

THE COMMERCIAL.

NEWBERN, N. C., APRIL 21, 1866.

The Press and Ourselves.

We cannot avoid thanking the craft generally for the very handsome manner in which they have noticed our return to the onerous labors of the press; and it gives us unfeigned pleasure to know, that over several years of intercourse with them, which have been marked by bitter political contests and stirring and starting and distressing revolution, and by many little personal squabbles, we have been fortunate enough to retain their friendly feeling and good opinion—with few unworthy exceptions. We heartily thank our cotemporaries, and beg to assure them that the feeling is reciprocal. To the new members of the press we extend the right hand of fellowship, and wish them, in conjunction with the old, happiness and prosperity.

The following are a few of the notices we have received. They are taken at random. Many more have escaped our eye or been misplaced. We commence with one from an esteemed friend, perhaps the ablest editor in the State, certainly one of the ablest editors of this or any other State—a noble-hearted, right-thinking, firm, honest man. We allude to the late lamented JAMES FULTON, of the Wilmington Journal. We knew him long and intimately, and all we knew of him was good. He was human, and therefore had his frailties; and we believe the Book of Life will be found blotted by angels' tears where his frailties or his faults are on record. We spent the last month of the days of the Confederacy with him, under circumstances we shall never forget. Alas! we little thought when last we shook him by the hand and looked into his face, that we should never see him more. God keep his memory green! The following notice was written last November, when our present enterprise was first mooted:

[From the Wilmington Journal, Nov. 8, 1865.]

GLAD TO SEE IT.—The Goldboro' News understands that in the course of a few weeks the State Journal will be revived by its old editor and proprietor, John Spelman, Esq., at Newbern, N. C. Mr. Spelman is an experienced publisher and an editor possessing both talent and taste. He is besides one of the cleverest gentlemen we know of anywhere, and is bound to succeed. If he don't, we do not know who deserves to succeed. He has our best wishes.

[From the Charlotte Guardian.]

THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL is the title of a neat and well printed daily just started in Newbern, N. C., by Mr. John Spelman, an old veteran of the editorial quill. It presents the usual vim and excellent qualities of its editor—be not having become rusty from his long absence from the chair editorial. Success to it.

[From the Goldboro' News.]

THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—To the kindness of the Agent of the National Express Company we are indebted for a copy of the Commercial, just issued in Newbern. Mr. Spelman's competency to edit, and publish a readable journal is too well known to require a word to be said in his favor. The copy before us is evidence that the editorial harness, laid aside by him for more than twelve months, still fits him, and that he still gracefully wields the weapon of the craft—a trenchant pen.

[From the Tarboro' Southerner.]

A NEW PAPER IN NEWBERN, N. C.—We have received numbers one and two of the "Daily Commercial," published at Newbern, by John Spelman, Esq. Mr. Spelman is so well known through the State as an able editor, that it is unnecessary for us to say more than we welcome the Commercial to our exchange list, and shall look for its daily visits with a great deal of interest. We predict a large circulation for the Commercial, and extended influence.

[From the Wilson North Carolinian.]

The first number of the Commercial, published at Newbern, N. C., by Mr. John Spelman, Editor and Proprietor, reached us this morning. The Commercial is well printed on fine white paper, and is filled with interesting and valuable reading matter. Mr. Spelman is well known throughout the State as former editor of the State Journal of Raleigh. We bespeak for the Commercial a large patronage, and hope that it will equal the anticipations of its friends.

[From the Newbern Times.]

THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—This new candidate for popular favor made its appearance yesterday morning. It is edited by Mr. John Spelman, a gentleman who has long worked in the press. His editorial masterpieces evince much ability, and the selections are chaste and interesting. In welcoming our cotemporary, we cannot but quote from the opening leader a paragraph or two, to show the views which will be advocated by the Commercial. We certainly hope Mr. Spelman will make his enterprise a most successful one.

[From the Salem Press.]

DAILY NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—We have received the first number of the Daily Newbern Commercial, by John Spelman, Esq. The Commercial makes a neat appearance, and promises to be a spirited and well conducted paper. Persons wishing to subscribe for a Newbern paper, would do well to remit \$8 for twelve months, or \$4 for six months for the daily, or \$2 per annum for the weekly. Success.

[From the Salisbury Old North State.]

THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—We have received the two first numbers of this paper, published at Newbern by John Spelman. The Commercial presents a neat appearance, and Mr. Spelman is an editor of much experience.

[From the Wilmington Journal.]

THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—We have received two numbers of this paper, edited by Mr. John Spelman, long and well known in connection with the press in this State. The Commercial makes a neat appearance, and its editorials evince much talent. We place it on our exchange list, and cheerfully recommend it to the public. We sincerely hope Mr. Spelman will meet with that success he will undoubtedly merit.

[From the Salisbury Union Banner.]

DAILY NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—This is the name of a handsome daily just started at Newbern, N. C., by John Spelman, Esq. It is

of good size, well printed, and as Mr. Spelman's ability as a writer is well known, we need not say it will be well conducted. Price per annum for the daily, \$8; weekly, \$2.

[From the Raleigh Sentinel.]  
NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—We are in receipt of this spirited daily, just established in Newbern, by John Spelman, Esq. Its appearance is good, and its columns are filled with interesting original and selected matter. We wish the Commercial all success.

[From the Norfolk Virginian.]

THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL.—We have received the first number of this new daily, with the well-known name of Mr. John Spelman at the head of its editorial staff. This, of itself, would be a sufficient assurance of the success of the enterprise, but the admirable leader in which he discusses the present aspect of affairs shows us that the Commercial will prove a vigorous and able advocate of the great principles involved in the present contest. Its support of the President's policy rests upon grounds which are well taken and thoughtfully considered, and will be that of honest patriotism, rather than partisan zeal.

[From the Petersburg, (Va.) Index.]

BEG PARDON OF THE NEWBERN COMMERCIAL (an excellent paper just started in that emporium) for not sending him the Index before. He shall have no cause of complaint hereafter. Wish you health, prosperity and stamps, Mr. Commercial.

Appropos, the Commercial says: The editor of the New York Herald has our thanks for his courtesy.

We congratulate our Newbern cotemporary on his success in breaking down a rule which has obtained in the Herald office for years, to decline exchanges.

The Newbern Commercial, we are happy to inform our cotemporaries and the public generally, is already a success. Our subscription list is rapidly increasing, and will shortly, we think, be the largest in the State, and our advertising patronage is widening rapidly. But our chief success, that on which we most pride ourselves, and that which repays us for the heavy toil we undergo, is in securing the approval and the endorsement of all good men, whether from the North, the West, the East or the South, in the course, as a journalist, we have thus far pursued. Our course has now been taken, very plainly as we think, and from it we will not be driven by any consideration of personal or pecuniary injury or advantage. In conclusion, we ask the co-operation of our friends everywhere in extending our circulation, and in enabling us to make our paper more acceptable and useful. See our terms at the head of our paper.

Washington Items.

THE LAST RECONSTRUCTION PLAN.—Section one provides that on and after the 4th of July, 1876, there shall be no discrimination in the United States on account of color; but that all male citizens of the age of twenty-one years shall be legal voters at all elections, Federal and State.

Section two provides that, for the period of ten years from the 4th of July next, representation in Congress and electoral votes for President and Vice-President shall be apportioned according to the number of legal voters in the respective States, and after that period by population, as at present.

Section three declares that there shall be no discrimination of civil rights from and after the passage of this amendment—affirming, in effect, the constitutionality of the Civil Rights Bill.

Section four provides that no obligations or liabilities incurred in aid of the rebellion, or compensation for slaves emancipated by military authority, shall be paid by the United States or any State.

To the foregoing is attached an enabling act, which provides that when any one of the States late in insurrection shall have ratified the foregoing amendments, and changed their constitutions and laws to correspond therewith, they shall be allowed to participate in legislation and their representatives be allowed to take their seats in Congress, without any other terms or provisions.

While the leading radicals in Congress have not committed themselves to this project, it is favorably regarded and is receiving serious thought.—Correspondent Philadelphia Ledger.

MASONIC.—This afternoon, the Supreme Council, thirty-third degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite of Masonry for the southern jurisdiction of the United States, convened in the Masonic Hall and proceeded to organize. The Council is attended by prominent Masons from all parts of the country, among whom are Albert Pike, of Missouri; W. S. Rockwell, Georgia; A. T. C. Pierson, of Minnesota; Giles M. Hillyer, of Mississippi; Dr. A. S. Mackey, of Charleston, S. C., and Major G. A. Schwartzman, formerly of this city, but now of Richmond, and will, it is probable, be in session several days. The session will be an interesting one.—Star.

THE COOLEST THING YET.—About the most refreshingly icy thing of this muggy weather was the proposal of Mr. Stevens, in the House to-day, for that body to take stock in the Washington Morning Chronicle. The House couldn't exactly stand the dose, and, in this instance at least, failed to "follow my leader."—ib.

The cotton and woolen manufactory in the Penitentiary of Texas, instead of finding any difficulty in disposing of its goods, cannot even complete its Texas orders, its prices ranging from three to ten cents per yard under those of articles brought from the North.

The Franchise bill has passed the House of the Tennessee Legislature by a vote of forty-one to fifteen. The bill will go to the Senate, and will probably soon become a law. The bill disfranchises those who participated in the rebellion, and prohibits them from holding office.

LATEST BY MAIL. THE FENIAN MOVEMENT.

The Neutrality Laws to be Strictly Enforced. MOVEMENTS OF TROOPS AND SHIPS OF WAR.

From the N. Y. Herald of the 18th, we collect the following Fenian items:

General Meade and his staff left Philadelphia for Eastport yesterday, it is supposed for some purpose in connection with the Fenian movements going on there. The naval squadron for duty among the fisheries has been determined upon at Washington, and is to consist of seven vessels, mounting in all fifty guns, to be commanded by an acting rear admiral. They are to rendezvous at Eastport by the 30th inst., and remain there until the Fenian excitement has subsided. They will then proceed to the fishing grounds on the North American coast. The authorities at Washington have forwarded instructions to Eastport to enforce strictly the neutrality laws. A schooner with arms aboard for Killian, was seized by the Custom House officers there, but immediately released. Mr. Killian is reported as having said that there is no intention of invading the provinces. Fenians still arrive in large bodies. In New Brunswick the excitement still continues. The British ship Simoon, with a battalion of regulars, arrived at St. Johns yesterday; six hundred more are expected to-day at St. Stephens and St. Andrews, besides two companies of artillery and a company of engineers. It is thought the new government will suspend the writ of habeas corpus.

The trial at Cornwall is still conducted with closed doors. The volunteers are to be retained until the trials are over.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate on the 17th. A resolution was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs directing the Secretary of War to change the names of forts and arsenals now called after prominent rebels. The motion to reconsider the vote refusing admission to Colorado Territory was taken up, but no action taken thereon. The Habeas Corpus bill was postponed.

In the House the bill to reorganize and establish the army was under consideration, the pending question being on the motion to amend the fourth section by striking out that portion relating to Veteran Reserve corps. The debate on the subject lasted over two hours, and the vote being taken the motion was lost by a vote of 84 to 30. A motion to repeal all acts authorizing the organization of colored troops was lost.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Judge Ingraham has decided relative to the claims of Morris, Ketchum & Co., on the New York and New Haven Railroad Company as to the latter's responsibility for the fraudulent issue of stock by Robert Schuyler. The decision is, "judgment for defendants against the plaintiffs for \$100,576 65, with interest on \$54,834 66, from April 10, 1866, and costs."

Captain Ezra Nye, one of the first steamship captains in the Collins line of Atlantic steamers, died in Newark yesterday at noon. He it was who rescued the passengers of the wrecked ship Jessie Stephens, in 1854.

The researches made for oil in Cuba have proved successful, the whole island being nearly one digging. The oil is the same, as found by analysis, as the Pennsylvania petroleum.

In Boston the keeper of a tobacco store, who was detected setting fire to his premises on Monday night, attempted his own life, ineffectually, however.

Several cases of disease supposed to be ship fever have been discovered in Brooklyn, E. D., by which several deaths have occurred.

The Union Pacific Railroad is now being laid at the rate of a mile a day in Nevada Territory.

Reports from Texas state that the crops in that State this year will be the largest ever raised.

The report of Ole Bull's death is contradicted.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.—THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION DOES NOT REMOVE MARTIAL LAW.

Washington, April 17.—The following appears in the Southern papers:

War Department, Washington, D. C., April 9, 1866.—Brevet Major General M. Brannan, Augusta; The Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees and Freedmen, &c., for the State of Georgia, having inquired whether the President's proclamation removes martial law, and stated that the department commander does not feel authorized to arrest parties who have committed outrages on freed people or Union refugees, the Secretary of War, with the approval of the President, directs me to inform you that the President's proclamation does not remove martial law, or operate in any way upon the Freedmen's Bureau in the exercise of its legitimate jurisdiction. It is not expedient, however, to resort to military tribunals in any case where justice can be attained through the medium of civil authority.

E. D. TOWNSEND, Assistant Adjutant General.

It is said that the price of printing paper is declining. The rates for sometime past have been ruinous. Many newspapers would have had to suspend, if the prices had kept up.

PRIMROSE AND DILLINGHAM, Druggists.

POLLOK STREET, OPPOSITE THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Keep constantly on hand, A FULL SUPPLY OF DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEMICALS, PERFUMERY, PAINTS, OILS, DYE STUFFS, GARDEN SEEDS, AND ALL THE Leading Patent Medicines.

DR. R. S. PRIMROSE, J. P. DILLINGHAM. April 3. 1-tf

Hegeman & Co.'s FERRATED ELIXIR OF BARK, THE BEST TONIC KNOWN. For sale by PRIMROSE & DILLINGHAM. April 3. 1-tf

GILBERT'S PILE INSTRUMENTS, A SURE CURE FOR PILES. FOR SALE BY PRIMROSE & DILLINGHAM. April 3. 1-tf

Preparations FOR THE HAIR. Hall's Hair Renewer, Sterling's Ambrosia, Phalon's Hair Invigorator, Chevalier's Life for the Hair, Tricopherous, Lyon's Kathairon, Burnett's Cocaine, Mrs. Allen's Hair Restorer, FOR SALE BY PRIMROSE & DILLINGHAM. April 3. 1-tf

AYERS' MEDICINES, Ayres' Ague Cure, Ayres' Sarsaparilla, Ayres' Pills, Ayres' Cherry Pectoral, FOR SALE BY PRIMROSE & DILLINGHAM. April 3. 1-tf

DISOSWAY, GUION & CO. BROKERS, Dealers in Exchange, &c., OFFICE ON Middle St., 1 Door North of Pollok, NEWBERN, N. C. April 5. 3-tf

T. J. MITCHELL, GEO. ALLEN, D. T. CARRAWAY, NORTH CAROLINA

Agricultural House AND HARDWARE STORE,

22 Pollok Street, Newbern. 29 North Water St., Wilmington. AGENTS FOR EVANS & WATSON'S

Fire and Burglar Proof Safes, Fairbank's Scales, R. HOE & Co's CIRCULAR SAWS, Leather & Rubber Belting, &c., &c., &c. INVITE ATTENTION TO THEIR LARGE STOCK. April 3. 1-3m

Tiddy, Fleming & Co., R. N. TIDDY, J. E. FLEMING, S. F. FULFORD, LYLE NELSON. SUCCESSORS TO HOUGH & CO., NEWBERN, N. C. WHOLESALE GROCERS, AND Tiddy, Hutchison & Co., GENERAL Shipping & Commission Merchants, Cor. of South Front and Middle Sts., Newbern, N. C. General Insurance Agents, for Fire, Marine, Inland, and Life Insurance Companies. Ample storage room for Cotton and all Produce consigned to our care. April 3. 1-tf

J. & M. Patterson & Co., WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS IN CROCKERY, BOOTS & SHOES, HATS & CAPS, FURNITURE, HARDWARE, STOVES, TINWARE, &c. —ALSO— COMMISSION MERCHANTS. Liberal advances made on Cotton, Naval Stores, and any articles of Produce. MIDDLE STREET, BETWEEN SOUTH FRONT AND POLLOK. April 3. 1-tf

GEO. F. DARDEN, WATCH MAKER, NEWBERN, N. C. I TAKE THIS METHOD OF INFORMING my friends and the public generally, that I am now prosecuting my old business in all its branches. All work entrusted to me will be faithfully attended to and warranted. April 3.-1m GEORGE F. DARDEN.

FOR SALE. ON Ocracoke Island, a HOUSE AND LOT, with the necessary out houses, in good order. The building is one and one half stories high, and contains five rooms. The lot contains two and one half acres, has a fine water front, a good wharf, and altogether it is a delightful summer resort. Also, a TURPENTINE FARM in Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 6,000 acres, one half in Round Pine, and the other half newly cut. It contains a beautiful Mill Seat, the river dividing the land equally three miles from its mouth. For further particulars apply to J. L. BROWN, Washington, N. C. or HAVENS & LATHAM, Newbern. April 6. 4-1m

JOHN D. FLANNERY, SHIPPING AND COMMISSION MERCHANT, OLD COUNTY WHARF, Newbern, N. C. AGENCY OF THE PEOPLE'S LINE OF STEAMERS AT THIS OFFICE. April 5.

FOR SALE. 2,000 BUSHELS EXTRA FINE Cotton Seed, suitable for planting, just received and for sale by J. D. FLANNERY. April 5.—3tf

FOR SALE. 10 CASES CHAMPAGNE, 5 cases St. Domingo Brandy, 5 cases St. Domingo Brandy, 5 cases Imperial Arrack Punch, 5 cases Gin Cocktail. On consignment, at J. D. FLANNERY. April 5.

FOR SALE. 40 BOXES CHEWING TOBACCO in brands, at J. D. FLANNERY. April 5.

North Carolina Whiskey BBLs. NORTH CAROLINA Whiskey just received and for sale by J. D. FLANNERY. April 5.—3 tf

FOR SALE.—200 SACKS SALT, 20 Coils Bagging Rope, 2 Bales White Blankets, For sale by J. D. FLANNERY. April 5.

COAL.—500 TONS RED ASH of grade size, for sale by J. D. FLANNERY. April 5.—3-tf

JOHN J. SCHILLINGER, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Wines, Liquors, Ales, Lager Beers, of best quality at the very lowest rates. MIDDLE STREET, FOURTH DOOR ABOVE POLLOK. Orders promptly attended to. April 3

Wm. H. Oliver & Co., GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Newbern, N. C. March 31, 1866.

A CEMETERY FOR CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS. A CARD. NEWBERN, N. C., APRIL 18, 1866. I beg to call the attention of our countrymen, who feel an interest in the following appeal:

"THE STONEWALL CEMETERY—AN APPEAL TO THE NORTH CAROLINIANS. In and around the city of Winchester, Virginia, there occurred during the late seven or eight pitched battles, and some skirmishes. Within an area of twelve acres around Winchester, there are scattered and ten thousand Confederate soldiers. A large number of our dead were what is known as the old Episcopal cemetery and many were buried in the New City. The citizens of Winchester were called upon to bury those who were killed in battle from disease in the city, were decently interred, but their graves were marked and numbered, and entered in charts still in preservation for reference. Of that number, there were many that they were unable to identify, and want of marks on their clothing or papers because of their delirious condition by disease or wounds. Still they all are a christian burial. But there are thousands who were on the field where they fell. Some were buried by their friends or comrades, carefully marked their graves. Some were buried in haste, either by the citizens or the federal soldiers. Coffins were scarcely under the ground, and in some instances their bodies were buried in the earth, and leaves exposed the remains of our dead who were buried in this city. The ladies of Winchester have petitioned the city, to be allowed to purchase the land near the city, to be used under the name and style of "The Stone Wall Cemetery," and to be used as a repository for the remains of the Confederate soldiers whose remains are scattered over the battle fields around that city. Separate burials are reserved for each State, and in the city of the cemetery—which is to be the object of attraction—a special lot is reserved for the Confederate soldiers.

In a recent visit to Winchester, the object of this article learned from a Confederate soldier, that there are more North Carolinians sleeping in soldiers graves in and around Winchester than the representatives of any other Confederate State. The North Carolinians have an enviable reputation for their gallantry and prowess. Their ancestors did in the war of 1776, greatly mistaken, all our citizens of this State will feel it a privilege to be associated to a cause so magnanimous. It is requested, therefore, that all North Carolinians will consider this appeal presented to them, and respond with their liberality which is their chief characteristic. Steps are being taken to have the federal dead properly cared for, and our cause was lost, shall we be less than our gallant soldiers? Whatever may be said about the fact which we fought, one fact is patent, a soldier respects a brave enemy, and our soldiers respect the Confederate soldiers who fell for their gallant. They could not be mindful of our dead. I have been requested to solicit the co-operation of the citizens of this State in the humane and commendable enterprise proposed. Let all those who have a respect for the memory of our heroes, and who would save their own honor and their ashes from being scattered in the wind, to be decent and orderly interments in a cemetery, adorned and ornamented as they are, to that purpose exclusively. All contributions forwarded to me will be duly acknowledged, and the names of those who have contributed to the accomplishment of this noble and patriotic enterprise, which they are intended. NANNIE