

The Herald of the Union.

Under many disadvantages THE HERALD OF THE UNION makes its first appearance. The sanction of the military authorities was conveyed to us last evening after our printers had retired to their homes for the night.

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating." If a daily journal is deserving of public patronage, the fact will very quickly become apparent. If THE HERALD OF THE UNION shall, in its subsequent issues, become what it is the design of its founders to make it—a live newspaper—it will be quite as valuable to the public as to the proprietors, and will require no laudatory notices to give it circulation.

The present are war times. In such times politics are criminal. One's country to-day stands foremost in the view of every patriot, as his God fills the largest place in the mind of every Christian. From the wreck and ruin of a cruel rebellion the stout arms and brave hearts of our valliant soldiers and sailors are rapidly restoring the old landmarks and re-erecting the old pillars that marked our once happy country. The wave of trouble which must visit all points that have been infected with the rebellion has broken over this city. The waters are receding. A few days more and the wonted quietness and peace will reign amongst us. The wave passes on, and rapidly is covering the entire infected territory to wash out the stain of secession. Then, when it shall pass, will prosperity and peace smile upon those other regions, and the blessed Union which we herald will be restored to the land. For the consummation of this good work we labor and pray. Whatever tends to this end constitutes a main plank in our political platform. The Union now and forever is our motto. Those who like our principles will patronise us. We want patronage from no others.

TERMS.

THE HERALD OF THE UNION will be furnished to regular subscribers at the rate of forty cents per week.

The trade will be supplied at a fair discount from this price by Mr. J. C. Tulley, at Cutter & French's establishment, South side of Front street, two doors East of Market street. All news dealers and agents will apply to Mr. Tulley.

The News.

Northern papers to the 21st, have been received by one or two parties in the city, but in the haste of getting up a paper last night we were unable to find them. We present, however, this morning a full compilation of the latest foreign news, of which that from Central and South America will be found very interesting. The speck of war that for a time lowered over a portion of the Southern Continent seems to have passed away. To Peru is accorded the title to the China Islands, of which Spain sought to despoil her, but, very singularly, Peru, thus being declared in the right in the controversy, that nation is required to foot the bills which Spain incurred in seeking to rob her.

England speaks, through her press, her views on the fall of Fort Fisher. The extracts we print will be read with interest.

The principal topic of domestic news is that relating to General Sherman's movements. Of this more was known in this city prior to its occupation by the National forces than has yet transpired at the North. It is certain that Sherman is pressing on in his relentless course, and that the rebellion has thus far been unable to raise an army sufficient to withstand him.

There are rumors afloat, brought by some mysterious underground telegraph, to the effect that Lee has evacuated Richmond. They are traceable to no more authentic source than stated above, and must, therefore, be received with much allowance.

Important to the Public.

Much inquiry has been made as to the duties expected of our citizens under the restoration of Union authority. We are happy to be able to afford our readers this morning full information upon the subject in the copy which we print elsewhere of General Schofield's order for the administration of affairs in Wilmington and vicinity, to which attention is directed.

THE LAST OF THE BLOCKADE RUNNERS.—An order of condemnation by default has been ordered by Judge Betts, in the United States District Court, against the steam blockade runners Stag and Charlotte, captured by Admiral Porter's fleet immediately after the fall of Fort Fisher.

THE PEACE QUESTION IN PROPER HANDS.—A staff officer of the Ninth Corps writes that as the rebel Peace Commissioners were being es-

corted out of our lines, one of them turned to Gen. Grant and said: "General, I am anxious to have peace, and I would be willing to leave the settlement to you and Gen. Lee." "Well," said Grant, "I propose to settle it with Lee this Summer."

THE EFFECT OF THE FALL OF FORT FISHER ON NASSAU.—The sealing of the port of Wilmington against the English Rebel blockade runners has been a fearful blow to the little town of Nassau, in New Providence Island, Bahamas. A correspondent informs us that complete stagnation in trade has suddenly succeeded to the great commercial activity which so lately prevailed there. In its harbor on the 3d inst., there were lying idle over thirty steamers and about a hundred sailing vessels recently engaged in the contraband trade with our Southern Rebels, and the warehouses are filled with goods for which there is now no market. The Rebel pirate Tallabasse, now called the Chameleon, was at Nassau in the beginning of this month, and the attention of the Governor had been called to her by the United States Consul. The United States gunboat Honduras arrived there on the 31st ult., and her commander asked permission to anchor in the harbor, but was refused.

PROFESSIONAL INCOMES.—The Independence "Belge" gives the following particulars of the amounts received by various artists as the results of single performances: Malibran at Drury Lane received £150 each night. The same price was paid to Lablache for two performances. Crisi at New York received £400 for one performance, and shortly after obtained £2,400 as the result of one night's entertainment in London. Tagliani received £150 for every performance at Hamburg, and at her second benefit at St. Petersburg she realized the extravagant sum of £8,160, in addition to the magnificent present of diamond ornaments made her by the Czar.

OBITUARY.—PROFESSOR BOND, THE ASTRONOMER.—Professor Bond, of Harvard University, died on the 17th inst., of consumption. He was about to receive honorable testimonials from the English National Academy.

DOUGLAS' GRAVE.—One branch of the Legislature of Illinois has passed a bill appropriating twenty-five thousand dollars for the purchase, on behalf of the State, of the grounds in which repose the remains of Stephen A. Douglas.

CONVICTED OF FRAUDS.—Franklin W. Smith, a Boston merchant, has been convicted by court martial of frauds in the quality of articles furnished to the Government, and sentenced to two years' imprisonment and twenty-five thousand dollars fine.

ONE MORE.—The Canada authorities have succeeded in arresting another of the Chesapeake pirates, named Sinus Seeley.

OFFICIAL.

HEADQ'RS, DEPARTMENT OF N. C., ARMY OF THE OHIO, Federal Point, N. C., Feb. 9th, 1865.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 1. In compliance with orders of the War Department, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the Department of North Carolina. Department head-quarters will be with the army in the field. The following staff officers are on duty at these head-quarters: Maj. J. A. Campbell, Assistant Adjutant General. Maj. Wm. M. Wherry, Aide-de-Camp. Capt. Wm. J. Twining; Capt. Wm. A. Lord. J. M. SCHOFIELD, Major-General.

HEADQ'RS DEPARTMENT OF N. C., ARMY OF THE OHIO, Federal Point, N. C., Feb. 16th, 1865.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 3. The following officers are assigned to duty as members of the Departmental Staff. Reports will be made and business transacted through them, in accordance with existing orders and regulations: Col. Geo. S. Dodge, Chief Quartermaster. Lt. Col. R. B. Treat, Acting Chief Commissary of Subsistence. Surgeon Edward Shippen, Acting Medical Director. Captain Wm. J. Twining, A. D. C., Chief Engineer.

By order of Maj. Gen. Schofield: J. A. CAMPBELL, Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQ'RS DEPARTMENT OF N. C., (ARMY OF THE OHIO,) Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 27, 1865.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 8. I. Provost Marshals in this Department will administer the oath of allegiance to such persons as come within the provisions of the Amnesty Proclamation of the President of the United States; provided they are satisfied that such persons desire in good faith to aid in restoring the national authority and that they take the oath of allegiance cheerfully and voluntarily. II. Reports will be made weekly to the Provost Marshal General, giving the name, age, and place of residence of every person who shall have subscribed to the oath of allegiance;—also of all other adult white persons residing within the jurisdiction of each Provost Marshal, together with such information as can be obtained touching the character and conduct of each individual. III. Persons of known disloyalty, and those who shall by their language or conduct manifest hostility to the Government of the United States, shall be sent beyond the lines of the army by an order from the Provost Marshal General, or be brought before

a Military Commission for trial and punishment, according to the nature of the offence.

IV. Officers authorized by law to appoint General Courts Martial are empowered to appoint Military Commissions, and to confirm and execute the sentences of such Commissions, with the same limitations as in the case of General Courts Martial.

V. Commercial intercourse within the limits of this Department will be governed strictly by the laws of the United States and the regulations of the Treasury Department; and will be limited to that which may be necessary to supply the wants of the loyal people residing within the lines of military occupation, and persons in the employ of the government. None but persons of undoubted loyalty and good character will be permitted to trade within the limits of the Department.

VI. Intercourse between towns occupied by the army and the surrounding country within the lines of military occupation, will be permitted, under regulations to be established by the Provost Marshal General, for the purpose of enabling the inhabitants to supply themselves with the necessaries of life.

VII. The loyal people of the country residing within the lines of the army, will be permitted to bring freely to market the products of their farms, and to receive in payment the currency of the United States. They will also be permitted to purchase family supplies from persons authorized to trade, upon permits granted by the local Provost Marshals.

VIII. Rail Roads and Telegraph lines are under special military protection. Any person who shall break, injure or in any manner interfere with their military use, or shall fire into any Rail Road train, or vessel navigating the waters of this Department, shall be punished with death, or otherwise, at the discretion of a Military Commission.

IX. The destruction of property, public or private, is a waste of the national wealth, and alike injurious to the people and to the Government. It is therefore to be avoided, except where military operations render it necessary. The highest Commander present must alone be the judge of such necessity.

X. The troops will be supplied with such of the products of the country, especially vegetables, as are necessary for their health and comfort. This must be done by the proper Staff Officers acting under the orders of the Division and Brigade Commanders.

XI. Straggling, and irregular foraging by individuals, are prohibited, and will be severely punished.

By command of Major General Schofield: J. A. CAMPBELL, Assistant Adjutant General.

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THEATRE.

By permission of the military authorities the Wilmington Theatre will be open this

TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 28, 1865. On which occasion will be presented the beautiful play, dramatised by Miss ELOISE BRIDGES, entitled,

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