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REBEL CONSISTENCY.

According to the unanimous voice of the southern press the doctrine of states rights has been considered as orthodox as any doctrine it was possible to teach under the forms of republican government. Slavery, the corner-stone of the confederacy, has been knocked away by the act of the rebel congress freeing and arming the negroes, and now another of the "peculiar institutions" of the south is threatened with a violent death. States rights, the common cause of the sacession of the states and the common bond of their provisional union in the confederacy, are now proving as powerful a disintegrator of the southern social system as the hosts of Grant. And even if the confederacy escapes the danger now, and if, by any miracle, its independence is established, no hope of perpetuity can remain while the heretical dectrine obtains. Listen to what the Richmond Dispatch says:-

Has not state sovereignty been the weakness of the carse? If, during the life and death struggle, with the compression of a common danger to bind and hold these states, this principle of state sovereignty was continually obtruding itself—exceeding that au hority entrusted to its keeping, and impairing, rather than aiding the common welfare, is it to be supposed, when peace returns, this principle of state sovereignty will permit the confederacy to exist one year? The conduct of certain states in their opposition to the laws passed for the organization of the army and the preservation of descipline, has caused many men to reconsider their longcherished doctrines of state sovereignty, and come to the conclusion that, while in theory it is beautiful and true, in fact and in practice it is utterly

THE FALL IN GOLD.

Gold fell as low as 1472 in New York on the 24th inst., but subsequently rallied and in the · evening was sold as high as 156.

The Rebel Blessings in Disguise.

The successive captures of Savannah, Chayleston and Wilmington, have been declared br Southern writers, to be blessings in disguise, because they necessitated a concentration of their forces which was essential to success .-With regard to inland fortified places, Napoleon first demonstrated that, unless of very large extent and important as strategic positions, such places must stand or fall with the general progress of the campaign. An army strong enough to operate upon the communications of a place, while it observes its garrison, with equal forces, must ensure its fall without siege operations. Yet, Napoleon expended no little time in the siege of Dresden, because of its peculiar strategetical position in reference to his proposed subsequent advances. In this war the truth of Napoleon's theory of operations has been demonstrated many times. The evacuation of Bowling Green when Donelson fell; the marches of Lee upon Pennsylvania, to secure the fall of Washington; the surrender of Port Hudson because Vicksburg fell; the evacuation of Savannah, when Sherman had closed all its gates but one, and established a sea base of operations by the capture of Fort McAllister; the fall of Charleston by Sherman's appearance at Columbia; and the surrender of Wilmington as soon as Schoffeld began to operate on the westerly tiank of its advanced defences; all these are illustrations of the principle just announced .-Had Savannah, Charleston and Wilmington been inland towns, it would have been, doubtless, true that the withdrawal of their garrisons to reinforce the fighting army would have been the true way to more firmly secure their ultimate possession. If Beauregard or Joe Johnston can defeat Sherman, and force him back to the coast, the enemy can re-occupy Columbia.

At his residence in this town, on the 29th instant, JAMES P. SHARPSTEEN, aged 43 years, a native of Washington Hollow, New York, but for the last fifteen years a resident of this place. Kingsville and Brauchville, and try to rebuild his railroad at his leisure. Even if he were to abanden Richmond, and were able, by so doing, to destroy Sherman, and afterwards to close the James river and operate in force upon Grant's communications with Washington, he would inevitably regain his capital.

But in applying, or pretending to have applied this principle, in the case of the seaports of the Atlantic coast, the enemy leaves out of the estimate a very important consideration .--To recover a position by such a manœuvre, it is necessary to achieve victory over the whole force operating to defend the place, be it army or navy or both combined. The harbors of our coast are especially favorably situated at the confluence of a number of large rivers, navigable to our iron-clad fleet. Thus, to carry New York from the land side, it would be necessary to control the Hudson and the Sound. So to recapture Wilmington, our monitors on Cape Fear river must be defeated as well as its gar-

rison. The possession of the Savannah and Ogeechee rivers are necessary for operations against Savannah, and the Ashby, Cooper, and Wando rivers, and the numerous inlets, must

be controlled to successfully attack Charleston. The abandonment of the seacoast by the enemy has, therefore, been very far from a repetition of the Napoleonic tactics. It has been a forced abandonment of all the resources he has been hitherto receiving through these channels from Europe; a permanent abandonment, without the faintest hope of recovery, unless some new iron-clad, like the Oncida or Stonewall, can defeat all our Monitors and destroy our ironclad fleet. This move is, furthermore, the surrender to us of an important series of bases of operations, admirably situated for controlling the zone of operations extending from the Blue Mountains to the Atlantic scaboard, and including Virginia and North and South Carolina. This may be to the rebels a blessing in disguise, but the disguise, at least, is of the most complete character .- Army and Navy Journal.

Our Military and Naval Power,

The government of the United States has now in the field an army of not less than five hundred and fifty thousand effective men-well equipped and supplied, officered well, and commanded by generals of first rate ability. This is the best military organization that the sun shines upon. The same government has a navy of fire hundred armed vessels-many of them of very great power-and manned by eighty or ninety thousand sailors. The only enemy that all this power is at present to be used against, is the already broken down rebellion, which has no navy, and no other power at all but its army, and that, at the utmost limit does not number more than one hundred and ten thousand men.

Every one who has the use of his reason can, therefore, see that the complete triemph of the national army is only a question of time; and of very short time, too; and that the United States government will soon be in a position, with the greater part of this power still in its hands to settle with other enemies beside domestic ones. Is it any wonder, then, that in England and France the relations of these countries with the United States is now a subject of much question-that a member of the French government should express the wish that our war might continue till both sides were completely ex hausted, and that the London Times should rgue upon England's power to fight us. Alacady they feel the future .- N. Y. Herald,

Raleigh to be Converted into a Hospital, [From the Richmond Sentinel, March 21.]

The Raleigh Confederate makes an appeal to the people and heads of families of that city to imitate the citizens of Richmond in throwing open their doors to receive, and their purses to sustain, the sick and wounded officers and soldiers whom the fate of war is bringing into that community. Persons of wealth are particularly called upon to step forward in the humane work. In Richmond, says the Confederaie, the community has opened its houses now for three years and more, and it will be a sad tale if Raleigh should fail to imitate the example.

One of Jeff, Davis' Horses Captured by Sherman, and to be Presented to President Line

[From the Richmond Dispatch, March 20.] The Arabian korse presented to Jeff. Davis by the Viceroy of Egypt, and brought over by a blockade-runner, and which was sent into the interior of North Carolina for safe keeping, has been capture! by Sherman's scouts, who announced their intention of sending it to President Lincoln,

The South Suffering from a Depression of

[From the Montgomery Mail.] Men of thought-men of speech-men of writing-men of action-all men who have their country's interest at stake, owe it to that, country to combat this disease of depression which is laying hold on the country and snapping the vitals of its power both at home and in the ar-

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DIED.

None will regret his death more than the large circle of his immediate acquaintances. Modest and unassuming, his virtues were not so widely spread as they should have been. Those who have been more intimately acquainted with him desire to testify that he was a friend indeed. Generous in all his transactions with his fellow man, he was beloved by all who knew him.

His remains will be carried to his native place for interment.

SPECIALNOTICES.

HEAD QUARIERS POST OF WILMINGTON,) · Wilmington, N. C., March 30th, 1865. General Orders No. 8 .- All persons are hereby for bidden to cut any wood or timber south of Smith's Creek, at the north end of the city.

By order of Bryt Brig. General Jos. C. ABBOTT. F. F. HUNTINGTON. Ist Lientenant and A. A. A. General. TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS

THEATRE.

Benefit of

Mr. Harry Watkins.

Friday Evening, March 31st, will be presented

THE PIONEER PATRIOT. Isabe! Carleton, Mrs H Watkins Jocko,.....Mr, H Watkins

To conclude with the Domestic broil entitled IT TAKES TWO TO QUARREL.

Admission. - Dress Circle, \$1 90; Parquette, 50 cents; Centre Gallery, \$1 00.

Doors open at 7. Cartain rise at 71/2 o'clock.

FOR SALE.

OUR HORSES for sale. Apply to J. T. Tully at Cutter & French's, Front street, near Market. March 31-tf

NOTICE.

TAVING sold out my Watch Repairing establishmentt , Mr. A. R. Beckerdite, who will continue the business on his own account, I respectfully ask from my friends and the pub'ic a continuance of the patremage heretofore bestowed.

Those having watches under repair will find Mr. Beckerdite at 36 Market street, store of T. J. Joh R. W. PATIEN. Wilmington, March 27th, 1865.

FOR SALE.

Y House and Lot, situated on Walnut street, my summer residence on Miiddle Sound; also, my plantation on the west-side of Brunswick river, known as the Belville Plantation. For further particulars apply to M. McINNIS. No. 16 North Water street.

WRAPPING PAPER,

FOR sale at

THIS OFFICE.

RUBBER GOODS,

OF ALL KINDS, at CUTTER & FRENCH'S.

FOR SALE.

Y House and Lot on Fifth street, between Mar-ket and Princess. Also, a complete lot of Household and Kitchen Furniture. On the premises are all necessary out-houses, kitchen, stables, &c -Lot 230 feet deep by fitty, feet wide, For further particulars enquire of the subscriber.

WM. KNOHL.

CONFECTIONERY,

FRESH from the Manufactory. For sale by CUTTER & FRENCH.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE DWELLING HOUSE situated corner 4th and Market streets. Also, my Household and Kitchen Furniture. JACOB LYON. March 30.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT, just received by

CUTTER & FRENCH.

OYSTERS.

FRESH Oysters, furnished by the gallon, for WEBB'S SALOON, No. 20, market street.

BUTTER, CHEESE, GROCERIES, SPICES, &c.

OWING to the fall in gold, will be sold cheap, at

CUTTER & FRENCH'S.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

HEAD QUARTERS, POST OF WILMINGTON,) Wilmington, N. C., March 29, 1865. General Orders No. 6 .- I. John Dawson, Esq., Mayor of Wilmington, is hereby authorized to take such measures as he may deem judicious in relation to the sanitary condition of the city of Wilmington. He is authorised to impress carts or drays for the purpose of drawing off rubbish or offal, to impress citizens or others, as in his judgment may be expedient, and compel those who are delinquent in cleaning their premises so to do, by imposing fines and penalties, which will be recognized and sustained at these Head Quarters.

Il. Mr. Paul McGrea', (citizen,) late Chief of Police of Wilmington, is hereby detailed and authorized to act as Assistant of Mayor Dawson, and will report to him for that purpose.

III . All carts and drays which may be found upon the streets, without a license from these Head Quarters, after April 4th next, will be seized and turned in to the Post Quartermaster.

IV. This service to be performed by citizens will be in addition to the regular military police under

By order of Bvt. Brig. Gen'l Jos. C. ABBOTT, F. F. HUNTINGTON, lst Lieut. & A. A. A. G.

HEADQ'RS DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA, ABMY OF THE OHIO, NEW-BERNE, N. C., March 15th, 1885. GENERAL ORDERS,)

From and after this date and until the 1st day of December next, no disinterments of bodies will be permitted in this Department.

By command of Major General Schofield. J. A. CAMPBELL, Assist. Adt. Gen. Official :- E. LEWIS MOOBE, Capt. and A. A. G,

HEAD Q'RS PORT OF WIMINGTON, Wilmineon, N. C., March 29, 1865. General Order No. 7-The officer of the day, officers of the guard, the provest guard, and the patrols, are hereby directed to arrest and examine the passes of all enlisted men found on the street saloons, stores, or private houses, either by night, and if any by day are without the pass of their regimental or detachment come (unless they are on duty), or if any in the shall be found in the streets without written from these Head Quarters, they will be at once mitted to the provest guard house.

By order of Brevet Brig. Gen'l Jos. C. Ana. F. F. HUNTINGTON 1st Lieut. and A. A. A

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF NORTH CARGO ARMY OF THE OHIO. NEW BERNE, N. C., March 17th, 1865. SPECIAL ORDERS,]

No. 30. 1X. In addition to his duties as Depot Courages Capt. F. G. Hentig, C. S., is assigned to care Chief Commissiry of Subsistance District of mington, and Post Commissary at Wilmington. He will report to the commanding G-neral

trict of Wilmington. . By command of Maj. Gen. Schofigle:

J. A. CAMPBELL Lieut. Col. and A. A. General OFFICE CRIEF COMMISSARY DISTRICT OF WILMING Wilmington, N C, March 25, 1165.

The following rules are hereby established for instruction of all persons having business with Commissary department,

CIRCULAR,)

The Brigades composing the garrisen of this Pas will draw rations through their brigade commission ry. All regiments and detachments not brights will draw from the post commissary direct on :

regular ration return. Issues to refugees will be made on orders from the post commander, and then the refugee ration are will be issued. It is not the intention of the govern ment to allow this class of persons to live in lucarand idleness, but merely to sustain life till such

time as they can help themselves Officers in charge of contraband camps will drav on the regular ration return, stating the numbers adults and children (under 14 years) separately the return and approved by the post commander.

Sales to officers will be made upon his restill a on honor that the articles purchased are ser his onuse for that of his mess. Sales to cit zens will be made only to those in government employ, and then a small quantities at government rates, transportation

Sales of whiskey will be made to officers univ. quantities of one gallon for thirty days, on the certificate of their regimental Surgeon that it necessary for medicinal purposes, and approved by the Post Commander. On account of the difficult in procuring beef cattle there will be no tre h beet sold or issued at present, except to hospitals

F. G. HENTIG. Capt. and Chief Commission District of Wilmin

HEAD Q'RS DISTRICT OF WILMINGTON, Wilmingt. n, N. C., March 20th, 1860. GENERAL URDERS,

No sale or transfer of corton, rosin or turpentin or of naval or military stores, or of captured abandoned personal property of any description, r. ferred to in the various acts of Congress and other of the War Department on these subjects, can bcarried into effect in 'this District, unless the who'transaction is submitted to the District Commander and the Treasury Agent. Until the proper authorties can be advised of the recent legislation of the gress, and receive instructions under it, or receive orders from the department commander, all siles, transfers, removal, or transactions of whatever description concerning said property. except such as are necessary to save it, are positively ferballen, no matter what may oe the assumed authoritybrought here from other parties.

Any person violating this order will be immedately put in clos 1 confinement, or summarily ejected from the District.

By order of Brig. Gen. Hawley: E. LEWIS MOORE, Capt. and A A. G.

TO CITIZENS.

As a necessary sanitary measure all grounds, par ticularly back yards, where matter detrimental : health is collected, will be cleansed at once. A persons occupying premises are hereby directed to cause them to be cleansed without delay. The fal and subbish which cannot be safely burned may be drawn without the immediate city limits. For this purpose, if necessary, all carts, wagons or lays may be temporarily impressed, and those not laving them can obtain them by applying to Lieut. S. S. Hicks, 6th Conn. Vols., at the Provost Marshall By order of

JOSEPH C. ABBOTT, Brevet Brig. Gen., Commanding Post. Wilmington, March 20th, 1865.

A CARD. New York, 505 Broadway.

March 1st, 1865. To my former friends and patrons of Wilmington, N. C., and surrounding Country:

Having located myself in this City, 1 am prepared to offer at our house, (Scott & Bald win, next building below "St. Nicholas."

Gents' Shirts, Drawers, Collars, Cravats, Ties. &c., &c., a full assortment of Furnishing Goods.

Ladies' Linen Under Garments of all kinds, beautifully made, accurately cut and of the best material-Linen, Cotton, Silk and Flannel. Also a complete assortment for Misses and Boys.

One hundred Girls work on the premises, and all garments made under the immediate supervision of the proprietors. Mrs. Wintle's Card appears in another column to which the attention of Ladies is directed. Respectfully,

March 1.

O. S. BALDWIN.

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