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PRESIDENT JOHNSON ON RECONSTRUCTION.

On Friday, the 28th ult., Gov. Morton, of Indiana, with a delegation from that state, waited on President Johnson, and addressed him on the state of the country. Gov. Morton, among other things, dwelt upon the question of adjustment, in which he condemned the doctrine of secession, suggested that the rebels were personally liable for their treason, and that there was no power to punish them collectively by reducing a state to a territorial condition, or declaring its municipal character forfeited. He declared that the state governments could not be destroyed by the acts of individuals, whether they were officers of that government or private citizens. These declarations seem to have incited President Johnson to a more complete enunciation of his views upon this matter than has yet been made by him. He declared his intention to punish treason in the same decided manner as heretofore. Upon the question of reconstruction, and how it was to be effected, he used the following significant language:—

Upon this idea of destroying states, my position has been heretofore well known, and I see no cause to change it now, and I am glad to hear its reiteration on the present occasion. Some are satisfied with the idea that the states are to be lost in territories and other divisions; are to lose their character as states. But their life breath has been only suspended, and it is a high constitutional obligation we have to secure each of these states in the possession and enjoyment of a republican form of government. A state may be in the government with a peculiar institution, and by the operation of rebellion lose that feature; but it was a state when it went into rebellion, and when it comes out without the institution, it is still a state.

I hold it as a solemn obligation in any one of these States where the rebel armies have been beaten back or expelled, I care not how small the number of union men, if enough to man the ship of state—I hold it, I say, a high duty to protect and secure to them a republican form of government. This is no new opinion. It is expressed in conformity with my understanding of the genius and theory of our government. Then in adjusting and putting the government upon its legs again, I think the progress of this work must pass into the hands of its friends. If a state is to be nursed until it again gets strength, it must be nursed by its friends, not smothered by its enemies.

The North Carolina Secretary of State Defining his Position. [From the Raleigh Progress, April 26.] RALEIGH, N. C., April 21.

Mr. Editor: In your issue of day before yesterday you wrote as follows: "In speaking of the flight of Governor Vance, we do not wish to be understood as censuring all state officers, &c. The gentlemen we have named (Surgeon General Warren; C. R. Thomas, secretary of state; C. H. Brogden, comptroller; and Mr. Worth treasurer,) we believe to be true, and we hope that they will make our predictions good by immediately assuming a bold and decided stand in favor of the Union. I do not think that those who have known me well since the beginning of the agitation of secession in North Carolina, have doubted where or how I stood politically. I have never been a secessionist. I have been a conservative, by whatever other party name we may have been designated.—But, sir, it is not my purpose to attempt my own political vindication now, and under surrounding circumstances I have no motive for doing so. It is a mortifying reflection upon conservative men to-day that some of us have acted, not only inconsistently, but against our judgment and convictions of right during the revolution. To every secessionist I would say: "Go and sin no more." To every conservative I would say, "come, let us do better." A great work is before us, at the close of this revolution. Domestic slavery ought to be, must be abolished at once and forever in North Carolina; and when this shall have been done, reconciliation will be quick and general, if not universal.—The abolition of slavery is a condition precedent to the settlement of our national difficulties upon any satisfactory and permanent basis. You and I, Mr. Editor, must take "a bold and decided stand in favor of" performing this condition. I do not wish to discuss the matter, but I am decidedly "in favor of the Union," and the re-establishing of the relations of North Carolina, freed from human slavery, with the federal government in the speediest way conformable with the Constitution and compatible with the dignity and character of the state. C. R. THOMAS.

DIED.

In this town, on the 10th inst., PIERRE, infant son of F. M. and J. Agostini, aged 7 months and 15 days.

On the afternoon of May 9, Mrs. E. E. GEORGE, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., in the 54th year of her age. For the past three years she has labored with untiring zeal both upon the field of battle and in the hospitals to ameliorate the sufferings of our sick and wounded soldiers. Upon the arrival of our paroled prisoners at this place she was assigned to duty at Camp Graham and Jackson Hospital. Here she contracted typhoid fever, from which she had so far recovered as to be able to walk about and ride out as she had frequently done, and it was while the writer of this article was at the office of Capt. Lamb obtaining transportation for her to go North, that she died instantaneously. F. KENT, Chaplain.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CONCORD CHAPTER NO. 1.

Companions: Assemble at the Lodge Room this (Thursday) night, 11th inst., at 7 1/2 o'clock, for work. By order of the M. E. H. P. A. PAUL REPTON, Sec'y. May 11th, 1865. 60-11

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS

THEATRE.

Sole Lessee and Manager,.....Mr. JOHN DAVIS.

SECOND NIGHT.

Thursday Evening May 11, 1865.

The Comedy of NAVAL ENGAGEMENTS.

SONG.....By A VOLUNTEER.

To conclude with the great farce of LOTTERY TICKET.

SEE SMALL BILLS.

Admission.—Dress Circle, \$1 00; Parquette, 50 cents; Colored Gallery, 25 cents.

DR. ALEX. R. MEDWAY

OFFERS his professional services to the inhabitants of Wilmington and surrounding country. A small stock of medicines on hand for family use. Office corner of Front and Dock streets. May 11th, 1865. 60-11*

GOOD NEWS---AT HOME AGAIN

THE subscriber respectfully announces that he will re-open the City (formerly Carolina) Hotel to-morrow (Wednesday) 10th inst., for the reception and accommodation of the public. Patronage solicited. No efforts spared to make guests comfortable. Charges moderate for the times. P. SHERWELL. Wilmington, May 9th, 1865. 59 12t

WANTED.

FURNISHED HOUSE, in a good location.—Good care taken of the furniture—no children in the family. Possession on or before June 1st. Apply at the POST OFFICE. May 10th 59-5t

FOR RENT.

THE House over the Store occupied by the subscriber on the North-east corner of Market and Second street, to rent until the 1st of October next. Apply to JOHN F. STOLTER. May 10th, 1865. 60-11

ATTRACTION! ATTRACTION!!

DO you want a good Picture? If so, lose no time in calling at Whitaker's Book Store and leave your orders for Madison & Co., who have every preparation for taking good likenesses. Portraits! Portraits!! May 9th, 1865. 61*

NOTICE.

ABOUT one month since there came to my cowpen on Masonboro's sound, a Brindle Cow with white belly and back; also her calf (red.) Mark, two sits in the under part of left ear, and one slit and half crop in under part of right ear. Any one calling and proving property and paying charges can have her. JOHN HEWLETT. May 8th-31*

JOHN A. BAKER, Attorney at Law.

Office 37 Market Street. (Near room of Willis' Drug Store.) Wilmington, N. C.

BAILEY IS ON HAND AGAIN.

(Opposite General Dodge's Office.) FURNISHES good meals, good beds, good cigars, &c., &c., at all hours. He has not yet "thrown the flag to the breeze" as he wants to raise a "breeze" for the flag. April 18-43t

RICE---RICE---RICE---RICE.

FRESH bent, in tierces, barrels and bags, Pea Nuts in bags. Family Flour in bags, Corn Meal and Hominy, Wheat bran and Rice dounce for Cows. At the Cape Fear Mills. ALEX. OLDHAM. April 25th, 1865. 48-10t*

FOR RENT.

TILL 1st October next, the residence on 2nd, between Chestnut and Princess streets, now occupied by Dr. W. W. Harris. Apply to HARRIS & HOWELL. Wilmington, May 6th, 1865. 11*

LOST---LOST.

LOST, somewhere between the corner of Dock and Front streets and Mr. Richard Turner's house, near the Railroad, between Third and Fourth streets, a double-cased detached lever Gold Watch, H. Rosslett, maker, Chaux de Ponds, No. 2961, gold hunting case anchor. Any person finding the same and bringing it to this office, will be suitably rewarded. May 4th-31*

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post Office at Wilmington May 9th, 1865. (Concluded.)

- M McCoy A C 2
Mott A F
Myers Chas D
Mohr C H
Morris B D
Murphy Benard P
Maller Charles
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Merley Carolina 2
Menecal Botsey
Mooney W P
Maler C
Mathews A W
McCabe Caroline
Murphy A T
Morgan Anney
Millen A L
Murphy Dotley
Mosher Fread S
McCombs Enoch 2
Morrison Emma D
Moore E F
Mitchell & Ellis
McAfee Davis J
Miller Fannie
Morse Emelmer
Mellin Ebin
Moneghan F
McCarty Daniel
McCarty Helen Mrs
Millenor Hiram M
Meares Gaston 2
Moore G W 2
Meoy Herten A Miss
Mone G G
McCartney Horace
Moore Geo H
Mote Hatie
Marine Ida Miss
Meeres Harriet Miss
Mebrekens G Mrs
Morgan Henry
Macye Hester Miss
Michels G W
Marsteller Geo D
McDonald Hugh
McCattin H
Muse Joel H
Myers Joshua
Mathews J M
Mescott John L
McLennan A Lewis
McRao J D
McCheney Josephine
Meway Louise
McLarkey John
Merrick Jane
Meier Joseph 2
Muse James B
Merurn J
Merender John
McKay John
Meyers Kate
McBride John
Mijlis John C
Moesick Lawrence
Merrick Jane
Nohagar Ann
Noctine Willis
Nelson Holmes K 2
Neais Ana
Nye Frank N
Orwing Samuel
Osterhaut Harry
Oates John G
Olmonor & Doize
Popie Aaron
Puwell Annie
Potter A S
Pery Charlott D
Phelps A D M
Parsley O G
Pounds Ana
Pardee Ben Col
Panceraat B B
Pettifoot C Miss
Price Catharine K
Payne Phesusus
Pollman E C
Potter Dr
Parr F G
Parmlee E K
Piver David 7
Pirse Elisabeth
Pickett Fan
Potter S A
Peck Harmon
Perison Geo W
Peterson Ishian
Park Isaac
Palfrey Geo
Patten Harriet
Pittills Geo
Padget Geo W
Perlock Geo
Plaine Helen
P. wers Julia
Phillips L D
Protzman John W 8
Potter L D
Petaway Lucy A
Queen David
Queen Nancy
Robinson Clarisa
Rounds A J
Reeves Amos
Robinson Alice
Roberts Alfred B
Russ Bricter
Reed Dora 2
Rendel David W
Ritter Elisabeth
Rounds Emanuel
Ravick F
Ringgold Benj
Ryans & Heddrick 2
Reynolds John A 2
Roberson Lucy
Short C
Scharwald Alace
Sikes Cathrine
Smith A
Sickenberger Adam
Sualles Clary
Spicer C A
Sampson Fanny
Marshall Joshua
Mooney James J
McGentz John
Maxwell John C
More Maggie
McLutys Mary E
McCarthy Maggie
Miller Mary S
Milly Melly
Moor Nancy
Merrick Margaret
Marines M E
McLarrens Neill
More Mary
McGreal Paul
Moore Mary 11
Mitchell Mary
McDuffie Mary
Madder Margaret
McIntyre Mary E
Maliss Williams
Mundell R
McCalet Mary
Maring Mary E
Miller Mollie S
Melvin Peter
McRackan Robt M M
Medan O
Moran R S Rev
Morgan R J
McLaughlin Patrick
Miller R
McDaniels Rachel
Menger Rov Mr
Maxwell R
McLaughlin Thomas
Murray Samuel B
McCabe S Mrs
Maple Thomas
Maxwell Thomas
Mints S S
Mayer Samuel
Martin Violet
Marks Thomas
McGilveray Piffer
Marrell Daniel
Marshburn Thomas
Meer Thomas F
Marco S
Murts Samuel S
Miller Susy
McNeil Sarah
Murphy Thomas Rue
Monroe S B
Marks Wm H
Munts Wm B
McKary S Williams
McLaurin Wm
More Willie
Males Wm P
McDode W H
McComick Wm
Marks Wm Mrs
Manuel W H
McNeal Wm
McGuier Wm
Martin Walter J 2
Nickles Daniel
Nugent Thomas
Newtown Andrews
Newbury Emelie
Ogelsby Betsy
Ochottell Lucy
Oswill Howard D
Orusby J C
Pough Jno H
Perry John A
Parker Lizzie
Pettaway J F
Protzman J W
Pettaway James 2
Potter John W
Penney L 2
Pettit Josh
Pummer James
Phillips Thomas
Potter John W
Parvey James C
Parker Wm M 2
Phillips C
Polley Mary
Pappen Mary
Parker Marna Wm
Parsley O G 2
Piat Pobert
Patten Robt
Pyne Robt
Pettit Robt Wm
Parker Urbanna 2
Petterway Salterway
Phillips Samuel
Potter Winnie A 2
Peden Wm N
Perdrick Wm 2
Poper W P
Perkins Wm B
Phillips Susie W
Pudam Wm
Peden Wm Col
Queen A
Rochivn Lewis
Ryan James H
Russ K
Roberson James R
Ricks Julia S
Radliffe M A
Ratcliff Mary J
Russell Mary F
Bisley R A
Rechman Rosa
Ricketts R C
Robbins Sarah
Robbotts Sam
Rice Wm
Rhoads Wm
Stevens Jackson
Savage J Y
Sibest J
Sigley John P
Sabin James B
Schuyler John
Spence John
Shook J P

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Smith John C
Sharp Ben M
Sneetser Chas M
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Sterling Amanda E
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Stebbs Dr
Samson Fannie
Sintas F C
Seebeck Fred
Sampson Francis
Shaw Ed Col
Stevens James
Sherward E F
Smith Elias
Smith John W
Stanton D
Stanton Fred
Sceekers Elisy
Sylvester E
Sigley John
Stone Erar
Scull Daniel P
Stevens E
Sampson Elisabeth
Sampson Fannie J
Starkweather Frances
Sampson Luoy
Smith H
Seaton George C
Sears Harriet A
Shelley Henry C
Sack Henry C
Smith Henry P
Short H M
Selph Henry
Sneet Geo M
Snow Isaac
Smith Harriet
Starrett Geo D
Suthermer Jacob
Savage John T
Sigmonds John G
Simons Jobu H
Soell James
Sterrett John B
Sawser Josueba
Stocklan John F
Surlis Julia
Stricklan L
Shauchomb John N
Sampson James H
Stanton James
Todd Anna Jane
Tienken C
Tenney Bridget
Thally David
Thompson Edwin
Trevy Emma L
Tyler Geo M 4
Tilley Lucy
Tabaut Jane
Taylor John
Turner John
Verney James W
VanBurdick A
Voss Katharina
Vanness W W
Wolf Aaron H
Wilderson Chas E
Wilkins Caroline
Willbre Jane C
Willan C M
Wetch Benj
Wetnam B
Wilson Chas M
Williams Ann E
Waters Chas
Williams Annie E
Williams Caroline
Woodle Bright
Wright Catharine
Wines Cate C
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Whitley Silas
West David
Wolcott F E 2
Wells Elender
Wiseman T M
White Wm F
Welborn Emley M 2
Williams James
Walker E A Miss
Walker Elizabeth
Wise Daniel L
Wadsworth Daniel P
Wilcox David
Washington E Mrs
Willis Elijah
Walkers Edward
Walker E A
Williamson Eliza
Whitehead Eliza Miss
Winton Henry L
Williams Isabel
Webb Harry
Williams Hennifer
Willets H B
Williams Hannah
Williams Isabel Miss
Webster George
Williams G W
Webb H 2
Watkins H
Walker Geo
Williams George W
Williams Henry A
White Henry
Willmer Isabel
Welch James
Wright Joshua G 2
Williams James
Walker John 2
Whitman James
White John
Whelock J W
Wallace J T
Wiggin Lytie
Yate John
Young Catherine
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