

# THE SENTINEL.

Thursday Evening, Aug. 16, 1866.

## CITY AND STATE ITEMS.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS**—W. H. Crow offers a large reward for a fine dark bay horse, stolen from his stables last night.

J. G. Bromell, Asst. Assessor of Excise Taxes, gives notice of official appointments.

See Court advertisement from Caldwell county.

See new musical announcement by Oliver Ditson & Co., Boston.

### The Vote on the Constitution.

We are in possession of official returns from 40 counties of the State, in which the vote stands:

Rejection 13,347

Ratification 10,443

Maj. for Rejection 2,904

In addition, we have unofficial returns from 11 counties, which total up a majority of 100 against Ratification.

We shall publish the entire official vote, as soon as it is received. The sheriffs have now, but a few days in which to make their returns.

**ACCIDENT**—Just after commencing to work off the first edition of the *Sentinel*, on yesterday, our press broke down. This will account to our Western subscribers for the failure to receive their paper at the usual time. The same cause prevented the early delivery of the paper to our city subscribers. We hope a similar accident will not again occur.

**NEW MILITARY COMMISSION**—The War Department has issued an order convening a special military commission, of which Gen. T. H. Rager is President, and Capt. J. H. Watson, Judge Advocate, to meet in this city, on the 18th instant, for the trial of such cases as may be brought before it.

**THE DIRECT LAND TAX**—We are glad to be able to state that the collection of the direct land tax has been suspended in this State. The Standard publishes the following instructions of the acting Secretary of the Treasury, directed to H. Kingsbury, Esq., of Oxford:

WASHINGTON CITY, Aug. 10th, 1866.

H. KINGSBURY, Oxford, N. C.—The collection of the Direct Land Tax has been suspended in North Carolina.

WM. E. CHANDLER,  
Acting Secretary Treasury.

**LECTURE ON GEOLOGY**—Prof. W. C. Kerr, State Geologist, has consented to deliver a Lecture on Geology before the Lyceum in Salisbury, on the evening of the 29th inst.

**SAD OCCURRENCE**—The Wilmington Journal mentions a melancholy accident that occurred in New Hanover county on Monday last. The facts are to the following effect:

The daughter of Mr. Corbett, about five years old, whose Christian name was Serena Elizabeth, was, about 9 o'clock in the forenoon, performing some task allotted to her by her mother, and in attempting to pass through the doorway was killed by the discharge of a gun in the hands of a youth of twelve years, named W. Frazer Alexander, son of Mr. Obediah Alexander. The contents of the gun entered the head of the unfortunate child just above the neck, causing a wound which produced instantaneous death.

The lad in whose hands the gun was held at the time of its discharge, was engaged in raising and letting the hammer fall gently during the cap, in order to fix it in securely. He had called at the house in order to prevail upon the brother of the deceased to accompany him to the field to mind crops. The accident, of which he was the innocent cause, grieved the lad deeply, and it drove him almost to madness to think that he had caused the death of his innocent playmate.

The deceased was a most interesting and intellectual child, and her sorrowful fate has cast a gloom over the whole community.

**AN ORIGINAL IDEA**—Two little brothers in this city were quietly sitting near their mother's feet, some time ago, during a thunder-storm, when the elder, whose name was Robert, being somewhat alarmed, looked up in his mother's face and said :

"Methinks how does the Good Lord make lightning?" His little brother, named Eddie, feeling entirely safe under his mother's protection, quickly replied, before his mother could answer:

"Why, Bobbie, I suspect he lights a match."

**Startling Developments as to the Conspiracy against Mr. Davis.**

NEW YORK, August 12.—The *Herald* furnishes startling developments respecting the conspiracy to implicate Jefferson Davis in the Lincoln assassination. It prints letters from Calvert, one of the plotters, applying for money and a letter from Judge Advocate-General Holt to Conover, another of the scamps in which the Judge says he has sent the money. The *Herald* prints other documents showing the conspiracy to be one of the most infamous character, and one that demands official investigation.

**AN UNFORTUNATE POSITION**—The frantic correspondent of the New York Tribune telegraphs from this city to that paper as follows:

"General Sheridan is absent, but expected to return to-night. Two Confederate flags have been raised, and the city is in their possession. Governor Wells is a prisoner in their hands."

Think of Governor Wells a prisoner in the hands of two Confederate flags! Unhappy Governor Wells! Remarkable Confederate flag! Did the correspondent get this information from the Governor, or the next other person of interest with whom he has supplied his Radical friends—*New Orleans Crescent*.

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"Joe, my dear," said a fond wife to her husband, who followed the pectoral professor of the banks of the Newfoundland, "do fix up little—you look so slovenly. Oh, what an awful memory it would be for me if you should be drowned looking so."

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For the *Regiment*.

Mr. Davis.

A friend writes:

I received, some days since, a letter from a lady of Baltimore, to whose family I have been indebted for much hospitable kindness, extended to me for the sake of my old grey coat, which noble uniform her brothers also wore.—She has lately seen Mr. Davis at Fortress Monroe.

I send you what she says of him, copied verbatim from her letter. It was not, of course, meant to be sent, and was written carelessly as one writes to a friend; but it gives a touching picture of the condition and sufferings of him who has been persecuted, it may be, even unto death, for the act of us all. Publish them or not, as you think best. His name should be kept constantly before us that we may not be guilty of the disonor of forgetting that the late leader of our great cause is enduring the treatment of a felon—that we may give him all that we can, our tenderest sympathies and most earnest prayers for his life and deliverance.

EXTRACT.

"One of my trips this summer, was to Fortress Monroe. I dined with Mr. Davis, and in all, my life was so impressed and touched as I was. The heroism with which he bears his varied suffering, uncomplainingly! I have never seen such patience in all my life before. It is impossible to live much longer; he knows it, and is only anxious to live for his trial. As he says, his execution would not be the greatest evil. "Remember, I do not wish to be executed, but that is far from being the greatest evil; I do not wish them to tell their story to posterity. I will vindicate my own honor, and that of my people."

He spoke of "his army" with tears in his eyes, and with great enthusiasm, saying that history did not record such an army as this.

I gave him little memoranda from some of his army. It touched him exceedingly.

I can't trust myself to enter into this subject, as I shall write pages if I do. I have come away with a reverence for the man, and a true love for him. He was touchingly kind to me; said I had done him good, and made me promise to come again.

He is so weak that he is forced to lie down most of the time, and is scarcely the shadow of what I once knew.

His religious faith is sublime, and it seemed to me, as if everything earthly about the man, had been sublimed away and nothing left but what was spiritual. The effort he made to entertain us was great, and at times his smile was so bright, it was hard to realize his hopeless fate as at this world is concerned; but as we drove away, the hopeless look, out of which all light had faded, and the sad, quiet, feeble way in which he moved and walked into his prison, nearly broke my heart."

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## FIRST EDITION.

### TELEGRAPHIC.

#### Our Thursday Morning Dispatches.

##### THE PHILADELPHIA CONVENTION.

###### MRS. VALLANDIGHAM'S LETTER.

###### TELEGRAM FROM THE PRESIDENT!

###### PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 15, P. M.

The Committee on credentials reported in favor of the admission of Gen. Crook's Maine delegation.

A letter from Mrs. Vallandigham was read amid much applause. After stating that the Ohio delegation had passed resolutions endorsing him as a duly elected delegate, his patriotism and fitness to represent his constituents, and declaring their readiness to stand by him in the assertion of his rights as a delegate, should he think proper to present himself to the Convention, he says: "Yielding my own deliberate conviction of duty and right to the almost unanimous opinion and desire of friends, whose wisdom, soundness, of judgment, and sincerity and purity of motives, I may not question, to the end that there shall be no pretext, even, from any quarter, for any controversial question or disturbing element in the Convention, to mar its harmony or hinder in any way the results to the cause of Constitutional Union and public liberty, which shall flow from its deliberations, I hereby withdraw from the Ohio delegation, and decline taking a seat in the Convention. I am profoundly conscious that the sanctity and magnitude of the interests involved in the present political canvass are too immense not to demand a sacrifice of every personal consideration in the struggle, on the issue of which, as I solemnly believe, rest the present peace and ultimate existence of free Republican government on this continent." In conclusion, he trusts the proceedings will be harmonious, the action wise, and that the results will be crowned with triumph."

The following despatch was received from the President:

"WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—To Hon. O. H. Browning and A. W. Randall: I thank you for your cheering and encouraging despatch. The finger of God is uncircling and will guide you safely through. The people must be trusted, and the country will be restored. My faith is unsought in ultimate success.

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### From Mexico.

#### NEW YORK, Aug. 15, P. M.

By the steamer *Liberty*, from Havana, later Mexican advices are in. The statement that the Emperor had reformed his ministry is correct. In a letter to the President of the old ministry, thanking him for his services, Maximilian explains that the change is made to secure unity and the pacification of the country, and says it is in harmony with the mission of the Empress, and demonstrates that the government acts in accord with its glorious allies. He then appeals for harmony of action among the people to sustain him.

Foreigners have been authorized to arm and protect themselves, when the police gives insufficient aid.

Guerillas over-run the country, committing many depredations.

### Northern Markets.

#### NEW YORK, Aug. 15, P. M.

Gold \$131. Five-twenty \$109. Seventy-thirties \$103. Ton-toties \$1013.

Cotton steady. Sales of 500 bales at 34@36 for middling.

Flour firm for Southern. Wheat 12@cts better.

Lard dull at 18@21. Groceries dull.

Turpentine dull, 68@70. Rosin unchanged.

Pardons—Freedmen's Bureau.

#### WASHINGTON, Aug. 15, P. M.

Very few pardons are applied for and such only granted by the President as come under the \$20,000 clause. Several of that class in Alabama and Georgia were pardoned to day.

Major Eldridge, on the staff of Gen. Howard, has made a report to the latter of his personal observations of the working of the Bureau in Alabama and Georgia. He says that more relations are being issued to the people than is at all necessary and recommends disconnection.

By the Cable—Yesterday's European News.

#### PARIS, Aug. 15, Noon.

It is reported, today, on good authority, that the French Government has abandoned the idea of extending the frontier of France by the annexation of certain German provinces on the Rhine.

#### BERLIN, Aug. 15, P. M.

A council of State is holding its sittings in this capital, and engaged in the consideration of the re-annexation of the States in Southern Germany to the German Confederation.

#### LONDON, Aug. 15, Noon.

Consols \$84 for money. U. S. 5-3/4's are quoted 62.

#### LONDON, Aug. 15, P. M.

The following are the official quotations on the Stock Exchange at the close of business, Consols 574 for money.

#### LIVERPOOL, Aug. 15, P. M.

Cotton market dull and prices rather higher. Sales to-day 13,000 bales middling uplands at 181 pence. Breadstuffs firm.

#### SOUTHERN MARKETS.

##### NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 15.

Cotton firm. Sales of 4100 bales low middlings at 32@33.

#### NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 15.

Gold \$148.

Sixty deaths from cholera in the last 24 hours.

#### PRINTS! PRINTS!!

##### ENGLISH AND AMERICAN PRINTS:

###### NEW PURCHASES FOR THE FALL.

###### W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO.

Aug. 15-16.

REMEMBER THAT W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO. WILL SOON GOOD GOODES AT MODERATE RATES FOR THE FALL.

3000 lbs. of cotton for Men, Women and Children will be in store this week. Cheaper than ever.

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