musket shot, killing an orderly inside of a sally port, and capturing despatches from General Whiting asking a light battery to be sent him, and the regret of Admiral Por ter at the facture of Weitz I, who declared Fort Fisher impregnable to assault, from personal inspection within

Richmond Enquirer. The Tribune gives the following review of the affair: I. is uppleasantly plain that the great Wilmington expedition has ended in a wrangle. Gen. Butler and Admiral Por'er did not find themselves able to agree on the conduct of the enterprise, which depended for its success on their cordial co operation. The dispatch could not be effectually combined.

It is remarkable that Admiral Porter began his attack on Fort Fisher without waiting for the arrival of the troops. The fort has been repeatedly declared on the highest authority impregnable by a naval force alone. It would seem that Admiral Porter did not share the opinion of his official superior. There appeared to him to be an emportunity not to be lost; as he hims if expressed it, the weather was too file to be wasted Acordingly the attack began at 2 o'clock on Saturday morning by the explosion of the torpedo boat Louisidestroy the morale of the garrison, and that immediateupon their confusion an as-ault should follow by the roops. We do not know how otherwise it was expectbeen landed or were even nour the const. Unless, thereally blown down and the men within it destroyed by was made at all; and even if these cons grences had side was at hand to occupy and hold the demolished But the explesion of the torpedo produced no visible

effect. Adm rat Perter says the shock was slight, and it appears from his report that Fort Fisher, which re- fore, and can never wake for a lesser power again. mained unmolested from two till half past cleven, was that time—about 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon— the harem of the Turk; and the fourth—it is well it is go slow. I am in favor ov long courting; it gives the the guns of the fort we e silenced, and the fleet with-

ler's troops arrived. Under cover of the fire of the fleet, they, or a portion of them, were lauded between 12 and 3 o'clock on Sanday af e. noon. Admiral Porter puts the number on shore at 3,000. The account which follows is unir elligible. From one sentence it appears that their re embarkation began immediately, and without a demonstration against the fort. From another, it appears that Maj Gen. Weitzel and a party of skirmishers reconnectered the fort : that a lew of the soldiers actually entered the work; that one officer brought way the flag which had been shot from its mirable counsels to all, and especially to the young : staff; that a soldier fixed a shot into the bomb proof where the garrison were concealed, wounding eight or

to see the last expiring breath and convaisive struggle to which we have hesitatingly commented, is in great need marry until you are able to support a wife. Never has occurred, and still more keenly do we regret that over the above maxims at least once a week." any feelings of hostility should exist either between the two branches of the military service of the United States, or between the leaders of the forces which were meant to co operate against Wilmington. We care peet if you get an extravagant wife. not to take sides in such a controversy. We care only To see apples in a dream, betokens a wedding bethat the whole truth should be known, and that blame cause when you find apples, you may expect to find these things are just about as the kero ine ile refining should lie where, on the merits of the case, it properly pears. belongs. Meanwhile, Wilmington remains, and is like-

y to remain in possession of the rebels. Gen. Butler's letter states in substance that the trength of Fort Fisher had not been materially im- that she should instantly discontinue the use of tight swept the narrow strip of land by which alone it was weather. possible for an assaulting column to approach. A portion of Gen. Lee's forces had been sent from Richmond to strengthen the garrison, and Gen. Weitzel, who ad- fore you go to bed. vanced his skirmish line within fifty yards of the fort, pronounced an attempt impracticable, except by the timation that you had better leave off brandy and waoperation of a regular siege, which was not contempla- ter. ed in the orders under which Gen. Buller was acting. To dream of walking barefooted, denotes a journey The troops, therefore, were re embarked and returned that you will make bootless. to Fortress Monroe.

Of the casualties to the fl et Admiral Porter says: I regret to have to report some severe casualties by the bursting of 100 pounder Parrott cannon. One sign that her thoughts are running upon the colonel. burst on board the Ticonderoga, killing six of the crew day of any further movement of the enemy, who are the Yankee, killing one officer and two men; another non suit. now believed to be at Hardeeville. Our forces have on the Janiata, killing two officers and wounding and fallen back to Grahamville. Killpatrick's raiding party killing ten others; another on the Mackinaw, killing which went down the Altamaha river some days ago, one officer and wounding five other men; another on had returned to Savannah, and it is reported moved the Quaker City, wounding, I believe, two or three; over to the Carolina side of the Savannah river. Anoth- another on the Susquebannah, killing and wounding er report was that a party of Yankee cavalry had made seven. I think the bursting of the guns (six in all) accident happened, and gave one and all a great distrust of the Parrott 100-pounder, and, as subsequent events A MERITED COMPLIMENT.-We take pleasure in proved, they were unfit for service, and calculated to publishing the following complimentary order from kill more of our men than those of the enemy. Some of the vessels were struck once or twice. The Mackistruck with a shell near the magazine, and was at one time in a sinking condition, but her efficient command-III. The Commanding General having road the official re. | er stopped up the leak, while the Mackinaw fought out port of the defeat of the enemy's recent expedition up the | the battle, notwithstanding the damage she received .-Roanoke Biver, takes pleasure in acknowledging the gal- The Yantic was the only vessel which left the line to report damages. NORTHERN NEWS.

THE EXPEDITION AGAINST WILMINGTON.

A despatch from Washington says: The knowledge of the influence of the weather on war hesitating success of the expedition against Wilmington. The extraordinary force of the gale during and before the passage of the fleet of steamers, and its dura-The sea sickness of the troops on the voyage, and after the vessels found anchorage, was excessive and exhaustive. The cold, too, was extraordinary, bas sickened a large number of the negroes, unused to such weather, and unprovided for it.

Another despatch from Washington sava: The Navy and War Departments are engaged in ferreting out the authors of the contraband publication of noon states that the enemy was moving in force on the the intended operations against Wilmington, and it is Purysburg road, below Sister's Ferry. of this city went hunting a few days since, and not find. | understood have evidence to fasten that part of it in reing any better game, he took a shot at a lot of crows | terence to the powder boat upon a person in New York | Royal Ferry Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of that were cawing in the woods. He wounded one of for several years connected with the press. These pre- exchanging letters and official documents .- Charleston ward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, the birds in the wing, and when it fluttered to the mature publications have, it is feared, forewarned the ground, the gentleman picked it up. The hurt bird rebel authorities, and account for the re appearance of flattered and cried most piteously, when suddenly the Bragg at the threatened point, and may cause a much The 8th Regiment Reserves, M. C., was organized at whole flock came to his assistance, and made an attack larger sacrifice or life to accomplish the objects of the Sugar Loaf (below Wilmington) on the 22nd of December, upon the hunter. They fluttered about his head and expedition than would otherwise have been necessary. sought Yankee protection, as terrible. Many women picked and scratched him with such violence that he It is understood that examples are to be made of the and cdildren have died from cold -four or five thousand was obliged to defend himself with a stick, and was fi- offending parties, in the hope that it may prevent simi- of them being bundled together in Chattancoga, with THIS BOARD meets only on I uesdays and Thursdays, ually compelled to let the wounded bird go and beat a far premature and injurious publications of important no wood and little to eat. There is nothing but lamen- at 10 o'clock, A. M. military and naval movements in the future.

Napoleon as "a Whip," The Paris correspondent of the London Morning

ation as such. This ambition, when he was staving at the camp of Boulogne, was very near being the means the reins from Cæsar, his pet coachman, who not to told that the vehicle was drawn by five young, spirited stant they felt a less expert band, off they set in a full gallop in the direction of the sea. The nacrowned Car what I'm at out," returned the Emperor. Seeing that the driver was no longer master of

sire where is your m jesty going to?" "What a cow- it is to end no one can yet tell. The desard you are. Chambaceres." was the answer: "don't you see that I am driving you as I should?" " Certainly," said Rope, who eripy d the fright of the Arch-Casacellar, despite the dag r be ran, "your majesty the hope of final success in their respective is driven you straight to England where we so badly aims. The Governor of the whole Earth want to go." But Chambac res, on seeing that, out of is doubtless perfecting some grand design spite, Napoleon lashed the horses, besought him to oull them up before they went over the cliff. Monge, his in it, which, when accomplished, may sureyes shut, stack to the door, yellow with consernation, prise the agents on both sides, and will id the wheel came in cont. c' with a big stone, when doubtless result in good. the carriage turned over and the horses of themselves s o d still. The Emperor was thrown from the box to a great distance, fainted. Chambiceres escaped with a speculations when we commenced speaking bamp on the forehead Monge's but was driven in, and of the great fleet of the enemy in North Casar and Rapp m paged to hand on their feet Not- Carolina waters, but only to give the figwith anding the plight to which he maje y was re ures on that point. There were six iron duced, the whole party laughed hearti'y, and when Napol-on got up, he, handing ne whip to f mar, said :-I must read r unto Carser the things which are tenders, carrying, in all, 583 guns. And mans. I have had enough of coachman's work, and, all these vessels were fully supplied with accordingly resign."

"LADIRS EYES, AROUND BOY-!"-Of black eyes an dom has any nation sent out a more formidmirer enumerates four kinds: First the small bri- dable armament by sea, and we have the liant, bard, black eye, which looks like a bord, and gratification of knowing that if it was dew ich one might crack like a chrery stone; second, the signed for the capture of Wilmington, it fore he hoped that the walls of the fort should be actufires; third, the soft, swimming, seepy, black eyes, and tourth, the large well sit, and finely formed black eye. solemn as the hush of midnight," still as a mountain followed, it is equally difficult to see how they could lake, yet full of passion, full of thought and intellect have been taken advantage of. It no land force on our and feeling, that rise in a storm till the quiet surface glows again; an eye that has no need of words, that never smiles, but knows the warmth of teers; an eye that goes straight to the heart with a single glance, and never leaves more; an eye that does not intox cate like man in the land ov hand orgins, and by the side ov blue, but draws you steadily and surely on, and touches chords in your heart which have been untouched be-

The first may be the eye of a vain beauty and belle subsequently able to continue an engagement of five | Eugene Aram, I lancy, had the second, and many an in bours' duration with his powerful fleet. At the end of mate of bedlam has it now. The third languishes in not a common one, or we should all be worse off than we are now-is the most beautiful, and also the most On the following day-Sunday, the 25th-Gen. But- dangerous of all. For the blue eye launches a score of arrows, whose wounds may one day heal; but this has only one, and if it hit the mark, heaven help you! the poisped shaft will linger in your heart forever !

A Picce for the Focket,

Among the victims of a steam-boat explosion some verra since, was Stephen Allen, a man of high and excellent moral character, formerly mayor of New York, beloved and esteemed by all who knew him. In his pocket boos was found the following collection of ad-

"Keep good company or none. Never be idle. your hands cannot be usefully employed, attend to the ten concealed rebels; that a rebel orderly arriving at cultivation of your mind. Always speak the truth.the fort with despatches was killed and his despatches Make few promises. Live up to your engagements .-MR. FDITCH :- Permit ts through your columns to return captured : and that while all this was going on the Keep your own secrets, if you have any. When you out of the wa. fleet was still shelling the fort, and succeeded in wound- speak to a person, look him in the face. Good company ing a number of our own men. But it is nowhere indi- and good conversation are the very sinews of virtue.cated that anything like an assault took place. On the Good character is above all things else. Your characcontrary, Gen. Weitzel reported an assault impractica- ter cannot be essentially injured except by your own ble-an opinion in which Admiral Porter, though pro- acts. If any one speaks evil of you, let your life be perly professing to under value his judgment in com- such that no one will believe him. Drink no kind of inparison with that of an able and experienced officer who toxicating liquors. Ever live, mistortunes excepted, ad examined the ground in person, does not concur .- within your income. When you retire to bed, think But notwithstanding General Wei'zel's report, Admi- over what you have been doing during the ral Porter proceeds to remark : " We drew off at sun- day. Make no baste to be rich, if you would prosset, leaving the iron-clads to fire through the night, ex. per. Small and steady gains give competency, with pecting the troops would attack in the morning. The tranquility of mind. Never play at any game of reasons why they did not so attack are set for h in the chance. Avoid semptation, through fear you may not yure wind as the yu had pain; this will set the girl to withstand it. Earn money before you spend it. Never teczing yu tew find out what ails you. Our readers, if they have been able to follow us thus run into debt unless you see a way to get out again .far, will probably agree that the whole business on Never berrow, if you can possibly avoid it. Do not of elucidation. For our part we have only to suggest speak evil of any one. Be just before you are generous. again that there are two sides to the story, and that but | Keep yourself innocent, if you would be happy. Save one has yet been heard. We deplore the failure which when you are young to spend when you are old. Read

INTERPRETATION OF DREAMS.—To dream of a small stone about your neck, it is a sign of what you may ex-

When a young lady dreams of a coffin it betokens

paired by the fire from the flet, and that its guns still stays, and always go warmly and thickly shod in wet ov the title, court her as tho she want a mule end you To dream of fire is a sign that-if you are wise-

you will see that the lights in your house are out, be-To dream that your nose is red at the tip, is an in-

To dream of eggs, is a sign that you will discover a

When a fashionable lady d eams of a fillbert, it is a If you dream of clothes, it is a warning not to go to erals, their lords, their earls, and their dukes are chronand wounding seven others; another burst on board law, for by the rule of contraries you will be sure of a licked almost every week, at seventy, eighty and ninety

To dream that you are eating, is certain to come true most elegant, rational and accomplished of all forms of at breakiast. To dream of a barber, denotes losses—hairs may be

xpected to be cut off.

THE NEWSPAPER .- A man cate up a pound of sugar, and the pleasure he has enjoyed is ended; but the information he gets from a newspaper is treasured up in the mind, to be used whenever occasion or inclination calls for it; for a newspaper is not the wisdom of naw had her boiler perforated with a shell, and ten or one man or two men-it is the wisdom of the age-of ern. Their awkward appearance excited the attention twelve persons were badly scalded. The Osceola was past ages, too. A family without a newspaper is al- of one of the family, who commenced a conversation ways an age behind the times in general information ; with the female by inquiring how far she had traveled besides, they never think much, or find anything to that day? "Traveled !" exclaimed the stranger, somethink about. And there are the little ones growing up what indignantly, " we didn't travel, we rid." in ignorance, without a taste for reading! Besides all these evils, there is a wife, who, when her work is done. has to sit down with her hands in her lap, and has nothing to amuse her mind from the toils and cares of ty and success qualify us for usefulness or happiness .the domestic circle.—Baptist Banner.

FROM THE ROANOKE.-It is pretty certain that du- ger. ring the late Yankee advance up the Roanoke twelve should prepare the public mind for an imperfect or a Yankee vessels ascended that stream and but six of them returned—the other six were disposed of by the Confederate torpedoes. And another thing is very certain -- six hundred Yankees perished by the explosions .tion since, may lead to an exhaustion of their stocks of Of this latter fact we have almost incontestible evidence. coal, so as to force their return to Fortress Morroe .- That will do for our torpedoes .- Golds. Journal, 30th.

> FROM THE ROAD .- The latest accounts from the road Tuesday night stated that the enemy, this side of the Savannah river, had retired towards night and our pickett lines to Hardeeville were re-established. Wednesday morning the enemy drove in our picketts. A later report from Grahamville Wednesday after-

> A flag of truce communication was held at Port Courier, 5th inst.

Derapful.-A prisoner from Unattanooga describes the condition of those families that left Georgia and tations and vain regrets from morning till night.

THE FLEET SENT TO WILMINGTON.

The Yankee fleet sent against Wilmington was a grand affair, beyond doubt. In-Several carriages having a historical interest are deed, the Yankee nation have got up all being brought from different palaces to the new imperelonged to Napoleon I, and was on different occasions grandest style, and some of them of most driven by him. The great Emperor was by no means a gigantic proportions. This war has asgood "whip;" but he was ambitious of gaining a repu- tounded the old world and the new, by its wonderful developments of war power, and of shortening his days. One day he insisted on taking its wonderful resources for keeping it up. Had the South ever dreamed of the extent gener his master, got up in the seat behind, along with to which her men and means would he Rapp, Monge and Cambaceres. Of the safety of the called into requisition, it is likely that she would have discovered virtue in prolonged and relatively unbroden horses, presented by one town patience. And had the North foreseen the Antwerp to Napoleon. It required all Court's ex valor, perseverance and fortitude of the p rieuce and strength of arm to drive them. The in- South in resistance to the mandates of tyranny, and calculated the cost of reducing sar thereupon roared to the crowned "Sire, to the lett; her to the tyrant's will, she would have pull them to the left, and give the rein to the second paused before entering upon the experigray to the right." "Hold your tongue, Casar, I know ment of coercion. But those were hidden subjects, and have been only developed in horses, Cambaceres imploringly said, "Ah, mon Dien, the desperation of the combatants. How perate strife still goes on, each party attaining just enough of success to stimulate

> But we had no thought of indulging in clads, all steamers; and fifty-four wooden men for land and naval operations. Selhas, as yet, proved a grand failure.

> > Salisbury Watchman.

Courting iz a luxury, it iz sallad, it is ise water, it iz the pla spell ov the soul. The man who has never courted has lived in vain; he has been a blind man among landscapes and waterskapes; he has been a deft murmuring canals. Courting is like 2 little springs ov water that steal out under a little rock at the foot ov a mountain, and runs down the hill side by side singing and dancing and spattering each other, eddying and now full of shadder, till byemby tha jine and then they parties a chance to find out each other's trump kards, it is good exercis; and is just as it nessent as 2 little me rino lambs.

Courting is like strawberries and cream-wants to be did slow, then you git the flavor. I have saw folks git acquainted, fall in luv, git married, settle down and git tew work in three weeks from date. This is just the way sum foiks larn a trade-akounts for the great num ber of almiety mean mechanicks which we have, and the poor job tha turn out. Perhaps it is best if I shald state sum good advise tew voting men who are able to court with a final view to matrimony, as it was.

In the just place, young man, yu want tew git yure system awl rite a ad then find a young woman who is willing to be courted on the square.

The next thing is to fine out how old she is, which you can dew bi asking ber, and she will say that she is 19 years old, and this you will find wont be far from The next best thing is to begin to moderate; say onse every nite in the week for the fust six months

increasing the dose as the patient seems to require.

It is a fust rate wa to com the girl's mother a leetle

on the start, for one thing a woman never despises, and that is a leetle good courting, if it is done strictly on the equare. After the fust year you will begin to be well acquainted and will begin to like the bizziness. There is one thing I alwas advize, and that is, not

to swop fotographs oftener than once in ten days, unless you forget how the gal looks. Okasionally yu want tew look sorry and draw in

Evening meetings are a good thing tew tend. It will keep pure religion in tune; and then if the gal happens to be there, bi ksident, she can ask you to go hum with As a general thing I wouldn't brag on ther gals

much when I was courting. It dite look as the you knu tu much. If you will court three years in this wa, awl the time

on the square, it you don't sa tiz a leetle the slickest time in yore life, you can get measured for hat at mi expense, and pa for it.

Don't court for munny, nor tuty, nor relashuns! bizziness, liable tew get out of repair and bust at any minute; court a gal for fun, for the luv you bare her, for the vertue and bizziness there is in her; court her for a wife and a mother; court her as you would court a farm for the strength ov the sile and the perfekshun nuther; court her in the kitchen and in the parlor, over the wash tub and at the pianer; court this wa, young man, and if you don't git a good wife, the fault won't be in the courting.

Young man, you can rely on Josh Billings, and i you kan't make these rules work, jist send for him, and ne will show you how the thing iz did-it shan't cost you a sent .- (Josh Billings.

OUT-DOOR EXERCISE .- It is owing mainly to their delight in out-door exercise that the elevated classes in England reach a patriarchal age, notwithstanding their habits of high living, of wine drinking, and many other health-destroying agencies; the death of their genyears; it is because they will be on horseback, the mere exercise, both for sous and daughters. But the whole credit of longevity to these classes must not be given to their love of field sports; it must be divided To dream of having a great number of servants is with the other not less characteristic traits of any English nobleman-he will take the world easy, and could we, as a people, persuade ourselves to do the same thing habitually, it would add ten years to the average of human life, and save many a broken fortune and broken constitution."- Journal of Health.

A young man and woman stopped at a country tav-

BENEFIT OF ADVERSITY -A smooth sea never made a skillful mariner. Neither do uninterrupted prosperi-The storms of the oceans rouse the faculties and excite the invention, prudence, skill and fortitude of the voya-

They have corrugated iron houses in New York .-The material used is a thin plate of iron, corrugated by the rapid action of a machine, and two of these separated by intervening joints and filled in solid with cement or concrete, form a single wall of any desired thickness. Taink of living in an iron-clad house !

"Tom Thumb," and his family have, at last gone to Paris. The General became disgusted on account of the public exhibition of a new fat boy-a little chap only ten years old, and already nearly five feet high, and weighing about two hundred and sixty pounds.

TAKEN UP AND COMMITTED TO THE JAIL of New Hanover county, a negro boy who says that his name is HENRY, and athat he belongs to Gilchrist & Co., of Lynchburg, Va., but tormerly belonged to Dr. A. F. Newkirk, of this county.-The owner of said negro is hereby notified to come for-

otherwise he will be dealt with as the law directs. W. H. BIDDLE, Deputy sheriff. Dec. 31st OFFICE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD,)

GENERAL MILITARY HOSPITAL, No. 2, Wilson, N. C., November 28th, 1864. B. B. BATCHWELL, Sen. Surg. Board Examiners.